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Public information open house for Veterans Expressway widening project to be held Tuesday, August 1

TAMPA, FL (July 19, 2006) —The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, has scheduled a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study public information open house to inform the public and receive comments about the proposed widening of Veterans Expressway (SR 589) from four to eight lanes, between Memorial Highway and Van Dyke Road.

The open-house will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday, August 1, at the Jewish Community Center, 13009 Community Campus Drive, Tampa, Florida. The meeting location is along the north side of Gunn Highway, east of the Veterans Expressway.

This open house will be held using an informal format. Under this format, members of the public may attend at any time during the posted hours. Upon arrival at the open house, attendees will receive written project information and will be directed to a brief audio-visual presentation. After viewing the presentation, attendees may review the various maps, drawings, and other project information that will be on display.

Members of the Turnpike Enterprise Project team will be present to explain the materials and to answer questions.

For additional information about the widening project and the upcoming meeting, visit the project website at www.veteransexpresswaywidening.com or contact Joanne Hurley, Community Relations Coordinator, at 813-558-1117, ext. 12.