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Subject: "I-4 Beyond the Ultimate" Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Reevaluation Study
From west of S.R. 25/U.S. 27 to west of C.R. 532 (Polk /Osceola County Line)
Polk County
Financial Project ID Number: 201210-2-22-01
Design Project ID Number: 201210-3-32-01
Federal Aid Project Number: 0041-227-I

Dear Stakeholder,

On behalf of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), I invite you to attend a public hearing for the "I-4 Beyond the Ultimate" PD&E Study. This study focuses on the concept of adding express lanes on Interstate 4 (I-4), from west of U.S. 27 to west of Kirkman Road/State Road (S.R.) 435 to the west, and from east of S.R. 434 to east of S.R. 472 to the east; a distance of approximately 40 miles. At this meeting we will present the recommended design alternative for adding express lanes on the segment of I-4 from **west of S.R. 25/U.S. 27 to west of County Road 532 (Polk/Osceola County Line)** in Polk County. This hearing is being conducted to give interested persons an opportunity to express their views concerning the location, conceptual design, and social, economic, and environmental effects of the proposed improvements.

The hearing will be Tuesday, May 9, 2017, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints (Citrus Ridge Ward), located at 1001 Dunson Rd, Davenport, FL 33896. It will begin as an open house at 5:30 p.m. with a formal presentation at 6:00 p.m., followed by a public comment period.

Persons wishing to submit written statements, in place of or in addition to oral statements, may do so at the hearing or by sending them to Beata Stys-Palasz, P.E. at 719 South Woodland Boulevard, DeLand, Florida 32720, by phone 386-943-5418, or by email to beata.stys-palasz@dot.state.fl.us. All statements postmarked no later than May 19, 2017 will become a part of the public hearing record.

The draft environmental and engineering reports developed by the Department will be available for public review from April 18, 2017 through May 19, 2017 at the following locations:

1. The Cagan Crossings Community Library, located at 16729 Cagan Oaks, Clermont, FL 34714
2. The study website - www.i4express.com

Persons with disabilities who require accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Beata Stys-Palasz,

P.E., Project Manager, by phone at 386-943-5418, or via email at beata.stys-palasz@dot.state.fl.us at least seven (7) days prior to the hearing. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact us by using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Jennifer Smith, FDOT District Five Title VI Coordinator by phone at 386-943-5367, or via email at jennifer.smith2@dot.state.fl.us.

For information pertaining to this project, please contact Beata Stys-Palasz, P.E., FDOT Project Manager, by phone at 386-943-5418, or via email at beata.stys-palasz@dot.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Beata Stys-Palasz". The signature is written in a cursive style and is contained within a rectangular box.

Beata Stys-Palasz, P.E.
FDOT Project Manager