

## Draft Summary of Comments Received

### SR 528 Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study Viable Alternatives Public Workshop Held June 28, 2005 @ Radisson at the Port Resort (Pavilion Room)

A total of approximately 107 comments have been received to date. A breakdown of these comments follows:

- 82 - Comment Forms (36 of these comment forms were received on 7/20/05 in one package from the High Point homeowners)
- 10 - Emails
- 14 - Phone Calls
- 1 - Letter

#### BREAKDOWN OF KEY ISSUES

Number indicates how many responses were received that were in favor of that alternative or made a similar comment

**No Build Alternative** - 6 (*comments: no need to widen SR 528, fine the way it is, if widening requires destroying homes leave it the way it is*)

#### **SR 528/SR 524 & SR/528/US 1 Interchange Viable Alternatives (Four - Alternative 2, Alternative 4A, Alternative 4B & Alternative 4C):**

##### **Alternative 2 (Refined Option 2)** - 5

Provides full access at US 1, tightens proposed right-of-way to minimize impacts, relocation impacts north and south of SR 528 involve 1 business, 17 homes and 3 additional homes if the trail is included, impacts to Westchester Drive would require change in access and traffic circulations in the High Point neighborhood (*comments: not reasonable to route traffic on local roads, safety issues, and better evacuation route, any of Alternative 4 options would cause loss of business at businesses at SR 528/US 1 interchange*)

**Alternatives 4A, 4B & 4C** - involve eliminating the loop ramps at US 1 to minimize right-of-way impacts and rerouting traffic to/from the west onto local roads along with the following improvements:

- Reconstruct and tighten the SR 528/US 1 interchange to allow partial access to/from the east;
- Reroute traffic to/from the west to the SR 524/Industry Road interchange, then north to Cidco Road, and then east to US 1;
- Realign Industry Road to support new traffic routing, and
- Implement appropriate turn-lane pavement and minor maintenance-type improvements to Cidco Road.

Three SR 528 alignment options (**4A** - using the existing centerline, **4B** - shift to the south, or **4C** - shift to the north) were developed as viable alternatives in order to minimize impacts to the neighborhoods east of US 1.

##### **Alternative 4A (Center Alignment)** - 4

Interchange configuration as stated above for Alternative 4, uses SR 528 center alignment, relocation impacts north and south of SR 528 involves 6 homes and 2 additional homes if the trail is constructed (*comments: start project sooner so property owners are not kept in limbo, do not disrupt or destroy our neighborhood, no bike trail*)

**Alternative 4B (South Alignment) - 16** (40-Total w/4B as 2<sup>nd</sup> choice as indicated below)

Same interchange configuration as Alternative 4A, shifts SR 528 alignment south to avoid High Point neighborhood, relocation impacts south of SR 528 involve 6 homes and none for trail (comments: only choice for High Point neighborhood, avoid negative impact on home values and property in High Point, most fair, keep in alignment with new bridge, no bike trail unless it starts or stops at Indian River Drive)

**Alternative 4C (North Alignment) - 2**

Same interchange configuration as Alternative 4A, shifts SR 528 alignment north to avoid Skyline/River Heights neighborhoods, relocation impacts north of SR 528 involve 6 homes and 1 additional home if the trail is constructed (comments: access change to US 1 from High Point would be tolerable in order to help avoid acquisition of homes)

**No Build - 1<sup>st</sup> Choice, Alternative 4B - 2<sup>nd</sup> Choice if Project Moves Ahead (see above) - 24**

(comments: widening not necessary, money would be better spent improving SR 520, Alternative 2 is High Points worst nightmare, use space between east & west bound lanes of SR 528 for high speed lanes with limited access, doesn't cut into High Point, continue to research ways to meet future traffic needs with least amount of impacts to residence)

**Other SR 528/US 1 Interchange Alternative Comments**

Need to find better solution at SR 524/US 1 Interchange - 1

Do Nothing at SR 524/US 1 Interchange - 5

Fine with any of the Alternative 4 options (Alt 4A, 4B or 4C) - 4

**SR 407**

Alt 1 (Left-hand off-ramp) - 6

Alt 2 (Right-hand off-ramp) - 0

**I-95**

Alt 1 (Collector-Distributor) - 3

Alt 2 (Flyover) - 4

No Improvement Needed - 1

**SR 3**

Alt 1 (Diamond) - 2

Alt 2 (Single Point Urban Interchange) - 7

No Improvement Needed - 1

**Banana River Bridge Alt**

Alt 1 (North alignment) - 2

Alt 2 (South alignment) - 0

**Trail**

Do not build - 25 (too expensive and/or not important enough for people to lose their homes over)

Build - 7

If trail is built, start @ Indian River Drive, not at US 1 - 13 (not included in Yes or No #'s above)

### **Causeway Access**

Need Access – 6 (*comments: important for tourism, running out of places to fish, used for watching shuttle launches*)

Do Not Need Access – 4 (*comments: concern for environment & safety*)

### **Ponds - 10**

(*Comments: Put ponds where they will least impact homes*)

### **Impacts and Mitigation of Public Lands - 4**

Will the government sanction other land to make up for the loss of this land

Do not remove bushes/ trees from southside of SR 528 along Indian River

Do not want causeway access due to environmental impacts

A home in High Point has been designated as a wildlife sanctuary and should be preserved for environmental purposes

### **Wildlife Crossing - 1**

Add wildlife crossing at Sykes Creek

### **Noise - 20**

Need for noise walls and/or heavy foliage as noise barrier

Construction noise concern – 1

### **Right of Way (ROW) - 13**

Most phone calls received (*About ½ referred to FDOT ROW Dept. and about ½ were in areas not shown being directly affected*)

### **Request for Viable Alternative Plan(s) - 5**

All requests for information were sent out

### **Website - 2**

Request for website or where to find information (*answered*)

### **Other Suggestions/Comments - 11**

Do major reconstruction at Industry Road Exit instead of at US 1

Put speed bumps on N. Indian River Dr. to slow traffic down

Drawing for another US 1 Alternative

Request for project updates for small Merritt Island newsletter

Modify bridge at barge canal

Request Accident info

Barge canal bridge bottleneck problem

Request for U turn signage @ City of Cape Canaveral overpass

Raise Sykes Creek Bridge

Maintain green buffer area with mangros (located on east side after crossing the Indian River)

Indian River has a problem with runoff causing disease in shrimp because of St. Augustine grass.