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Old 41 (CR 887)

From US 41 in Collier County to Bonita Beach Road in Lee County Collier and Lee Counties, Florida

Financial Project Number: 435110-1-22-01; 435347-1-22-01 Federal Aid Project Number: D119 028 B & D119 027 B

Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM) Number: 14339

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, is conducting a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study for proposed improvements to Old 41 (County Road 887). The project limits are from US 41/Tamiami Trail in Collier County to Bonita Beach Road in Lee County, for a distance of approximately 2.73 miles. These improvements, which may include safety, complete streets, and capacity improvements are intended to enhance connectivity and circulation between US 41 and Bonita Beach Road, as well as to improve safety for all users, including bicyclists and pedestrians.

The purpose of this PD&E study is to evaluate and document potential engineering and environmental effects of any proposed improvements needed to relieve existing congestion and accommodate future travel demand from projected population and employment growth in the area. Improvements may include the potential widening of the roadway up to four lanes, as well as safety considerations for bicyclists and pedestrians, such as marked bicycle lanes, sidewalks, and/or a shared-use path. FDOT is conducting this PD&E study in accordance with requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other applicable federal and state laws and regulations. Additionally, as part of the PD&E study, FDOT is implementing a comprehensive public involvement program. We will host an alternatives public information meeting and a formal public hearing to provide project information and solicit public comments. FDOT will mail newsletters in advance of the public meetings to property owners, elected and appointed officials, and interested parties. The kick-off newsletter that will be sent to property owners is attached for your information. Department representatives will be available to speak at small community or neighborhood meetings upon request. FDOT has developed a project website which will include all related study documents and meeting announcements, including the project schedule, throughout the life of the project. To read more about the Old 41 (CR 887) study or to submit comments please visit the project website at www.swflroads.com/oldus41/pdestudy.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by FDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.

If you would like more information about this project, please contact FDOT project manager Steven A. Andrews at (863) 519-2270 or by email at <a href="mailto:Steven.Andrews@dot.state.fl.us">Steven.Andrews@dot.state.fl.us</a>.

Sincerely,