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Public Information Meeting for Wekiva Parkway Sections 5 & 6

Lake County – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is holding a public information meeting about the Wekiva Parkway Sections 5 & 6 in Lake County and a small portion of Seminole County. The public meeting is being held to review the latest preliminary design plans.

The project is funded for construction in 2017. The Section 5 project is to design the non-tolled relocation of County Road (CR) 46A out of the Seminole State Forest, thereby improving habitat connectivity and reducing the risk of conflicts between vehicles and wildlife. CR 46A would be realigned 2.5 miles from north of Arundel Way to connect to State Road (SR) 429 east of Camp Challenge Road.

The Section 6 project is to design 5.5 miles of limited access toll road largely along the existing SR 46 corridor from west of Old MacDonald Road to east of Wekiva Park Road. The project will include designing a non-tolled, service road for local travel and a new bridge over the Wekiva River. This section also will feature several wildlife bridges to allow animals to pass safely between the Seminole State Forest and Rock Springs Run State Reserve, as well as a multi-use path.

The meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 29, 2014, from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Camp Challenge, 31600 Camp Challenge Road, Sorrento, FL 32776. The meeting is an informal open house where plans are available for review and project staff is available to address questions.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services, free of charge, should contact: Ms. Mary Brooks, Quest Corporation of America, by writing to her at 2431 Aloma Avenue, Suite 124, Winter Park, FL 32792, or by calling (407) 694-5505 or via e-mail at info@wekivaparkway.com.

Media questions may be directed to the FDOT public information office: Steve Olson at 386-943-5479 / <u>steve.olson@dot.state.fl.us</u>. You may also view project information at <u>www.wekivaparkway.com</u> or <u>www.cflroads.com</u>.

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