

Fort Hamer Road PD&E Study

From Upper Manatee River Road to US 301

December 2023

CIP Numbers: 6054767 & 6054768

ALTERNATIVES PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

Manatee County invites you to attend the Fort Hamer Road Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study Alternatives Public Information Meeting on January 25, 2024 and February 1, 2024.

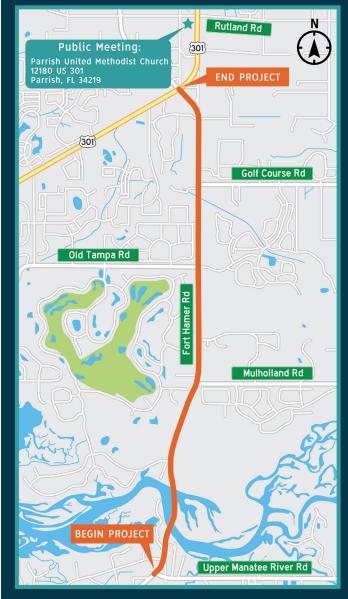
This Alternatives Public Information Meeting is being conducted to present information about the preliminary improvement alternatives and provide the opportunity for the public to express their views about the project. You can participate in the public meeting live in-person or online. The same material will be displayed at both the in-person and online meetings and will be posted on the project website.

In accordance with Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966, Manatee County is seeking comments concerning the effects of the project on the activities, features, and attributes of Fort Hamer Park.

Project Overview

Manatee County began a PD&E study in June 2023 along Fort Hamer Road from Upper Manatee River Road to US 301. The purpose of the project is to enhance safety, improve traffic operations, provide multimodal access, and meet future transportation demands in Manatee County for this 3.84-mile segment.

Fort Hamer Road plays an important role in the transportation network as it facilitates north-south movement within Manatee County for both local and regional traffic. Fort Hamer Road from Upper Manatee River Road to US 301 is currently a two-lane undivided roadway with intermittent right-turn and left-turn lanes. Improvements may include widening to a four-lane divided roadway as well as bicycle and pedestrian accommodations such as a shared-use path.



IN-PERSON OPTION:

Thursday, January 25, 2024, 5 p.m. - 7 p.m. Open House

Parrish United Methodist Church 12180 US 301, Parrish, FL 34219

This will include a looping video (*no formal presentation*) and the project team will be available for discussion.

LIVE ONLINE OPTION:

Thursday, February 1, 2024, 6 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Register in advance: bit.ly/Fort_Hamer_Road_PDE_Study

This event will include a viewing of the project video and a live question-and-answer component with the project team. Please review the materials on project webpage before attending the virtual event (<u>www.forthamerroad.com</u>).

Materials will be posted by January 18, 2024.



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Contact Us

Manatee County encourages the public to participate in the Fort Hamer Road PD&E Study Alternatives Public Information Meeting. If you have questions regarding the meeting, please contact the Manatee County Project Manager, Anthony Russo at:

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 Manatee County
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Register to Attend Virtually

Scan the QR Code shown here to register, and you will receive a confirmation email containing information about how to join the public meeting online.



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 should contact Kim Middleton, Manatee County ADA Coordinatior, by phone at (941) 748-4501 Ext. 6012 or by email at Kimberly.Middleton@mymanatee.org at least five (5) days prior to the meeting. Persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Catherine Winter, Community Outreach Specialist, at (813) 431-0919 or email at catherine@valerin-group.com at least five (5) days prior to the meeting.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. §327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022 and executed by FHWA and FDOT.

Please note, Internet Explorer cannot be used to register or attend this virtual event.