

Florida's Turnpike (SR 91) Widening From North of SR 70 to North of SR 60 St. Lucie, Indian River, Okeechobee, and Osceola Counties, Florida

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Public Hearing Announcement

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, is conducting a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for widening Florida's Turnpike (SR 91) from north of SR 70 to north of SR 60 in St. Lucie, Indian River, Okeechobee, and Osceola counties. The community is invited to participate in a Public Hearing about the project. Interested individuals may attend virtually, by phone in listen-only mode, or in person.

Please visit the project website, **www.TurnpikeSR70toSR60.com**, to register for the Public Hearing and to select your participation option. Please contact the Project Manager for assistance in registering. The same information will be provided in each participation option.

Please Note: Registration for the virtual hearing works best in Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, or Firefox web browsers.

Option 1: Virtual/Online - Tuesday, February 18, 2025 (6:00 p.m.)

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We are using the **GoToWebinar** platform. Once you register, you will receive a confirmation email that includes instructions on how to join the Public Hearing online. The webinar line will open at 6:00 p.m. with introductions, a formal presentation, and followed by a formal comment period. Any questions asked will receive a response in writing at a later date. For technical assistance during the webinar, please contact **TPKMeetingSupport@dot.state.fl.us**.

Option 2: By Telephone (Listening Only) - Tuesday, February 18, 2025 (6:00 p.m.)

To join the hearing in listen-only mode, please call **1-877-309-2071** and enter access code **147-576-419**. The line will open at 6:00 p.m. with introductions, a formal presentation, and followed by a formal comment period. Any questions asked will receive a response in writing at a later date. You can provide written comments directly to the project manager before or after the hearing.

Option 3: In-Person - Thursday, February 20, 2025 (5:30 p.m.)

Attend in-person at the Intergenerational Recreation Center located at 1590 9th Street SW, Vero Beach, FL 32962. The in-person Public Hearing will begin with an informal open house at 5:30 p.m., continue with a formal presentation at 6:00 p.m., and conclude with a formal comment period. Verbal comments can also be made directly to a Court Reporter. Persons wishing to submit written comments/questions may do so at the hearing venue or by contacting the project manager.

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Scan the QR Code to view the project website, register for the Public Hearing, download hearing materials, or leave a comment.



Proposed Improvements

The project consists of the widening of Florida's Turnpike (SR 91) for 41 miles from four to six lanes by adding one outside lane in each direction. There are numerous existing bridge structures that have been evaluated for widening or reconstruction. Additionally, improvements to the existing SR 60 Interchange (Yeehaw Junction) are being proposed as part of this PD&E Study.



Project Hearing Materials & Documents

All materials that will be on display at the in-person hearing location will be available on the project website, **www.TurnpikeSR70toSR60.com**, on the day of the virtual hearing. This includes display boards and alternatives roll plots. A recording of the virtual hearing will be posted to the project website following the hearing.

Draft project documents will be available for public review, beginning **January 28th**, **2025**, at the following locations:

- Indian River County Main Library 1600 21st Street, Vero Beach, FL 32960
- Kenansville Branch Library
 1154 S Canoe Creek Rd, Kenansville, FL 34739

Public Participation

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 **Greg Moore**, **P.E.** by email at **Greg.Moore@dot.state.fl.us** or at **(407) 264-3075** at least seven days (7) 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)**.

Questions & Comments

Please contact the project manager, Greg Moore, P.E. before or after the Public Hearing with questions or comments about the project. While comments and questions will be accepted at any time, we ask that those related to the the Public Hearing be submitted by **March 6, 2025**.



