Hello, I am John Tyler, FDOT District Five Secretary. Welcome to the tentative five-year work program public hearing. District Five covers the Central Florida region which includes: Brevard, Flagler, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Sumter, and Volusia Counties.

Here at the Florida Department of Transportation, our goal is to provide a transportation system that enhances safety and preserves our network for future generations. The Five-Year Work Program is our plan for transportation system improvements over the next five years. The work program identifies project needs in our region and details their construction and funding schedules. Here is more information about this year's work program and how to get involved.

Developing the work program each year involves extensive coordination with our local and state government partners, including the metropolitan planning organizations, or MPO's. In collaboration with our partners, the Department has established the work program which identifies a wide variety of transportation projects, such as safety improvements, operational enhancements, connectivity, capacity upgrades, bridge improvements, maintenance projects, and travel options. Throughout the plan you will also find projects related to transit, aviation, rail, space, and seaport.

At the Work Program website, you will find an interactive map to review each proposed project by County. Each of the projects listed will include the proposed project's location, details of the improvements, and a summary of the funding plan.

This year, the work program public hearing will take place online beginning on Monday, December 14, 2026, through Friday, December 18, 2026. The Department will also host an in-person open house on December 16, 2026, from 3 PM – 5:30 PM at the District Office, located at 719 South Woodland Boulevard, DeLand, Florida 32720.

Your input is important in this process and will help us shape and improve the transportation landscape in our region. Comments about the five-year work program can be submitted online using the comments section of the project website, or in-person by filling out a comment form during the open house. Comments can also be sent directly to the FDOT Project Manager, Lisa Buscher, by email to D5-WPPH@dot.state.fl.us *(spell out)*, or by U.S. mail at the Florida Department of Transportation, 719 South Woodland Boulevard, Mail Station 520, DeLand, Florida 32720. While comments are always welcome, public comments related to this public hearing received by January 4, 2027 will become part of the hearing's public record.

We appreciate you taking the time to review this year's work program. Good partners are key to the Department's success, and we look forward to continuing to strengthen our relationships with our local partners and our community. Thank you again for your time and we look forward to hearing from you.