

**SR 70 from US 441 (Parrott Avenue) to NE 17th Avenue
Resurfacing and Median Modification Project**

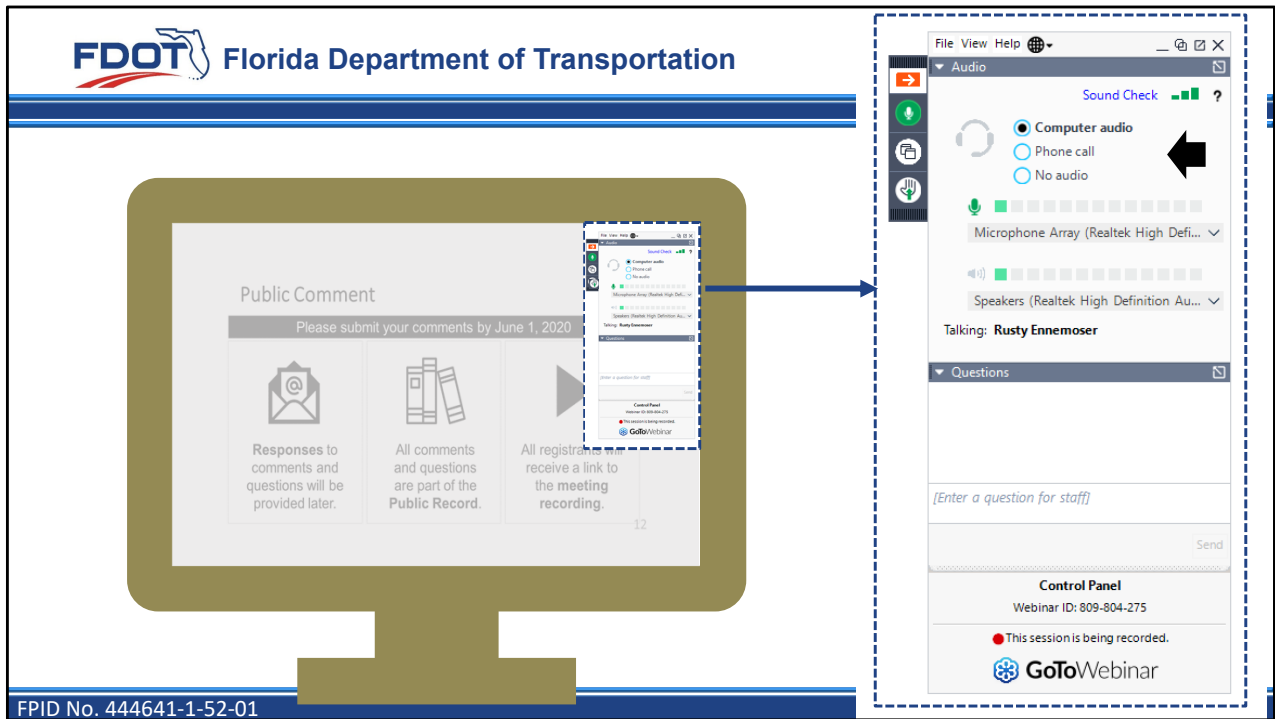
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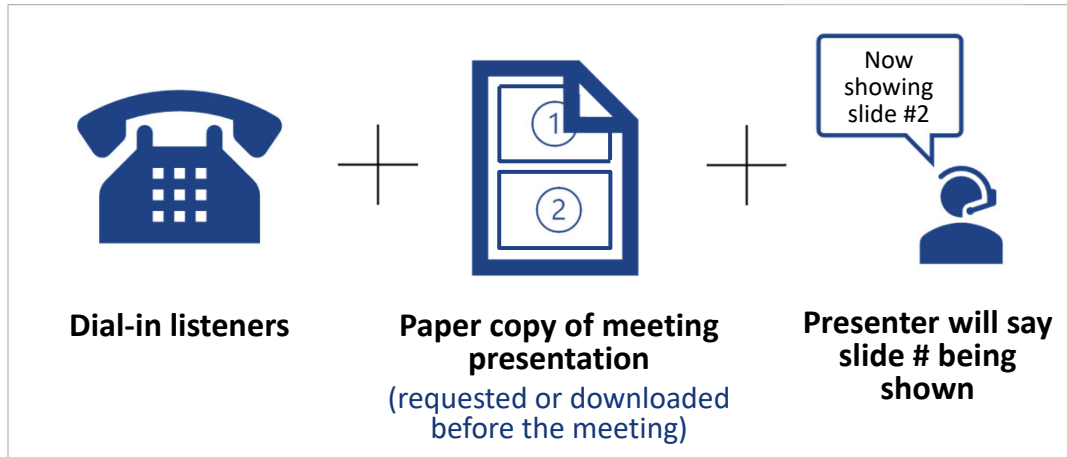


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- The time is 5 p.m..
- Good evening everyone and welcome to the SR 70 from US 441 (Parrott Avenue) to NE 17th Avenue Resurfacing and Median Modification Project public meeting.
- My name is Brianna Smith and I am the Communication Specialist for the Florida Department of Transportation, District One.
- I will be your Moderator for the meeting.



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Responses to comments and questions will be provided later.

- All attendees will be placed in Listen Only mode throughout the meeting.
- You can submit comments or questions by typing them into the Questions pane on the control panel.
- Comments or questions can be submitted at any time during the meeting.
- We will collect these and provide responses at a later date.







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panel.



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- If you happen to experience technical issues during the meeting, please type the issue in the Question pane on the control panel to report it.
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- The Department encourages the public to participate in the SR 70 from US 441 (Parrot Avenue) to NE 17th Avenue Resurfacing and Median Modification Project by submitting comments and questions.
- There are multiple ways to do this.
- As mentioned earlier, you can type your comments in the Question pane on the meeting control panel during today’s meeting.
- If you dialed in using a telephone line, you can submit your comments after the meeting by using the mail, email, or telephone information shown on this slide.
- This information is also available on at swflroads.com.

Please submit your comments by September 23, 2022



Responses to comments and questions will be provided later.



All comments and questions are part of the **Public Record**.



All registrants will receive a link to the **meeting recording**.

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- As said earlier, responses to all comments and questions will be provided at a later date.
- All comments and questions submitted through these options are part of the public record for this virtual meeting and will be considered by the Department during project decision-making.
- The recording of this meeting will be linked to a follow-up email to all persons having registered for the meeting.
- The meeting video link will also be posted at swflroads.com.
- The public comment period will remain open through September 23, 2022 to accommodate the public who view the meeting video after the live event.

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- This meeting is being conducted in accordance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964.
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Public Notice

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Public Meeting

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District One invites the public to attend a public meeting on Thursday, September 8, 2022, as a part of the design process for proposed resurfacing and median modifications for SR 70 from US 441 (Parrott Avenue) to NE 17th Avenue in Okeechobee County. FDOT is holding the public meeting to give the community an opportunity to make comments about the project.

Send Public Comments or Questions to:

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407-519-2863



About the Project

FDOT is developing the SR 70 Resurfacing and Median Modification from US 441 to NE 17th Avenue as a Resurfacing, Restoration, and Rehabilitation (RRR) project intended to extend the service life of the existing roadway, improve safety, and correct deficiencies.

This project will include the following:

- Milling and resurfacing of the existing pavement with new striping
- Upgrading highway signage
- Converting the median opening at NE 3rd Avenue to a directional median opening (see graphic)
- Reconstruction of the sidewalks to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) criteria
- Driveway reconstruction
- Replacement of a portion of the drainage system
- New signals and lighting at NE 8th Avenue

The median opening at NE 3rd Avenue is currently a full median opening allowing turning movements in all directions. For safety purposes, the median will become a directional median opening permitting left turns only from SR 70 onto NE 3rd and SE 3rd Avenue. The city and the fire department have approved this median change.

Fast Facts	Estimated Design	Estimated Construction	Estimated Construction
	Completion Date: Spring 2023	Start Date: Summer 2023	Cost: \$1.05 Million

Connect on the web by visiting <http://www.fdot.com> for more project details.

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The in-person and online meeting were noticed in the flyer mailed to property owners and tenants within 300 feet of the project. The project was also advertised on the FDOT project website, in the Florida Administrative Register and in the South Central Florida Live newspaper.

Project Presentation

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The following slides provide a description of the project.

Project Area

- Approximately 1 mile
- Commercial Uses

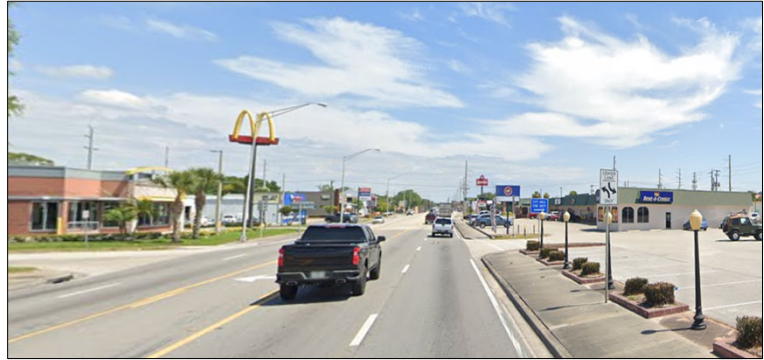


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The resurfacing project extends from US 441 to Northeast 17th Avenue. The median modification is located at SR 70 and Northeast 3rd Avenue.

Existing conditions

- Four-lane
- Center turn lane and medians
- Posted speed limit is 35 mph



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SR 70 is a four-lane roadway with a mix of center turn lanes and medians. The posted speed limit is 35 miles per hour.

Proposed Corridor Improvements

- Milling and resurfacing
- Reconstruction of the sidewalks to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) criteria
- New striping and upgrading highway signage
- Converting the full median opening at NE/SE 3rd Avenue to a directional median opening and removing the signal
- Driveway reconstruction
- Replacement of a portion of the drainage system
- New signals and lighting at NE 8th Avenue

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The corridor improvements include:

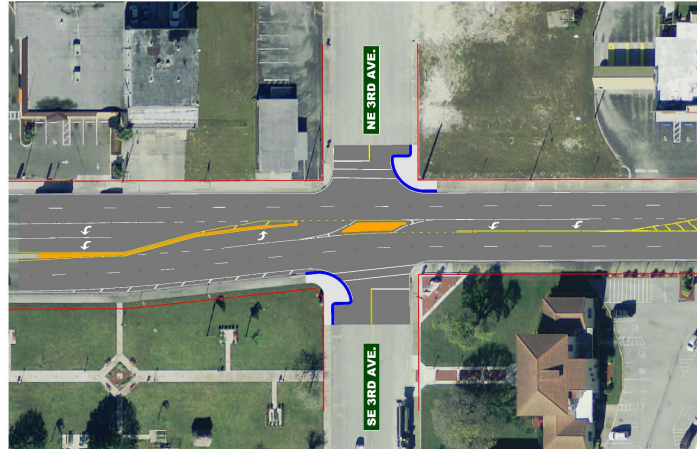
Milling and resurfacing, reconstruction of the sidewalks to meet Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) criteria, and new striping and upgrading highway signage. The project will also convert the full median opening at Northeast/Southeast 3rd Avenue to a directional median opening and removing the existing signal.

Driveways will be reconstructed and a portion of the drainage system will be replaced.

New signals and lighting will be installed at Northeast 8th Avenue.

Proposed Median Modification

- As part of the project, FDOT proposes access management median modification, reconstructing the median at NE 3rd Avenue from a full median opening to a directional median opening



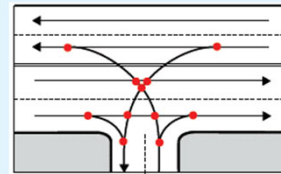
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As part of the project, FDOT proposes an access management median modification to reconstruct the median at Northeast 3rd Avenue from a full median opening to a directional median opening as shown on the graphic.

Improved Safety

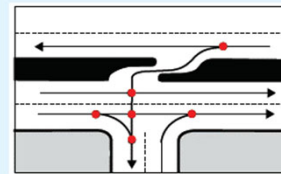
- Conventional intersections typically have 32 conflict points
- For intersection using median U-turns, the conflict points are reduced by half to 16

Before Access Management



More Conflicts

After Access Management



Fewer Conflicts

Conventional intersections typically have 32 conflict points. Directional median openings using median U-turns are reduced by half with only 16 conflict points.

Project Schedule

- Design complete : Spring 2023
- Construction expected to begin: Summer 2023
- Estimated construction cost: \$3.48 mil

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Submitting Comments

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**Comments
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Questions/Comments

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Now we will answer questions and take comments from our online attendees. Thank you for attending the public meeting for the SR 70 from US 441 (Parrot Avenue) to NE 17th Avenue Resurfacing and Median Modification Project.