



YOU ARE INVITED TO AN OPEN HOUSE

Date: November 14, 2019
Time: 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Location: Ridge Manor Community Center
 34240 Cortez Boulevard
 Ridge Manor, FL 33523

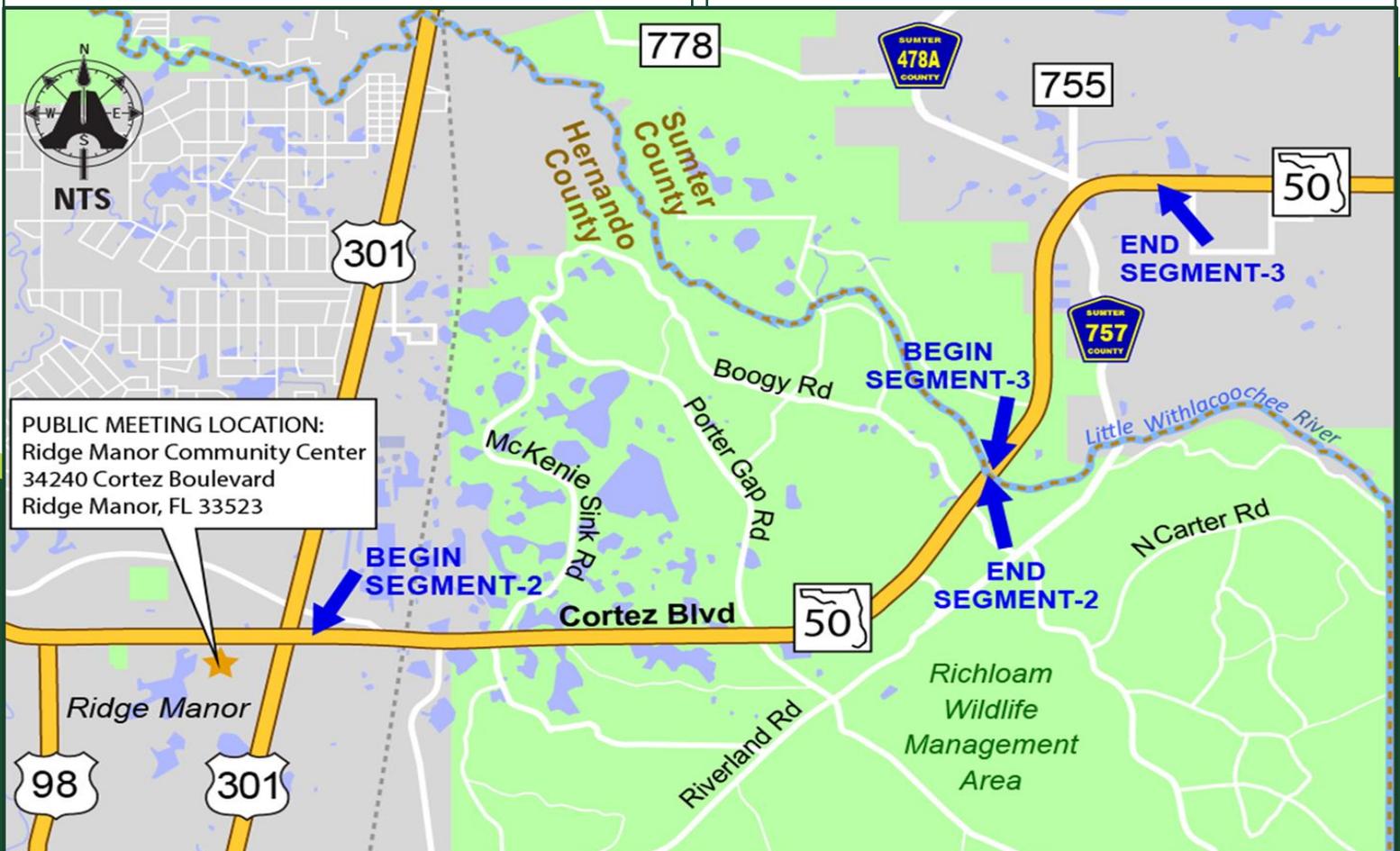
The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is holding an open house regarding the proposed design for widening S.R. 50 from east of S.R. 35/U.S. 301 in Hernando County to east of C.R. 478A in Sumter County. The open house will be held on Thursday, November 14, 2019, at the Ridge Manor Community Center, 34240 Cortez Blvd., Ridge Manor, FL 33523, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Interested persons may attend at any time during those hours to view a looping video presentation and project exhibits, speak with project team members, and provide input on the design. We encourage you to attend this open house and share your comments with us.

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The FDOT completed a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study in June 2019. The study evaluated alternatives for four segments of S.R. 50 extending from U.S. 301 to C.R. 33 in Lake County. This open house is for two segments: 435859-2, from east of S.R. 35/U.S. 301 and ending at the Hernando/Sumter County line in Hernando County, and 435859-3 beginning at the Hernando/Sumter County line and ending just east of C.R. 478A in Sumter County.

The purpose of this project is to increase capacity on S.R. 50, as well as improve safety along the corridor. This project is part of a greater effort addressing existing and future congestion and delay, improving safety and traffic flow, and allowing the S.R. 50 corridor to operate at an improved level of service for all users. Bicycle and pedestrian facilities are also being evaluated. The need for the project is based on six primary factors: system linkage, roadway capacity, legislation/plan consistency, modal interrelationships, safety, and hurricane evacuation.



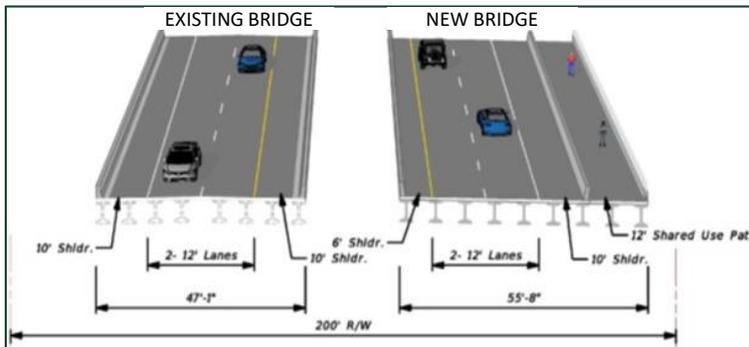
PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

The proposed improvements call for widening S.R. 50 from two to four lanes within the project limits. The proposed typical section includes two 12-foot wide travel lanes in each direction with a 10-foot wide outside shoulder and an 8-foot wide inside shoulder on each side. There will also be a 12-foot wide shared use path on the south side of the road and a 40-foot grassed median.



In addition, a new 250-foot long eastbound bridge will be constructed to match the existing bridge. The new bridge will be 56-feet wide, consisting of two 12-foot wide travel lanes and a 12-foot wide shared use path.

The existing bridge will be modified to carry the two west-bound lanes of traffic.



Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Jennifer Smith, FDOT District Five Title VI Coordinator, at jennifer.smith2@dot.state.fl.us or Alex Henry, FDOT District Seven Title VI Coordinator, at alex.henry@dot.state.fl.us.

Persons with disabilities who require accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Kevin Lee, FDOT Project Manager, by phone at 813-975-6426, via email at kevin.lee@dot.state.fl.us (for the Hernando County -2 project) or Jude Jean-Francois, FDOT Project Manager, by phone at 386-943-5487, via email at jude.jean-francois@dot.state.fl.us (for the Sumter County -3 project) at least seven (7) days prior to the workshop. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact us by using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

Las personas con discapacidades que requieran ajustes especiales bajo la Ley sobre Estadounidenses con Discapacidades, o personas que requieran servicios de traducción (libre de costo) deben comunicarse con la Kevin Lee, Gerente de Proyecto del Departamento de Transporte de la Florida, por teléfono al 813-975-6426 o por correo electrónico a kevin.lee@dot.state.fl.us o Jude Jean-Francois, Gerente de Proyecto del Departamento de Transporte de la Florida, por teléfono al 386-943-5487 o por correo electrónico a jude.jean-francois@dot.state.fl.us por lo menos con siete (7) días de anticipación.

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Information about this project is also available online at www.cflroads.com. Simply type 435859-2 or 435859-3 in the search box and click on the project name in the search results.