



# ROUND LAKE ROAD PD&E STUDY Newsletter



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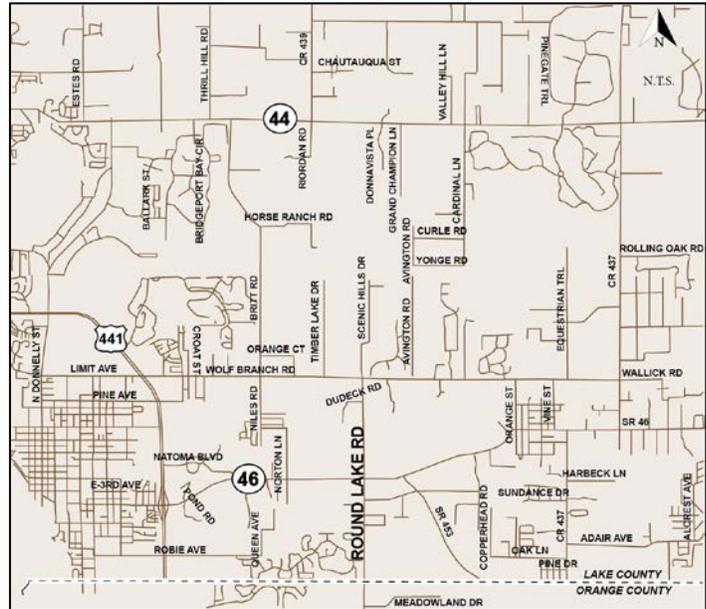
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## Initial Alternative Concepts Developed

Based on data collection activities and stakeholder input, initial alternative concepts have been developed for the Round Lake Road Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study. These concepts focus on proposed transportation improvements along existing Round Lake Road from Meadowland Drive in Orange County to Wolf Branch Road in Lake County and continuing the proposed improvements on a new alignment north of Wolf Branch Road to north of State Road 44.

Each concept is being evaluated based on a number of factors, including: community character, the natural environment, parcel impacts, potential relocations, future travel needs, and cost.

These concepts and related evaluations will be presented on October 25, 2018 at the Alternative Concepts Public Workshop (see below for more details).



**Round Lake Road PD&E Area Map**

## Alternative Concepts Public Workshop Scheduled for October 25, 2018

Lake County invites you to the Alternative Concepts Public Workshop regarding transportation improvements to Round Lake Road. The workshop is being held on **Thursday, October 25, 2018** at the **Mount Dora Community Building located at 520 N. Baker Street, Mount Dora, Florida 32757**. This workshop will present the alternative transportation improvement concepts along with the initial evaluations. The workshop will be held as an open house from **5:30 pm to 7:30 pm** with a study video that will run continuously throughout the evening. There will be no formal presentation.

Participants may review study information, ask questions, and share input about the project with the study team at any time during the workshop. The project video and displays will be posted on the study website ([www.roundlakeroadstudy.com](http://www.roundlakeroadstudy.com)) within a week after the workshop. Comments postmarked or emailed by November 5, 2018 will be included in the workshop summary. This workshop provides interested persons an opportunity to express their views concerning the social, economic, and environmental impacts of the proposed Round Lake Road improvements.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require language translation or interpretive services, which are provided at no cost, or those requiring special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA) may request assistance by contacting Fred Martin, Lake County Title VI/Nondiscrimination and ADA Coordinator, at 352.343.9653 or [fmartin@lakecountyfl.gov](mailto:fmartin@lakecountyfl.gov) at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by Lake County pursuant to 23 U.S.C. §327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 as executed by FHWA and FDOT.

## Comments Shared at March Public Meeting

On March 8, 2018, 170 individuals attended the Project Overview Public Meeting, which introduced the Round Lake Road PD&E Study. As a result of the meeting we received 39 written comments: at the meeting, emails, letters, and comments shared through the study website.



Here are the highlights of what was shared:

- Support for the project;
- Not in support of the project;
- Concerns about potential impacts to the area’s rural character and quality of life, wildlife, the environment, access, drainage, noise, and safety;
- Suggested improvements, including alignment locations and needed traffic signals;
- Requests to remain informed; and
- Information requests.

A more detailed meeting summary has been posted on the study website. This information, along with the initial data collection activities, helped guide the study team in the development of the alternative concepts that will be presented at the October 25<sup>th</sup> workshop.

Thank you for sharing your thoughts and ideas!



## Stay Informed! Stay Involved!

If you have questions, want to learn more about the study, or would like to request a meeting with your group, you may contact our study team leaders.

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## Study Schedule

Key Study Activities	2018												2019				
	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	
Notice to Proceed	●																
Public Involvement																	
Project Overview Public Meeting (March 8, 2018)			★														
Data Collection																	
Alternatives Developed and Studied																	
Alternative Concepts Public Workshop (October 25, 2018)										★							
Study Documents																	
Draft Recommended Improvement Public Meeting (early 2019)													★				
Lake County BCC Public Hearing (early 2019)														★			
Final Approval																	●



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