

Project Contact

We encourage you to participate in this PD&E Study and we invite your questions and comments. We are also available to meet with your group or neighborhood association. If you received this newsletter in the mail, you are already included on the PD&E study mailing list. To add a name and/or address to the project mailing list, ask questions, make comments regarding this project, or if you would like to schedule a meeting, please contact the FDOT Project Manager:

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The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, will host a public information workshop for the State Road (SR) 758 at Beach Road Roundabout Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study. This PD&E study is important, as it is a prerequisite for federal funding eligibility.

SR 758 at Beach Road is a signalized "T"-intersection with southbound and westbound free flow right turn lanes and pedestrian crosswalks across the north and west legs of the intersection. The study will evaluate alternatives to improve multi-modal accessibility at the intersection while maintaining existing vehicular capacity.

IMPROVEMENTS UNDER CONSIDERATION

This PD&E study includes engineering and environmental analyses of the intersection of SR 758 at Beach Road. There are three alternatives under consideration: geometric intersection improvements, a roundabout and a no-build alternative.

The geometric intersection improvement alternative consists of removing the free flow right turn lanes and bringing the lane under signal control. This will require westbound and southbound right turning vehicles to turn at the intersection (right turn on red would

be permitted). By removing the free flow right turn movement, pedestrians will cross the turn lanes when vehicles stop at the signal.

Under the roundabout alternative, FDOT would remove the signal and reconstruct the intersection to a roundabout configuration with splitter islands for pedestrian refuge along the approaches, enhanced pedestrian walkways, enhanced bicycle facilities and landscaping.

FDOT will also evaluate a no-build ("do nothing") alternative.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

One of the most important aspects of a PD&E study is public involvement. FDOT will provide opportunities to discuss the project, review objectives and to provide input at this public information workshop.

YOU'RE INVITED

The workshop is from 5 to 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at St. Boniface Episcopal Church, 5615 Midnight Pass Road, Sarasota, FL 34242.

This workshop will be held in an open house format with no formal presentation. Project staff will be available to discuss the project and answer questions.



