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Florida's Turnpike Enterprise to hold public information open house Tuesday, Oct. 20, to discuss proposed widening project and new Turnpike interchange in Miami-Dade County

FORT LAUDERDALE — The Florida Department of Transportation, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise has scheduled a public information meeting to discuss the Project Development and Environment Study for the proposed widening of the Homestead Extension of Florida's Turnpike from S.R. 836 (Dolphin Expressway) to east of Northwest 57th Avenue (Red Road) and a proposed Turnpike interchange at Northwest 170th Street.

The public information meeting will be held on Tuesday, Oct. 20, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., at the Celebration Ballrooms, 12531 West Okeechobee Road, Hialeah Gardens. Parking will be provided free of charge.

This meeting is being held to allow interested persons an opportunity to express their views concerning the location and conceptual design, as well as the social, economic and environmental effects of the proposed improvements to the Homestead Extension of Florida's Turnpike. The proposed improvements consist of improving the roadway capacity to meet existing and future travel demand, interchange improvements and the evaluation of a potential new interchange at Northwest 170th Street.

The meeting will be conducted as an informal open house. At 6:30 p.m., a video about highway traffic noise will be shown, followed by a question-and-answer session at 6:45 p.m. Project materials and aerial photography will be available for public review. Turnpike staff will be available to answer questions and discuss the project and its environmental impacts.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons with disabilities who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Mr. Imran Ghani, P.E., AICP, Project Manager, at least seven days prior to the public information meeting. Mr. Ghani may be contacted through the mail at P.O. Box 613069, Ocoee, Florida 34761-3069, via e-mail at Imran.Ghani@dot.state.fl.us or by calling (407) 264-3802.