



# S.R. 544 (Havendale Boulevard) Improvements

From S.R. 600 (U.S. 92) to 8th Street NW (U.S. 17)

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## WELCOME TO THE PUBLIC MEETING

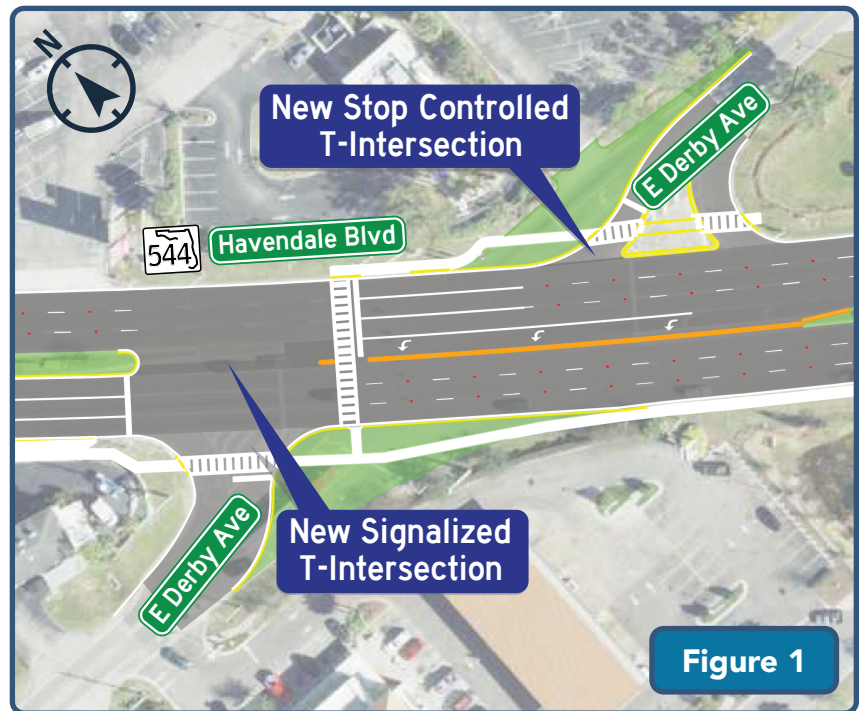
The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, welcomes you to the State Road (S.R.) 544 (Havendale Boulevard) from S.R. 600 (U.S. 92) to 8th Street NW (U.S. 17) Public Meeting. FDOT is hosting this Public Meeting to provide you with the opportunity to express your views about the proposed improvements. Scan the QR code to visit the project website.



## PROJECT OVERVIEW

FDOT, District One, is proposing improvements along S.R. 544 (Havendale Boulevard) in Polk County. The purpose of the project is to extend the service life of the existing roadway and improve safety along the corridor. The project consists of repaving the roadway, improving intersection geometry, and modifying existing median openings from S.R. 600 (U.S. 92) in the City of Auburndale to 8th Street NW (U.S. 17) in the City of Winter Haven. A bidirectional median is proposed at Melton Avenue, 33rd Street W, 16th Street NW, 15th Street NW, and 14th Street NW. The project also proposes closing the existing full median openings at 20th Street NW, 17th Street NW, and 15th Court NW.

FDOT is proposing safety and intersection improvements at Charlotte Road/42nd Street, Lake Drive NW/Jersey Road, and 26th Street NW as well as upgrading connectivity between traffic signals.



Proposed improvements also include geometric modifications and signalized pedestrian crossings at the intersection of S.R. 544 and E Derby Avenue to improve safety and traffic flow (see **Figure 1**). Additional corridor improvements include construction of new sidewalks, lighting upgrades, and updated signing and pavement markings.

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons willing to express their concerns about Title VI may do so by contacting Cynthia Sykes, District One Title VI Coordinator, 801 N. Broadway Avenue, Bartow, Florida 33830, call (863) 519-2287, or via email at [Cynthia.Sykes@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Cynthia.Sykes@dot.state.fl.us)

If you have questions or comments regarding the project, please contact FDOT Project Manager, Amber Albritton.



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