The Central Florida Expressway Authority (CFX) is conducting a Feasibility/Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study of the Lake/Orange County Connector. Below are details about the study and resources to keep you informed of the project’s progress. The study is scheduled to be completed by August 2019.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The proposed Lake/Orange County Connector extends from US 27 in south Lake County to State Road (SR) 429 in west Orange County, a distance of approximately five (5) miles. The study area is generally bordered by Porter Road on the north and Old YMCA Road on the south. A proposed interchange with the future extension of County Road 455 in Lake County is included in the study evaluation. The Lake/Orange County Connector is identified in the CFX 2040 Master Plan, the MetroPlan Orlando 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan and the Lake-Sumter MPO’s 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan.

**STUDY OBJECTIVE**

The objective of the Feasibility/PD&E Study is to determine if a limited access facility between US 27 in south Lake County and SR 429 in west Orange County is viable and fundable in accordance with CFX policies and procedures. Using the results of previous studies as a foundation, a feasible corridor for the proposed toll road will first be identified. Several alignments within the corridor will then be developed and evaluated to identify a preferred alternative. All factors related to the design and location of the facility will be considered, including: transportation needs, financial feasibility, social impacts, economic factors, environmental impacts, engineering analysis, and right-of-way requirements.
GOALS OF THE PROJECT

The goals of the project are to improve connections between area roadways, accommodate anticipated transportation demand, provide consistency with local and regional plans, support economic viability and job creation, support intermodal opportunities, and enhance evacuation and emergency services.

PARTICIPATING IN THE STUDY

Public involvement and community engagement will be a crucial component of this study. We value your input. CFX will provide multiple opportunities for participation, including presentations to elected officials’ boards, public information meetings and a public hearing. Community groups can request a presentation via the www.CFXWay.com website or by emailing Public Involvement Coordinator Kathy Putnam at LakeOrangeStudy@CFXway.com. You’re also welcome to submit your comments at any time during the study via the website or project email address as noted. And be sure to follow the study on Facebook (@LakeOrangeConnector) for updates.

Visit the study webpage at:
https://www.cfxway.com/agency-information/plans-studies/project-studies/lake-orange-co-connector-pde/

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Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status.
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