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## U.S. 98 Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study Public Kick-Off Meetings Scheduled

Chipley, FL – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is holding two identical public kick-off meetings regarding a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study that will examine improvements for State Road (S.R.) 30 (U.S. 98). The meetings will be held Tuesday, Sept. 20 and Thursday, Sept. 22 from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. CDT at the Navarre Conference Center, 8700 Navarre Parkway, Navarre.

The project begins at Portside Drive in Santa Rosa County and continues to S.R. 393 (Mary Esther Boulevard) in Okaloosa County, a distance of approximately 24.5 miles. The study will investigate widening the existing facility throughout the project limits, increasing the efficiency of the intersection operations, improving safety with access management features and providing multi-modal opportunities including pedestrian and bicycle enhancements.

The meetings will be held in an open-house format; no formal presentation will be provided. Maps, drawings and other project information will be on display. FDOT representatives will be available to answer questions and receive input.

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For more project information visit nwflroads.com/FutureProjects and choose U.S. 98 (State Road 30) PD&E Study under Santa Rosa County. Follow the Florida Department of Transportation District Three on Twitter @myfdot\_nwfl or like us on Facebook at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/MyFDOTNWFL">www.facebook.com/MyFDOTNWFL</a>.

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