

State Road 50 Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study

From Brooksville Bypass/SR 50A/East Jefferson Street to I-75
Hernando County | WPI Segment No. 430051-1



Project Newsletter

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JOIN THE CONVERSATION!

We want your comments and suggestions throughout the study.

HAVE QUESTIONS?

We're here to help.

Give us a call, send us an email, or let us come speak to your group:

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STUDY UNDERWAY!

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District Seven conducting a Project Development & Environment (PD&E) study along a portion of SR 50 in Hernando County (MAP 1). This PD&E study focuses on a segment of SR 50 from the Brooksville Bypass/SR 50A/East Jefferson Street to I-75 - a distance of approximately 8.2 miles.

SR 50 is a major east-west corridor in Hernando County, connecting to numerous regionally significant corridors, including US 19, Suncoast Parkway, US 41, I-75, and US 301. SR 50 is a hurricane evacuation route, a designated truck route, and is part of the state's Strategic Intermodal System (SIS). In an effort to improve mobility and enhance safety within the corridor, alternatives are being developed and evaluated; including options for widening this portion of SR 50 from four to six lanes and adding features such as sidewalks and bike lanes.



PD&E STUDY BASICS

A PD&E study is conducted to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other federal and state requirements. The study is to ensure that the implementation of transportation projects reflect and incorporate the unique engineering and community characteristics of the area. During the study, we determine the location and conceptual design of feasible "build" alternatives for transportation improvements and analyze each of their social, economic and environmental effects. The "no-build" alternative, which leaves SR 50 in its present state and provides for only routine maintenance, will remain an option throughout the study.

The PD&E study will be finalized when the environmental reports are completed and approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). If a "build" alternative is selected and funding has been programmed, the project may then proceed to the next phase in development, which is the design phase.

PROJECT WEBSITE

For more information on this study, visit our project website: http://active.fdotd7studies.com/sr50/brooksville-bypass-to-i75/



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Get Involved Today!

We invite you to get involved! The public plays an important role in the project development and decision-making process of this study. Send us your comments and ideas to help us determine the most appropriate conceptual design alternatives for this portion of SR 50. There are multiple ways to get involved—call, write, or email us. You can also join us at our public hearing or invite us to speak at one of your own meetings!

Non-Discrimination Laws & Regulations

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Stephanie Pierce, Project Manager at (813) 975-6445, (800) 226-7220 or stephanie.pierce@dot.state.fl.us.

Comuniquese Con Nosotros

Nos importa mucho la opinión del público sobre el proyecto. Si usted tiene preguntas o comentarios, o si simplemente desea más información, por favor comuníquese con nuestra representante, Elba Lopez, 813-975-6403, Departamento de Transportación de Florida, 11201 N. McKinley Dr., Tampa, FL 33612, elba.lopez@dot.state.fl.us

Project Schedule

The SR 50 PD&E study began in June 2014. The project activities include collecting information, developing roadway improvement alternatives and evaluating the potential environmental and social effects of the "no-build" and "build" alternatives. A public hearing is tentatively scheduled for the second quarter of 2015 and the study is expected to be completed in the fourth quarter of 2015.

TASKS	2014			2015				2016		
	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3
Data Collection & Traffic Analysis										
Develop & Evaluate Alternatives										
Prepare Draft Reports										
Hold Public Hearing								7	7	
Prepare Final Reports										
Final FHWA Approval										\Rightarrow