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Public Information Workshop Announcement

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) invites you to participate in a Public Information Workshop for the I-75 Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study. The Workshop will be held on Monday, August 15, 2005 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the George Mullen Community Activity Center, 4956 City Center Boulevard, North Port, Florida. The Workshop will be held in an open house format. A map with directions to the Workshop is shown below.

The purpose of the PD&E Study is to evaluate the widening of I-75 from north of Kings Highway in Charlotte County to River Road in Sarasota County. The objectives of this Workshop are to provide residents, business owners and other interested persons the opportunity to review project information and to provide input for the decision making process.

Maps, display boards and other project information will be on display at the Workshop. Representatives will be available during the Workshop to discuss the study and answer questions.

Persons with disabilities who may need special accommodations at the workshop should contact Scott McCall at (863) 519-2990 at least seven days before the workshop. Your input is very important. We encourage you to come to the Workshop and share your comments.

Public Involvement Opportunities

This newsletter is one of several ways the FDOT will involve the public in the PD&E Study process. Other methods will include small group meetings with residents, business owners and special interest groups. Fact sheets will be circulated and posted on the project web site: www.i75.info.

The project schedule is shown on the back of this newsletter. A formal Public Hearing will be held during the Spring of 2006 to present the preferred alternative and to receive comments prior to the development of a final alternative. The FDOT welcomes comments at any time during this Study.

Project Location Map



Workshop Location Map



Directions from I-75:

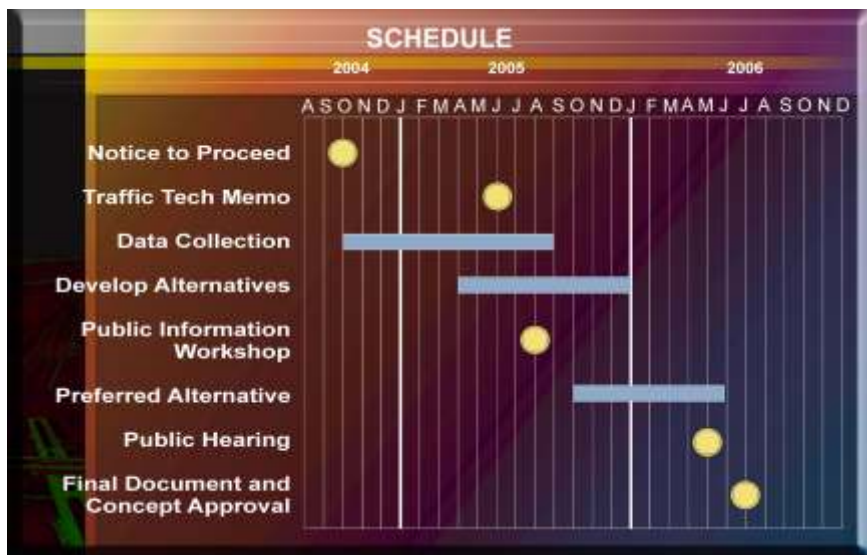
Take I-75 to Sumter Boulevard, Exit 182. Travel south on Sumter Boulevard to City Center Boulevard.

The Community Center is at 4956 City Center Boulevard behind the North Port Fire Department Station 81.

Project Schedule

The schedule shown below highlights the key project events and milestones. This schedule will lead to final approval of the project documentation and concept in the Summer of 2006.

The Design phase of the project is funded for Fiscal Year 2009/2010. The Right-of-Way Acquisition and Construction phases have not been added to the FDOT 5-Year Work Program.



Mailing List

We urge you to participate in this PD&E Study and invite your comments and questions. If you received this newsletter in the mail, then you are already on the PD&E Study mailing list. If you would like your name, or someone you know, added to the mailing list, please contact:

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