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UTILITY ASSESSMENT REPORT

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District One

State Road (SR) 70 PD&E Study

Limits of Project: County Road (CR) 29 to Lonesome Island Road

Highlands County, Florida

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This Utility Assessment Report was prepared to evaluate the Utilities within the project corridor. The data collected from the Utility Agency Owners (UAO's) includes their green lines /As-Builts of the project area describing what facilities they have on the project.



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1.0 Project Overview

1.1 Project Description

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, is conducting a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study to evaluate widening State Road 70 (SR 70) from County Road 29 (CR 29) to Lonesome Island Road in Lake Placid, Highlands County. The project is approximately 4.3 miles in length. The project study area is shown in **Figure 1-1**. The PD&E study is evaluating widening the existing two-lane undivided roadway to a four-lane divided roadway.

The study is evaluating the need for capacity improvements within the project limits and provides engineering and environmental analysis and documentation along with public involvement. The results of the study will aid FDOT and the FDOT Office of Environmental Management (OEM) for selection of the no build (no action) alternative or the preferred alternative for approval of the Type 2 Categorical Exclusion to grant Location Design Concept Acceptance.

The project was evaluated through FDOT's Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM) process as project #14364. An ETDM *Programming Screen Summary Report* containing comments from the Environmental Technical Advisory Team (ETAT) was published on September 24, 2019. The ETAT evaluated the project's effects on various natural, physical and social resources.

Upon completion, the study will meet all requirements of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) as administered by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the requirements of other federal and state laws so as to qualify the proposed project for federal-aid funding.

1.2 Purpose and Need

The purpose of this project is to improve roadway deficiencies along SR 70 from CR 29 to Lonesome Island Road. Additionally, the project will enhance operational capacity of the corridor, thereby improving vehicle safety and emergency evacuation/response times as well as access for standard roadway maintenance.

The need for the project is based on existing roadway deficiencies, operational conditions, vehicle safety conditions, area wide network/system linkage, and to support economic development, discussed below.

Begin Project End Project 0.75 0 1.5 1.5 Legend Project Study Area Miles **Project Location Map** SR 70 from CR 29 to Lonesome Island Road Project Development and Environment Study Highlands County, Florida FPID No. 414506-5-22-01 Kisinger Campo & Associates, Corp. 201 N. Franklin Street, Suite 400 Tampa, FL 33602 Phone: 813/871-5331 Figure 1-1 Highlands

Figure 1-1: Project Location Map

2.0 Utility Information

2.1 General

The intent of this report is to furnish pertinent information concerning the location, size and characteristics of major utilities found within the proposed study limits (See Figure 1-1).

2.2 Utility Coordination

The preliminary utility coordination and investigation effort was conducted through written and verbal communications with the existing utility owners. A Sunshine State 811 of the Florida Design Ticket System listing of existing utility owners was acquired on October 13, 2018. (Appendix A).

Initially, verbal communication was made to all utility's owners outlining the investigation effort along with the project limits. The list of utility agencies owners (UAO) known to operate utilities within the project corridor include:

Utility Contact Utility Agency/Owner Utility Contact Utility Contact E-mail Name Phone CenturyLink Ezekiel "Zeke" 239-791-1299 Ezekiel.reid1@lumen.com Reid Florida Gas Transmission Joe Sanchez 407-838-7171 Joseph.e.sanchez@energytransfer.com Company, LLC Glades Electric Colin Evans 863-531-5034 cevans@gladeselectric.com

Figure 1-2: Utility Contact Information

For the report's preparation, utility owners were provided aerial based utility plans depicting SR 70 preferred alternative. Using these aerial plans as a base map, each utility owner was asked to indicate their existing and proposed utilities as well as any easements that may affect their reimbursement rights for potential relocations of their facilities. In response, most utility owners replied via written communications. The utility owners provided the requested information concerning their facilities using either the utility plans or reference documentation (i.e., "As Built" or GIS maps). "Marked" Plans or reference documentation was received from the following Utility Agency Owners.

3.0 UTILITY EXISTING FACILITIES DESCRIPTIONS

3.1 CenturyLink

CenturyLink Local has Underground Copper that runs along CR 29 crosses SR 70 on the east side and continues North. They also have underground copper that runs south down 17 Ranch Road. They also have both copper and fiber routes that are aerial along SR 70 on the south side running through the project corridor. At Lonesome Island Rd. CenturyLink has an underground copper crossing SR 70. CenturyLink did not respond with having any easements within project limits. CenturyLink does not enter into Utility Work by Highway Contractor Agreements. See Appendix B

3.2 Florida Gas Transmission

Florida Gas Transmission has a 30" Gas Main that runs to the south of our project limits and then crosses SR 70 to the North and continues along the north side to the end of the project limits. Florida Gas Transmission is within an easement so if their facilities are impacted it will be at the Departments expense. Florida Gas Transmission does not enter into Utility Work by Highway Contractor Agreements. See Appendix A

3.3 Glades Electric

The described area is within Glade Electric's service territory. They currently have a 3-phase feeder supplying 7,200 kv in the area as well. All their structures are located outside of the FDOT right of way. Glades Electric did not respond with having any easements within project limits. Glades Electric does not enter into Utility Work by Highway Contractor Agreements. See Appendix A

Appendix A 811 Design Ticket

SR 70 Design Ticket

Ticket: 276807625 Rev:000 Taken: 10/03/18 12:43ET State: FL Cnty: HIGHLANDS GeoPlace: LAKE PLACID CallerPlace: LAKE PLACID Subdivision: Address: 601 to 1411 Street : SR 70 Cross 1 : CO RD 29 Within 1/4 mile: Y Cross 2: LONESOME ISLAND RD Locat: SR 70 FROM CT 29 TO LONESOME ISLAND RD Remarks : IN RESPONSE TO RECEIPT OF A DESIGN TICKET, SSOCOF PROVIDES THE ORIGINATOR OF THE DESIGN TICKET WITH A LIST OF SSOCOF MEMBERS IN THE VICINITY OF THE DESIGN PROJECT. SSOCOF DOES NOT NOTIFY SSOCOF MEMBERS OF THE RECEIPT BY SSOCOF OF A DESIGN TICKET. IT IS THE SOLE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE DESIGN ENGINEER TO CONTACT SSOCOF MEMBERS TO REQUEST INFORMATION ABOUT THE LOCATION OF SSOCOF MEMBERS' UNDERGROUND FACILITIES. SUBMISSION OF A DESIGN TICKET WILL NOT SATISFY THE REQUIREMENT OF CHAPTER 556, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO NOTIFY SSOCOF OF AN INTENT TO EXCAVATE OR DEMOLISH. THAT INTENT MUST BE MADE KNOWN SPECIFICALLY TO SSOCOF IN THE MANNER REQUIRED BY LAW. IN AN EFFORT TO SAVE TIME ON FUTURE CALLS, SAVE YOUR DESIGN TICKET NUMBER IF YOU INTEND TO BEGIN EXCAVATION WITHIN 90 DAYS OF YOUR DESIGN REQUEST. THE DESIGN TICKET CAN BE REFERENCED , AND THE INFORMATION ON IT CAN BE USED TO SAVE TIME WHEN YOU CALL IN THE EXCAVATION REQUEST. *** LOOKUP BY BETWEEN *** 2712B8113A 2712B8113B Grids : 2712B8112A 2712B8113C 2712B8113D Grids : 2712B8114A 2712B8114B 2712B8114C 2712B8114D 2712B8115A Grids : 2712B8115B 2712B8115C 2712B8115D 2712B8116A 2712B8116B Grids : 2712B8116C 2712B8116D 2712B8117D 2712C8113A 2712C8113B Grids : 2712C8113C 2712C8114A 2712C8114B 2712C8114C 2712C8114D Grids : 2712C8115A 2712C8115B 2712C8115C 2712C8115D 2712C8116A Grids : 2712C8116B 2712C8116C 2712C8116D 2712C8117D Work date: 10/03/18 Time: 12:46ET Hrs notc: 000 Category: 6 Duration: 01 MON Due Date: 10/05/18 Time: 23:59ET Exp Date: 11/02/18 Time: 23:59ET Work type: SUBSURFACE UTILITY INVESTIGATION Boring: N White-lined: N Ug/Oh/Both: U Machinery: N Depth: UNK Permits: N N/A Done for : FDOT Company : ECHO UES INC Type: OTHR Co addr : 16414 N DALE MABRY HWY City : TAMPA State: FL Zip: 33618 Caller: JASON STANLEY Phone: 888-778-3246 BestTime: 727-638-4187 Fax : 888-778-3246 Email : JASON.STANLEY@ECHOUES.COM

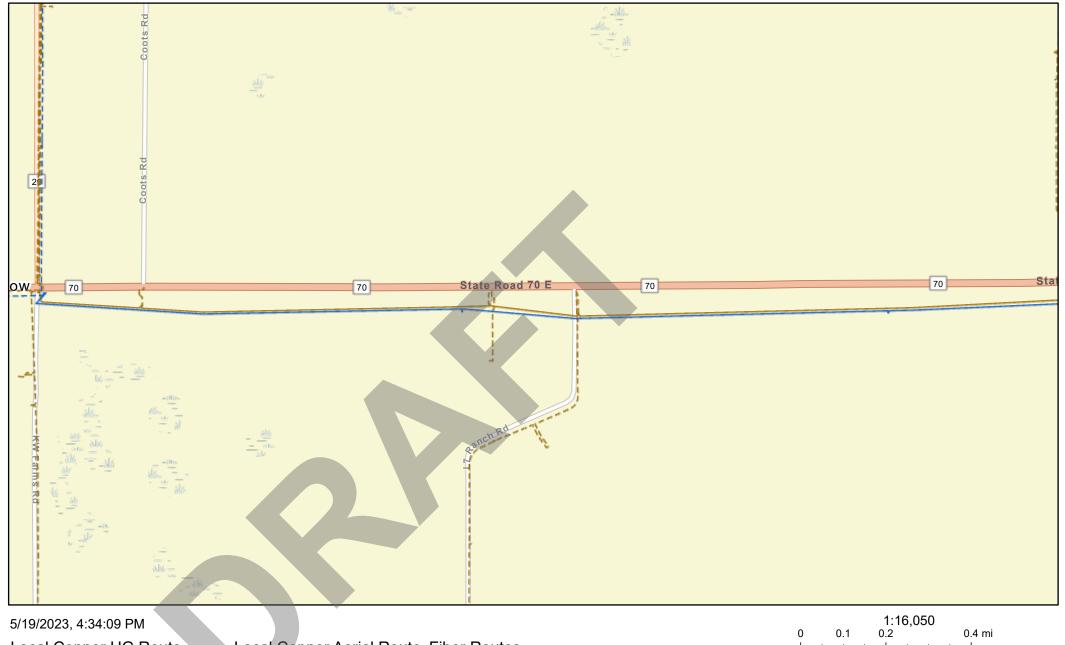
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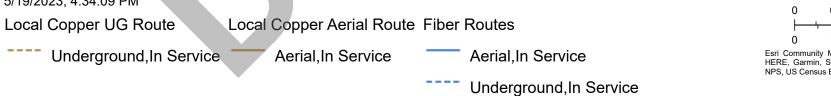
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GEC823	GLADES ELECTRIC CO-OP INC.	TIM LOWMAN	Day: (863) 946 - 6272	ELECTRIC
UTI300	CENTURYLINK	RONALD SMITH	Day: (941) 637 - 5145	FIBER, TELEPHONE

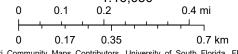


Appendix B Utility Information

LUMEN Relocate Utility Map

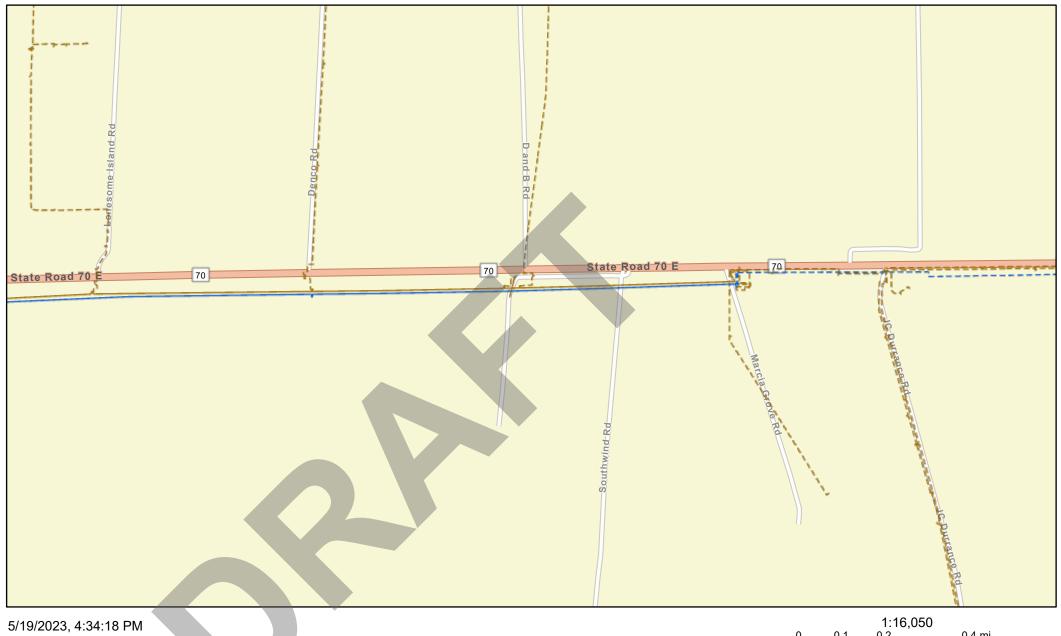




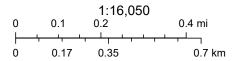


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