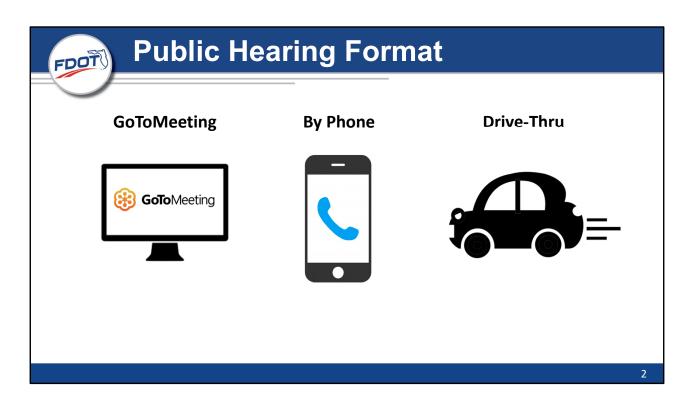
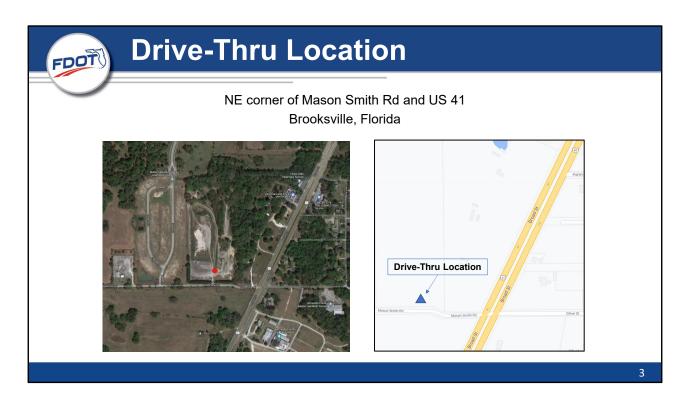


The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District Seven, welcomes you to the Virtual Public Hearing (VPH) for the proposed median modification at SR 50 (Cortez Blvd) and Donto Way in Hernando County. Financial Project Number 416733-2-52-01.



To allow for maximum participation, this public hearing will be held in three formats including virtually over the internet, by phone, and at an in-person drive-thru location. Information presented will be the same in all formats.



The in-person drive thru site is located at the FDOT facility on the NE corner of Mason-Smith Road and US 41 in Brooksville, Florida.

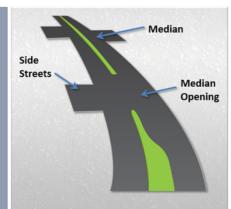


Chapters 120, 335.18, and 335.199 Florida Statutes



As required by Chapter 335.199 Florida Statutes:

FDOT will hold a **public hearing** to allow affected
property owners, business
owners, interested persons and
organizations the opportunity to **provide comments** regarding
the proposed changes.



This hearing is being held pursuant to Chapters 120, 335.18, and 335.199, Florida Statutes, and other applicable federal and state legal requirements. As required by Chapter 335.199, the Florida Department of Transportation shall hold a public hearing to allow affected property owners, business owners, interested persons, and organizations the opportunity to provide comments whenever currently available turning movements and median openings are proposed to be changed at a particular location.

Title VI

This hearing is being conducted in accordance with the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status.

To express concern(s) relative to the Department's compliance with Title VI, please contact one of the following:

Alex Henry

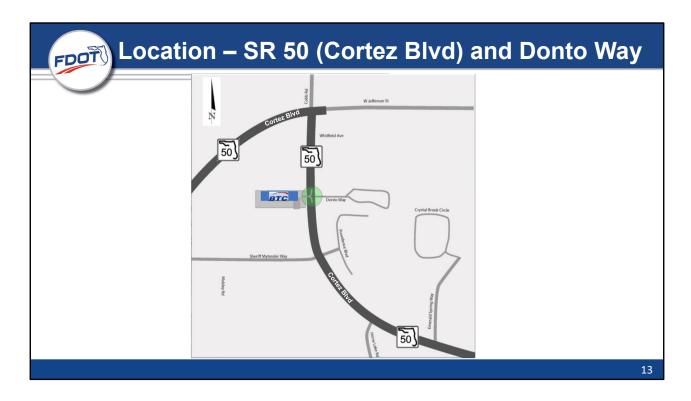
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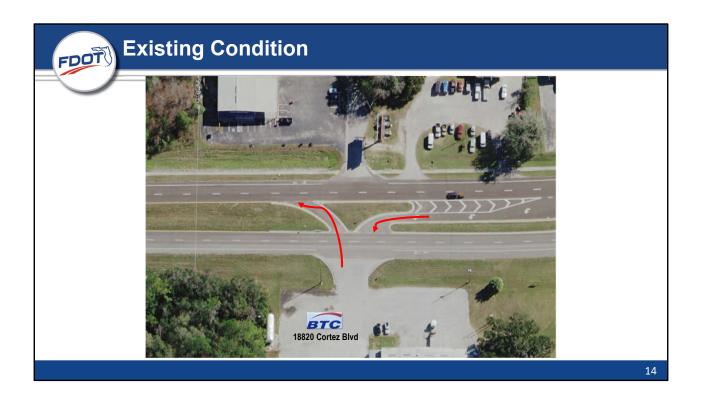
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The location of the proposed median modification at SR 50 (Cortez Blvd) and Donto Way is shown on the screen by the green dot on the map. Design for this median modification at SR 50 (Cortez Blvd) and Donto Way is underway. The median modification and associated access turning movement changes, will be addressed in the following slides.



This graphic shows the existing condition. There are two lanes in each direction. The existing median opening allows northbound to westbound left turns into BTC East Incorporated located at 18820 Cortez Boulevard as well as eastbound to northbound left turns out of 18820 Cortez Boulevard.



The proposed improvements will eliminate the opportunity for travelers to make a left turn across SR 50 at Donto Way. A right-turn, followed by a U-turn at Clinton Drive will have to be made for those wanting to travel north on SR 50 from this location. This change will allow for the space needed to accommodate new travel lanes, meet the required median opening spacing, and accommodate a longer northbound left turn lane at the signalized intersection.



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ALL COMMENTS EMAILED OR POSTMARKED BY TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2021
WILL BECOME PART OF THE SUMMARY RECORD FOR THIS HEARING

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After today's hearing, public comments may be emailed to FDOT Project Manager, Bronoris C. Pye, E.I., at Bronoris.Pye@dot.state.fl.us, phoned in at 813-975-6096 or mail to the Florida Department of Transportation, attention FDOT Project Manager, Bronoris C. Pye, E.I., at 11201 N. McKinley Drive, Tampa, Florida 33612. All comments emailed or postmarked by Tuesday, March 9, 2021 will become part of the summary record for this hearing.



The Virtual Public Hearing for Median Modifications for:

SR 50 (Cortez Blvd) and Donto Way
has CONCLUDED

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We have now concluded the virtual public hearing for median modifications at SR 50 (Cortez Blvd) and Donto Way in Hernando County.



Thank you for attending the virtual public hearing for the proposed median modifications at SR 50 (Cortez Blvd) and Donto Way in Hernando County, Florida. We appreciate your participation and look forward to your continued interest in this important project.

This presentation will be posted on the project webpage at https://www.fdottampabay.com/project/334/416733-2-52-01