## CENTRAL FLORIDA EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY

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## PUBLIC MEETINGS ANNOUNCED FOR NORTHEAST CONNECTOR EXPRESSWAY EXTENSION STUDY

(ORLANDO, FL) – The <u>Central Florida Expressway Authority</u> (CFX) is holding two public meetings for its Concept, Feasibility and Mobility study for the proposed <u>Northeast Connector Expressway Extension</u>. Project limits are roughly from US 192 on the south end to where State Road (SR) 50 meets SR 520 on the north end. The study area is bordered by the Econlockhatchee (Econ) watershed on the west and the St. Johns River watershed on the east.

CFX began the concept study in February 2018 and is scheduled to complete it by spring 2019. The goal of the study corridor is to enhance north-south regional connectivity and mobility by providing connections between existing and future east-west corridors within the study area. These corridors include the State Road (SR) 408 Eastern Extension, SR 520, SR 528 (Martin B. Andersen Beachline Expressway), and US 192 (E. Irlo Bronson Memorial Highway). CFX is evaluating the transportation corridor to determine if it may be viable and fundable in accordance with CFX policies and procedures. The corridor is in Osceola and Orange counties.

The meetings will be held in an open house format on:

- Tuesday, January 22, 2019
  5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
  Wedgefield K8 School Gymnasium
  3835 Bancroft Blvd.
  Orlando, FL 32833
- Thursday, January 24, 2019
  5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
  Harmony High School Cafeteria
  3601 Arthur J. Gallagher Blvd.
  St. Cloud, FL 34771

Attendees will be able to review maps, drawings and other pertinent information, and provide comments. Members of the study team will also be available at the informal meeting to answer questions. There will be no formal program or presentation.

For additional information concerning this study, please contact Kathy Putnam, Public Involvement Coordinator, by calling 407-802-3210, by emailing <a href="mailto:ConceptStudies@CFXway.com">ConceptStudies@CFXway.com</a>, or click <a href="mailto:here">here</a> to visit the study webpage.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons who require accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services, free of charge, should contact Ms. Putnam as noted above at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

## **About the Central Florida Expressway Authority**

The Central Florida Expressway Authority (CFX) is an independent agency of the state that operates and maintains a regional network of expressways for three million residents and more than 72 million visitors in Brevard, Lake, Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties. Created by the Florida Legislature in 2014, CFX's 118-mile user-funded system includes 815 center lane miles, 69 interchanges, 14 mainline toll plazas, 74 ramp toll plazas and 335 bridges and seven named expressways. On average, more than 1 million toll transactions are recorded daily, 85 percent of them electronically. CFX operates E-PASS, the first electronic toll collection system in Florida, which supports nearly 400,000 E-PASS accounts.

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