



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 Design-Build Stimulus Project - State Road 35 Widening from south of SR 464 to SR 40 in Marion County

May 7, 2009

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

FPN: 238677-1-52-01

5 p.m. to 7 p.m. Public to Review Design, Ask Questions and Submit Comments

APPLICABLE LAWS & REGULATIONS

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

This meeting was advertised and is being conducted consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

ACCESS MANAGEMENT

The Florida Department of Transportation has developed Access Management Standards to protect public safety, provide for mobility and preserve the function of our state roads. This project is designated Access Classification 5. These standards have been developed under the provisions of Chapter 14-97, Florida Administrative Code and Section 335.18, Florida Statutes.

PURPOSE

This Public Information Meeting is being held to present the design concepts based on previous public input, and explain the Design-Build delivery method for State Road (S.R.) 35, also known as Baseline Road in Ocala, Florida. The meeting will be an informal open house format from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. During the Public Meeting, participants are encouraged to review the design and ask questions of the project staff. Written comments can be submitted at this meeting or by mail no later than May 19, 2009. A pre-addressed comment form is available for your use. All public comments become part of the official record for this project.

This S.R. 35 project in Ocala is selected for a fast-track delivery method called Design-Build. The original plan called for bidding the construction phase once the design was finalized in 2012. By implementing the Design-Build method, the project will now be designed and built by a team consisting of a contractor and a transportation engineering firm. This accelerates the project by at least two years and allows the designers to work directly with the contractor. The benefits; cost savings and a project completed sooner.

PROJECT SCOPE

- Widen and reconstruct the existing two-lane rural roadway to a four-lane urban divided roadway.
- Improve curb ramps and provide American with Disabilities Act (ADA) upgrades at all intersections and side streets.
- Construct ditch treatment facilities and storm sewer collection systems within the right-of-way owned by the Department
- Construct two - twin bridges and adjacent retaining walls along SR 35 and SR 464 over the planned wildlife crossing corridor
- Constrict noise walls at Ocala Heights and High-Cliff Heights subdivisions
- Provide signalization upgrades at six (6) intersections
- Special drainage accommodations made for Silver Springs Drainage Basin

PROJECT DETAILS

- Work Type: Reconstruction - Widening
- Length: 5.7 Miles
- City: Ocala
- County: Marion County

PROJECT SCHEDULE

- Advertisement: June 2009
- Bid Opening: October 2009
- Construction Duration: 24 months

PRELIMINARY ESTIMATED PROJECT COST

- Construction: \$49.8 Million
- Construction Begin: 2010

MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC

During construction, traffic will be maintained in each direction with lane closures allowed during non-peak periods. Driveways and entrances will remain open and maintained.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PROJECT/MEETING LOCATION & INFO.

MEETING LOCATION:

Felburn Research Library at
 Silver River State Park
 1445 NE 58th Avenue (SR 35)
 Ocala, Florida

MEETING DATE/TIME:

May 7, 2009, 5:00pm – 7:00pm

PROJECT/MEETING MAP: *(See back of sheet)*

The Department encourages your participation and welcomes your comments on the proposed improvements for this project. 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 ADA, or persons who require translation services (which can be provided free of charge), should contact Ms. Karen Kersey, Public Information Officer, c/o Quest Corporation of America, Inc., 10151 University Blvd., Suite 222, Orlando, FL 32817, Tel. (407) 709-9840, e-mail kkersey@qca-inc.com, at least seven days prior to the meeting.



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