

## WELCOME

# ALTERNATIVES PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

State Road (S.R.) 535 Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study



August 11, 2022

Financial Project ID Number: 437174-2

ETDM No. 14325





## National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Assignment

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.





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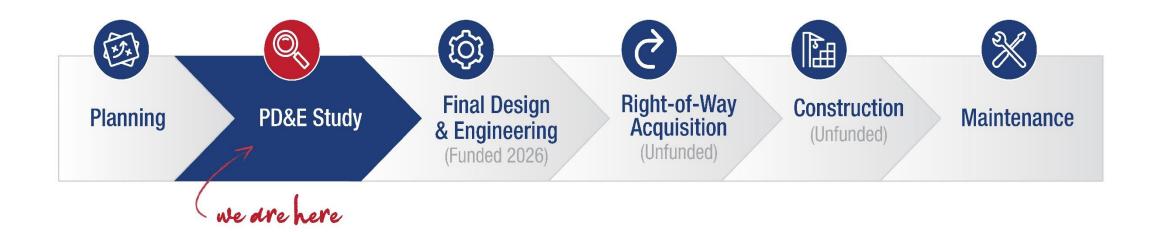






## **Project Development Steps**

A PD&E study is a blending of engineering analysis, environmental assessments, and public involvement activities. The process is used by engineers and planners to determine the location and conceptual design of the preferred roadway improvements.







## **Project Background**



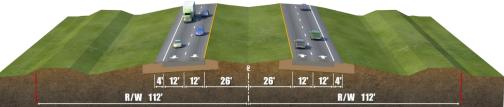






## **Existing Typical Sections**

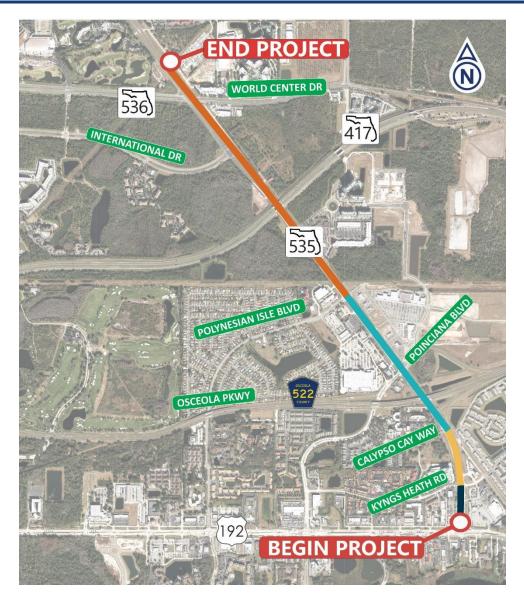




KYNGS HEATH ROAD TO CALYPSO CAY WAY
Posted Speed: 50 MPH



US 192 TO KYNGS HEATH ROAD
Posted Speed: 45 MPH







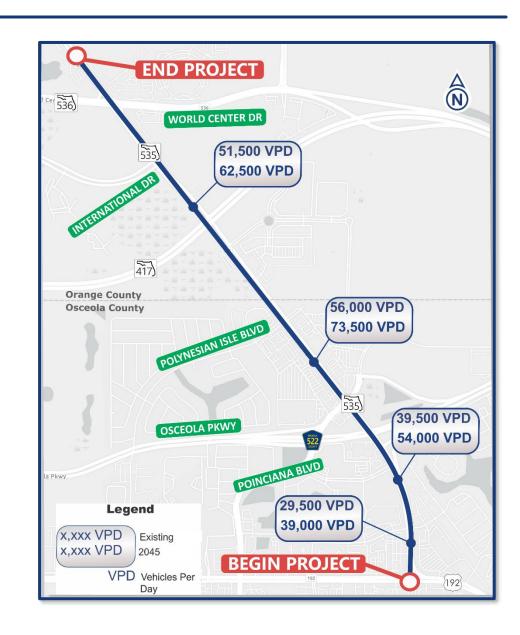
## **Traffic Analysis**

#### **Existing Traffic Demand:**

- 29,500 to 56,000 Vehicles per Day
- Intersections are experiencing delays

#### **Future Traffic Demand (2045):**

- 39,000 to 73,500 Vehicles per Day
- Traffic is anticipated to grow by <u>30%</u>
  - Increased delays





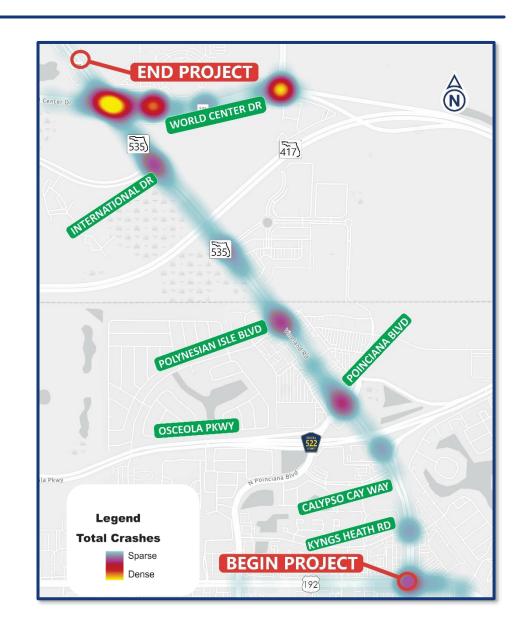


## **Crash History**

## All S.R. 535 Segments Exceed Statewide Average Crash Rate

## **Intersections on FDOT's High Crash List**

- o World Center Drive (S.R. 536)
- International Drive
- LBV Factory Stores Drive
- Polynesian Isle Boulevard
- Poinciana Boulevard
- Osceola Parkway Eastbound On-Ramps
- Calypso Cay Way
- Kyngs Heath Road
- U.S. 192



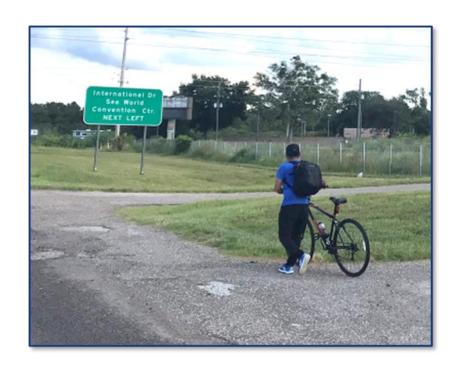


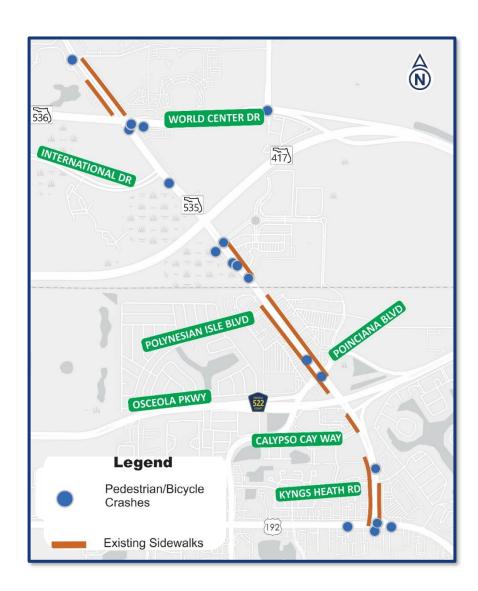


## **Bicycle and Pedestrian Needs**

#### **Sidewalk and Bicycle Lane Gaps**

 Numerous pedestrian and bicycle crashes along the corridor within a five-year period









## **Purpose and Need**

#### Why is the project needed?

The project is needed to:

- Improve traffic operations and mobility
- Reduce congestion
- Enhance safety for all travel modes

#### What is the purpose of the Study?

- Accommodate future travel demand
- Improve safety
- Enhance pedestrian connectivity







#### **Alternatives Considered**

#### No Build

- 4 lanes
- Discontinuous pedestrian and bicycle facilities



#### **Build Alternatives (6 Lanes)**

- Inside or outside widening alternatives
- Fully connected pedestrian and bicycle facilities
- Intersection improvements
- 45 mph Design Speed







## Alternative 1 – Typical Section

#### **Inside Widening with Shared Use Path**

- Inside Widening to 6 lanes
- 14-foot shared use path on west side
- 9-foot sidewalk on east side
- o Posted Speed: 45 mph



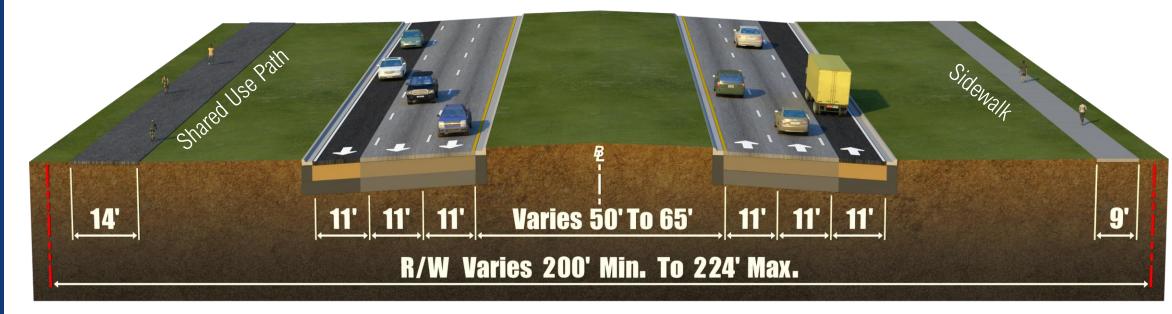




## **Alternative 2 – Typical Section**

#### **Outside Widening with Shared Use Path**

- Outside Widening to 6 lanes
- 14-foot shared use path on west side
- o 9-foot sidewalk on east side
- o Posted Speed: 45 mph







## **Alternative 3 – Typical Section**

#### **Outside Widening with Separated Bike Lane**

- Outside Widening to 6 lanes
- 7-foot separated bicycle lanes
- 9-foot sidewalk on west and east sides
- Posted Speed: 45 mph

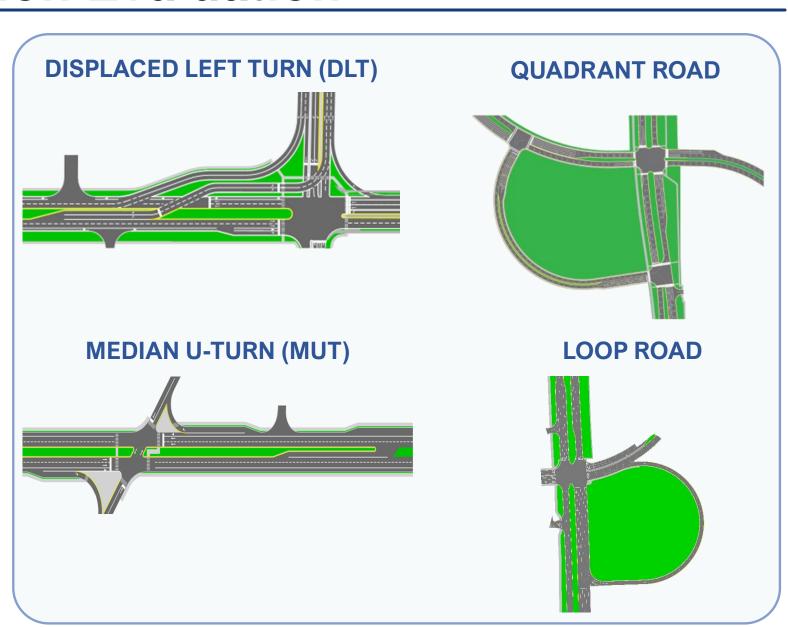






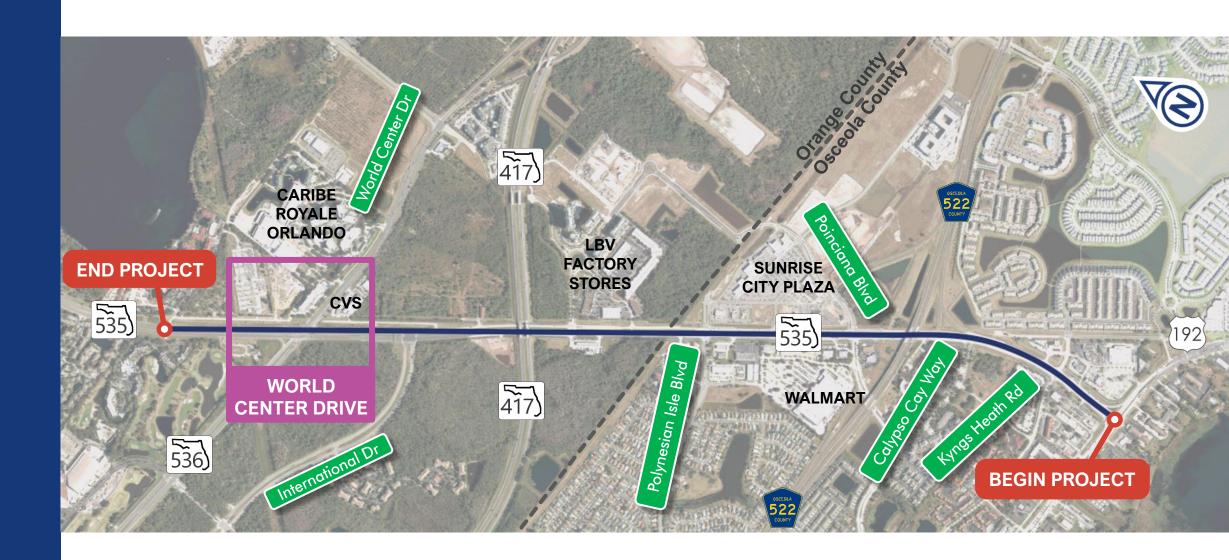
#### **Intersection Options**

- Displaced Left Turn
- Quadrant Road
- Median U-Turn
- Loop Road





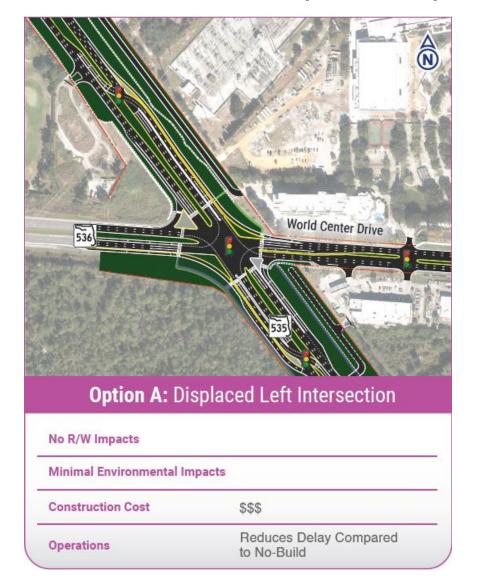




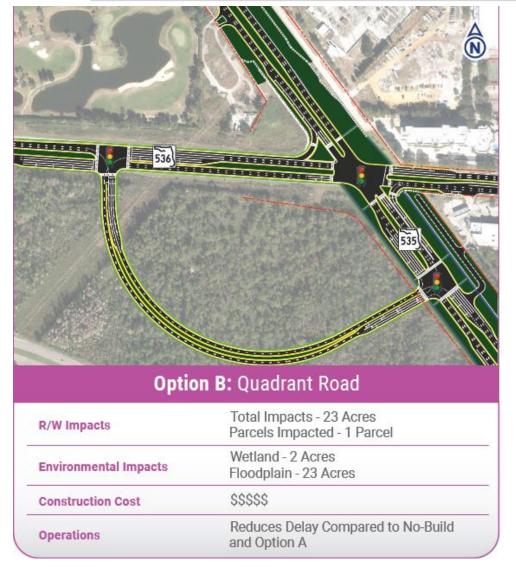




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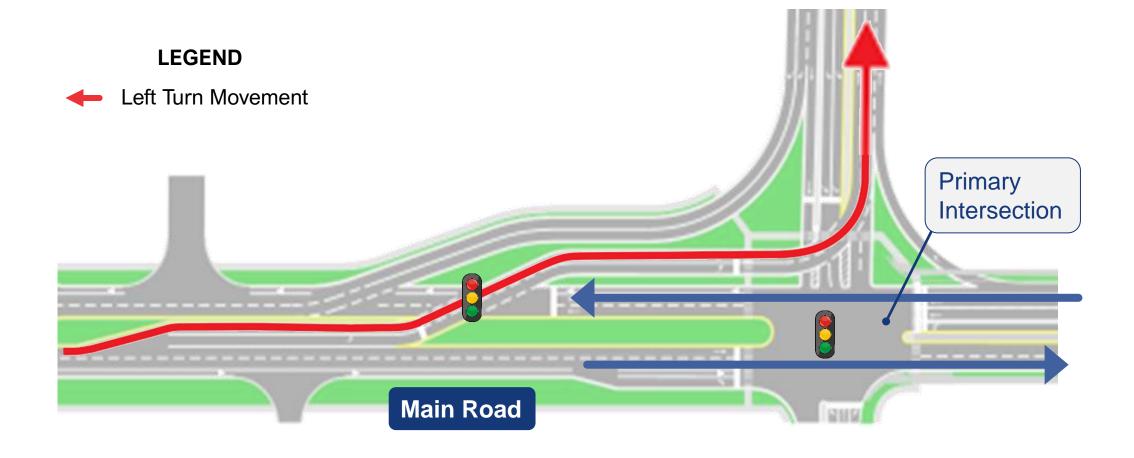








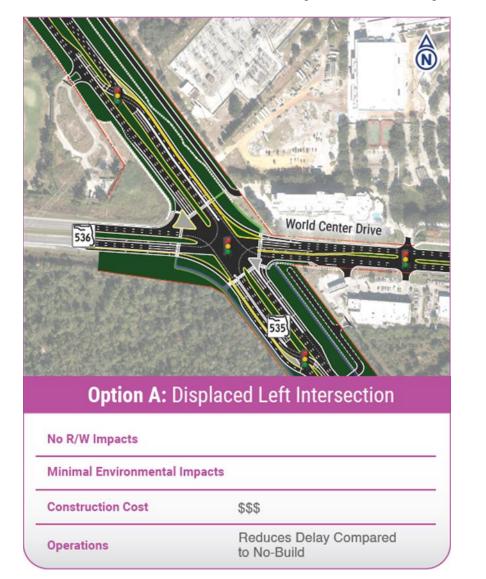
#### **Displaced Left Turn Intersection**



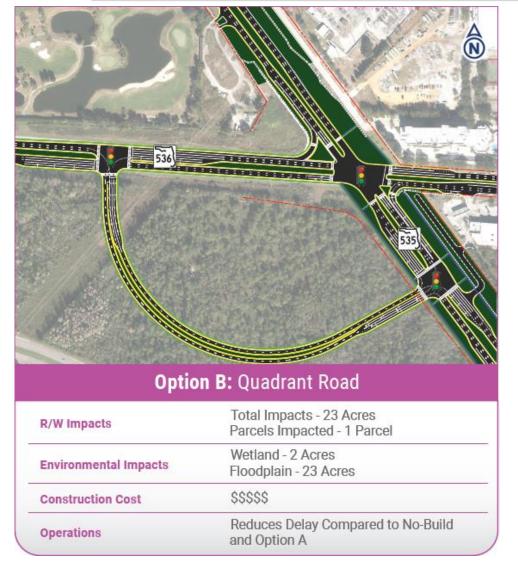




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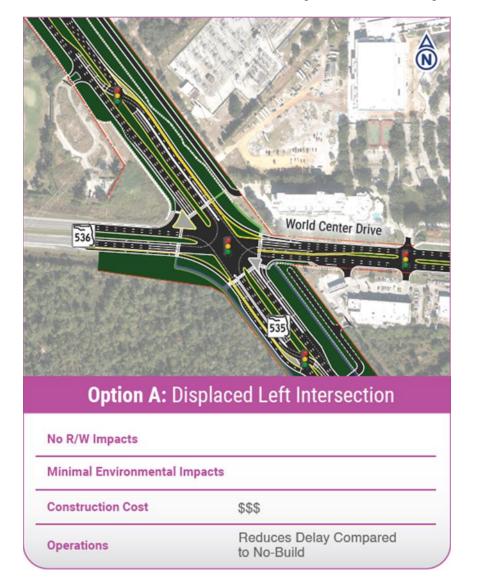
#### **Quadrant Road Intersection**



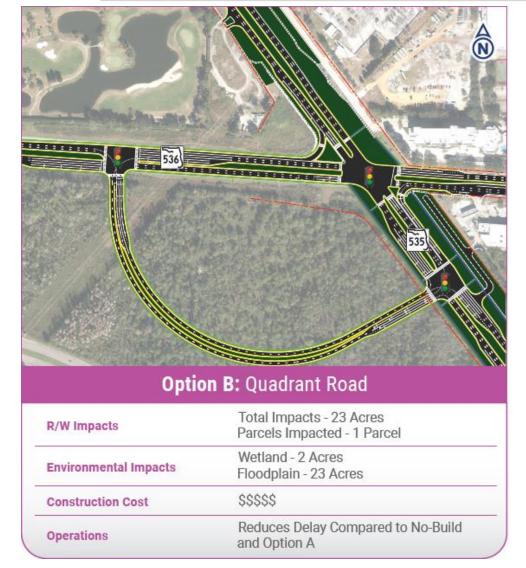




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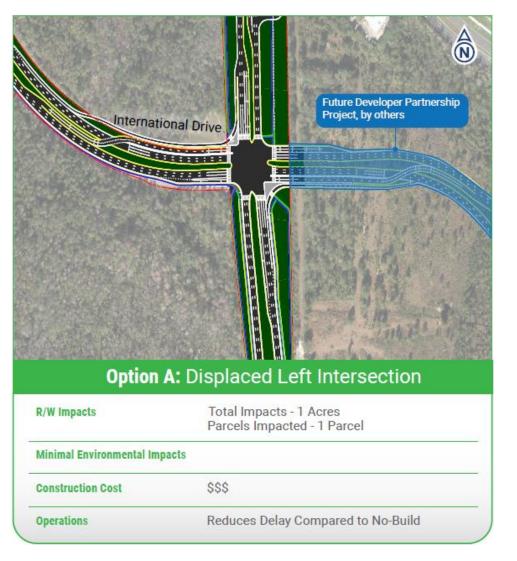




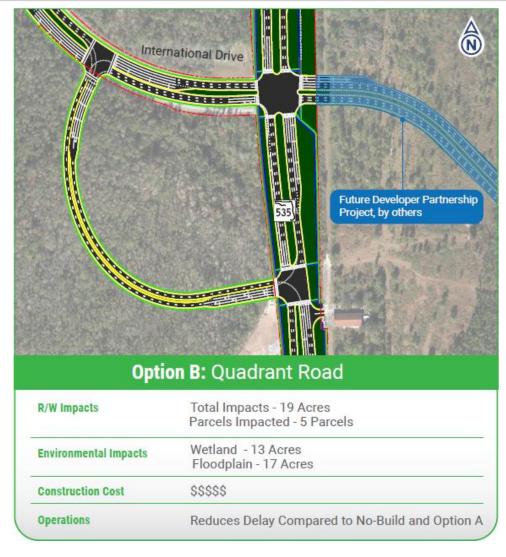




#### **International Drive**









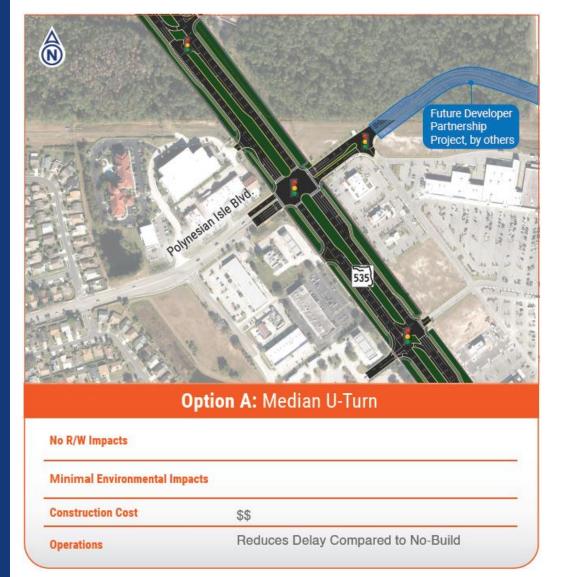




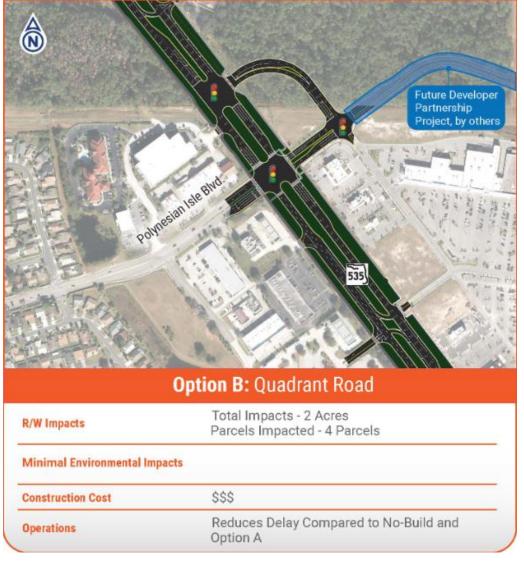




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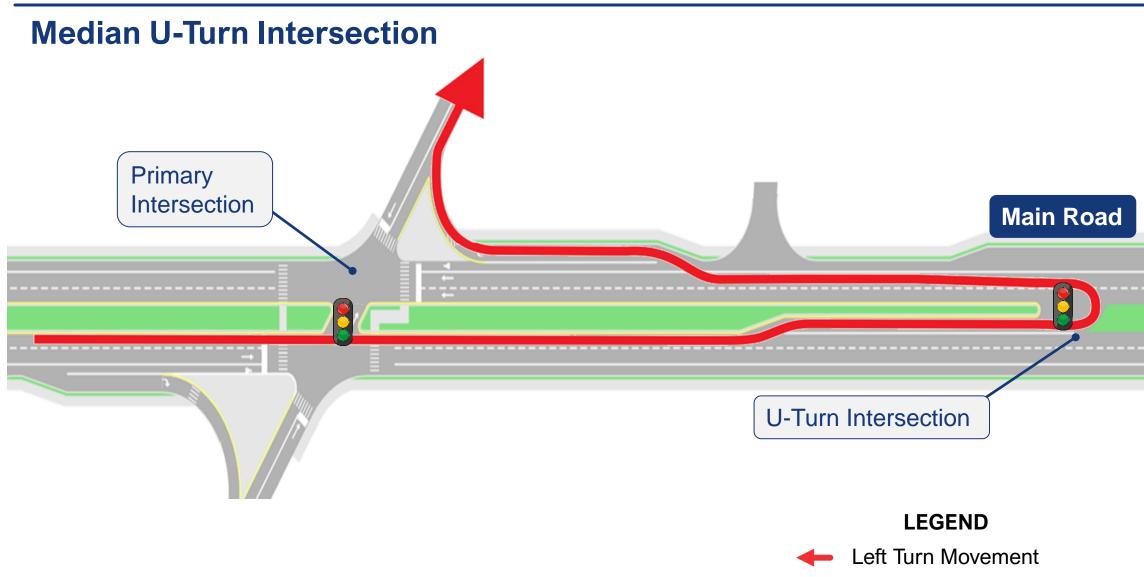








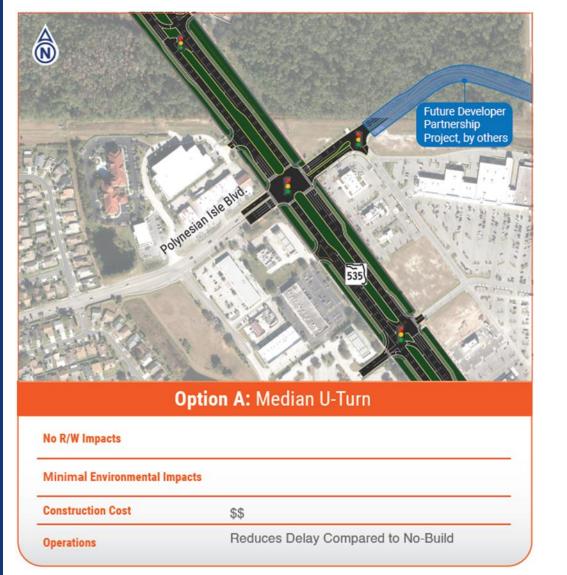




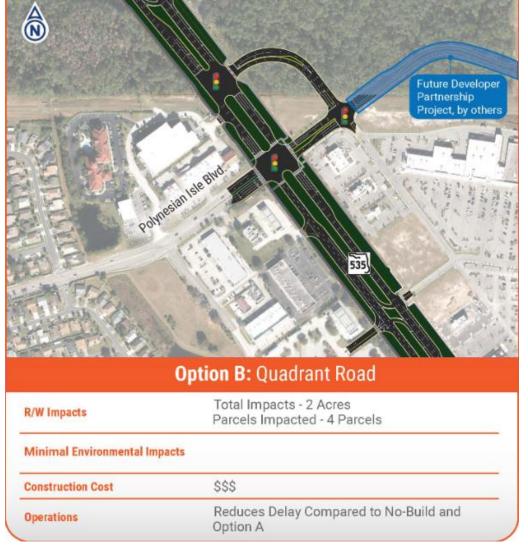




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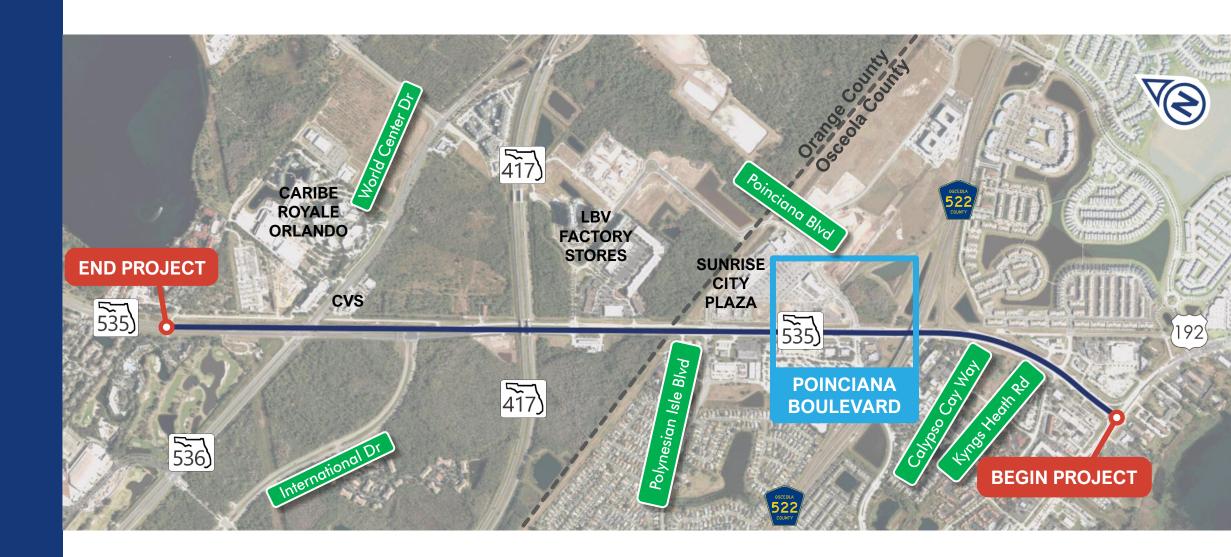
















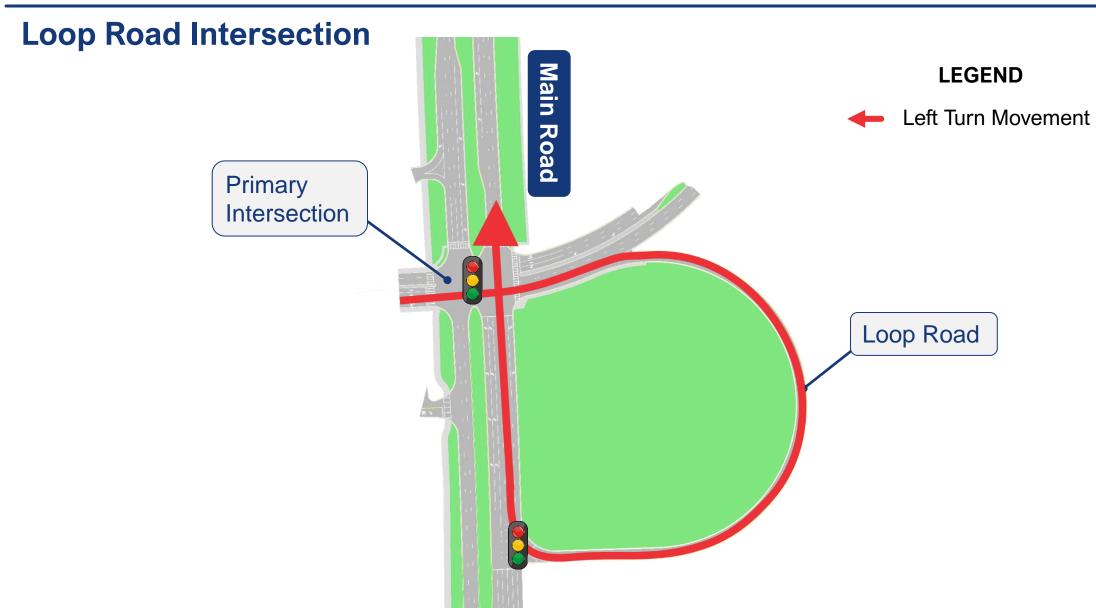
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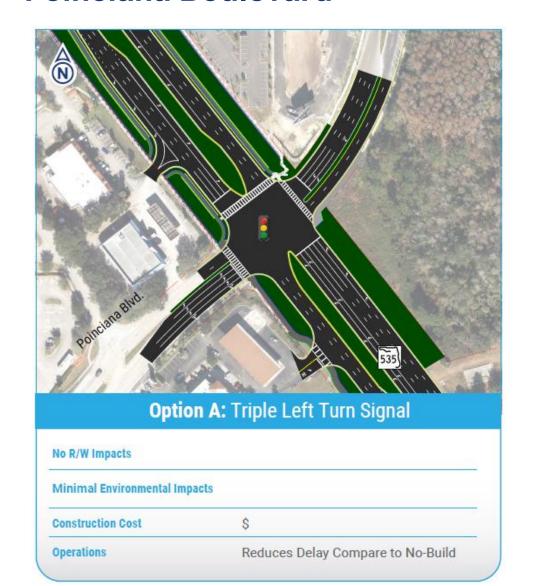


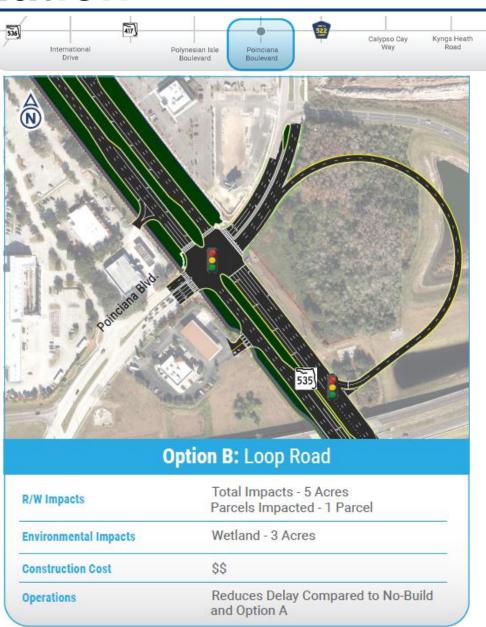






#### **Poinciana Boulevard**









#### **Environmental**

Potential effects to the social, cultural and physical environment will be analyzed in accordance with state and federal regulations.



#### **Natural**

- Wetlands
- Conservation lands
- Listed species
  - Sand Skink Habitat

#### **Social and Economic**

- Businesses
- Social Effects
- Aesthetic Effects

#### **Cultural**

- Historical Sites
- Archaeological sites

#### **Physical**

- Utilities
  - Florida Gas Transmission
- Contamination
  - FDEP cleanup sites
- Traffic Noise





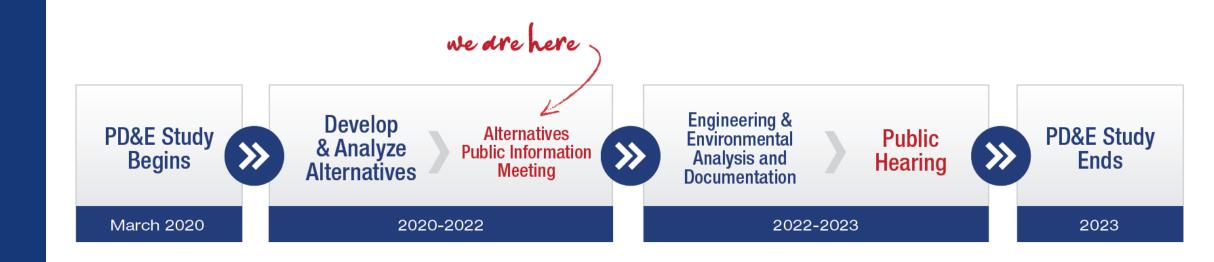
## **Potential Impacts**

Evaluation Criteria	No Build	Build*
Purpose and Need		
Meet Traffic Demand	No	Yes
Enhance Multimodal Features	No	Yes
Improve Safety	No	Yes
Social Environmental		
Business Parcels Impacted	No	0-2
Residential Parcels Impacted	No	0 – 1
Vacant Land Parcels Impacted	No	2-9
Cultural Environmental		
Archaeological Sites Impacted	0	0
Historical Resources Impacted	0	0 – 4
Natural Environment		
Wetland (Acres)	0	0 – 18
Contamination (Sites)	N/A	0 – 1**
Total Pond Size Required (Acres)	0	6 – 10
Floodplain (Acres)	0	0 – 40
Sand Skink Suitable Habitat (Acres)	0	0 – 39
Physical Environment		
Utilities (FGT)	No	Potential Impacts
ROW Acquisition (Acres)	0	1 – 49
Cost***	0	\$59 M – \$64 M





## **Project Schedule**







## **Public Comments and Questions**

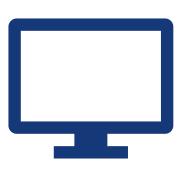
**In-person** 

**Virtually** 

Mail

By phone













#### **Public Comments and Questions**

- In-person
  - Submit Comment Form
- Virtually
  - GoTo Webinar: Type your comment/question in the question box
  - Online at the project website <u>www.cflroads.com/project/437174-2</u>
- By email to FDOT Project Manager

- By U.S. mail to FDOT Project Manager
- By phone at 386-943-5392

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## Thank you for participating.

#### Please submit comments and questions by August 25, 2022

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Safety is a two-way street.

