

About the Project

January 2022

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) invites you to a public hearing for the San Carlos Boulevard (SR 865) Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study from north of Crescent Street to north of Hurricane Pass Bridge, also known as Hurricane Bay Bridge, in Lee County on February 3, 2022. The in-person open-house will begin at 5 p.m. The virtual and in-person hearing and testimony portion will begin at 6 p.m.

The purpose of this project is to provide additional travel options on a congested corridor, especially during the peak tourist season (January – April). The project will enhance mobility and safety for vehicular and non-vehicular transportation and increase accessibility and connections between community points of interest. The proposed project is also intended to promote emphasis for alternative transportation use and increase public transit ridership. The public hearing is being held to present information about the preferred alternative and engineering and environmental analysis completed to date and provide the opportunity for the public to offer feedback on the preferred alternative for the official hearing record. **While comments about the project are accepted at any time, please send your comments by February 17, 2022, to be included in the formal public hearing record.**

Upcoming Hearing

The FDOT offers three ways to participate in the public hearing: in-person, virtually, or by viewing hearing materials on the project website.

1. The in-person event will be held at the Chapel by the Sea Presbyterian Church at 100 Chapel Street, Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931.
2. The virtual public hearing can be accessed online through the project's website at www.Swflroads.com/sr865/sancarlosboulevarddesign. For more information on attending the meeting virtually, please see the panel to the right.

From 5 p.m. to 6 p.m., in-person attendees will be able to view project materials and speak with the team in an open-house format. The virtual and in-person hearing and testimony portion will begin at 6 p.m. Both in-person and virtual attendees will be able to view the project presentation and provide feedback on the proposed alternative.

3. All hearing materials, including the project video, will be available online at www.Swflroads.com/sr865/sancarlosboulevarddesign by January 27, 2022, prior to the live virtual event.

Project documents will also be available for public viewing from January 12, 2022, to February 17, 2022, at two locations:

- Town of Fort Myers Beach Public Library, 2755 Estero Blvd, Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931
- FDOT Southwest Area Office, 10041 Daniels Parkway, Fort Myers, FL 33913.

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Virtual Registration

To attend virtually at 6 p.m. from a computer, tablet or mobile device, please register in advance by:

- Visiting <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7475162162368688141>,
- Visiting the project website www.Swflroads.com/sr865/sancarlosboulevarddesign,
- Scanning the QR code below

Once registered, attendees will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the hearing online.

Please note, Internet Explorer cannot be used to register or attend this GoToWebinar.



As proposed, the project will impact approximately 0.14 acres of property from Lee County's Crescent Beach Family Park. As part of the project development process and in accordance with Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966, the FDOT is seeking comments from the public concerning the effects of the project on the activities, features and attributes of this park. The FDOT intends to make a de minimis impact determination for this resource.

FDOT solicits public participation without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. People who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Cynthia Sykes, District One Title VI Coordinator, at (863) 519-2287, or email at Cynthia.Sykes@dot.state.fl.us at least seven days prior to the public hearing.

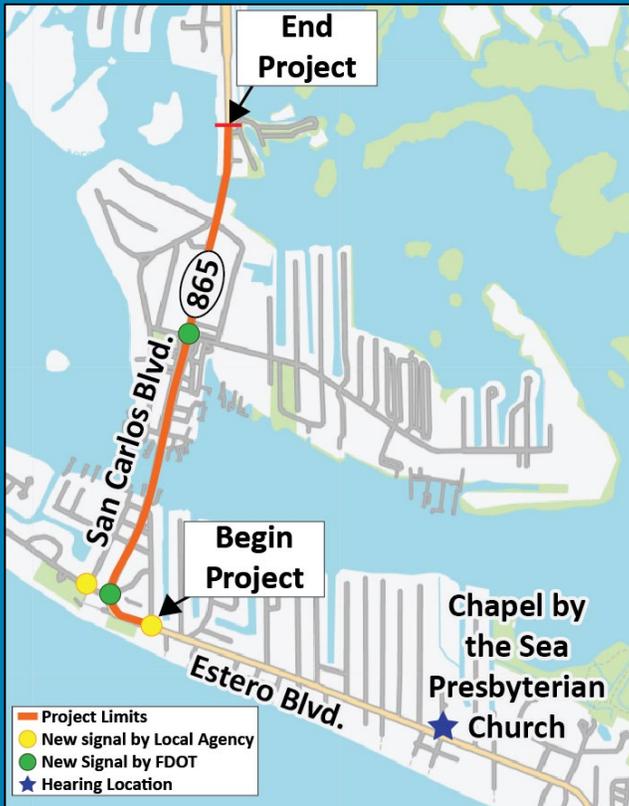
The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by FDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. §327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration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

FDOT will also be seeking public input concerning the transfer of jurisdiction of the existing SR 865 intersection at Center Street and 5th Street to the Lee County Road System.

San Carlos Boulevard (SR 865)
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Meeting Location Map



Hybrid Hearing Information



Date: Thursday, February 3, 2022



Time: 5 p.m. in-person open-house;
6 p.m. presentation



Location: The Chapel by the Sea
Presbyterian Church at 100 Chapel
Street, Fort Myers Beach, Florida, 33931



Virtually:
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This public hearing will be conducted in accordance with all federal, state, and local requirements. This newsletter also serves as notice to property owners (pursuant to Florida Statutes 339.155 and 335.199) that all or a portion of their property is within 300 feet of the centerline of the alignment; however, this does not mean that all properties would be directly affected.