



I-95 (SR 9) PROJECT DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENT (PD&E) STUDY

From South of Hallandale Beach Boulevard (SR 858) to North of Hollywood Boulevard (SR 820)
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NEWSLETTER This is the first in a series of newsletters about the I-95 PD&E Study. Through these newsletters, FDOT will notify the public about upcoming meetings and provide periodic updates on study activities.

ABOUT THE STUDY

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Four has recently started a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for the Interstate 95 (I-95) from south of Hallandale Beach Boulevard (SR 858) to north of Hollywood Boulevard (SR 820), a distance of approximately three miles (**see Project Location Map**). The PD&E Study is proposing improvements to the Hallandale Beach Boulevard, Pembroke Road, and Hollywood Boulevard interchanges. The project is located in Broward County, Florida and is contained within the municipalities of Hallandale Beach, Pembroke Park, and Hollywood. The PD&E Study will evaluate the potential modification of existing entrance and exit ramps serving the three interchanges within the project limits. Intersection improvements will be evaluated along Hallandale Beach Boulevard, Pembroke Road, and Hollywood Boulevard to facilitate the ramp modifications and improve the access and operation of the corridors upstream and downstream from the interchanges. The study will evaluate the social, economic, physical and environmental impacts associated with the potential improvements.

This study will be coordinated with other adjacent studies/projects including 95 Express Phase 3C between south of Hollywood Boulevard and SW 42nd Street.

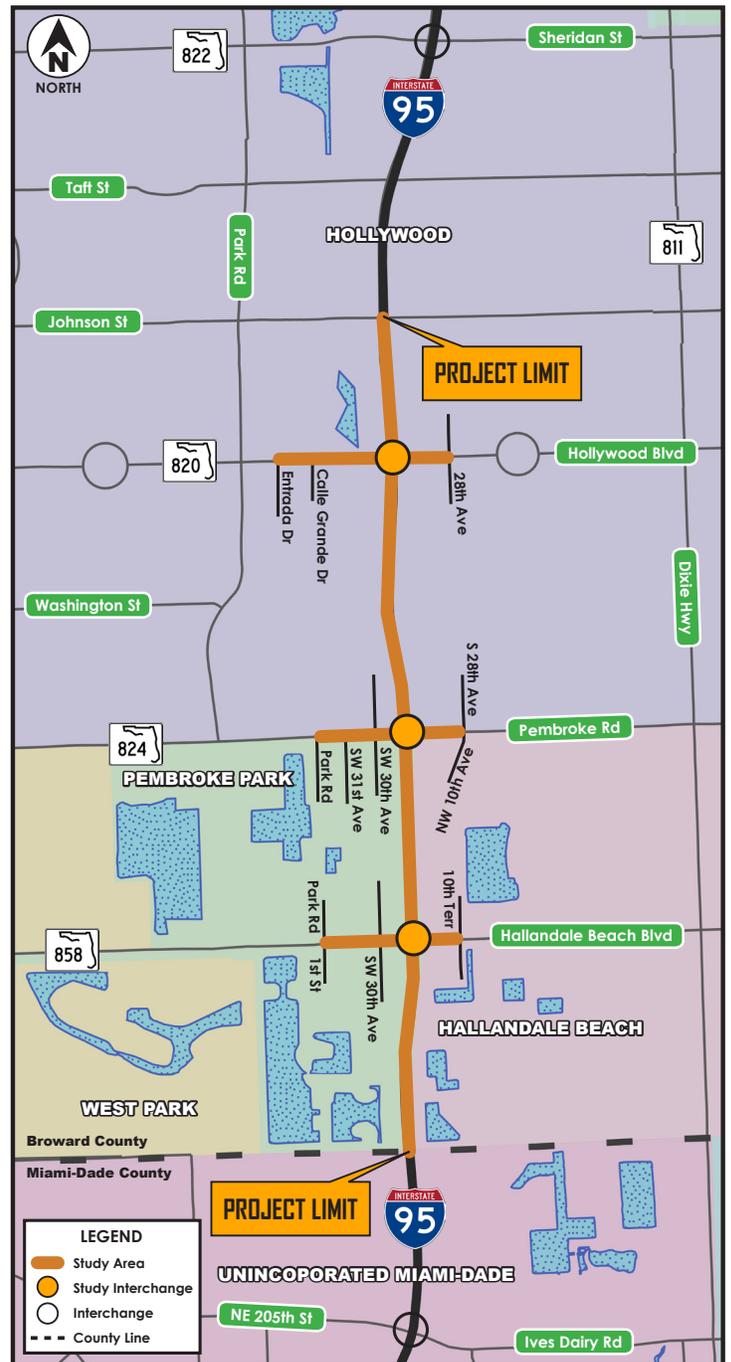
WHAT IS A PD&E STUDY?

A PD&E Study is the formal process that FDOT uses to ensure that consideration is given to environmental impacts, social impacts, public input, engineering design, and project costs when evaluating improvements. A PD&E Study is required to satisfy the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process. The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the FDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.

The PD&E process requires the combined efforts of professional engineers, planners and scientists who collect and analyze project-related information to develop the best solution for a community's transportation needs while minimizing impacts. The process is an integrated work effort involving engineering analysis and environmental evaluation, all accomplished within the context of a public participation program. The following are the key components of the process:

- Alternatives Analysis and Development (including a No-Project Alternative)
- Engineering Analysis
- Environmental Analysis
- Documentation
- Public and Agency Involvement

The final phase of the PD&E process involves the preparation of preliminary engineering and environmental documentation.



- Data Collection
- Traffic Forecasts

NOISE

The PD&E Study will include the evaluation of potential noise impacts that may result from the proposed improvements. Noise specialists will use the approved federal and state procedure for evaluating whether the existing noise barriers need to be modified or new barriers would benefit property owners. The analysis identifies qualifying noise barrier locations and preliminary heights. The findings are documented in a Noise Study Report.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

A Public Kick-off Meeting is scheduled for **May 25, 2017**. The purpose of this meeting is to share information with the general public about the study and to provide the opportunity for the public to express their comments and concerns regarding the project. An Alternatives Public Workshop is tentatively scheduled for Spring 2018. The purpose of this workshop will be to present to the public the initial study results and to obtain comments regarding the alternatives being considered. A Public Hearing is tentatively scheduled for Fall 2018. The

purpose of this hearing will be to present to the public the recommended alternative and seek public input. Notifications will be distributed prior to each meeting/hearing.

COMMUNITY COORDINATION AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

FDOT encourages the public to get involved throughout the study by providing comments, questions and suggestions to the study team. Project-related information will be provided to interested people, property owners, tenants and leaseholders within at least 300 feet of the project limits, including state and local officials, government organizations and other groups. Information will be available through newsletters, website, public information meetings and public inquiries. Newsletters will be available prior to each public meeting/hearing. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. All comments or suggestions may be mailed or emailed to the project manager at the address noted below.

PD&E STUDY SCHEDULE

PROJECT MILESTONES	2016		2017				2018				2019	
	Jul Aug Sep	Oct Nov Dec	Jan Feb Mar	Apr May Jun	Jul Aug Sep	Oct Nov Dec	Jan Feb Mar	Apr May Jun	Jul Aug Sep	Oct Nov Dec	Jan Feb Mar	Apr May Jun
Begin Study	◆											
Data Collection												
Public Kick-off Meeting ← TONIGHT'S MEETING				◆								
Engineering and Environmental Analyses												
Alternatives Public Workshop								◆				
Draft Documentation												
Public Hearing										◆		
Final Documentation												
Location and Design Concept Acceptance (Study Completed)												◆
Public Involvement												

Schedule Subject to Change

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