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**Interstate 75 Rest Areas Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study
from the Charlotte/Lee County Line to SR 681 in Sarasota County**

A Public Information Meeting is scheduled for August 2, 2016

FDOT will host a public meeting regarding the identification of sites for two new rest areas along Interstate 75 in Southwest Florida. This meeting will be an open house, with no formal presentation, on Tuesday, August 2, 2016, 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. at the Charlotte Harbor Event & Conference Center located at 75 Taylor Street in Punta Gorda, Florida. The attached project newsletter announcing the meeting will be mailed to all property owners within 300 feet of the proposed right-of-way and elected officials of Charlotte County and the City of Punta Gorda.

FDOT is holding this meeting to present project progress to date and to obtain comments on the location alternatives presented. FDOT representatives will be available at the public meeting beginning at 5 p.m. to answer questions, review proposed alternatives and project-related materials that will be on display, and discuss the project informally. Attendees may come to this meeting at any time between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. to review the proposed improvements. There will be no formal presentation at this meeting.

FDOT solicits public participation without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Shelly Smith at 863-519-2761 or by e-mail to shelly.smith@dot.state.fl.us at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (voice).

If you have any questions regarding this project, or would like to schedule a meeting, please contact the FDOT project manager, Steven Andrews, via telephone at (863) 519-2270 or via email at Steven.Andrews@dot.state.fl.us.

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