

STARKE RAILROAD OVERPASS STUDY From US 301 to East of CSX Railroad Financial Management Number 436558-1

DISTRICT TWO



Date:Tuesday, June 28, 2016Time:4:30-6:30p.m.

Location:

Bradford County Fairgrounds Building 1 2300 North Temple Avenue Starke, FL 32091

There will be an Open House from 4:30-6:30p.m. Drop by during this time to view displays and talk with FDOT staff. A presentation and comment period will follow at 6:30 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING



Please join the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to discuss the proposed Starke Railroad Overpass in Bradford County.

FDOT is conducting a Project Development and Environmental Study for a railroad overpass in Starke that would improve emergency response times and traffic flow. The City of Starke is divided by the CSX railroad tracks that run parallel to U.S. 301. With approximately 29 trains traveling through Starke daily and an expected increase in the future, emergency vehicles and other traffic experience longer than average delays. The goal of the study is to identify a suitable location for a grade separated railroad overpass that will help alleviate congestion caused by trains blocking the crossings. A railroad overpass will also improve emergency response times by providing a more reliable route to reach people in need.

Several public meetings have been held to seek feedback on the alternative locations for the overpass. Based on public input received at those meetings, the Department is recommending construction of a railroad overpass at the State Road 100 location; the railroad crossings at South Street and Adkins Street will be closed as part of this project. The purpose of the public hearing is to provide information on the study's findings, discuss the recommended alternative and once again receive your input. As of June 7, 2016, project information will be available for review at the Bradford County Library located at 456 West Pratt Street in Starke, Florida. Persons wishing to submit written comments may do so at the hearing or mail/email them to the address provided no later than July 8, 2016.

Public participation is sought without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, 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 Stephen Browning at least 7 days prior to the hearing:

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Si prefiere recibir esta carta en español, por favor contacte Esther Murray a las 904-360-5348. Referencia FM #436558-1

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