

Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study to Widen Western Beltway (SR 429) from North of Interstate 4 to Seidel Road FPID: 446164-1, Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM) Number: 14446



PD&E STUDY TO WIDEN WESTERN BELTWAY (SR 429)

Newsletter 3 – November 2022

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PUBLIC HEARING ANNOUNCEMENT

You are invited to a Public Hearing for the widening of the Western Beltway (SR 429) from north of Interstate 4 (I-4) to Seidel Road (Milepost 1 - 11) in Osceola and Orange Counties. There are three participation options to select from:

- □ OPTION 1: Virtual/Online via a computer, tablet or smartphone on December 6, 2022
- □ OPTION 2: By telephone in listen-only mode on December 6, 2022

□ OPTION 3: In-Person on December 7, 2022

Please visit the project website, www.SR429I-4toSeidel.com to register for the Public Hearing and to select your desired participation option. **Please note that registration works best in Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, or Firefox web browser.** The same material will be presented in each participation option. Please contact the Project Manager for assistance registering.

PUBLIC HEARING MATERIALS

All materials that will be on display at the in-person location will be available for review by November 15, 2022, on the project website, www.SR429l-4toSeidel.com, in the Public Hearing Exhibit Room. A recording of the entire Public Hearing will be posted to the project website within three days of the hearing.

PROJECT MANAGER'S CONTACT INFORMATION:

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OPTION 1: VIRTUAL/ONLINE - Tuesday, December 6, 2022 (5:30 p.m.)

Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email including instructions on how to join the Public Hearing online. During registration you will be asked if you want to make a verbal statement during the formal comment period. If you desire to make a verbal statement, your microphone will be unmuted by the hearing moderator at the appropriate time. Any questions will be answered following the formal comment period. We are using the GoToWebinar platform for the online option. Please review the Public Hearing exhibits on the project website in advance of the Public Hearing. The Public Hearing webinar will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a formal presentation and informational video followed by the formal comment period. For technical assistance during the webinar, please contact TPKMeetingSupport@dot.state.fl.us.

OPTION 2: BY TELEPHONE - Tuesday, December 6, 2022 (5:30 p.m.)

To join the Public Hearing in listen-only mode, please call 1 (914) 614-3221 and enter access code 280-307-429. Please review the Public Hearing exhibits on the project website in advance of the hearing. The line will open at 5:30 p.m. with a formal presentation and informational video followed by the formal comment period, which is limited to statements only. Any questions will be answered outside of the formal comment period. You can provide comments directly to the Project Manager, Michael Leo, before or after the Public Hearing.

OPTION 3: IN-PERSON – Wednesday, December 7, 2022 (5:30 p.m.)

You may participate in-person at the **AdventHealth Nicholson Center**, **404 Celebration Place**, **Celebration**, **Florida 34747**. During registration, you will be asked if you want to make a verbal statement during the public comment period; you can also request to speak at the venue. If you desire to make a verbal statement, you will be called to a microphone by the hearing moderator at the appropriate time. Any questions will be answered outside of the Public Hearing's formal comment period. You will also be able to provide your verbal statements directly to a court reporter. The doors will open at 5:30 p.m. for review of the presentation boards and project documents. The formal Public Hearing will begin at 6:00 p.m. followed by the formal comment period.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

The proposed improvements include widening the Western Beltway (SR 429) from north of I-4 to Seidel Road, Mile Post (MP) 1 to MP 11, from four lanes to eight lanes. Improvements to the existing interchanges at Sinclair Road (MP 1), US 192/SR 530 (MP 6), Western Way (MP 8), and Seidel Road (MP 11) are proposed. Additionally, a new interchange is proposed at an extended Livingston Road.

PROJECT DOCUMENTS

Draft project documents are available for public review beginning November 15, 2022 through December 21, 2022 at the following locations:

West Osceola Branch Library

305 Campus Street

Celebration, Florida 34747

Monday – Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.;

Friday – Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.;

Sunday: 12:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

Windermere Library

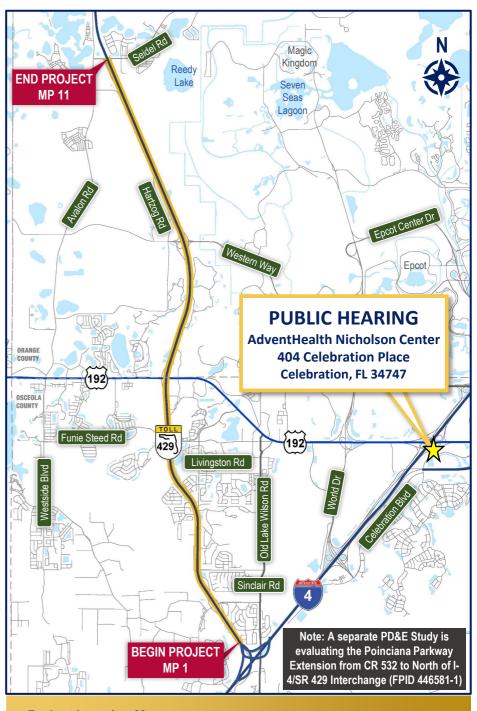
530 Main Street

Windermere, Florida 34786

Monday - Thursday: 10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.;

Friday – Saturday: 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Draft project documents will also be available on the project website (www.SR429I-4toSeidel.com) and at the in-person Public Hearing.



Project Location Map

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

The formal comment period at the Public Hearing is reserved for statements only. Any questions will be answered either before or after the Public Hearing's formal comment period. Persons wishing to submit written or verbal statements may do so at the hearing or may contact the Project Manager, Michael Leo. All statements provided, or postmarked, on or before **December 21, 2022**, will become a part of the Public Hearing record.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Michael Leo at least seven days prior to the Public Hearing. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1(800)955-8771 (TDD) or 1(800)955-8770 (Voice).

