State Road 55 (US 19) from 23rd Avenue West to 39th Street East

Financial Project ID No.: 447379-1

Public Workshop

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, invites you to an in-person design workshop for the SR 55 (US 19) from 23rd Ave W to 39th St E project. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, has identified the need for improvements along SR 55 (US 19, US 41, South Tamiami Trail). This project involves milling and resurfacing SR 55 from 23rd Ave W to 39th St E to extend the service life of the pavement and implementing safety improvements along the corridor. These improvements include guardrail replacements, sidewalk repair, lighting updates, pedestrian signal replacements, and two median modifications. Generally, the corridor is a multi-lane, divided urban roadway with a design speed ranging from 45 to 55 mph. This corridor passes through suburban residential, commercial, and urban contexts.

We Want to Hear from You!

You can participate in the SR 55 (US 19) from 23rd Ave W to 39th St E public workshop: In-person Thursday, June 13, 2024 Anytime from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. | The Bridge Church 4000 75th St W Bradenton, FL 34209.

The same materials will be displayed both in-person and online which will be posted by June 13, 2024, on the project webpage. After reviewing the SR 55 (US 19) from 23rd Ave W to 39 St E Design Workshop materials, and/or participating, you may submit comments in three ways: 1) through the project webpage https://www.swflroads.com/project/447379-1; 2) email the FDOT Project Manager, Scott McCall, at Scott.McCall@dot.state.fl.us;; or 3) mail comments to Scott McCall at FDOT District One, P.O. Box 1249, Bartow, FL 33831-1249.

While comments about the project are accepted at any time, please note that comments must be received or postmarked by June 27, 2024, to be included in the formal workshop record. A summary of the workshop comments and responses will be available on the webpage approximately 30 days following the close of the comment period.

FDOT is sending notices to property owners, business owners, interested persons and organizations within 300 feet of the project to provide the opportunity to give comments to FDOT regarding this project.

Public Involvement

An open, in-person public workshop will be held to present and discuss the design project with officials, residents, and property owners affected by the proposed median modification at 11th Ave. Anyone unable to participate in the in-person public workshop will be able to watch a narrated project presentation video, to be posted on the project website following the public workshop. Information on the other proposed median modification is available on the project website. All participants are welcome to share their comments with the project team.



Project Website https://www.swflroads.com/project/447379-1

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If you have questions about the project or the planned workshops, please contact **Scott McCall, FDOT Project Manager** at <u>Scott.McCall@dot.state.fl.us</u> or (863) 519-2277.

About the Project

Median Modification 2: 11th Avenue

SR 55 possesses three to four through lanes in both directions at this location. The corridor experiences high traffic volumes and the intersecting legs along 11th Ave are offset. A safety analysis has identified that a significant number of crashes involving left-turning vehicles as well as fatal pedestrian crashes occur at this intersection. The proposed median modification will convert the existing full median opening to a directional median opening and will prevent left turns from 11th Ave onto SR 55. By preventing left turns, the directional median opening will eliminate the safety issues as well as provide a pedestrian refuge in the median for those looking to cross the road.





Florida Department of Transportation Attention: Scott McCall, Project Manager 801 North Broadway Avenue P.O. Box 1249 Bartow, FL 33831-1249



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FDOT solicits public participation without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. People who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Cynthia Sykes, District One Title VI Coordinator, at (863) 519-2287, or email at <u>Cynthia.Sykes@dot.state.fl.us</u> at least seven days prior to the workshop.