

District 2 Work Program Public Hearing

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6 p.m. November 19, 2024

FDOT SPEAKER

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Good evening, tonight's public hearing is being audio recorded. All comments and a list of attendees will become a part of the public record.

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Thank you for joining us at tonight's FDOT's tentative five-year work program at public hearing. Today is November 19th, 2024.

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At this time, we would like to recognize any elected officials that are currently here in the room or online.

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Online, we do have Callahan City Councilperson Ashton Bishop Vargas. We appreciate your attendance tonight.

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Are there any other elected officials here in the room?

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Thank you very much.

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Participation tonight is solicited without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability, or family status.

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If you have questions about Title VI, we encourage you to reach out to the contacts that are currently displayed on the screen, and they will be handled in accordance with the law.

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This information has been on display this evening both in person and online.

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Attendees will see a brief informational video that explains FTOT's tentative five-year work program.

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After the video, attendees will have an opportunity to provide formal comments.

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We will first invite those attending in person to provide a comment.

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In-person attendees are asked to fill out a comment card and at this time if you would like to fill out a comment card you can raise hand and we'd – we will provide one to you. A speakers card.

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Once in-person attendees provide comment, we will then invite online attendees to make a comment as well.

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We will now show a brief informational video about FDOT's tentative five-year work program. I will then return to receive your comments.

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With nearly 23 million people calling Florida home and more than 140 million visiting our state last year, reliable transportation infrastructure is critical to our state's economy, livability, and resiliency.

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Florida's multimodal transportation system includes roadways, bridges, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, airports, seaports, spaceports, rail lines, and transit.

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Working with our unique and diverse communities across the state to meet the transportation needs of residents and visitors.

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State and local transportation officials work together to develop plans and innovative strategies to improve safety and mobility for all users.

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These plans are carried out by the five-year work program. The work program contains projects in different stages.

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Planning, project development and environment, design, right-of-way, construction and Through the work program process, the state's transportation priorities are established.

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The Florida Department of Transportation consists of seven districts and the Florida's Turnpike Enterprise.

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The work program is developed through these districts working with local governments, metropolitan planning organizations, other agencies, and the public.

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After work program, public hearings are held in each FDOT district.

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Public comments have been accepted, local governments have endorsed the plan, and the Florida Transportation Commission and state legislators have approved it.

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The official five-year work program is adopted by the Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation on July 1, the first day of the state's fiscal year.

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As FDOT develops and updates each year's work program with residents and government partners, It is understood that next July 1st, the current year of the plan is complete, and a new fifth year will be added on.

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The yearly update produces the new tentative five-year work program.

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The work program assures we have a prioritized program of transportation choices that result in a better quality of life for the residents and visitors to this beautiful state.

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Thank you.

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As a reminder, this is not the only opportunity to provide comments regarding the tentative five-year work program, you may visit d2wpph.com.

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Again, that's www.D-numerical-two-p-p-h.com.

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You can provide a comment there, or you may also mail a comment to Mr.

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Greg Evans, FDOT District 2 Secretary at Mail Station 2000, 1109 South Marion Avenue, Lake City, Florida 32025 or you can send an email to Mr.

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Evans at greg.evans.dot.state.fl.us.

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For our audio-only listeners, that's g-r-e-g-dot-e-v-a-n-s at d-o-t-dot-s-t-a-t-e-dot-f-l dot u-s.

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Public comments will be accepted until December 17, 2024.

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For traditional mail the postmarked date must be December 17th 2024.

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At this time if you would like to provide – excuse me - I would like to invite anyone who would like to provide a comment.

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Once you are called on please provide your name, your address, and provide your comment.

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Are there any additional attendees who wish to provide comment in person. We'd now like to invite our online attendees to provide any comment.

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Are there any attendees online that would like to provide a comment?

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If you are online and you would like to provide a comment, please use the raise your hand icon. Okie doke.

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Seeing no additional attendees online that would like to provide a comment, this will conclude our formal public hearing component of tonight's public meeting.

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Project staff will remain online if you would like to provide a comment until 6 30 this evening again we will keep the comment period open until 6 30 this evening and answer any questions you might have about the public the work program thank you again for tonight attending tonight's public hearing and we will again remain online and open comments until 6 30 this evening.

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Thank you.

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This concludes this evening's Five-Year Work Program Public Hearing. Thank you for your attendance.

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