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### Public Kickoff Meeting Notice

*Florida's Turnpike Enterprise to Host Public Kickoff Meeting for the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for Central Polk Parkway East from US 17/92 to Poinciana Connector (SR 538) in Polk County*

**OCOEE, Fla.** – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Florida's Turnpike Enterprise will hold a Public Kickoff Meeting for the **Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for Central Polk Parkway East from US 17/92, south of the Power Line Road extension, to the future Poinciana Connector (SR 538) in Polk County (Financial Project Identification Number 451419-1).**

**The Public Kickoff Meeting will be held at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, December 10, 2024 (virtual), and from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, December 11, 2024 (in-person).**

Interested persons may participate in the meeting in the following ways:

- 1) Virtually from a computer, tablet, or phone on **Tuesday, December 10, 2024**. Participants attending virtually may join the Public Kickoff Meeting in listen-only mode by calling (562) 247-8422 and entering the access code 834-527-423 when prompted. Virtual/online and telephone attendees will participate in the same virtual Public Kickoff Meeting; or
- 2) In-person by going to the Tom Fellows Community Center, 207 North Boulevard West, Davenport, FL 33837 on **Wednesday, December 11, 2024**. The in-person meeting will be conducted in an informal open-house format.

If you wish to participate in the meeting virtually, please visit the project website at [www.CentralPolkParkwayEast.com](http://www.CentralPolkParkwayEast.com) to register for the Public Kickoff Meeting and to select your participation option. Please note that registration works best in Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, or Firefox web browsers. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email that includes instructions on how to join.

Persons wishing to submit public comments or questions may do so whether attending virtually or at the in-person location. Those who are unable to participate in the meeting

may submit comments by contacting the Project Manager, Jazlyn Heywood, P.E., using the contact information provided below. All comments received on or before **Monday, December 30, 2024**, will be included in the records for the Public Kickoff Meeting.

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 who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Jazlyn Heywood at the contact information below, at least seven (7) days prior to the Public Kickoff Meeting. 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).

If you have any questions about the project or the scheduled meeting, please contact:

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