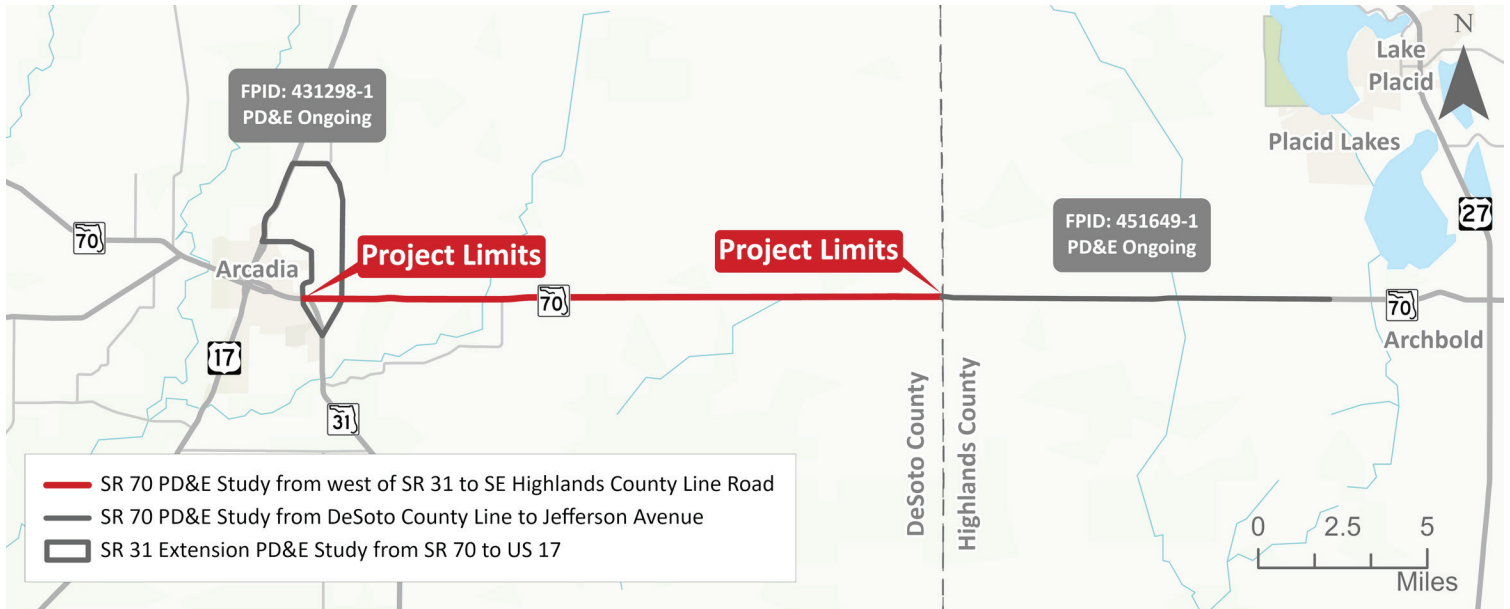


SR 70 PD&E Study Kickoff

from west of SR 31 to SE Highlands County Line Road
 FINANCIAL PROJECT IDENTIFICATION (FPID) NUMBER: 451942-1



Project Overview

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One is conducting a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study for proposed improvements to the State Road (SR) 70 corridor in DeSoto County. The intent is to improve traffic safety conditions on SR 70, maintain important east-west connectivity within the regional transportation network, and accommodate freight activity within the area. This study will evaluate the widening of SR 70 from a two-lane undivided roadway to a four-lane divided roadway, including operational improvements from west of SR 31 and SE Highlands County Line Road, extending 16.7 miles in length.

What is a PD&E Study?


A PD&E Study is the formal process of developing and comparing alternatives against a defined project purpose and need, to determine a preferred action that meets project goals while minimizing impacts on social, cultural, natural, and physical resources. Engaging the public by sharing and receiving information is a key component of this process and is required by the National Environmental Policy Act.

PROJECT GOALS

- 1 Improve Safety
- 2 Maintain Regional Connectivity
- 3 Accommodate Freight Activity



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What can you expect?

During the PD&E process, FDOT will evaluate the widening of SR 70 from two to four lanes from west of SR 31 to SE Highlands County Line Road, as well as a “no-build” alternative, which assumes no improvements to this segment of SR 70 other than routine maintenance. The study will evaluate any social and environmental impacts, safety enhancements, additional right-of-way needs, and traffic performance. You are encouraged to participate in this SR 70 PD&E study. We invite your questions and comments which can be submitted through the project website or by contacting the FDOT Project Manager. Following the development of a preferred alternative, a public hearing will also be held to provide interested persons the most current information on the project and allow an additional opportunity for public input. The public hearing meeting is anticipated to be held in the summer of 2025. Additional details will be provided as they become available.



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