

Transportation & Transit Department



January 31, 2020

Re: Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study
Simpson Road, from US 192 to 560' south of Myers Road
Osceola County, Florida
PS Number: 18-9906-DG, EDTM #14403
Public Hearing Announcement

Tawny Olore, PE
Executive Director

Dear Property Owner/Interested Party:

You are invited to attend and participate in the Osceola County Department of Transportation and Transit public hearing for a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study of Simpson Road from US 192 to 560' south of Myers Road. **This public hearing will be held on Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 6 p.m.** at the **Osceola County Administrative Building, Commission Chambers (4th Floor), 1 Courthouse Square, Kissimmee, Florida 34741**. The hearing will begin as an open house at 6 p.m. with a formal presentation at 6:45 p.m., followed by a public comment period. A copy of the project newsletter (available in both English and Spanish) is enclosed and includes a location map for the meeting, project limits and other important information.

This public hearing is being conducted to give interested persons an opportunity to express their views concerning the location, conceptual design, and social, economic and environmental effects of the proposed improvements. The environmental review, consultation and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been carried out by Osceola County pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and Florida Department of Transportation.

This study is evaluating many possible improvements including additional corridor capacity such as **roadway widening, bicycle lanes or shared-use paths and completed sidewalk networks**. Draft study documents and other pertinent information depicting the project's recommendation will be available on the project website for review from **Thursday, February 6, 2020 to Monday, March 9, 2020**, and at the following locations:

BUENAVENTURA LAKES Library Hours:
BRANCH LIBRARY *Mon-Thurs*
9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
405 Buenaventura Blvd *Fri-Sat*
Kissimmee, FL 34743 *9 a.m. - 6 p.m.*
407-742-8888 *Sun*
12 - 6 p.m.

OSCEOLA COUNTY Business Hours:
ADMINISTRATION BUILDING *Mon-Fri*
8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
1 Courthouse Square *Sat-Sun*
Kissimmee, FL 34741 *Closed*
407-742-0552

Joshua DeVries, AICP
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Kathy Lee, PE
Traffic Operations

Todd Hudson, PE
Transportation Engineering

Rene LaPorte
Construction

Gary Yeager
Traffic Services

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A court reporter will be present to record the proceedings, and assist the public with verbal comments. Written comments can be submitted at the hearing, mailed to Joshua DeVries, AICP, Director of Planning, Department of Transit and Transportation, Osceola County, 1 Courthouse Square, Kissimmee, Florida 34741, or emailed to Joshua.DeVries@osceola.org. All comments must be postmarked or submitted by **Monday, March 9, 2020** to be part of the official public hearing record.

Tawny Olore, PE
Executive Director

This letter is being sent to all property owners and tenants within +/- 300 feet on either side of the proposed project and to other public officials, regulatory agencies, organizations, and individuals interested in the project.

Joshua DeVries, AICP
Transportation Planning

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) can contact Mr. DeVries at 407-742-0552 or by email at Joshua.DeVries@osceola.org at least seven (7) days prior to the public hearing.

Kathy Lee, PE
Traffic Operations

If you require further information concerning this project, please do not hesitate to contact me at 407-742-0552 or via email at Joshua.DeVries@osceola.org. You may also visit the project website at www.improvesimpsonroad.com.

Sincerely,

Todd Hudson, PE
Transportation Engineering



Rene LaPorte
Construction

Joshua DeVries, AICP
Director of Planning/Senior Planner

Enclosure: Project Newsletter (in both English and Spanish)

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SIMPSON ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

from US 192 to 560' south of Myers Road

JANUARY 2020

VOLUME 3

I PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE: SIMPSON ROAD IMPROVEMENTS PD&E STUDY

On Thursday, February 27, 2020, at 6 p.m., the Osceola County Department of Transportation and Transit will hold a public hearing for a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study of Simpson Road from US 192 to 560' south of Myers Road. A formal presentation will begin at 6:45 p.m. This study is evaluating a variety of improvements including additional corridor capacity such as **roadway widening, bicycle lanes or shared-use paths, and completed sidewalk networks.** This hearing allows those interested the opportunity to provide comments and express views concerning the location, conceptual design, and social, economic, cultural and environmental effects of the proposed project.

Draft study documents and other project-related information will be available on the project website for review and at the following locations from **Thursday, February 6, 2020 to Monday, March 9, 2020:**

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405 Buenaventura Blvd
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Library Hours:

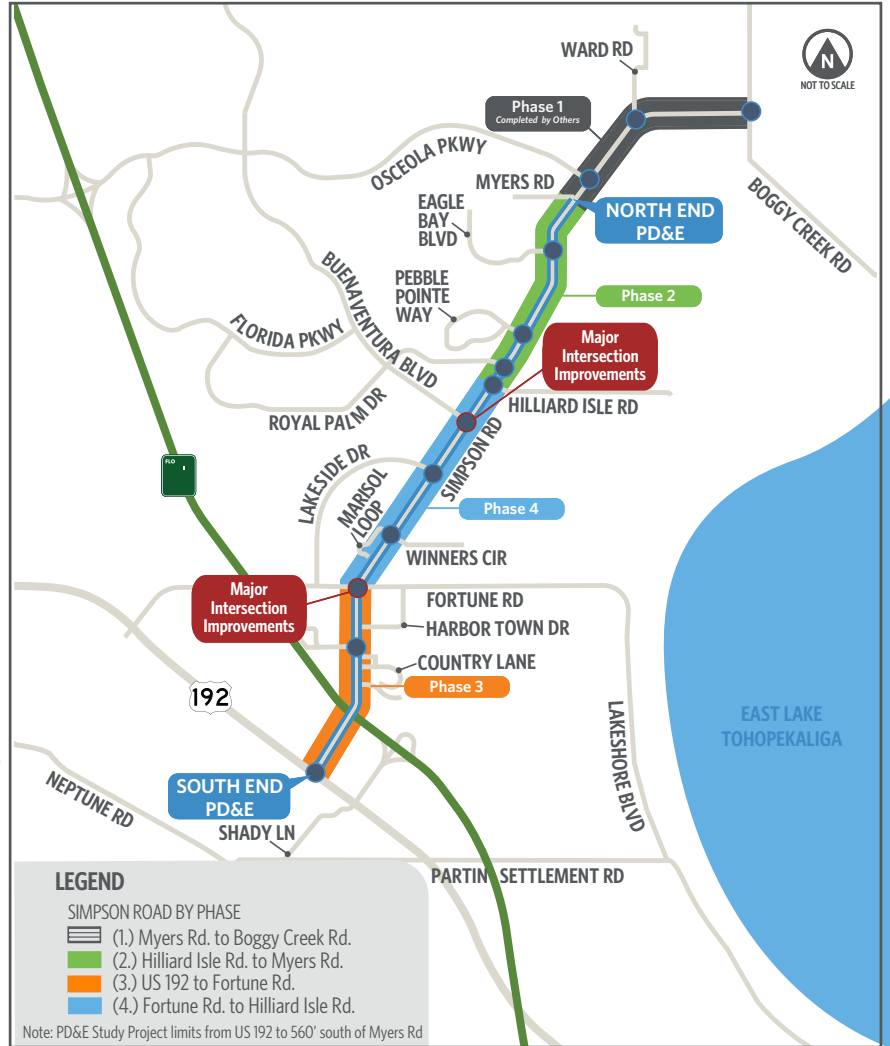
Mon-Thurs 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Fri-Sat 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Sun 12 - 6 p.m.

OSCEOLA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

1 Courthouse Square
Kissimmee, FL 34741
407-742-0552

Business Hours:

Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sat-Sun Closed



This public hearing allows community members to come during the meeting time to view the exhibits, ask questions and provide comments. Members of the public may submit written or verbal comments at the hearing or by contacting **Mr. Joshua DeVries** (contact information on back). Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) can contact Mr. DeVries at least seven (7) days prior to the public hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING

Osceola County

Administration Building

Commission Chambers (4th Floor)

1 Courthouse Square
Kissimmee, FL 34741



WE WANT YOUR INPUT

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All written comments must be submitted or postmarked no later than

Monday, March 9, 2020

to be part of the official public hearing record.

**Thursday
February 27th**
6 p.m. (start)

6:45 p.m. - Formal Portion



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SIMPSON ROAD: US HIGHWAY 192 TO MYERS ROAD

The illustrations below include the recommended intersection improvements at Fortune Road and Buenaventura Boulevard.

Preferred Option



Preferred Option



The below Typical Sections identify the recommended improvements of Phases 2, 3, and 4.



Phase 2 & 3:
115 ft of Right-of-Way
with 4 Traffic Lanes



Phase 4:
125 ft of Right-of-Way with 4 Traffic
Lanes and 2 Auxiliary Lanes

This option provides traffic lanes in each direction with a shared-use path available for bicyclists and pedestrians.

STAY INFORMED

To review the draft documents describing and reviewing the proposed improvements, please visit our project website.

www.improvesimpsonroad.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact:

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MEJORAS PARA SIMPSON ROAD

desde US 192 hasta 560' al sur de Myers Road

ENERO 2020

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I ANUNCIO DE AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA: ESTUDIO PD&E PARA MEJORAS PARA SIMPSON ROAD

El Jueves 27 de Febrero del 2020 a las 6 p.m., el Departamento de Transporte y Tránsito del Condado de Osceola tendrá una audiencia pública para el estudio de Desarrollo de Proyectos y Medio Ambiente (PD&E) de Simpson Road desde US 192 hasta 560' al sur de Myers Road. Una presentación formal comenzará a las 6:45 p.m. Este estudio está evaluando una variedad de mejoras que darían capacidad adicional a la carretera, como la **ampliación de la carretera, carriles de bicicletas o caminos de uso compartido, y redes de aceras completas**. Esta audiencia permite a los interesados la oportunidad de proporcionar comentarios y expresar opiniones sobre la ubicación, el diseño conceptual y los efectos sociales, económicos, culturales y ambientales del proyecto.

Documentos preliminares del estudio y otra información relacionada con el proyecto estarán disponibles en el sitio web del proyecto para su revisión y en las siguientes ubicaciones desde el **Jueves 6 de Febrero del 2020 hasta el Lunes, 9 de Marzo del 2020**:

BUENAVENTURA LAKES BRANCH LIBRARY

405 Buena Ventura Blvd
Kissimmee, FL 34743
407-742-8888

Horas de la Biblioteca:

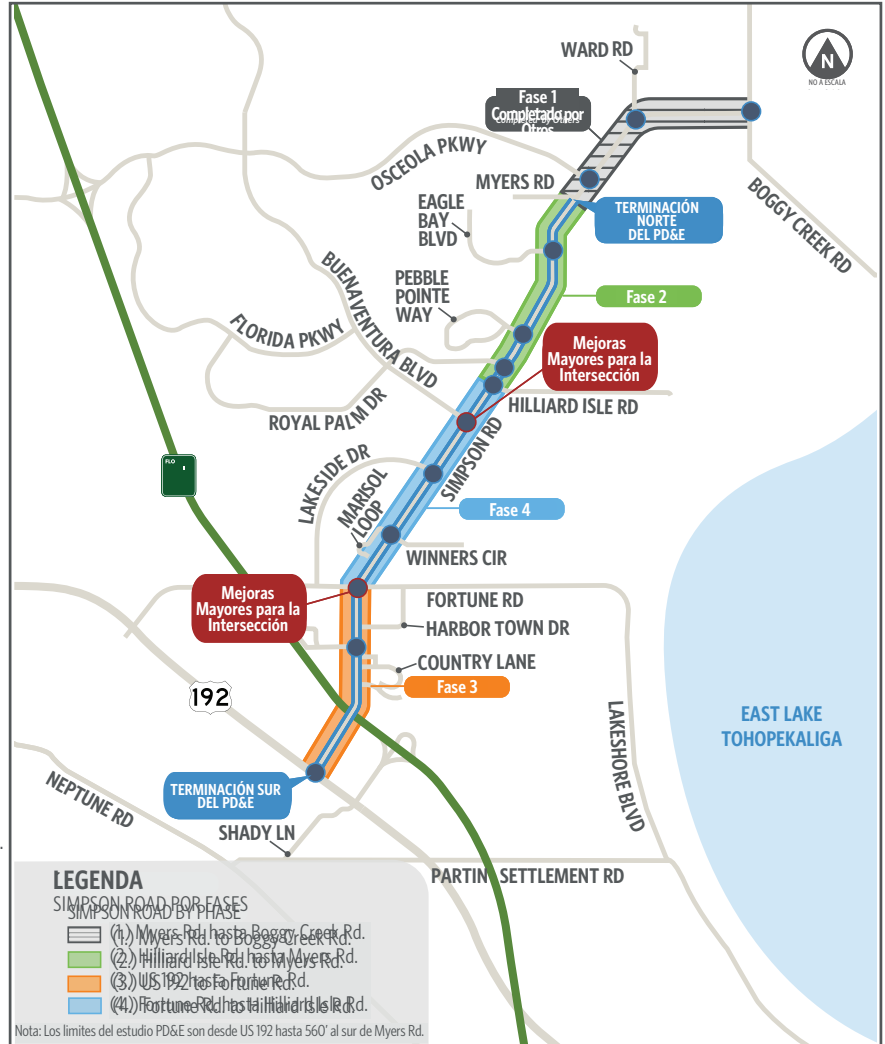
Lunes-Jueves 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.
Viernes-Sábado 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.
Domingo 12 - 6 p.m.

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1 Courthouse Square
Kissimmee, FL 34741
407-742-0552

Horas de Atención:

Lunes-Viernes 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sábado-Domingo Cerrado



LEGENDA
SIMPSON ROAD POR FASES

- (1) Myers Rd hasta Boggy Creek Rd.
- (2) Hilliard Isle Rd hasta Myers Rd.
- (3) US 192 hasta Fortune Rd.
- (4) Fortune Rd hasta Hilliard Isle Rd.

Nota: Los límites del estudio PD&E son desde US 192 hasta 560' al sur de Myers Rd.

Esta audiencia pública permite a los miembros de la comunidad venir durante la hora de la reunión para ver las exposiciones, hacer preguntas y proporcionar comentarios. Los miembros del público pueden presentar comentarios escritos o verbales en la audiencia o poniéndose en contacto con el **Sr. Joshua DeVries** (información de contacto en la parte posterior). La participación pública se solicita sin tener en cuenta la raza, el color, el origen nacional, la edad, el sexo, la religión, la discapacidad o el estado familiar. Las personas que requieren acomodaciones especiales bajo la Ley de Estadounidenses con Discapacidades (ADA, por sus siglas en inglés) o personas que requieren servicios de traducción (gratuitos) pueden comunicarse con el Sr. DeVries al menos siete (7) días antes de la audiencia pública.

AUDIENCIA PÚBLICA Osceola County Administration Building

Cámara de Comisiones (4^{to} piso)
1 Courthouse Square
Kissimmee, FL 34741



NECESITAMOS SU OPINIÓN

Un reportero de la corte estará presente para registrar el procedimiento, y ayudar al público con comentarios verbales. Los comentarios escritos pueden enviarse antes o durante la audiencia o puede ponerse en contacto con: Joshua.DeVries@osceola.org

Todos los comentarios escritos deben ser presentados o con estampilla a más tardar el **Lunes 9 de Marzo del 2020** para formar parte del registro oficial de la audiencia pública

Jueves
Febrero 27
6 p.m. (empieza)

6:45 p.m. - presentación formal



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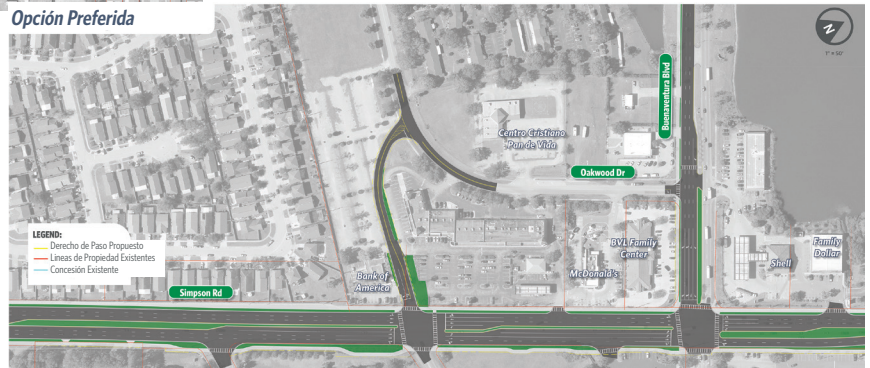
SIMPSON ROAD: US HIGHWAY 192 HASTA MYERS ROAD

Las ilustraciones de abajo incluyen las mejoras recomendadas para las intersecciones de Fortune Road y Buenaventura Boulevard.

Opción Preferida



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Las siguientes secciones típicas identifican las mejoras recomendadas de las fases 2, 3 y 4.

Fase 2 & 3:

115 pies de Derecho de Camino con 4 Carriles



Fase 4:

125 pies de Derecho de Camino con 4 Carriles y 2 Carriles Auxiliares



Esta opción provee carriles en ambas direcciones con un camino de uso compartido para bicicletas y peatones.



MANTÉNGASE INFORMADO

Para revisar documentos preliminares en los que se describen y revisan las mejoras propuestas, visite la página web del proyecto.



www.improvesimpsonroad.com



INFORMACIÓN DE CONTACTO

Si tiene preguntas o necesita información adicional, por favor póngase en contacto:

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