

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION!

FDOT and the Expressway Authority extend their thanks to you for attending this public hearing.

Session 1: Orange County, Tuesday, October 26, 2010

VFW Post No. 10147 (Apopka Community Center)
519 South Central Avenue
Apopka, FL 32703
5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

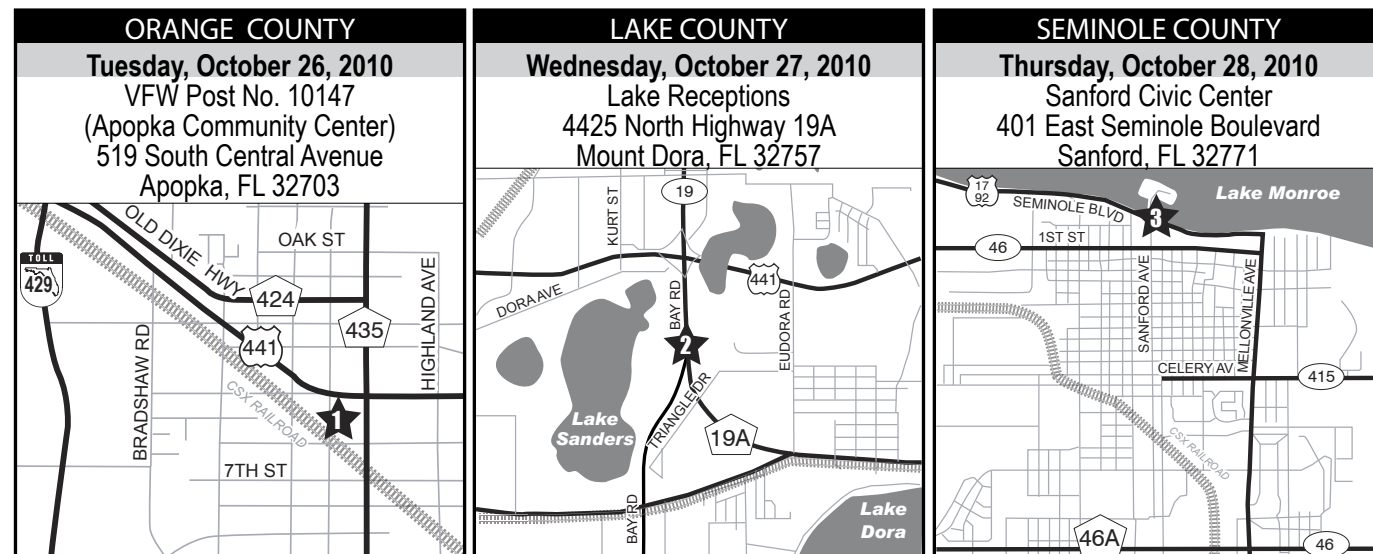
Session 2: Lake County, Wednesday, October 27, 2010

Lake Receptions
4425 North Highway 19A
Mount Dora, FL 32757
5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Session 3: Seminole County, Thursday, October 28, 2010

Sanford Civic Center
401 East Seminole Boulevard
Sanford, FL 32771
5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The public hearing will not be officially closed until the conclusion of the third session



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WEKIVA PARKWAY (S.R. 429)/ S.R. 46 REALIGNMENT PD&E STUDY

Orange, Lake and Seminole Counties, Florida
Financial Project Numbers: 238275-1 and 240200-1

TONIGHT'S AGENDA

5 p.m. - OPEN HOUSE

- We encourage you to view the display boards, documents and other project information. Representatives from the study team are here to answer questions before and after the presentation. Study team members are wearing name tags.

6 - 8 p.m. - FORMAL PRESENTATION

- Public Hearing Compliance
- Project Description
- Project Alternatives
- Proposed Build Alternative
- Evaluation of Alternatives
- Next Steps
- 10-Minute Break
- Public Comment Period

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Wekiva Parkway project would begin at the S.R. 429 (Daniel Webster Western Beltway) and S.R. 414 (John Land Apopka Expressway) interchange at U.S. 441 in Apopka, go north into Lake County and then east along the existing S.R. 46 alignment to connect to Interstate 4 (I-4) in Sanford. The Wekiva Parkway Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study is a cooperative effort between the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority (Expressway Authority) that was initiated in 2005. Authorized in 2004 by the Wekiva Parkway and Protection Act (Chapter 369, Part III, Florida Statutes), the Wekiva Parkway (S.R. 429) would complete the beltway around the northwest metropolitan area.

Over 300 meetings have been held with stakeholders during the PD&E Study including residents, business owners, local governments, state and federal agencies, and environmental interest groups. Public Workshops were held in 2005, 2006 and 2009. They have been a valuable tool in assisting the FDOT and the Expressway Authority

in refining and evaluating all of the alternatives in more detail. Much of the analysis and work is contained within the Draft Environmental Assessment that was approved for public availability by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in August 2010. This series of public hearings is to provide you information about the project and collect public input on the Proposed Build Alternative in addition to all of the alternatives considered throughout the process.

THE WEKIVA PARKWAY PROJECT WOULD:

- Complete the Western Beltway (S.R. 429) around the metropolitan area;
- Provide an alternative to I-4;
- Relieve S.R. 46, U.S. 441 and other local roads of traffic congestion between Orange, Lake and Seminole Counties;
- Improve safety and reduce vehicle crash fatalities, particularly on S.R. 46;
- Develop a transportation facility that minimizes impacts to Wekiva River Basin resources and that specifically improves wildlife habitat connectivity between conservation lands and reduces vehicle-wildlife conflicts.

WHAT IS PD&E?

A PD&E Study is the formal process that transportation entities such as FDOT and the Expressway Authority use to ensure that consideration is given to engineering design, project costs, environmental and social impacts and public input in the development of major transportation projects.

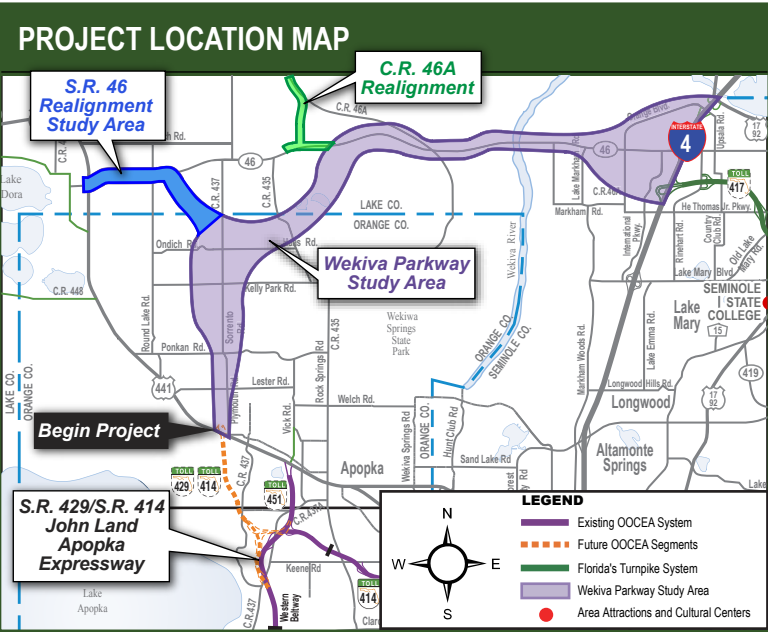
The basic steps of a PD&E Study include data collection, development and analysis of the alternatives, development of project documents and final approval. Public involvement is a very important part of the PD&E process.

The process, which is mandated by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) for federally-funded projects, includes an extensive data collection effort to properly assess and document the findings and recommendations identified by the analysis. Your participation in tonight's hearing is an integral part of this process.

PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS

The Wekiva Parkway

- Approximately 21 mainline miles long
- A new limited access expressway
- 4-lane divided expressway (expandable to 6-lanes when needed in the future)
- Begins just north of the S.R. 429 and S.R. 414 interchange at U.S. 441 in Apopka and connects to the I-4/S.R. 417 interchange in Sanford
- From Orange County (8.16 miles) going north & northwest into Lake County (7.37 miles) continuing east, crossing the Wekiva River into Seminole County (5.41 miles)



S.R. 46 Reconstruction and Realignment

- Nearly 5 miles long
- Reconstruction of S.R. 46 in Lake County from U.S. 441 to east of Round Lake Road into a 6-lane divided controlled access roadway
- Realign portions of S.R. 46 in Lake County from Round Lake Road to the southeast into Orange County to the proposed systems interchange with Wekiva Parkway. This section would be a new limited access 4-lane divided expressway (expandable to 6-lanes when needed in the future).

C.R. 46A Realignment

- Realign C.R. 46A from the existing C.R. 46A to the existing S.R. 46
- Approximately 3 miles in Lake County
- New 2-lane rural roadway (expandable to 4-lane rural if needed in the future)

Wekiva Parkway Access Improvements

- Provides access to private properties and a non-tolled option for local trips from the C.R. 46A Realignment in Lake County to Orange Boulevard (C.R. 431) in Seminole County
- New 2-lane, non-tolled service road parallel to Wekiva Parkway, west of Wekiva River in Lake County
- 2-lane, one-way non-tolled frontage roads parallel to Wekiva Parkway, east of Wekiva River in Seminole County.

PROJECT FUNDING AND SCHEDULE

Potential funding for the project could include federal sources, state sources and/or the Expressway Authority. In 2004 when the Wekiva Parkway and Protection Act was enacted, it was assumed the Wekiva Parkway would be a state owned highway in Lake and Seminole Counties. However, with the total cost of the project estimated to be between \$1.7 and \$1.8 billion, and with declining transportation dollars available to the FDOT, it is now evident that the entire Wekiva Parkway may not be financially feasible without tolls. A funding plan has not been finalized at this time.

The phased schedules and dates for final design, right-of way acquisition, and construction have not yet been determined.

PD&E STUDY DOCUMENTS

The environmental and engineering reports prepared for the Wekiva Parkway PD&E Study, including the Draft Environmental Assessment and preliminary concept plans, are available for review at tonight's public hearing. As advertised in local newspapers, the documents and concept plans have been available since October 4, 2010, and will continue to be available for public review through November 8, 2010 at the locations shown below.

RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION PROCESS

Right-of-way representatives from FDOT and the Expressway Authority are present at tonight's public hearing and are available to answer your questions. Please look for the table with the "Right-of-Way" sign.

The documents and concept plans are also available for public review on-line at <http://www.expresswayauthority.com>

Orlando-Orange County Expressway Authority 4974 ORL Tower Rd Orlando, FL 32807	Orange County Library North Orange Branch 1211 East Semoran Blvd Apopka, FL 32703
FDOT District Five 719 South Woodland Blvd DeLand, FL 32720	FDOT Orlando Urban Office 133 South Semoran Blvd Orlando, FL 32807
Seminole County Library North Branch 150 North Palmetto Ave Sanford, FL 32771	East Lake County Library 31340 South C.R. 437 Sorrento, FL 32776
Orlando Public Library 101 East Central Blvd Orlando, FL 32801	W.T. Bland Public Library 1995 North Donnelly St Mount Dora, FL 32757

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COMMENT FORM

WEKIVA PARKWAY (S.R. 429) S.R. 46 REALIGNMENT
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL FINAL STUDY
ORANGE, LAKE, AND SEMINOLE COUNTIES, FLORIDA

Please use this Comment Form to express your opinion about the Wekiva Parkway (S.R. 429) S.R. 46 Realignment PD&E Study. You may place your comments in the "Comments Box" provided at the meeting, or send to the address below by November 8, 2010.

Comments:

Please use the back of this form if more space is needed to express your opinion.

PLEASE RETURN COMMENTS BY NOVEMBER 8, 2010 TO:

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YOUR COMMENTS ARE IMPORTANT!

You may submit your comments regarding the proposed improvements in one of the following ways:

- Complete a "Speaker Card," available at the sign-in table and make an oral statement at the microphone during the formal portion of the hearing
- Make an oral statement to the court reporter during the informal portion of the hearing
- Complete a comment form and drop in the comment box provided or mail your written comments to the address below, no later than November 8, 2010:

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Written comments, exhibits and/or statements must be postmarked on or before November 8, 2010 or e-mailed no later than November 8, 2010 to be included in the public hearing record.

TITLE VI NONDISCRIMINATION PROGRAM

Public participation is encouraged and solicited without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability or family status. Inquiries or complaints can be submitted to:

Lorie Wilson, FDOT District Title VI Coordinator

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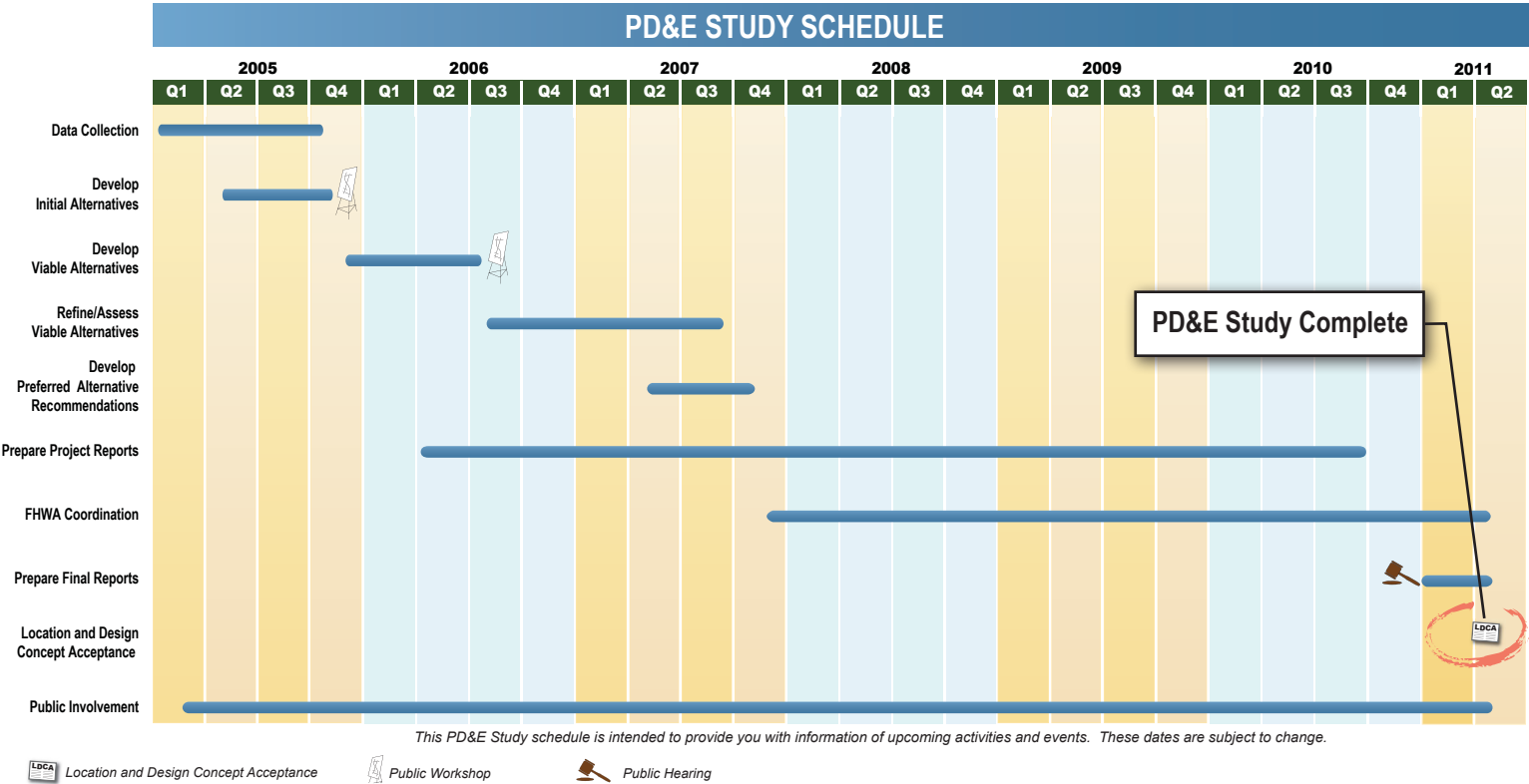
Charlotte Thomas, FDOT State Title VI Coordinator

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WHAT ARE THE NEXT STEPS?

After the public hearing and consideration of all comments received, FDOT and the Expressway Authority will recommend a Locally Preferred Alternative to the FHWA for their approval. Final engineering and environmental documents will be completed for review by FHWA. FDOT and the Expressway Authority hope to receive the needed Federal approvals for the overall project by the Spring of 2011.

If a Build Alternative is selected as the Locally Preferred Alternative, and if funding becomes available, FDOT and the Expressway Authority will continue developing the facility design, and initiate more detailed surveys of resources as required by regulations.



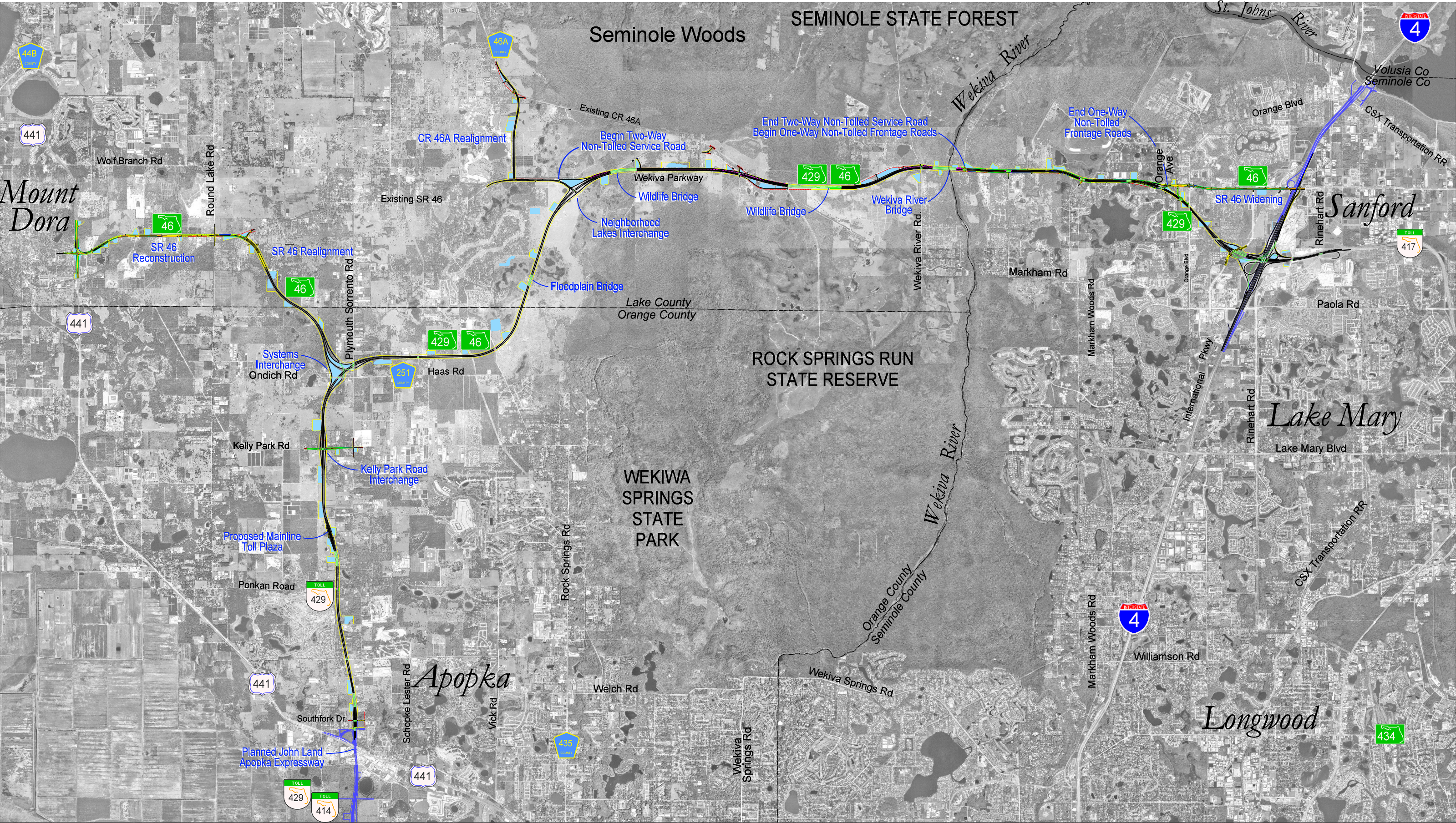
WHAT ARE THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS?

Through the PD&E Study process, various alternatives were developed and refined that avoided or minimized impacts to sensitive environmental features. Then, the study team worked to identify potential impacts, both adverse and beneficial, that may occur by implementing any of these alternatives. Alternatives with considerably higher impacts and no clear benefits in comparison to the other alternatives were eliminated from consideration for detailed study and further development. The results of these analyses are documented in a series of technical study reports and the Draft Environmental Assessment. Some key findings are outlined in the table on this page.



Proposed Build Alternative - Estimated Impact Evaluation Summary Based on July 2010 Plans						
Evaluation Criteria		Orange County	Lake County West	Lake County East	Seminole County	Total
Social Environment	Parcel Impacts	133	55	126	122	436
	Total Right-of-Way (acres)	527	125	518	191	1361
	Residential Displacements	36	2	1	18	57
	Businesses/Other Displacements	4	0	2	3	9
	Number of Community Services in Study Area	-	-	-	-	35
	- Community Services Impacts (no. of parcels)	0	0	1	2	3
	- Community Services Impacts (acres)	0	0	4.2	4.8	9.0
	- Community Services Displacements	0	0	0	0	0
	Utility Impacts (no. of affected companies)	7	5	4	7	23
	Railroad Involvement	No	Yes	No	No	Yes
Cultural Environment	Section 4(f) Public Land Impacts (acres)	0	0	155.38	3.86	159.24
	Other Park & Recreation facilities	0	0	0	0	0
	Section 106 Historic Properties Impacted	2	0	0	0	2
	- Number of Direct Use impacts	2	0	0	0	2
	- Number of resources with Adverse Affects	2	0	0	0	2
	Number of archaeological sites	0	0	0	0	0
	Archaeological site potential (low, medium, high)	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
	Pedestrian/Bicycle Facilities Impacted	Enhanced	Enhanced	Enhanced	Enhanced	Enhanced
Physical Environment	Air Quality (Design Year 2032)	Enhanced	Enhanced	Enhanced	Enhanced	Enhanced
	Noise impacts within 66dBA Contour (Design Year 2032)					
	- Total number of noise sensitive sites impacted	53	64	10	123	250
	- Number of benefited receivers ¹	0	28	0	60	88
	Number Sites with High Potential for Contamination	4	0	0	1	5
Natural Environment	Wetland Impacts (acres)	6.48	10.65	33.51	46.92	97.56
	Floodplain Impacts (acre-ft)	6.29	11.26	38	5.24	60.79
	Potential for Impacts to T&E Species (low, medium, high)	Low	Low	Low	Low	Low
	Special Designations Involvement (Wild & Scenic River, Aquatic Preserve, Outstanding Florida Waters)	None	None	Yes	Yes	Yes
Construction and Right-of-Way Costs	Cost Estimate					
	Preliminary Engineering and Construction Cost Estimate (2010 \$ in Millions)	\$ 337.1	\$ 104.8	\$ 405.4	\$ 520.3	\$ 1,368
	Right-of-Way Cost Estimate (2010 \$ in Millions)	\$ 120.0	\$ 40.5	\$ 53.1	\$ 141.0	\$ 354.6
	Total Cost Estimate (2010 \$ in Millions)	\$ 457.1	\$ 145.3	\$ 458.5	\$ 661.3	\$ 1,722

Notes:
¹ Number of noise receivers that may benefit from a noise barrier determined to be potentially feasible and cost reasonable.
² No involvement is anticipated with federally and state protected farmlands, navigable waterways, coastal barrier resources or scenic highways.



LEGEND

- PROPOSED RIGHT-OF-WAY
- PROPOSED POND
- PROPOSED BRIDGE
- EXISTING PARCEL LINE

WEKIVA PARKWAY
Project Development and Environment Study
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Wekiva Parkway (SR 429)/SR 46 Realignment
Proposed Build Alternative
OVERALL PROJECT LAYOUT

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Feet