PUBLIC KICK-OFF MEETING

In-Person: May 14, 2024 Virtual: May 15, 2024





From Range Line Road To Selvitz Road St. Lucie County, FL

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT (PD&E) STUDY

Financial Project Identification Number (FPID): 452761-1-22-01 Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM) Number: 14533



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- 2. What is a PD&E Study?
- 3. Project Overview/Purpose and Need
- 4. Existing Conditions
- 5. Public Involvement
- 6. Project Schedule
- 7. Q&A



Introductions



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County Engineer





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Public Involvement Coordinator





PD&E Team Member





Meeting Format

In-Person:

Date: Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Time: 5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Location: Havert L. Fenn Center

2000 Virginia Avenue, Fort Pierce, FL 34982

Virtual:

Date: Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Time: 5:30 p.m.





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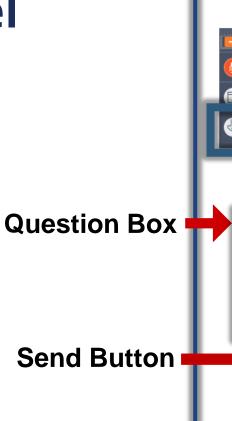
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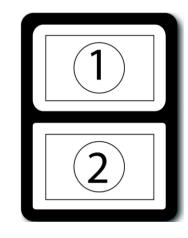
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• St. Lucie County Commissioner Jamie Lee Fowler



Federal-State-Partnership

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 United States Code (U.S.C.) 327 and Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.



Transportation Development Process

Planning PD&E Design Right of Way Acquisition (IF NEEDED) Construction Maintenance



- ✓ Alternatives

 Development
- ✓ Engineering & Environmental Analysis
- ✓ Public/Agency
 Outreach
- ✓ Preferred
 Alternative/
 Documentation

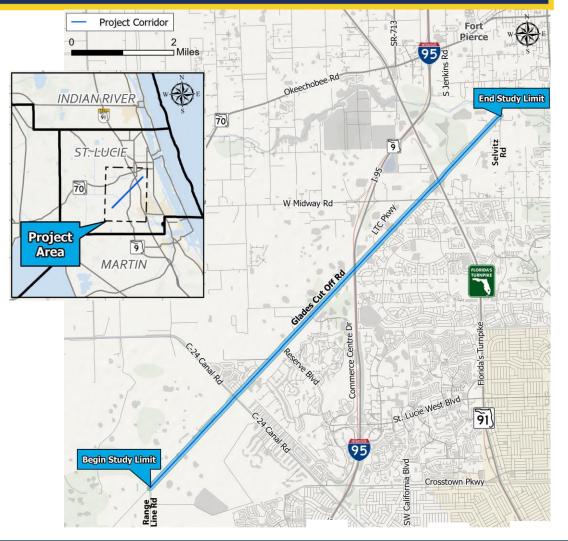


Public Outreach continues throughout all phases of the Transportation Development Process.



Project Location

- Project is in St. Lucie County
- Project limit extends through the Cities of Fort Pierce and Port St. Lucie
- Project extends along County Road (CR) 709/ Glades Cut Off Road from Range Line Road to Selvitz Road
- Project length is approximately 10 miles





Project Purpose and Need

The primary purpose of this study is to develop alternatives that address operational and safety deficiencies along the corridor.



The need for this project is to:

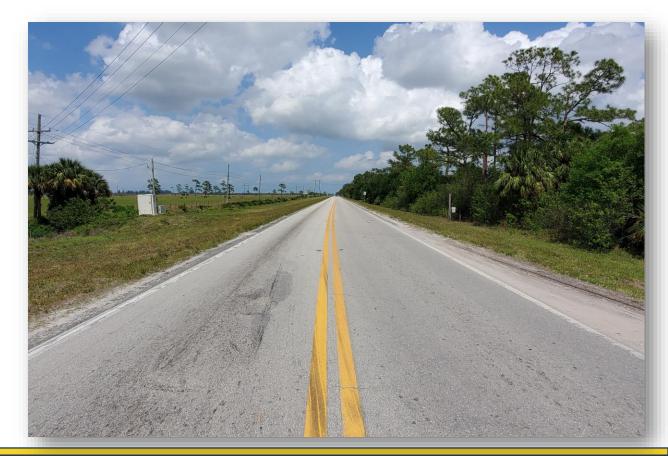




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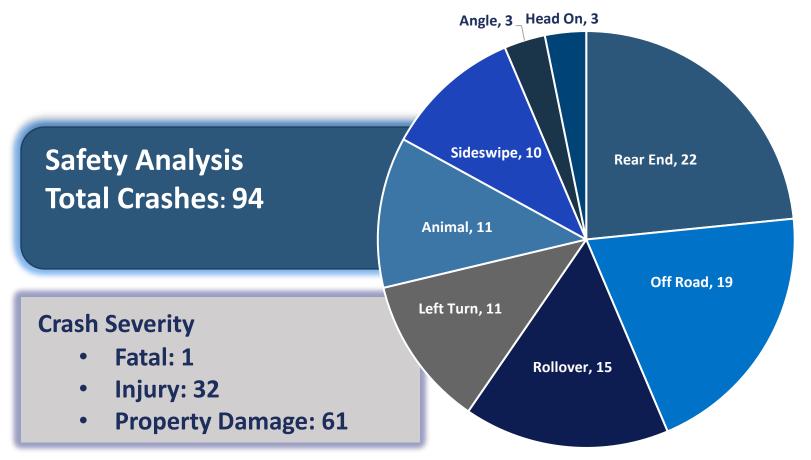
Existing Roadway Characteristics

- 2-lane undivided roadway
- Rural minor arterial roadway
- Posted speed varies from 30 50 miles per hour (MPH)



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Crash Data Analysis (2018-2022)





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Traffic



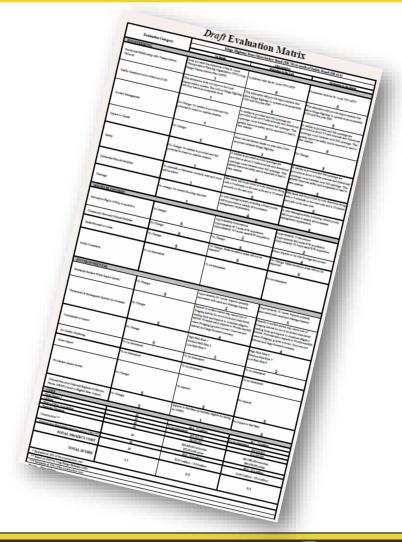


Alternatives to be Considered

Meet Purpose and Need

POAD

- Alternatives Development and Evaluation
 - √ No-Action/No-Build
 - ✓ Build Alternatives
 - Widening Glades Cut Off Road from two to four lanes
 - Bicycle and pedestrian safety enhancements
 - Intersection improvement alternatives will be considered
- Build Alternative Analysis
 - ✓ Engineering Impacts
 - ✓ Environmental Impacts
- Evaluation Matrix



Effects Evaluation

SOCIAL

- Community Resources
- Parks and Recreational Resources
- Potential Relocations

CULTURAL ENVIRONMENT

- Historical Resources
- Archaeological Resources

Studies conducted in accordance with:

- Executive Order 11988 Floodplain Management
- Executive Order 11990 Protection of Wetlands

NATURAL

- Wetlands
- Wildlife and Habitat
- Water Quality
- Floodplains

PHYSICAL

- Air Quality
- Contamination
- Noise







Public Outreach Efforts

- Public involvement is a very important part of the PD&E process
 - Local Stakeholder/Agency Coordination Meetings
 - ➤ Public Meetings
 - ➤ Newsletters
 - Social Media Postings
 - Project Website
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LOCAL AGENCIES







Project Website

Visit the project website to learn more about the study, request to be added to project mailing list and to provide feedback.

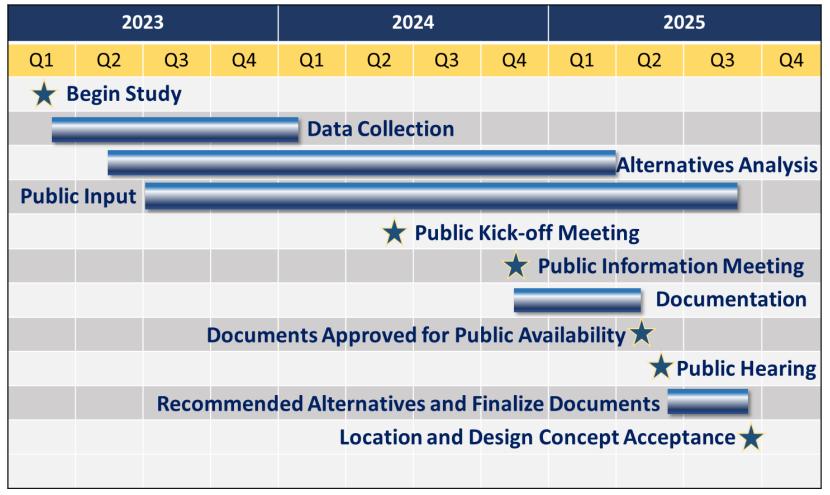
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Project Schedule

 Design, right-of-way acquisition (if needed) and construction phases are not currently funded



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Next Steps

- Continue Public Involvement and Agency Coordination
- Develop Alternatives
- Prepare for Public Information Meeting



QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS/COMMENTS



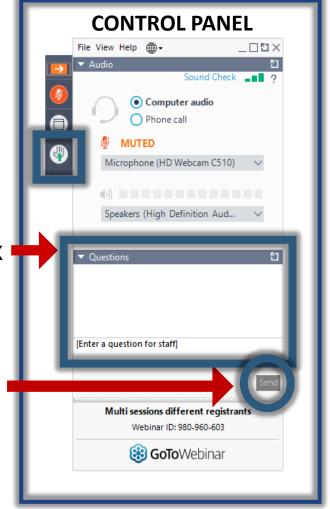
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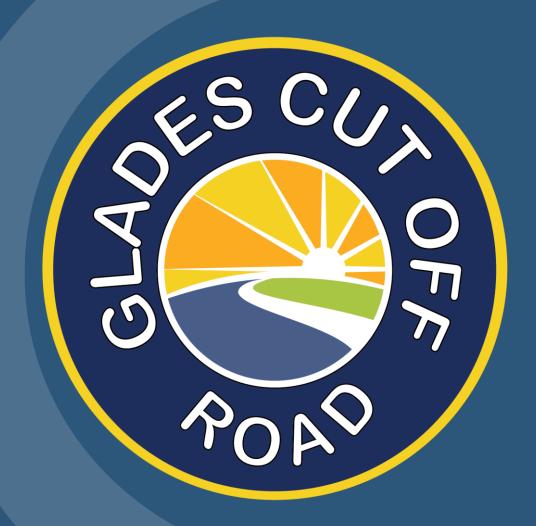
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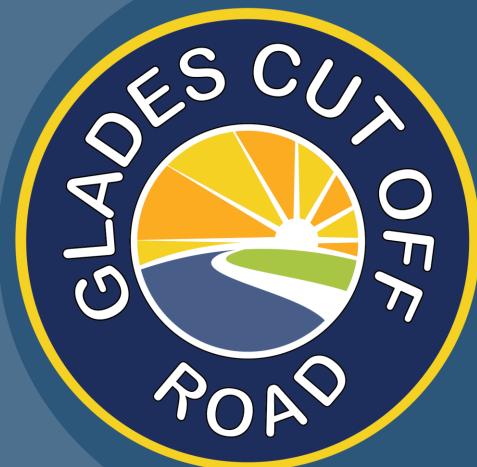


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