State Road (S.R.) 50

Segment 4 - County Road 478A to east of the Sumter/Lake County Line
Segment 5 - From east of the Sumter/Lake County Line to County Road 33

Financial Project Identification (FPID) Numbers: 435859-4 and 435859-5

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

- **Are the design plans set in stone?**

At this time the design plans are not set in stone. The project team is currently at 60% complete plans design. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) encourages you to make comments and ask questions throughout the life of the project. Please reach out to the FDOT Project Manager Jude Jean-Francois by email at Jude.Jean-Francois@dot.state.fl.us or by phone at 386-943-5487.

- **Will lighting or a public water line be included in either Segment?**

In Segment 4, lighting is planned at the roundabouts as required by the design standards. In Segment 5, lighting will be provided for the roundabout and signalized County Road (C.R.) 33 intersection. Exisising lighting will be upgraded on the south side and new lighting added to the north side of S.R. 50 along the project corridor. Utility coordination has just started, and, at this time, the Department is unaware of any plans to provide water service along S.R. 50.

- **What will the future posted speed be for these Segments of State Road 50?**

Along S.R. 50 the posted speed limit is going to be 55 mph throughout the limits of Segment 4. The side streets will remain at the current posted speed limit. In Segment 5, the speed limit will remain 55 mph on the west end of the project, from the Sumter County line to Lee Road, and will be 45 mph from Lee Road to C.R. 33.

- **When will land appraisals begin? Will property and right of way acquisitions for Segments 4 and 5 begin at same time?**

Right of way acquisition is not currently funded for either Segment and the start of acquisition will not be known until funding is secured. Please reach out to the FDOT Project Manager Jude Jean-Francois if you have specific questions about your property and right of way acquisition. You can contact Jude by email at Jude.Jean-Francois@dot.state.fl.us or by phone at 386-943-5487.

For additional information regarding FDOT's right of way acquisition process please visit https://www.fdot.gov/rightofway/default.shtm.

- **Is there a Pond Siting Report available for review showing the planned ponds?**

Yes, there was a Pond Siting Report done during the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study completed in 2019 and it has also been updated during design work. To obtain a copy of the report, please contact FDOT Project Manager Jude Jean-Francois by email at Jude.Jean-Francois@dot.state.fl.us or by phone at 386-943-5487. You can also refer to the displays on the project website to see the proposed pond locations.

- **Will the FDOT clean and maintain the ponds? Will the runoff contaminants be periodically removed from the ponds?**

Yes, FDOT will maintain the ponds. Ponds are designed to hold stormwater runoff for a period of time long enough that contaminants (including nitrogen and phosphorus) settle to the bottom of the pond. Treated water is discharged off the top of the pond and directed to its natural outfall location. The ponds prevent untreated, contaminated water from discharging directly to adjacent lands. As part of regular maintenance, FDOT will dredge the ponds, which helps remove settled contaminants.

- **In Segment 5, what is the distance between the road and bike path?**

In the rural section from the Sumter County line to Lee Road, there will be a roadside swale between the roadway and multi-use trail, which would put the edge of the trail approximately 35 feet from outside edge of the travel lanes. In the urban section from Lee Road to C.R. 33, the multi-use trail edge will be about 4 feet behind the back of the curb.

- **Is there a preliminary map for each Segment?**

Yes, displays that show the current plans for each project can be found on the project websites at www.cflroads.com/project/435859-4 and www.cflroads.com/project/435859-5.