

Public Hearing Comments Summary Working Paper

TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY

WPI No. 7140004, State Project No. 99007-1402, FAP No. IR-9999(43)

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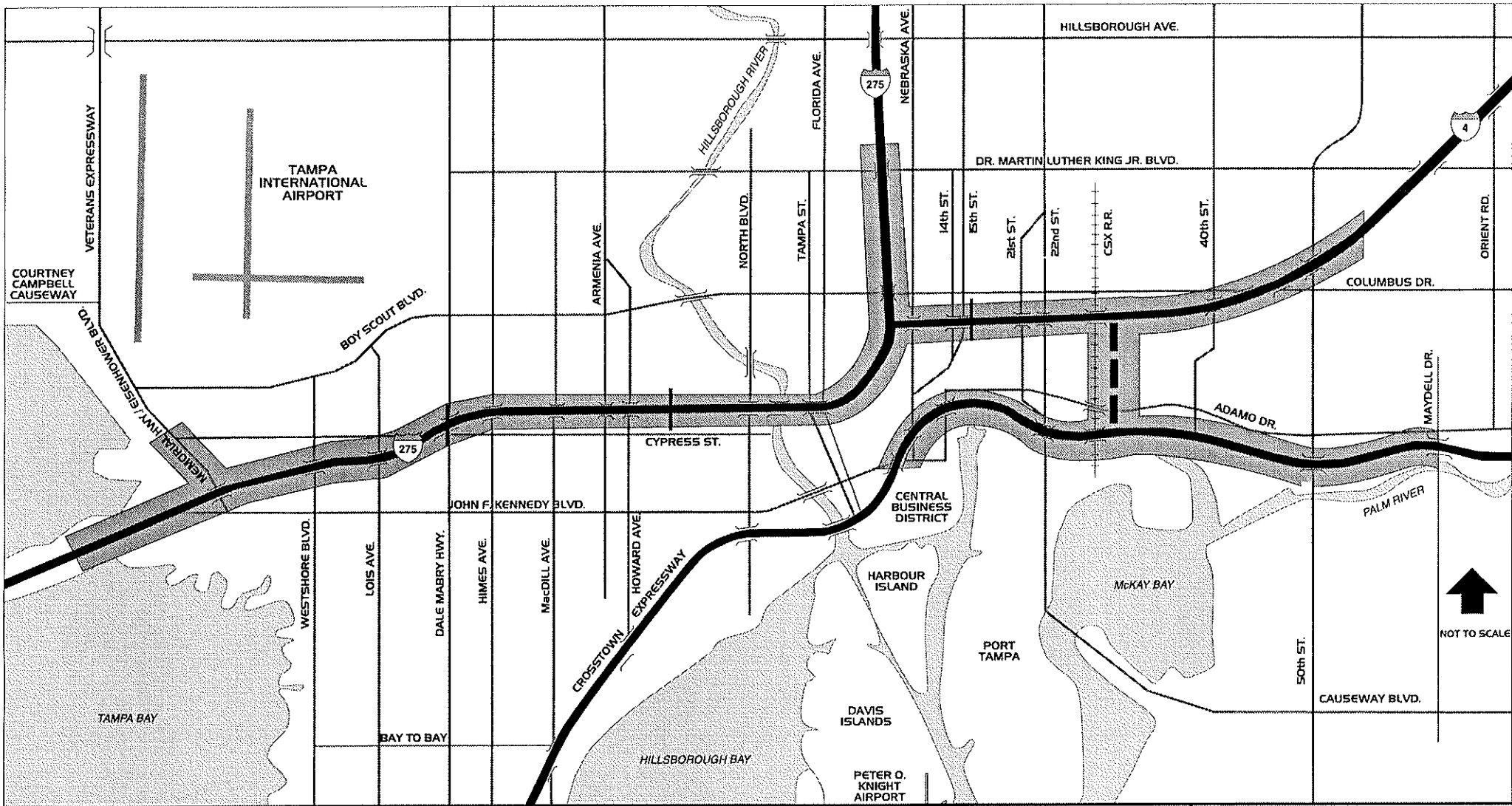
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INTRODUCTION

The Tampa Interstate Study (TIS) - Phase II Public Hearing took place on January 16, 1996. The hearing was held at the Holiday Inn Ashley Plaza Convention Center in the Crown and Windsor ballrooms at 111 West Fortune Street, Tampa, Florida from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. A formal presentation was given by the Department, beginning at 6:00 p.m., followed by a public comment period. The purpose of the hearing was to provide the public with an opportunity to formally comment on the potential impact to the environment as a result of the proposed improvements to the Tampa interstate system and other non-interstate improvements.

The TIS project consists of multi-lane improvements to I-275 from the Howard Frankland Bridge/Kennedy Boulevard ramps and just north of Cypress Street on Memorial Highway (S.R. 60) east and north to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and I-4 from I-275 (including the interchange) to east of 50th Street (U.S. 41); a multi-lane controlled access facility (Crosstown Connector) on new alignment from I-4 south to the existing Tampa South Crosstown Expressway; and the Crosstown Expressway from the Kennedy Boulevard overpass east to Maydell Drive in Hillsborough County. Non-interstate improvements include the Sherrill Street extension north from Memorial Highway (S.R. 60) under I-275 to Cypress Street, Westshore Boulevard from Gray Street to Laurel Street, Trask Street from Gray Street to Cypress Street, Cypress Street from I-275 to Lois Avenue, the new Lemon Street Connector to Westshore Boulevard from Occident Street, Dale Mabry Highway (S.R. 600, U.S. 92) from Cypress Street to Spruce Street, North Boulevard from Laurel Street to Union Street, Laurel Place from the Hillsborough River to North Boulevard, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard from Nebraska Avenue to Florida Avenue and 50th Street (U.S. 41) from 14th Avenue to 47th Street. The project study limits are graphically shown on Exhibit 1.

The proposed I-275/I-4 downtown interchange operational improvement project was also displayed at the Public Hearing. The purpose of this project is to enhance the safety and operational conditions of the existing I-275/I-4 downtown interchange, which is an important link in the Tampa interstate system.



LEGEND

Proposed Crosstown Connector

Project Study Limits

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS SUMMARY
**TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY
PHASE II**
Hillsborough County, Florida

PROJECT STUDY LIMITS

Persons were able to offer statements to become part of the official public hearing transcript in any of four ways: (1) make an oral statement during the formal portion of the hearing; (2) make an oral statement to the court reporter; (3) write statement on a comment form to be submitted at the hearing to the court reporter or dropped in the comment box; or (4) submit statements and exhibits to the following address: Mr. William H. McDaniel, Jr., P.E., District Secretary, Attention: Mr. Michael J. Coleman, P.E., District Project Development and Environment Engineer, Florida Department of Transportation, MS 7-500, 11201 North Malcolm McKinley Drive, Tampa, Florida 33612-6403.

Property owners within 0.09 km (300 feet) either side of the roadway centerline were notified by letter of the public hearing. Official letters notifying interested parties, local governments, local elected officials, the media and property owners were mailed prior to the hearing. In addition to formal hearing letters, a newsletter was sent to all interested parties, local governments, local elected officials, and all property owners located within the Area of Potential Effect (APE). The APE is the geographic area within which an undertaking may cause changes in the character or use of a cultural resource. A hearing notice was published on December 26, 1995 and January 12, 1996 in the *Tampa Tribune* and January 12, 1996 in the *LaGaceta*, the weekly Hispanic community newspaper, inviting interested parties to attend.

The sign-in sheets registered 495 persons and it is estimated 550 people were in attendance. Four formal oral comments were given during the hearing, 27 written comments were received during the hearing, 17 oral comments were given to the court reporter, and 21 written comments were received during the 10-day comment period following the public hearing. All comments received will be considered by the Department throughout the analysis process.

The next section of this report summarizes the comments received during the public hearing and comments received during the 10-day comment period following the hearing. Appendix A contains a transcript of the formal presentation. Appendix B contains the written comments received at the hearing and during the 10-day comment period after the hearing. Appendix C contains a transcript of oral comments received during the hearing. Appendix D contains the hearing sign-in sheets.

Appendix E contains a copy of the public notices, the newsletter and the handout provided at the hearing.

The January 16, 1996, Public Hearing was the final public meeting for the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) portion of the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) phase of the interstate reconstruction project.

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS RECEIVED

Written Comments from the Hearing

Of the 27 written comments received at the hearing, 25 were from residences, 1 was from a business and 1 was from Tampa Preservation, Inc. (TPI). TPI is a local corporation involved in the restoration and rehabilitation of historic neighborhoods within the City of Tampa. A summary of the key issues expressed and responses to those issues follows:

Comment W1: Interested in seeing funding for the Downtown Interchange Operational Improvement project given a higher priority in order to complete construction by the year 2000. The accident cost savings to the public would be tremendous.

Response: The Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Florida Department of Transportation have identified this project as the highest priority Interstate project in the tentative Five-year Work Program. The FDOT is in the process of refining the Department's Five-year Work Program to complete this project by the earliest possible date.

Comment W2: Concerned with the design of the interstate in the Gray Street area and would like the Department to redesign the project to avoid property or take whole property (4601 Gray Street).

Response: Westshore Apartments have been contacted several times to discuss this project and the owners have been made aware of the Department's efforts to minimize impacts to their property. The Department will compensate the property owners for all physical and business-related damages.

Comment W3: Concerned with remaining parcels and bridge structures at MacDill Avenue creating areas for loitering.

Response: The Department is committed to improving safety on cross streets and in remainder parcels through the use of vertical abutments, proper lighting on bridge structures, sidewalks and bicycle lanes on cross streets to encourage higher pedestrian traffic and less loitering.

Comment W4: Concerned with heavy truck traffic using Long Street, a residential street, to access Spartan Oil Co. and other businesses located east of 28th Street on Long Street. Would like the Department to redesign access for those businesses or purchase the homes located on Long Street.

Response: The Department has evaluated the ramping movements within the Crosstown Connector study area with a goal of minimizing heavy truck traffic on residential streets. The comment will be noted and the issue will be reexamined during the final design phase.

The proposed right-of-way lines are set by the requirements of the highway design. If a property is identified as being needed for additional right-of-way during final design, the property owner(s) affected will be contacted by the Department.

Comment W5: Would like proposed right-of-way to include their property (2816 Elmore Avenue).

Response: No right-of-way acquisitions are proposed on the west side of Elmore Avenue. If a property is identified as being needed for additional right-of-way during final design, the property owner(s) affected will be contacted by the Department.

Comment W6: Currently my property is not within the proposed right-of-way (1300 block of North Howard Avenue). What is the potential for this to change? The hearing was well conducted.

Response: Not likely, however, if during the final design phase, this property is identified as being needed, the property owner(s) affected will be contacted by the Department.

Comment W7: Concerned with the noise barrier decreasing the value of their property. Would like the FDOT to consider purchasing their property (710 East Emily Street).

Response: The Department is committed to minimizing the impacts of the proposed interstate improvements to local residences through the use of noise barriers and the TIS Urban Design Guidelines (UDG). The UDG, which detail the aesthetic

requirements of the proposed improvements, has recommended noise barrier treatments that were selected through a series of community workshops to minimize the visual impact and enhance the aesthetic value of the noise barriers.

The proposed right-of-way lines are set by the requirements of the highway design. If a property is identified as being needed for additional right-of-way during final design, the property owner(s) affected will be contacted by the Department.

Comment W8: Concerned with the impact of the proposed improvements on the “urban fabric” and the safety of pedestrians and automobiles traveling on cross streets under the interstate. Requested copies of the Preliminary Engineering Report, Conceptual Stage Relocation Plan, and aerial photographs.

Response: The Department is committed to improving safety on cross streets and in remainder parcels through the use of vertical abutments, proper lighting on bridge structures, sidewalks and bicycle lanes on cross streets to encourage higher pedestrian traffic and less loitering. The concepts displayed have been modified extensively to reduce the number of lanes. Based upon traffic projections, this concept provides the least number of lanes to maintain mobility in the future. Information requested has been provided.

Comment W9: Concerned with the impact of the proposed improvements with respect to lighting and security on cross streets. Requested information.

Response: See response to Comment W8.

Comment W10: Please add to mailing list.

Response: Mailing list has been updated.

Comment W11: Please send information to niece (address provided). Property owner is in nursing home.

Response: Comment noted and information requested has been provided.

Comment W12: Please send a copy of Preferred Alternative sheets A-21 and A-22 and the FDOT’s Five-year Work Program.

Response: Information requested has been provided.

Comment W13: Won’t make a difference.

Response: Comment noted.

Comment W14: Excellent idea, I welcome the change. Concerned about flooding and sewage problems.

Response: A comprehensive analysis of the existing drainage structures, future drainage requirements and the natural floodplains has been conducted to minimize potential flooding problems associated with the proposed interstate improvements. This information is documented in the TIS Preliminary Engineering Report, which is available for review at the FDOT District VII office or at the Greiner office.

Comment W15: Please send a copy of Preferred Alternative sheets A-21 and A-22 and the FDOT's Five-year Work Program.

Response: Information requested has been provided.

Comment W16: Please send a copy of Preferred Alternative sheets A - 11EA.

Response: Information requested has been provided.

Comment W17: Please send a copy of Preferred Alternative sheets A - 7, 8, 19 and 24.

Response: Information requested has been provided.

Comment W18: Please do not use palm trees along the interstate. Need to use trees that are effective air and noise filters.

Response: The TIS Urban Design Guidelines has established a plant palette of a wide variety of material native to, and representative of, the Tampa Bay region and Florida. Palm trees, while not necessarily the best buffering or screening material, will be used by different designers to provide a unified theme that is representative of the region. The design teams will also use other plants listed in the UDG, such as oaks, to provide sufficient screening and buffering where appropriate.

Comment W19: Would like information on early acquisition—how much money available and how many houses already purchased with advanced acquisition funds.

Response: Referred to FDOT District VII's Right-of-Way department.

Comment W20: Parking at the Public Hearing was a problem. Object to the location of proposed retention pond "swamp hole" on the corner of Dr. Martin Luther King Boulevard and Marguerite Street. Contact the Seminole Neighborhood Association.

Response: Comment noted. The proposed pond located at Dr. M.L. King Jr., Boulevard is designed to meet the requirements of the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) Chapter 40D-40, F.A.C. To meet regulatory criteria and to minimize impacts to the existing stormwater outfall system, peak discharges for the proposed conditions must be less than or equal to peak discharges for existing conditions within each sub-basin. To accomplish this, volume storage in the form of excavated detention ponds is required. The proposed detention ponds will be designed to include stormwater treatment capacity in addition to providing peak attenuation storage capacity. The proposed pond is designed to provide stormwater treatment and peak attenuation volume for approximately 9.0 acres of new pavement area.

The proposed pond location was selected for several reasons:

1. The existing drainage for the area discharges west to the Hillsborough River via Emma Street.
2. Approximately five existing properties along MLK and ten properties along Marguerite Street will be partially impacted by the proposed roadway improvements. The proposed pond will utilize the remainder of these parcels as well as six existing adjacent parcels to minimize proposed right-of-way acquisition costs.

The proposed pond areas are preliminary locations only. Actual pond areas will be determined during final design and will be dependent on site availability, soil conditions and permitting requirements in effect at the time of final design.

The proposed pond locations within each sub-basin were determined from existing topography, existing land use, proximity to an existing outfall, and the proximity to the existing right-of-way. The proposed ponds will be designed to function as an amenity to the project in addition to providing stormwater and treatment capacity. The ponds may utilize landscaping, fountains, littoral zones, hard designs and other features to provide an aesthetic and functional system, as described in the TIS Urban Design Guidelines.

Comment W21: Please consider a double-decker roadway that would save time, dollars and not require additional right-of-way.

Response: Numerous alternatives were evaluated during the development of the TIS Master Plan. The preferred alternative was selected through a tier analysis which examined constructability, cost and right-of-way along with other factors. A double-decker roadway was evaluated during the Master Plan and rejected as not reasonable due to the cost and constructability constraints. Comment noted.

Comment W22: Please add to mailing list.

Response: Mailing list has been updated.

Comment W23: Please update my address.

Response: Mailing list has been updated.

Comment W24: Please add to mailing list.

Response: Addition to the mailing list has been made.

Comment W25: Please add to mailing list.

Response: Mailing list has been updated.

Comment W26: Please add to mailing list.

Response: Addition to the mailing list has been made.

Comment W27: Request information on business relocations.

Response: Information requested has been provided.

Written Comments Received During the Comment Period

Of the 21 written comments received during the comment period, 18 were from residences, 2 were from civic associations (Old Seminole Heights and Tampa Heights) and one was from the City of Tampa Parks Department. A summary of the key issues expressed and responses to those issues follows:

Comment W28: Would like information on early acquisition. Disgruntled over how long it has been.

Response: The property referenced in the letter is located within the proposed right-of-way. However, construction of the Preferred Alternative for Design Segment 2A is not in the MPO's 20-Year Plan.

Comment W29: Would like information on proposed right-of-way acquisition.

Response: Information has been provided.

Comment W30: Please send a copy of Preferred Alternative sheets A - 26.

Response: Information has been provided.

Comment W31: Been waiting too long. Interstate very dangerous. Need improvements now. Would like interstate improvements to be started as soon as possible.

Response: Comment noted.

Comment W32: Concerned with the noise barrier decreasing the value of their property. Would like the FDOT to consider purchasing their property.

Response: The Department is committed to minimizing the impacts of the proposed interstate improvements to local residences through the use of noise barriers and the TIS Urban Design Guidelines (UDG). The UDG, which detail the aesthetic requirements of the proposed improvements, has recommended noise barrier treatments that were selected through a series of community workshops to minimize the visual impact and enhance the aesthetic value of the noise barriers.

See response to Comment W5.

Comment W33: Concerned with the closure of the 22nd Street ramp on I-4.

Response: The moving of the 21st/22nd Street interchange to 14th/15th Street is due to the close proximity of the proposed Crosstown Connector interchange at 31st Street and associated operational requirements. FHWA and FDOT design criteria dictate specific interchange spacing. In addition, frontage roads will be provided parallel to the interstate from the 14th/15th Street ramps to 21st/22nd Street.

Comment W34: Would like to have some moderate interim improvements (i.e., add two more lanes) made to the interstate system to fill in between the dream highway and the no-build. Some improvement is better than none.

Response: The Department is in the process of developing several interim improvement projects, including the I-275/I-4 Downtown Interchange Operational Improvement that was displayed at the Public Hearing.

Comment W35: Questions why not take property on the north side of Crosstown Expressway instead of Long Street where there is a high elderly population. Concerned with heavy truck traffic using Long Street, a residential street, to access Spartan Oil Co. and other businesses located east of 28th Street on Long Street. Would like the Department to redesign access to open Long Street to 34th Street to ease traffic problems and keep Durham a no-truck street.

Response: Several design limitations are present in this area: the existing railroad right-of-way north of the Crosstown Expressway, the elevated nature of the expressway,

and the additional expressway ramp. This area will be further investigated during the design phase of the study.

Comment W36: Not in favor of the interim improvements to the Downtown Interchange if the Greenway is not included.

Response: The I-275/I-4 Downtown Interchange Operational Improvement project is a safety and operational improvement. The concept was developed to improve ramp movements, merges and weaves. The Department is considering the purchase of the ultimate right-of-way in the Tampa Heights area and building a portion of the Greenway as part of the Operational Improvement project. There will be opportunities for local civic organizations, City of Tampa or any interested parties to assist in the further development of the Greenway plan. The FDOT will provide assistance as needed. Comment noted.

Comment W37: Would like information on right-of-way acquisition (2615 East 17th Avenue).

Response: The property in question is located in Design Segment 2A, which is currently not in the MPO's 20-Year Plan.

Comment W38: Would like the interstate alignment to be moved north in the Ybor City area to incorporate the property between the existing interstate and Columbus Drive to save money and time.

Response: Numerous alternatives were evaluated during the development of the TIS Master Plan. The Preferred Alternative was selected through a tier analysis which examined constructability, cost and right-of-way along with other factors. The area referenced is within the Ybor City National Historic Landmark District and the Barrio Latino Local Historic District. The Department is committed to minimizing the impacts to these historic resources through limited right-of-way acquisition and the development of aesthetic features detailed in the UDG. The interstate will not be moved north to include the referenced area. Comment noted.

Comment W39: Concerned with the proposed retention pond located at the corner of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. Vacant land is available between Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and Virginia Avenue at the corner of Taliaferro.

Response: See response to Comment W20. Comment noted.

Comment W40: Would like copies of sign-in sheets.

Response: Comment noted.

Comment W41: Questioned the role of public involvement in the process and expressed concern about the magnitude of the project. In addition, the following concerns were enumerated:

1. Traffic projections.
2. Incentives to use alternative modes of transportation.
3. Incentives for through traffic to use an alternative route.
4. Air quality.
5. Noise levels.
6. Study limits.
7. Direct impacts to neighborhood.
8. Physical division.

Response: To date, more than 50 public workshops, community meetings, and local presentations regarding this project have been made. Based on public comments received at these meetings, numerous modifications to the on-system and local roadways have been implemented. The TIS Urban Design Guidelines, which detail the aesthetic treatments required to minimize the visual and auditory impacts of the proposed project, were also developed based on public input received through a series of community workshops.

The proposed TIS project is consistent with the FDOT "Interstate Highway System Policy," which mandates that the maximum number of lanes at any location on the interstate system will be ten, including four physically separated exclusive lanes. The following information is provided in response to the above listed items:

1. The traffic projections for this project were developed through coordination with the Hillsborough County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The MPO 2010 *Long Range Transportation Plan* (LRTP) recognizes the need to provide a regional transportation network and indicates that reconstruction of the Tampa interstate system is a basic component of the plan. The plan is based on a future population for Hillsborough County of just under 1.2 million persons. This population growth is expected to yield 4.3 million person-trips in the year 2010, the majority of which will be made on the interstate system.

The City of Tampa is a major regional business and entertainment center. Businesses located in the downtown area include Harbour Island, NationsBank Plaza, Franklin Street Business District, Barnett Bank Plaza, One City Center Office Plaza, City of Tampa City Hall complex, Hillsborough County Office Complex and Courthouse, the Tampa Convention Center, and other major destination points. Other destinations include the Florida Aquarium, Ybor City, Tampa Stadium, Port of Tampa, Tampa Bay Performing Arts Center, and numerous annual events such as the Gasparilla festival. Tampa's value as an activity center will continue to develop with the opening of the Tampa Bay

Lightning Hockey Arena and the proposed convention center hotel and office buildings.

2. Throughout the development of the TIS Master Plan, the influence of other travel modes, such as HOV lanes, HOV transitways, bus and carpools, and park-n-ride lots was considered. The traffic projections developed for the Tampa interstate incorporated a mode split of 25% multiple occupancy vehicles and 75% single occupancy vehicles. To reach the estimated 25% mode split (the current split is approximately 15%), the FDOT and MPO have included funds for the analysis and implementation of alternative modes of transportation, which includes rail, in the 5-year and 20-year Work Plan.
3. The TIS Master Plan concept is one of several key elements of the overall future regional transportation system. Through traffic on the interstate system is considered to be vehicles traveling through Tampa from surrounding areas such as Pinellas, Pasco and Polk counties, as well as from the south. The proposed Crosstown Connector, which will extend between I-4 and the Crosstown Expressway at 31st Street, is intended to relieve some of the traffic traveling through the Tampa area. Several studies have been conducted to determine the feasibility of connecting the Veterans Expressway to I-275 and I-75; however, the MPO has determined that this project is not a priority.
4. Air quality will deteriorate as traffic volumes along the existing interstate continue to increase. Compared to the no-build alternative, carbon monoxide (CO) concentrations with the Preferred Alternative are expected to be lower in the vicinity of the project as a result of increased motor vehicle mobility, faster operating speeds, and less stop-and-go driving. These issues are discussed in greater detail in the TIS Air Quality Report, which is available for review at the Department or Greiner, Inc.
5. A detailed noise analysis was conducted for the proposed project to address the anticipated noise levels adjacent to the interstate and to define criteria for evaluating the economic feasibility of noise barriers. Of the 1,351 receptor locations with noise barriers in place identified in the report, only 214 sites will experience any audible noise impact as a result of the proposed improvements. This impact is due in part to the elevated roadway in the downtown interchange area and the break in the noise barrier required to maintain access to the local streets from the interstate. The analysis also indicated that decibel levels at most receptors when noise barriers are in place would remain consistent or result in a decrease as compared to current noise levels.
6. The northern limit of the EIS is Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. Aerial photographs of the area between Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and Hillsborough Avenue show the area where the proposed interstate improvements transition back to the existing alignment. Seminole Heights was not included in

the EA/FONSI approved in 1993. A separate document will be developed to address the specific concerns of the Seminole Heights Historic District and the I-275 design segments north of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

Extensive coordination has been conducted in an effort to avoid or minimize impacts to local historic districts as a result of the project. To mitigate for unavoidable impacts, the Department has developed a Memorandum of Agreement with the State Historic Preservation Office and the Federal Highway Administration which details commitments to relocate and rehabilitate a specific number of historic structures within the respective historic districts.

The proposed pond located at Dr. M.L. King Jr., Boulevard is designed to meet the requirements of the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) Chapter 40D-40, F.A.C. To meet regulatory criteria and to minimize impacts to the existing stormwater outfall system, peak discharges for the proposed conditions must be less than or equal to peak discharges for existing conditions within each sub-basin. To accomplish this, volume storage in the form of excavated detention ponds is required. The proposed detention ponds will be designed to include stormwater treatment capacity in addition to providing peak attenuation storage capacity. The proposed pond is designed to provide stormwater treatment and peak attenuation volume for approximately 9.0 acres of new pavement area.

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The proposed pond locations within each sub-basin were determined from existing topography, existing land use, proximity to an existing outfall, and the proximity to the existing right-of-way. The proposed ponds will be designed to function as an amenity to the project in addition to providing stormwater and treatment capacity. The ponds may utilize landscaping, fountains, littoral zones, hard designs and other features to provide an aesthetic and functional system, as described in the TIS Urban Design Guidelines.

7. As detailed in the TIS Urban Design Guidelines, aesthetic treatments will be incorporated into the roadway design to minimize the visual and audible effects of the interstate on adjacent land uses. To improve safety on cross streets, vertical abutments and proper lighting will be used to encourage pedestrian traffic and discourage loitering.
8. The Preferred Alternative concept will not adversely affect community cohesion. The initial construction of the interstate in the early 1960's severed many neighborhoods; however, over the past 30 years, many of these areas have reestablished themselves as cohesive neighborhoods. Traffic circulation within existing communities will not be significantly altered. It is anticipated that the interstate improvements will stimulate new development as part of better neighborhood and community access and urban design amenities which are intended to increase property values and improve the quality of life for residents.

Comment W42: The City of Tampa Parks Department is concerned with various issues related to recreational facilities and parks adjacent to the interstate.

Response: Another meeting will be held between the Tampa Parks Department and the Florida Department of Transportation to further discuss the Parks Department's concerns.

Comment W43: Location of "swamp hole" is illogical. There is already adequate storm water sewers to carry water generated by the proposed widening. I am going to fight.

Response: See response to Comment W20.

Comment W44: How will this project affect my mother's property (5619 Terra Ceia Drive)? Will we have to be relocated?

Response: The proposed project does not impact the property indicated in the letter. Contacted the individual and referred to the Department's Project Management for information on the I-4 widening.

Comment W45: Concerned about how the project will impact property on Adelee Street. Does not want to live next to a noise barrier.

Response: The property referenced in the letter is located within the proposed right-of-way. However, construction of the Preferred Alternative for Design Segment 2A is not in the MPO's 20-Year Plan. Comment noted.

Comment W46: Request information on properties at 809, 810, 811, and 812 Baker Street.

Response: Information requested has been provided.

Comment W47: Request information on property at 914 11th Avenue.

Response: Information requested has been provided.

Comment W48: The Tampa Heights Civic Association does not support the Interim project due to the lack of local street design elements.

Response: The I-275/I-4 Downtown Interchange Operational Improvement project is a safety and operational improvement. The concept was developed to improve ramp movements, merges and weaves. The Department is considering the purchase of the ultimate right-of-way in the Tampa Heights area and building a portion of the Greenway as part of the Operational Improvement project. There will be opportunities for local civic organizations, City of Tampa or any interested parties to assist in the further development of the Greenway plan. The FDOT will provide assistance as needed. Comment noted.

Oral Comments Given at the Hearing

Of the 17 oral comments received, 4 were given during the formal portion of the hearing and 13 were given during the informal portion of the hearing. A summary of the key issues expressed and responses to those issues follows:

Comment O1: Mr. Reckart (4006 N. Marguerite): Concerned with how comments have been addressed in the past, the closing of the 40th Street ramps hurting the economic development of this area, the questionable need for the proposed retention pond located at Marguerite Avenue and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, and being held hostage since FDOT will not buy property in the near future.

Response: See response to Mr. Reckart's previous Comment W20.

Comment O2: Mr. Mazzitelli (4119 W. Carmen Street): Concerned that funding for the Westshore area is being delayed or reallocated to the Downtown Interchange. Promised this improvement years ago.

Response: The Florida Department of Transportation's priorities and Five-year Adopted Work Program (FY 1995/1996-1999/2000) are set in cooperation with the Hillsborough County Metropolitan Planning Organization. The Adopted Five-year Work Program provides funding for right-of-way acquisition in the Westshore area in the years 1995/1996 through 1998/1999.

Comment O3: **Mr. Diaz:** Our law firm represents Pizza Hut, Amoco, Shell Oil Company, Westcoast Partnership and the Westshore Apartments and they wish to be compensated for being “held hostage” by condemnation. Also, the owners of the Westshore Apartments want the Department to change the highway design to avoid their property.

Response: Westshore Apartments have been contacted to discuss this project many times. Need addresses of other properties to further evaluate comment. Due to the southern shift in the alignment of the interstate in this area, the northern parking lot of the Westshore Apartments has been included as part of the proposed right-of-way requirements.

Comment O4: **Mr. Cochen (2401 13th Avenue):** Concerned that funding for the Westshore area and the Interchange will be delayed or reallocated. Why improve I-75 to County line if traffic cannot get through the downtown interchange.

Response: The Florida Department of Transportation’s priorities and Five-year Adopted Work Program are determined by the Hillsborough Metropolitan Planning Organization. The Adopted Five-year Work Program provides funding for right-of-way acquisition in the Westshore area in the years 1995/96 through 1998/99 and design is underway. The Downtown Interchange Operational Improvements Project is in the Tentative Work Program (FY 1996/97 through 2000/01) with funding for design and right-of-way acquisition scheduled 1998/99 and 2000/01, respectively.

Comment O5: **Ms. Bateman (4708 Ballast Point Boulevard):** Does not want the Crosstown Expressway connection to Gandy Boulevard.

Response: Not part of the project under study. Comments noted.

Comment O6: **Mr. Solar (710 E. Emily Street):** Does not like the retaining wall and would like the Department to consider purchasing his property.

Response: See response to Comment W7.

Comment O7: **Ms. McCardy (1517 31st Avenue):** Would like the Department to consider purchasing her property, which will be next to a retention pond. Not opposed to project but please consider buying area between 25th and 26th Streets.

Response: The proposed right-of-way lines are set by the requirements of the highway design. If additional right-of-way requirements are identified during final design, the property owner(s) affected will be contacted by the Department. Pond locations are not final until the design phase.

Comment O8: Ms. Carley (2207 15th Avenue): Would like the Department to build the entire ultimate and not spend money twice by improving a little bit now and then coming back and redoing it later. We need the project.

Response: With such a large project, construction must occur by segment. The money is not available all at once.

Comment O9: Mr. Pimmento (2512 15th Avenue): Against closure of the 22nd Street exit on I-4. Would like to see the Department improve 26th Street.

Response: Access to 21st/22nd Streets from the interstate will not be denied. The 21st/22nd Street ramps are being relocated to 14th/15th Streets and access will be maintained with a frontage road. In the Ybor City area, 26th Street is a City-maintained roadway, not under the jurisdiction of the Department.

Comment O10: Mr. Wright: Concerned about the impacts of the interstate on the Mt. Olive AME Church at 1747 West LaSalle Street.

Response: According to the information available through the property appraiser's office, the Mt. Olive AME Church owns the property that it is currently being used for parking. The church will be compensated for the loss of their parking. Referred to FDOT District VII's Right-of-Way Department.

Comment O11: Mr. Frazier: Would like the interstate alignment to be moved north in the Ybor City area to incorporate the property between the existing interstate and Columbus Drive to save money and time.

Response: See response to Mr. Frazier's previous Comment W38.

Comment O12: Ms. Willsey (2106 N. Morgan Street): Concerned with the Downtown Interchange Operational Improvements plan and the lack of "buffering" between the interstate and the Tampa Heights neighborhood and allowing for the Greenway.

Response: The Department is considering the purchase of the ultimate right-of-way in the Tampa Heights area and building a portion of the Greenway as part of the Operational Improvement project. There will be opportunities for local civic organizations, City of Tampa or any interested parties to assist in the further development of the Greenway plan. The FDOT will provide assistance as needed.

Comment O13: Ms. Fernandez (2815 Central Avenue): Concerned with the Interim Interchange plan and the need for noise barriers.

Response: The I-275/I-4 Downtown Interim Interchange project is a safety and operational improvement. The concept was developed to improve ramp movements, merges

and weaves. This is not a capacity improvement, and the project will not audibly change the current noise levels. However, the issue of noise barriers will be addressed by the Department as the project proceeds.

Comment O14: Ms. Baker (1215 15th Avenue): Would like to make sure that their property is a whole take and not a partial.

Response: Comment noted.

Comment O15: Ms. Lane: Need more parking at the Hearing.

Response: Comment noted.

Comment O16: Ms. Victor: Own property near the downtown interchange and would like to know when she can get her check.

Response: The property noted is not within the proposed right-of-way for the Downtown Interchange Operational Improvement. It is located within the proposed right-of-way for the Preferred Alternative. However, construction of the Preferred Alternative for Design Segment 2A is not in the MPO's 20-Year Plan.

Comment O17: Mr. Misa: 7th Avenue should not be closed, as shown in the ultimate plan, and development should continue to be encouraged, as it has been with Ybor City.

Response: The Downtown Interchange Operational Improvement, which is in the tentative Work Program, does not close 7th Avenue as the ultimate Preferred Alternative does. The ultimate Preferred Alternative for the downtown interchange is not in the MPO 20-Year Plan. The property noted is not within the proposed right-of-way for the Downtown Interchange Operational Improvement. Comment noted.

APPENDIX A

**COURT REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF THE
FORMAL PRESENTATION**

TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT
PUBLIC HEARING

Work Program Number: 7140004
State Project Number: 99007-1402
Federal Aid Project Number: IR-9999(43)

I-275 from the Howard Frankland Bridge North to
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, I-4 from
the Downtown Interchange East to 50th Street, and
the Crosstown Expressway from the Kennedy Boulevard
Overpass East to Maydell Drive,
Hillsborough County, Florida

DATE: Tuesday, January 16, 1996

TIME: 4:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: Holiday Inn, Ashley Plaza
111 West Fortune Street
Tampa, Florida

Johnson & Associates

Barnett Plaza-Suite 1750
101 E. Kennedy Boulevard
Tampa, FL 33602
(813) 223-4960

Registered Professional Reporters

Additional Facilities:
St. Petersburg, Clearwater,
New Port Richey, Bradenton
(800) 329-4960

1 MR. COLEMAN: Good evening. Can everyone in
2 the back hear me?

3 Welcome to the public hearing for the Project
4 Development and Environment Study on the proposed
5 improvement to Interstate 275, from the Howard Frankland
6 Bridge north to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard;
7 Interstate 4 from the downtown interchange east to 50th
8 Street; the proposed Crosstown Connector in the vicinity
9 of 31st Street; and the Crosstown Expressway from
10 the Kennedy Boulevard overpass east to Maydell Drive.
11 This project is located within the City limits of Tampa in
12 Hillsborough County, Florida.

13 My name is Michael Coleman. I am the District
14 Project Development and Environment Engineer for the DOT
15 District VII office.

16 Today is Tuesday, January 16, 1996, and it is
17 approximately 6:15 p.m. This public hearing is being
18 conducted by the Florida Department of Transportation in
19 accordance with all applicable State and Federal laws,
20 including Title VI and Title VIII of the United States
21 Civil Rights Act.

22 This public hearing is being held at the
23 Holiday Inn, Ashley Plaza, located at 111 West Fortune
24 Street, Tampa, Florida, from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and
25 concerns the following project: Work Program Number:

1 7140004; State Project Number: 99007-1402; Federal Aid
2 Project Number: IR-9999(43).

3 A court reporter is present to provide an
4 official verbatim transcript of these proceedings.

5 In keeping with Florida statutory requirements
6 and Department policies, this hearing was advertised in
7 the December 8, 1995, edition of the Florida
8 Administrative Weekly. The Administrative Weekly is the
9 official forum for announcing public agency actions.
10 Additionally, the hearing announcement was published in
11 the Tampa Tribune on December 26, 1995, and again on
12 January 12, 1996. The hearing announcement was also
13 published in La Gaceta on January 12, 1996.

14 Under Titles VI and VIII of the United States
15 Civil Rights Act, any person or beneficiary who believes
16 they have been subjected to discrimination because of
17 race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin,
18 disability or family status may file a written complaint
19 with the Florida Department of Transportation Minority
20 Programs Office in Tallahassee. The address of this
21 office is 605 Suwanee Street, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399.
22 Complaints may also be filed with the Florida Department
23 of Transportation, District VII, Title VI Coordinator,
24 located at 11201 North Malcolm McKinley Drive, Mail
25 Station 7-500, Tampa, Florida, 33612, Attention:

1 Michael Coleman.

2 This public hearing will also fulfill
3 requirements for implementation of Executive Orders 11990
4 and 11988 relating to "Protection of Wetlands" and to
5 "Floodplain Management," respectively.

6 We are here tonight to present to you and
7 explain the engineering and environmental work
8 accomplished to date for the project and to give you an
9 opportunity to publicly and officially comment on the
10 concepts. Please understand that the plans displayed on
11 the maps here this evening are not finalized construction
12 plans.

13 We bring plans to public hearings while they
14 are still in a conceptual stage to seek public opinion and
15 to solicit local knowledge of values and concerns as they
16 relate to these transportation plans. This gives
17 interested persons like you an opportunity to become fully
18 aware of proposed highway improvements and state your
19 comments so that they may be considered before the concept
20 is finalized and prior to beginning the final design for
21 the project.

22 This presentation provides a summary of the
23 Department of Transportation's engineering and
24 environmental studies associated with the proposed
25 improvements. The limits of the project include

1 Interstate 275, from the Howard Frankland Bridge north to
2 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr Boulevard; Interstate 4 from
3 the downtown interchange east to 50th Street; the proposed
4 Crosstown Connector in the vicinity of 31st Street; and
5 the Crosstown Expressway from the Kennedy Boulevard
6 overpass east to Maydell Drive.

7 Many of you attended a public hearing on a
8 part of the project from the Howard Frankland Bridge to
9 Dale Mabry Highway that was held on March 22, 1993. We
10 have since incorporated this project, which already has an
11 approved environmental document, into the project being
12 presented a here tonight. No changes have been made to
13 the concept presented at the previous public hearing.

14 When you came in this evening you were offered
15 a handout containing information concerning the project.
16 This handout contains a description of the Federal and
17 State partnership to provide highway facilities and other
18 transportation facilities through the use of the
19 Federal-Aid Highway Program. The right-of-way acquisition
20 process is also described.

21 The Department considered several alternatives
22 for providing the necessary improvements, and tonight we
23 will be presenting the No Build Alternative and the
24 Preferred Build Alternative.

25 The No Build Alternative examines the probable

1 results of not providing any improvements to Interstate
2 275, Interstate 4, the proposed Crosstown Connector, and
3 the Crosstown Expressway. The No Build Alternative is
4 considered to be a viable alternative and will remain so
5 throughout the public hearing process.

6 The Preferred Build Alternative for I-275
7 consists of a four-roadway system from the Howard
8 Frankland Bridge/Kennedy Boulevard ramps to north of
9 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. HOV/Transitway
10 lanes will be included within the interstate alignment.
11 Proposed interchange improvements include a fully
12 directional interchange for the Interstate 275 connection
13 to the Veterans Expressway; direct ramping from the
14 memorial Highway (S.R.60) and Kennedy Boulevard to the
15 Veterans Expressway; modifications to the existing
16 Westshore Boulevard, Lois Avenue, and Dale Mabry Highway
17 interchanges; modification of ramps at Ashley, Scott, and
18 Kay Streets to and from the west on Interstate 275 to
19 provide a west side downtown distributor interchange at
20 Ashley/Tampa Streets serving all movements; a west bank
21 downtown interchange with ramps to and from the west on
22 Interstate 275 at North Boulevard; removal of the existing
23 ramps to and from the north at Floribraska Avenue; and a
24 full interchange at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
25 Boulevard. Other new non-interstate improvements include

1 the Sherrill Street extension north from Memorial Highway
2 and Kennedy Boulevard under Interstate 275 to Cypress
3 Street, and the New Lemon Street Connector to Westshore
4 Boulevard from Occident Street.

5 Interstate 4 Improvements include a
6 four-roadway system throughout the study area. HOV lanes
7 will be included within the interstate alignment. Ramps
8 will be relocated from 21st and 22nd Streets to 14th and
9 15th Streets. Other improvements include the removal of
10 the 19th Street overpass, the reconfiguration of the split
11 interchange at Columbus Drive and 50th Street, the removal
12 of the interchange ramps at 40th Street, and a new
13 directional freeway-to-freeway interchange with the
14 proposed Crosstown Connector.

15 The proposed Crosstown Connector will be a
16 six-lane facility on a new alignment beginning at
17 Interstate 4 in the vicinity of 31st Street and extending
18 south to the Crosstown Expressway. Crosstown Expressway
19 improvements begin at the Kennedy Boulevard overpass and
20 extend east to Maydell Drive.

21 The Preferred Build Alternative will utilize
22 the existing interstate and Crosstown Expressway
23 right-of-way and will require the acquisition of new
24 right-of-way along most of the project length. Additional
25 right-of-way will also be required for stormwater

1 treatment in several locations along the project. Pond
2 sites will be selected to minimize residential and
3 business relocations during the final design phase.

4 The Preferred Build Alternative will replace
5 out-of-date design standards with current standards
6 increasing safety, capacity, and operating efficiency.

7 In addition to the engineering proposals, a
8 summary of the environmental studies that identify the
9 social, economic, physical and natural resource impacts
10 which may result from constructing the Preferred Build
11 Alternative is presented in the handout.

12 We have representatives here tonight to answer
13 engineering and environmental questions, as well as
14 general questions regarding the right-of-way acquisition
15 process. Many of your questions may be very specific in
16 nature, and we may not be able to answer them until the
17 final design phase of the project. We will give you the
18 best answer we can based on the information that we have
19 at this point.

20 Your comments regarding the proposed
21 improvements tonight may be made in one of four different
22 ways.

23 First, you may make an oral statement to the
24 court reporter in a one-on-one setting; second, you may
25 prepare a written statement on the comment form provided

1 in your handout which can be submitted to the court
2 reporter or put into the comment boxes provided; third,
3 you may make an oral statement during this formal portion
4 of the public hearing; and fourth, written comments and
5 exhibits may be submitted following the hearing to:
6 William H. McDaniel, Jr., P.E., District Secretary,
7 Attention: Michael J. Coleman, P.E., District Project
8 Development and Environmental Engineer, Florida Department
9 of Transportation, PD&E Department - MS 7-500, 11201 North
10 McKinley Drive, Tampa, Florida, 33612-6403.

11 These comments must be postmarked by January
12 26, 1996 to be included as part of the official public
13 hearing transcript. This address is included in the
14 handout.

15 Comments submitted in any one of these four
16 ways will be included in the official transcript of the
17 public hearing proceedings. I would like to emphasize
18 that all four types of comments carry the same weight. No
19 extra consideration is given to oral comments during the
20 formal portion of the hearing tonight.

21 After January 26, 1996, the Department will
22 consider all comments received and all the engineering and
23 environmental work that has been accomplished in order to
24 make the final decision regarding the proposed
25 improvements.

1 The final selection and all supporting
2 engineering and environmental work will be sent to the
3 Federal Highway Administration for final review and
4 concurrence to ensure that this is a viable project and
5 that it has been accomplished in accordance with all
6 applicable State and Federal rules and regulations.

7 After the Federal Highway Administration
8 approves the environmental document, then final design can
9 begin.

10 At this time, we will show a short video that
11 describes the project and discusses how it would implement
12 many of the transportation goals of the Tampa Bay area.
13 Following the video, we will open the hearing for public
14 comments.

15 (WHEREUPON, the video was shown.)

16 Tampa Interstate Study
17 Environmental Impact Statement
18 Public Hearing Video

19 In today's transportation-dependent world,
20 interstate systems across the county provide vital
21 connections to employment, residential, and entertainment
22 centers. Interstate also provide connections to airports,
23 ports, and other transportation hubs such as bus terminals
24 and park-and-ride lots. Tampa's interstate serves this
25 same function. With explosive growth Florida experienced
 in the 1970s, travel demand increased faster than the

1 ability to plan and construct new roadways. To meet these
2 and future travel needs, the Florida Department of
3 Transportation, District VII, began preparing a master
4 plan for the interstate in the mid-1980s. Completed in
5 1989, the Tampa Interstate Study Master Plan serves as a
6 guide for transportation improvements into the 21st
7 century.

8 Innovative in its approach, the Master Plan incorporates
9 many forms of transportation to move people, goods and
10 services throughout our community.

11 The goal of the hearing is to explain the
12 proposed improvements for the Westshore area, the downtown
13 area, and the Ybor City area and to receive your comments
14 on the proposed project.

15 The Tampa interstate was built in the early
16 1960s and was one of the earliest segments of interstate
17 in the country. Although appropriate at that time for
18 Tampa Bay's population, the interstate now handles three
19 times the number of vehicles it was designed to carry.
20 Accidents are common during busy travel times, often
21 caused by the bumper-to-bumper traffic and the
22 roller-coaster effect experienced in some areas. In the
23 event of an accident or disabled vehicle, narrow shoulder
24 widths offer no place for drivers to pull off the
25 interstate and delay times are further increased. Other

1 regional roadways, such as the Veterans Expressway,
2 provide necessary links to surrounding communities, but
3 the interstate remains the backbone of Tampa's
4 transportation network. The agency responsible for
5 planning Tampa's future transportation network is the
6 Hillsborough County Metropolitan Planning Organization.

7 "I really think the proposed improvements are
8 needed, but I don't quite understand the four-roadway
9 concept."

10 The proposed improvements displayed tonight
11 are designed as a four-roadway system. A four-roadway
12 system can best be described as one roadway inside of
13 another. The inside roadway, or through roadway, would
14 serve travelers using the interstate for long trips, such
15 as across the State, across the county or from one side of
16 the city to the other. The outside roadway, or local
17 roadway, would operate much like the interstate does
18 today, with virtually the same access to businesses and
19 communities. To move from the inside through roadway to
20 the outside local roadway, a vehicle would exit the inside
21 roadway at a designated location. For this project, these
22 areas would be in either the North Boulevard area or the
23 40th Street area.

24 Two additional terms that you should be
25 familiar with are priority ramps and high occupancy

1 vehicles.

2 Buses, vanpools, and cars carrying more than
3 two people are all examples of high occupancy vehicles.
4 HOV priority ramps for this project would be located in
5 the center of the through roadway to allow buses,
6 vanpools, and carpoolers to exit from the center of the
7 interstate without crossing local traffic. Three HOV
8 priority ramps would be located at Trask Street, Tampa
9 Street and Morgan Street.

10 The proposed improvements presented tonight
11 include Interstate 275 from the Howard Frankland Bridge
12 north to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and
13 Interstate 4 from the downtown interchange east to 50th
14 Street.

15 Key features of the proposed improvements
16 include better access to the Westshore Business District
17 to reduce congestion. Direct ramps from Kennedy Boulevard
18 to the Veterans Expressway will be provided. Sherrill
19 Street will be extended under the interstate and a new
20 one-way extension of Lemon Street to Westshore Boulevard
21 will be constructed. Interchanges will be provided at
22 Kennedy Boulevard, Veterans Expressway, Westshore
23 Boulevard, Lois Avenue, and Dale Mabry Highway.

24 In the West Tampa area, interchanges at Himes,
25 Howard, and Armenia Avenues will be maintained. New

1 interchange ramps to and from the west at North Boulevard
2 will relieve congestion and provide the emerging "West
3 Bank" area with much needed accessibility. In addition,
4 interchanges will be located at Ashley/Tampa Streets and
5 Jefferson/Orange Streets.

6 On Interstate 4, the 21st/22nd Street
7 interchange will be eliminated. A new interchange at
8 14th/15th Street will be added. Frontage roads will
9 extend the 14th/15th Street ramps to 21st/22nd Street to
10 serve both Ybor City and the downtown attractions of the
11 Florida Aquarium, the Tampa Bay Lightning Hockey Arena,
12 the Convention Center, and other destinations in Tampa's
13 downtown area.

14 The interchange at Columbus Drive/50th Street
15 will be reconfigured to improve safety and operations, and
16 the 40th Street interchange will be eliminated.

17 A new section of roadway is also proposed as
18 part of the project. This new roadway, called the
19 Crosstown Connector, will provide direct access between
20 Interstate 4 and the Crosstown Expressway in the vicinity
21 of 31st Street. An interchange will link the interstate
22 to the proposed Crosstown Connector. Access will be
23 provided at Adamo Drive. This new roadway will increase
24 accessibility to Tampa's port area and reduce the number
25 of heavy trucks traveling through the Ybor City National

1 Historic Landmark District. The Crosstown Connector will
2 also provide motorists a freeway connection to southern
3 portions of Tampa and Pinellas County.

4 As part of this study, a variety of data was
5 collected for existing conditions, ranging from land use
6 to wetlands and utilities to noise levels. This
7 information is summarized in documents located in the
8 display room and at local libraries.

9 One area of extensive study was the
10 documentation of historic properties. The project area
11 includes many historic properties within the West Tampa
12 National Historic District, the Ybor City National
13 historic Landmark District, and the proposed Tampa Heights
14 Multiple Property Listing, as well as several individual
15 structures.

16 As required by the National Historic
17 Preservation Act of 1966, a survey was completed to
18 identify historic properties affected by the project. If
19 a property was affect by the project, the proposed
20 improvements were refined to either avoid or mitigate
21 these effects.

22 Because of the proximity of both the West
23 Tampa and Ybor City National Historic Districts to the
24 interstate, widening the roadway would require the
25 acquisition of some historic properties. To address this

1 issue, two additional public workshops and four community
2 work sessions were held to receive public input on ways to
3 minimize these effects.

4 Information received at these meetings was
5 incorporated into the Tampa Interstate Study Urban Design
6 Guidelines. This document outlines the amenities for
7 thirteen different design elements, such as wall
8 treatments, retention areas, lighting and landscape
9 features. Many examples of possible treatments are on
10 display tonight.

11 In addition to these design amenities,
12 representatives historic structures acquired for roadway
13 right-of-way are proposed for relocation to vacant land in
14 historic areas. Much of this vacant land was the result
15 of urban renewal programs of the 1960's. Relocating and
16 in some cases rehabilitating these historic structures
17 will help to revitalize residential historic communities
18 as well as preserve the historic structures.

19 We encourage your participation tonight.
20 Please review the proposed improvements and provide the
21 study team with your comments. Your comments may be
22 registered in one of four ways. First, make a statement
23 to the court reporter during the informal portion of this
24 hearing; second, fill out a comment form provided in the
25 display room and on the back of your handout and drop it

1 in one of the comment boxes; three, fill out and mail the
2 comment form or any statements and exhibits pertaining to
3 this project to the FDOT District VII address provided on
4 the comment form. All submittals must be postmarked by
5 January 26, 1996, to become part of the official public
6 hearing transcript; or four, if you wish to make an oral
7 statement during the formal portion of the hearing, please
8 fill out one of the speaker request cards.

9 Florida Department of Transportation staff
10 members are available to answer questions about potential
11 right-of-way and relocation matters. In addition, the
12 Tampa Interstate Study team maintains a continuously
13 updated mailing list. If you did not receive either a
14 newsletter or a notice of this hearing, please sign the
15 forms provided to you.

16 The study team is available on weekdays to
17 answer questions, receive comments, and provide
18 information about the project. Members of the study team
19 are also available for presentations to civic and
20 neighborhood organizations. Please call or write the
21 Florida Department of Transportation to arrange for these
22 speakers to address your group.

23 With your input and involvement, the Florida
24 Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway
25 Administration, and local agencies and groups can better

1 ensure that the Tampa Bay area maintains its mobility and
2 provides a comprehensive approach to our transportation
3 needs. We look forward to your participation and
4 receiving your comments.

5 (WHEREUPON, the video was concluded.)

6 MR. COLEMAN: There are still some seats
7 available up front if there's anyone that is standing in
8 the hall and would like to see better.

9 Before beginning the public comments this
10 evening, I would like to recognize any elected officials
11 that are here tonight. Please stand and introduce
12 yourself at this time.

13 If you have not signed up to speak and would
14 like to do so, please raise your hand and an FDOT staff
15 member will bring you a speakers card to be filled out.

16 At this time, anyone who has filled out a
17 speakers card and wishes to speak for the record will be
18 called to the microphone.

19 Before the first speaker begins, I would like
20 to remind everyone that this is not a question and answer
21 period. The purpose of this portion of the public hearing
22 is to allow you to make public statements regarding views
23 and opinions of this project. If you have any specific
24 questions, please see one of the representatives during
25 the informal period following this formal portion.

1 Questions posed during the formal portion will be
2 addressed and other comments received will be available
3 about three weeks after the comment period closes January
4 26, 1996.

**SEE APPENDIX C
FOR COURT REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF ORAL COMMENTS
RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING**

APPENDIX B

WRITTEN COMMENTS RECEIVED AT THE HEARING AND DURING THE COMMENT PERIOD

TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY - PHASE II ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

W1

Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name JACK KING

Address 4615 W. LOWELL AVE

City TAMPA State FL Zip 33629

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: DOWNTOWN INTERCHANGE FUNDING NEEDS TO
BE ADVANCED TO ALLOW INTERIM PROJECT CONSTRUCTION
BY YEAR 2000. THE ACCIDENT COST SAVINGS TO THE
PUBLIC WOULD BE TREMENDOUS!

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY - PHASE II ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

W2

Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Engelhardt, Mark, Walczak Partnership
Address 4601 Gray Street
City Tampa State FL Zip _____

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: Owner object to project
Request that: ① redesign avoiding
proposed, or
② Take whole project

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY - PHASE II ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

W3

Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

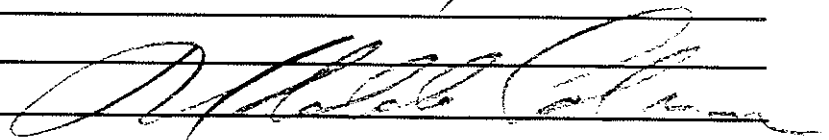
Name Ubaldo Cabreya
Address 3101 LA SALLE ST
City TAMPA State FLA Zip 33607

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.
All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments:

I AM NOT SATISFIED WITH THE DESIGN AT MAC DILL AT I 275. I HAVE THREE CHILDREN AND YOUR DESIGN IS CREATING A HANGOUT AREA IN THE SOUTH WEST CORNER. IF IS NOT ENOUGH THAT I HAVE TO DEAL WITH NORTH SIDE INTERSTATE EAST SIDE 4-LANE ROAD SOUTH SIDE TWO LANE ROAD ALSO, I WILL APPRECIATE IF THIS DESIGN IS IMPROVE BETTER FOR THE SAFETY OF MY CHILDREN AND HOME.

Thank you



(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY - PHASE II ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

W4

Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name GERARD F. WEHLE
Address 404-N. 28TH ST
City TAMPA State FL Zip 33605-6208

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: I live AT 404-N. 28TH ST ON THE SW CORNER OF
LONG ST WHEN THE CROSSTOWN WAS FIRST BUILT THEY WERE
GOING TO MAKE AN EXIT EAST ON LONG TO 34TH ST.
SO ALL THE HEAVY TRUCK TRAFFIC GOING TO SPARTAN
OR AND OTHER BUSINESSES EAST OF 28TH ST ON LONG
CAN GO AND COME BY WAY OF HWY 60
INSTEAD OF LONG ST A RESIDENTIAL STREET.
IF THIS IS MADE POSSIBLE THERE WOULD BE NO
REASON TO REMOVE THE RESIDENCE BETWEEN 22ND AND 28TH
ON LONG

Gerard F. Wehle

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY - PHASE II ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

W5

Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Joan King
Address 823 Bayshore Blvd
City Tampa State FL Zip 33606

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: We own the 4 unit house at 2816 Elmore
AVE. PLEASE consider widening the 275 segment
near the I-4 connection to include the west
side of Elmore Ave between Columbus &
Florida Ave.
Only 3 occupied structures including ours
remain now and ours is available (for sale)
for \$25,000. The interstate would be a
far better use of this block now. The other two
owners are ready to relocate. It would
be a far less expensive block to buy & use
vs. the east side of the existing interstate
as proposed on today's drawings & maps.
If you have any questions please call
us at 254-5464.

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY - PHASE II ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name CLARIE H. GUNN
Address 1313 N HOWARD AV
City TAMPA State FL Zip 33607

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: ACCORDING TO THE DRAWINGS THE 1300 BLOCK OF
N. HOWARD AV IS NOT WITHIN THE "AFFECTED" AREA
OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT - IS THIS A PROPER
ASSUMPTION? IS THIS ASSUMPTION SUBJECT TO
BEING CHANGED

THE HEARING WAS WELL CONDUCTED

Sharon
OG

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY - PHASE II ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

W7

Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Manuel & Olga Solas
Address 710 E. Emily St
City Tampa State Fla. Zip 33603

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: The interstate and sound wall will
be located in front and besides our
property - therefore the value of our
property will decrease. We would like
to express our concern and hope that
this interstate study will consider to
also include the buying of our property.

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(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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W8

Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Martha Sherman - Sherman & Assoc. Architects & Planners
Address 2201 Dekle Ave.
City Tampa State Florida Zip 33606
Tampa Preservation, Inc. Liaison

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: Please provide me with the following documents:
1. Task A4B PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING REPORT
TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY WPI NO. 714004 S.P.# 99007-1402
FAP # IR-9999(43)
2. TASK A5B12 CONCEPTUAL STAGE RELOCATION PLAN
TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY WPI NO. 714004 S.P.# 99007-1402
FAP # IR-9999(43)
3. AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH FOR I-275/I-4 INTERIM DOWNTOWN
INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS, AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

I CONTINUE TO HAVE CONCERNS WITH THE IMPACT OF A SIXTEEN
LANE WIDE ROADWAY ON THE EXISTING URBAN FABRIC. HOW WILL SAFE-
PASSAGE FOR PEDESTRIANS AND AUTOMOBILE OCCUPANTS UNDER 242 FEET
of over pass. THIS PRESENTS A SERIOUS SOCIOLOGICAL
PROBLEM.

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Becky Clarke, Tampa Presentation, Inc
Address P.O. Box 11111
City Tampa State FL Zip 33679

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.
All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: I continue to be concerned about how
the Tampa Heights National Register District will be handled from the perspective
of the new Interstate. I am concerned about loss of
traffic to main - lighting, security, etc.

Would appreciate receiving a detailed plan of the
interim plan for the Interchange (I275/I4) particularly
for Tampa Heights - w: right of way acquisition.
Also the same info for the ultimate design - to see
how it compares specifically (maps, etc)

The Tampa Heights National Register District is in place
and is much larger than the "proposed multi-property listing"
shown on your displays.

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Wilma L. Christmon and Joe H. Christmon

Address 1007 E. 14TH Ave -

City Tampa State Fl. Zip 33605

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: We now own the Above property
~~at~~ Also the property at 412 E. Floribaska, Av.

Mailing Address

P.O. Box. 7881

Tampa, Fl. 33673

Phone 813-229-3103

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Cora Wright
Address 619 E. 7th Avenue
City Tampa State Florida Zip 33602

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: Cora Wright of 619 E. 7th Avenue
is a patient in a nursing home and has
been there for several years.
I, Edna Floyd
is her representative for her property and would like to
receive her mail since she will not be
coming home again. My mailing address
is P.O. Box 15143 Zip 33684. My home
address is 1010 Riverplace East #207
Tampa, FL 33603.
Thanking you in advance for your
consideration. Edna Floyd McBriff

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name GARY KNOX
Address 2520 NORTH 50TH ST.
City TAMPA State FL Zip 33619

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: I am located in area

Design Segment 3B

KINDLY SEND ME COPIES OF
BLUE PRINTS A21 & A22
OF
FDOT ADAPTED WORK PROGRAM

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name JOHN N. COLEMAN
Address 4023 W. CASS ST
City TAMPA State FL Zip 33609

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: I think that it is an excellent idea I
welcome the change, I am concern more about
floodina once the project begins, and the sewage
problem

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Kristi Carroll
Address 2520 North 50th street
City Tampa State FL Zip 33619

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: I request that a full size copy of
Design Segment 3B (Sheet A-21 + A-22) be
sent to the above address.

Thank you

Please also send a copy of
FDOT Adopted work program - 1995/6 - 1999/2000

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name BRETT C. PEDERSEN Courtyard by Marriott
Address 3505 West Cypress St
City Tampa State FL Zip 33607

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.
All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: PLEASE SEND MAP OF PROPOSED SITE
SHEET ALTH TO ABOVE ADDRESS

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name DAVID BOX
Address ~~#118~~ 102 W. Whitnig Street #300
City TPA State FL Zip 33602

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.
All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: could you please send me copies
of sheets:
A19, A24, A7, A8
of the Tampa Interstate Study.
Thanks!

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Diane Reese
Address 4111 Central Ave.
City Tampa State FL Zip 33603

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.
All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: Need to find trees that are
effective air filters. Palm
trees are not effective as
air filters. There are also not
effective as noise reducers.
Thank you.

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name GARY RECKART
Address 4006 N. MARGUERITE STREET
City Tampa State FL Zip 33603

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.
All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ON ADVANCE
ACQUISITION FUNDS FOR THE INTERSTATE STUDY PLAN
THE SEGMENT FROM I-4 - I-275 INTERCHANGE
NORTH TO MLK.

IF EARLY ACQUISITIONS FUNDS ARE DISTRICT WIDE
HOW MUCH IS AVAILABLE NOW FOR THIS PROJECT -

HOW MANY PROPERTIES HAVE ALREADY BEEN
PURCHASED USING ACQUISITION MONEY -

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name

GARY BECKART, SR.

Address

4006 N. MARGUERITE ST

City

TAMPA

State

FL

Zip

33603

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form. All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments:

I OBJECT TO THIS MEETING BEING HELD WHERE HUNDREDS WERE TURNED AWAY BECAUSE OF NO PARKING SPACES - THIS IS WRONG - HOLD NEXT MEETINGS WHERE THERE IS ADEQUATE PARKING =

ALSO:

I STRONGLY OBJECT TO THE WATER RETENTION "SWAMP-HOLE" BEING PLACED AT THE INTERSECTION OF MLK AND MARGUERITE ST. I WILL FIGHT THIS - THIS IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN - YOU ARE NOT GOING TO TAKE THIS CORNER IN SEMINOLE HEIGHTS AND MAKE IT INTO AN EYE-SORE FOR OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. I SUGGEST YOU CONTACT THE SEMINOLE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION FOR COMMUNITY INPUT -

Gary Beckart

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name ROBERT X EMILIA ALONSO
Address 911 12 AVE
City Tampa State FL Zip 33601

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments:

Why not to just a new
interchange using one way over the
old one and saving millions dollar
and saving time.
This way almost
don't have pay relocation and
with little time building off highway

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Diane Mack
Address 2923 - E Columbus Dr.
City Tampa State FL Zip 33605

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments:

Please Mail all further correspondence to my home. I am the legal owner of this property but all mail concerning this is being mailed to previous owner.

Thank You

Diane Mack

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(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name GERARD T. WALLZAK, RITA WALLZAK
Address 1963 MAGNOLIA DR
City CLEARWATER State FL Zip 34624

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: PLEASE CHANGE YOUR MAILING ADDRESS
IN THE WESTSHORE AREA FROM

WALLZAK, RITA
% FLORIDA CENTRAL MGMT
505 N. WESTFIELD ST
OSHKOSH, WI

TO

RITA WALLZAK
1963 MAGNOLIA DR
CLEARWATER, FL 34624

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Robert Larry Herman II
Address 45030 St 12th Ave
City Tampa State FL Zip 33605

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: I would like to be on
the mailing list.

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Billy B & Gloria P Glounoy

Address 2405 12th Ave.

City Tampa

State FL

Zip 33605

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: Please update your current address list
the aliens do not live at this address

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Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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*add to
mailing
list*

**TAMPA BAY
ENGINEERING, INC.**
*Civil Engineering • Transportation
Environmental • Planning*

18167 U.S. 19 North, Suite 550
Clearwater, Florida 34624
813-531-3505 FAX 813-532-9891

Richard T. Doyle, AICP, PE
Vice President

102 W. Whiting Street, Suite 501
Tampa, Florida 33602
813-221-0048 FAX 813-224-9728



W27

Mark L. Mudano, M.D.

Reconstructive Knee Surgery & Sports Medicine

3450 East Fletcher Avenue #350 • ~~6426 East Fletcher Avenue #2~~
Tampa, Florida • (813) 971-4476

Diplomate American Board of Orthopaedic Surgery

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W28

419 Marlin Street
Folsom, PA 19033
January 25, 1996

Mr. William H. McDaniel, Jr., P.E.
District Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation
11201 N. Malcolm McKinley Drive
Tampa, Florida 33612-6403

Dear Sir:

Complying with instructions issued at Tampa Interstate Study Public Hearing held January 16, 1996 - A Public Hearing Comment.

As a life time resident of the state of Pennsylvania, so as to attend the Tampa Interstate Study Public Hearing January 16, 1996 it was necessary for me to take the trip from Pennsylvania to Tampa, Florida.

The vacant corner lot located at Henderson and Central Avenue Tampa Heights in Tampa, I inherited from my father. About 1980 I visited the office at Hillsborough Court House to acquire a building permit to construct a house. They told me they could issue the permit, but advised me that this lot was included in expanded I-275 highway plans, and it would be foolish to build a house because it would be taken for expanded highway construction. Soon afterwards I received notice from the Greiner Team for the Tampa Interstate Study informing me my lot was in the path of new highway design.

Over the years waiting for Florida DOT to acquire the property I have had to pay out \$2,406.59 for real estate taxes. Also the City of Tampa has constantly threatened legal action if I do not keep the lot cleared of weeds, bushes and debris. The cost of this work performed by a contractor over the years has been \$1,764.00.

Now after attending the meeting I am informed that it may be years I will be compelled to continue this expense before the property will be acquired. The amount I have paid out will be more then the property will be worth.

For me there must be some relief. This lot is in the vicinity of the intersection with I-275 and I-4 known as "Malfunction Junction."

Yours truly,
Jeremiah B. Harris
Jeremiah B. Harris

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

— RA ~~Y~~PC
→ Greiner (copy) — CALL & ANSWER THIS LADY'S QUESTIONS.
SEND ARIAL w/ MAKE-UP'S IF NECESSARY.

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SS JAN 25 PM 3:20

3728 Spinnaker Dr

Tampa, Fl. 33611

Jan. 24, 1996

W29

Michael J. Coleman

P.E: Project Development Enviornment Engineer

Fl. Dept of Transportation Dist. VII

11201 N. McKinley Dr. M.S. 7-500

Tampa, Fl. 33612-6403

Dear Sirs:

My name is Felicia Pardo Miceli and I show as the owner of my mother's house. Her name is Mrs. John Pardo, and as long as she lives, she is the owner and has been for the last 50 yrs. She lives at 706 E. Hugh St. My sister who lives behind her, (Mrs Carmella Pardo Guido) lives on 707 E Adalee St.

I have seen your maps and have talked to many people, but I know no more now than before.

Are these houses going to be against a wall or will the city purchase them.

I have enclosed a map to show how we are located.

Please give me some kind of answer, because we have to account to our families and we have to make preparations.

I thank you for an imediate response.

Sincerely,

Felicia Pardo Miceli

Interstate

Tallifero

Empty

no
House

704

706

708

Mama's
Home

703

705

707

709

Sisters
Home

Adalies St

Mitchell St

Hugh

St-

800
Block

Nebraska Ave

Flora Parka

21st Ave

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name ROSE ROIG
Address 2419 LONG ST.
City TAMPA State FL Zip 33605

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All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: The public hearing was crowded and confusing. I will be affected by the proposed "cross town connector"
When is this phase of Interstate improvement going to happen?

Please send PAGE A-26 showing LONG STREET aerial view of affected residences and any other available maps related to LONG STREET and "cross town connector."

Send information to:

TONI ROIG
c/o ROSE ROIG
2419 LONG ST.
TAMPA, FL. 33605

Thank You,
Rose Roig

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55 JAN 15 PM 3:16

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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State Project No. 99007-1402

Federal Aid Project No. TR-9999(43)8: 4.5

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January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Joy M. T.F. COCHEN
Address 3421 W. LAMAR BLVD ST
City TAMPA State FL Zip 33614

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: PROPERTY LOCATION - 2401-13TH AV, TAMPA
33100 S. SOUTHEAST CORNER OF 24TH ST + 13TH AV.
WE HAD THIS TYPE MEETING TWO YEARS AGO. STILL
NOTHING HAPPENING. EXPECT FROM I-75 TO COUNTY LINE.
IF YOU MANAGE MOVE TRAFFIC OUT OF DOWNTOWN AT
PEAK TRAFFIC TIME, THAT GOOD IS THAT IMPROVEMENT.
THE EXISTING INTERCHANGE IS BUILT DOWN WITH
AN ACCIDENT EITHER GOING EAST-SOUTH OR NORTH IN
RESPECTIVE DIRECTION OF TRAVEL.

ON YOUR SIDE
24
EX-115
ON YOUR SIDE
THE ACCIDENT IN THE INTERCHANGE A YEAR AGO
BEFORE THIS LAST DISASTER (APPROX NOV-DEC 1994)
BROUGHT OUR GOV LAUSTON CHILES ON A FLY OVER THE
INTERCHANGE & STATED BY NEWS MEDIA IMPROVE-
MENT WOULD START JANUARY 1995 - A JOKE. A
MAN WAS KILLED IN THIS ACCIDENT AND ONE LIVES TO CARE IT?
BUILD AN INTERCHANGE THAT CAN HANDLE TRUCKS
& CARS & A HIGHWAY TO GO WITH IT.

THE CURRENT I-4 FROM I-75 TO COUNTY LINE IS
PUTTING CART BEFORE THE HORSE! SENATOR BEARDS

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

IS VERY HAPPY THOUGH, WHEW!
JUST PLEASE TELL ME WHEN THIS WILL TAKE
PLACE.

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

Thank You.

1-16-96

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**TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY - PHASE II
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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Felix Nelson Lopez
Address 4013 Central Avenue
City Tampa State Florida Zip 33603-3908

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: I have an empty lot at 1607 15th Avenue. By looking at
your maps, I see that a noise barrier wall will be erected right
behind my property and take the alleyway behind it. I see it very
unfair of DOT not to buy this lot since it is planning to buy
half of the block just east of my property. I would like for
you to consider buying this lot also.

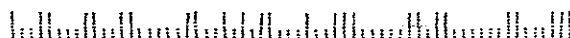
Felix Nelson Lopez

Felix Lopez

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Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.



Mr. R. A. PC
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Work Program No. 7140004

State Project No. 99007-1402

Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name JOSEPH D Pimienta

Address 2512-15th Ave

City TAMPA FLA. State Florida Zip 33605

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: Dear Sirs:

I do not agree with your plans to close the 22nd Street exit in the expansion of I-4. In questioning one of your representative at the Public Hearing held here in Tampa (1-18-96) the reason was given was to eliminate truck traffic through Ybor City. This plan is the same that a connects to the cross town will also be built to divert ~~truck~~ truck traffic from the concerned exit to the ports of Tampa. This is just another example of how the interstates are used to hide the many that come in of this country of course you are aware of what/why that particular exit is being closed

Sincerely

Joseph D Pimienta

Resident

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Kevin M Thompson

Address 5812 Osceola Place

City Tampa

State FL

Zip 33604-7130

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Comments:

Why not take current funding and add two
more lanes to the current system. Make other modifications
to improve the system and resurface I-275 W to Brandon (it
needs it badly). This will in no way solve the problems
but would help ease some of the flow. I would hope
a more moderate program could be developed to
fill in between the current highway and no build
strategies being discussed. Some improvement is better
than none and we have to be more realistic during
this difficult economic times

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Mr. & Mrs. Dwayne E. Fennell
Address 2412 Dunham St.
City Tampa State FL Zip 33605

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: On the proposed Crosstown extension
1.) I try take house on Long street when there is
room on the N. side of the Crosstown. All these
homeowners & residents are all elderly. It will be
a tremendous hardship for them to be locate.

2. Also on Long & Dunham there is a mix
of residents - E. Elderly w/ grand children & young
families - I tho trucks would be a hazard
to both old & young. - Please consider making
Long street a thru street to 34th to ease problems
w/ the trucks & keep Dunham the way it is a
no truck street.

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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January 25, 1996

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DISTRICT SECRETARY
DISTRICT SEVEN

Mr. William H. Mc Daniel, Jr. P.E.
District Secretary
Florida Dept. of Transportation
11201 N. M. McKinley Dr.
Tampa, FL 33612-6403

Re: Work Program 7140004, State Project 99007-1402, Federal Aid Project IR-9999(43)

Dear Sir,

I am writing to notify you that I oppose the interim plan of the above listed project. I live in Tampa Heights and over the years have attended meetings where input was given and a master plan was developed. The interim plan deviates to far from the master plan that has been presented down through the years to the people that will be living near the new interstate. It is absolutely essential that the buffer zone and linear park remain in the project. If the buffer zone and the linear park are removed it will be detrimental to the Tampa Heights area. All I ask is that the master plan go forward as it was presented in the beginning, many years ago.

Mr. Marion Wacaser and Mrs. Kathleen Barry-Wacaser
2108 N. Morgan St.
Tampa, FL 33612
813-223-9545

M. S. Wacaser

K. E. Barry-Wacaser

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2400 Nerin Ave.,

#207

Richmond, Ca 948

1/12/96

Thanks for the Information
I have just one Question.

My property is located
at 2615 E. 17th Ave
Tampa, Fl. 33605

My Question is:

When will you be

Ready to purchase?

And just how many more
years for the Cleaning?

Thanks,

Gene & Schafell

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Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name ALAN FRAZIER
Address PO BOX 23444
City TAMPA State FL Zip 33623

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Comments:

DEAR BILL,
THIS CONCERNS THE I-4
PROJECT THROUGH YBOR CITY.
IT WOULD BE CHEAPER + BETTER
IF YOU CONDEMNED THE LAND
BETWEEN (NORTH) I-4 + COLUMBUS, AND
BUILT AN INTERSTATE THERE AND
GAVE THE LAND WHERE I-4 IS
NOW, TO THE CITY OF TAMPA FOR YBOR
DEVELOPMENT. THIS IS BECAUSE THE
COST TO KEEP THE ROAD OPEN DURING
CONSTRUCTION IS SKY HIGH. I TALKED
TO GRIENER ABOUT THIS, BUT THEY
SAID IS WAS ALOT CHEAPER, BUT THEY
DID NOT WANT TO UPSET THE BARIO
COMMISSION IN YBOR CITY.

BILL, THIS IS THE LOGICAL THING
AND CHEAPEST THING TO DO. I URGE
YOU TO TALK TO MAYOR GRECO + FERNANDO
NORREIGA, + YBOR PEOPLE ABOUT THIS

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET
FROM ALAN FRAZIER. FAX# 1R9999/4,
WP 714 0004 - SP# 99007-1402
BECAUSE IT MAKES SENSE
TO DO THIS. I HAVE MENTIONED
TO MANY PEOPLE & THEY AGREE.
I ~~WISH~~ WISH YOU WOULD
EXPLORE THIS OPTION
AT THE VERY LEAST. I
MENTIONED AT THE PUBLIC
COMMENTS A COUPLE YEARS
AGO AND NOBODY CHECKED
IT OUT.

MR McDANIEL, I ALSO
AM A P.E., (A PEON) AND
~~IF~~ IF I TRY TO PUSH
THIS IDEA, WHICH IS REALLY
LOGICAL, I WOULD BE
THROWN OUT OF TOWN.
PLEASE TALK TO MAYOR
GRECO (274-8251), FERNANDO
NOREIGA (274-8091), YBOR
CITY DEVELOPMENT AND
GREINER. IT WOULD SAVE
ALOT OF MONEY, HELP DOT,
THE CITY OF TAMPA, AND
THE TAXPAYERS.

I LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR
REPLY.

Sincerely
Alan N Frazier

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Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Felix Nelspn Lopez
Address 4013 Central Avenue
City Tampa State Florida Zip 33603-3908

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.
All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: Our home is located at 4013 Central Avenue N., between MLK Blvd.
and Ida Street. By looking at your map, I see a retention pond is
going to be in our entire block. My wife and I are not in favor of
this, because there is cheaper, uninhabited land just south of us,
between MLK Blvd. and Virginia Avenue. There are abundant empty lots
at the corner of Taliaferro and MLK Blvd. There is enough vacant land on
the N.E. corner of MLK Blvd. and Taliaferro. It seems to me that if
the retention pond is located as your maps show, the value of
North Central Avenue, from MLK Blvd. to Bird Street, will lose its
identity as being part of Seminole Heights.

Felix Nelson Lopez

Felix N. Lopez

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Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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Diane Bingham

286-9710 FAX

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PREPARE INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE

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Old Seminole Heights Neighborhood Association, Inc.

January 25, 1996

Mr. William H. McDaniel, Jr., P.E.
District Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation
11201 N. Malcolm McKinley Drive
Tampa, Florida 33612-6403

Attention:

Mr. Michael J. Coleman, P.E.
District PD&E Engineer
MS 7-500

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25 JAN 29 PM 12:09

Re: Public Hearing Comments
January 16, 1996
WPI No. 7140004
State Project No. 99007-1402
FAP No. IR-9999(43)
Tampa Interstate Study - Phase II
Environmental Impact Statement

Dear Mr. Coleman;

Representatives of our neighborhood association and residents of the neighborhood, attended the Public Hearing on January 16, 1996. Our key concerns are:

1. Traffic Projections
2. No incentive to ride alternate modes of transportation
3. No incentive for through traffic to take alternate route
4. Air Quality
5. Noise Levels
6. The Study Limits
7. Direct impact to the neighborhood in loss of property and neighbors
8. The Physical Division

The original I-275 construction negatively changed the character of this area forever. By bisecting Tampa, the interstate spawned blight and decay. It is questionable however, the extent to which public input or comment is heeded in projects of this magnitude. It is our opinion that the widening of I-275 to up to 16 lanes is out of scale with our urban area.

The Environmental Impact Statement states that the reconstruction is needed due to an expected increase in travel demand of up to 70% by the year 2010. Less that 15 years. This projection is not fully explained. Traffic projections made in the past for this region were much higher than actually experienced.

Similarly the EIS projects an increase in the Central Business District employment from 24963 to 88079 in 2010. This is over a three fold increase. This projection is also not fully explained. Where are these people coming from? Westshore is only expected to increase from 70000 to 100000 in the same period. The City of Tampa is one of the major activity centers identified in the study and this data is suspect.

The EIS states that the "introduction of rail transit system would have minimal effect on the usage of the Interstate System". If the 16 lane alternate is constructed, there would be little or no incentive to ride alternate modes of transportation. Our transportation system must include alternatives like the commuter rail proposal. It utilizes predominately existing railroad right-of-way that historically made connections to the outlying areas that are now the areas of growth that the interstate would serve. It should be the first priority financially and should be in place and functioning so that the transportation planners and our elected officials don't have to guess at projected ridership.

Why are such astounding allowances being made for through traffic? Why isn't through traffic using I-75. If tourists were traveling through from the North to Ft. Myers, wouldn't it be logical that they would take I-75 instead of the congestion of Tampa? Has a connector to the Veterans Expressway from I-275 and I-75 been seriously examined? The Veterans Expressway is operating significantly below projections.

The EIS indicates that the air quality will actually improve after construction. The traffic projections indicate that the traffic volumes will increase from 40 to 130% or more depending on the segment. We doubt the validity of these results. Under the current conditions it is possible, on most days, to detect an increase in exhaust smell during rush hour. The doubling of traffic can only add to the pollutant loads in the general vicinity.

The noise levels from the existing road are such that it is almost impossible to sleep with the windows open at night for up to 1/2 mile away. The introductions of noise walls may theoretically reduce the noise levels at certain "receptors" to acceptable FHWA levels, but we can only expect that the noise levels in the area will increase significantly as the speeds and volumes rise on the interstate. Of the 1351 sites identified with noise problems, 1137 could be abated with walls. What of the other 214 sites?

Noise barriers are shown on the typical section at the service road level while the elevated interstate above has none. It appears that the sound will travel well above the lower walls with little effect. How far will the sound travel? If the road is built and the noise abatement doesn't work, what can be done to fix the problem?

The study area presented in the Public Hearing is misleading. One graphic depicts the limits of the "study" extending up to Martin Luther King Boulevard. Another board indicated widening up to Hillsborough Ave. One graphic stated that no historic structures were being taken in Seminole Heights. While no home in the Historic District proper is planned to be taken, many properties in the south part of the neighborhood are being taken for a stormwater treatment pond. Several of these homes would be contributing structures if they were located in the Historic District and they are no less significant. Areas surrounding our Historic District are currently being considered for Historic overlay districts and future inclusion in the Historic District as they qualify.

These properties, 15 residential and 2 commercial, were selected over a larger vacant commercial property on the southeast corner of this same intersection. It appears that pond modifications were made in Tampa Heights to save takings. Can similar concessions be made in stormwater design to save taking homes in Seminole Heights? Has underground storage been considered to eliminate needing to take our neighbors properties?

There seems to be a conflict between the study area for the EIS and the exhibits presented at the Public Hearing on January 15th, the EIS goes only to MLK while the project is shown to extend to Hillsborough Avenue. Why is it that the impacts south of MLK are important enough to warrant an EIS. Was Seminole Heights included in the FONSI? Is the removal of historic homes for ponds and ramps not of any significance since they are not in a recognized Historic District?

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SPN 99007-1402
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It is hard to comprehend the scale of the proposed road from the plan. The magnitude of this facility is on an order that people in this part of the state are unfamiliar with. The width of the roadway at the overpasses for the cross streets will create a tunnel affect, roughly the length of a football field and longer, that will be intimidating to any pedestrian, bicycle rider and some drivers, especially at night. We predict if this facility it is constructed it will further lead to the deterioration of the land uses and devaluation of the land along the entire interstate corridor through the City of Tampa.

Why do we continue to build for three or four hours of traffic a day?

Awaiting your response with interest, I am

Sincerely,
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. Evan St. Ives", with a long, sweeping horizontal line extending to the right.

A. Evan St. Ives, President

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Greener (Comm) FOR MY SIGNATURE.

TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY - PHASE II

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PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name City of Tampa Parks Department
Address 7525 North Boulevard
City Tampa State FL Zip 33604

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.
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Comments: See additional sheets 1 and 2.

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Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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TO: MR. MICHAEL J. CLEMAN, P.E.

DISTRICT PROJECT DEVELOPMENT
AND ENVIRONMENT ENGINEER

THIS IS MY WRITTEN STATEMENT
IN REFERENCE TO: TAMPA INTERSTATE STU.
WORK PROGRAM ITEM #: 7/40004
STATE PROJECT #: 99007/402
FEDERAL-AID PROJECT #: IR-9999(43)
HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, FLORIDA

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96 JAN - 8 PM 3:24

MY ADDRESS: 5619 TERRA COTA DR.
TAMPA, FL 33619 - 1549

MY MOTHER IS SHEILA HARVEY THE
OWNER OF THIS PROPERTY. I AM
WRITING IN HER BEHALF.

I HAVE DRAWN A ROUGH
SKETCH DIAGRAM OF THE LOCATION
OF THE PROPERTY ON ANOTHER SHEET
OF PAPER.

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WRITTEN STATEMENTS

How will this Project
Affect the property.

Will we have to be
re-located.

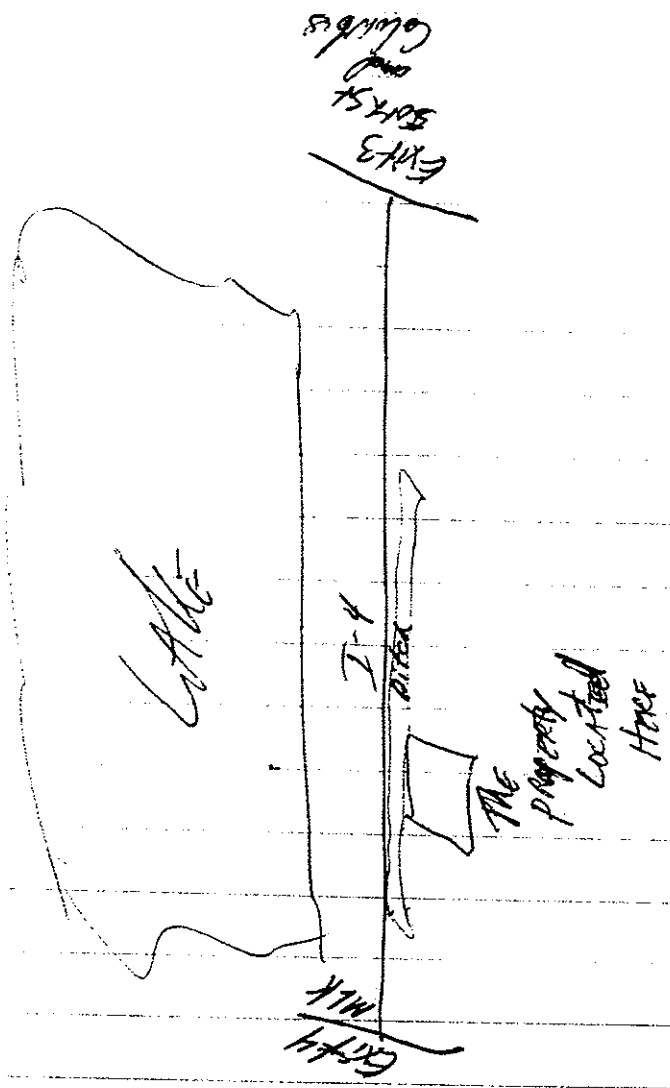
Will part of the property
be required for this Project.

When will this project
begin and end.

PLEASE get back to me as soon as
possible I will not be able to attend
the public hearing. That is why I
have made these written statements.
If you have any questions you can
call. I have an answering machine so feel
free to leave any message.

I thank you for your co-operation

Sincerely,
David H. Harvey



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95 JAN 19 PM 3:03

Jan 18, 1996

Michael J. Coleman P.E.
Project Development & Environment
Engineer

Fla. Dept of Transportation Dist V, 11
11201 N. McKinley Dr. M. 57-500
Tampa, Fla. 33612-6403

Dear Sir,

I am very concerned
about my property at 707 E.
Adalee St, Tampa, Fla 33605.

Parcel ID, # 182825, 0000

Bobles Subdivision No. 2,

W 1/2 of lot 4 Block 7.

Carmela P. Guido

I would like some
information if my home
will be taken. I do not
want to ~~lose~~ live next
to a "sound barrier" as was
told to me in 1994,

1/31

Spoke with Carmela Guido regarding FDOT's current
priorities and Syn Work Program. We discussed
her property, and I explained...

I am the 3rd house down
from Int. 275 on E. Adalie
between Florabaska &
Martin Luther King.

I also am part owner of
home at 706 E. Hugh St.
back to back from my
home, also the 3rd house
down from Int. 275.

Will you please give me
some assurance on this
question: You plan to take
my home or you don't.

Sincerely,

Carmella P. Guido
707 E. Adalie St.
Tampa, Fla. 33603

P.S. I have rheumatoid arthritis
and cannot go to meetings.

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Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name OSCAR, JR + NEREIDA DORTA
Address 810 BAKER ST
City TAMPA State FL Zip 33603

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.
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Comments:

WE OWN PROPERTIES AT THE FOLLOWING
ADDRESSES ON BAKER ST. (ONE BLOCK
SOUTH OF LAKE AV. BETWEEN NEBRASKA &
TALIAFERRO:

809 BAKER ST	(RENTAL)
811 BAKER ST	(RENTAL)
810 BAKER ST	HOME
812 BAKER ST	(RENTAL)

HOW WILL THIS PROJECT AFFECT THESE
PROPERTIES?

ANY FURTHER INFORMATION WILL BE
GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.



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TRANSMITTAL MEMORANDUM

MAIL STATION
7-800
DISTRICT
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To: Larry Sly, Greiner	From: Pam Sherman
	Date: 11/1/96

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Tampa Interstate Study (TIS)
Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)
WPI #: 7140004 ; SEN: 99007-1402 ; FAP #: IR-9999 (43)
Public Involvement request.

Larry -
Pls. mail an 11x17 copy of the appropriate concept sheet for
this gentleman's property located at 914 11th Ave E. (in the
vicinity of Nebraska Ave + Palm). Thx - Pam.

Mr. Fernon McDavid
4709 Stove Place
Valrico, FL. 33594

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Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name Tampa Heights Civic Association / Lena Young, Resident
 Address 3406 N. Avon Ave., Tampa, Florida 33603
 City Tampa State FL Zip 33603
 (813) 229-8403(H) (813) 272-2990(W)

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form. All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE TAMPA HEIGHTS
CIVIC ASSOCIATION HAVE AGREED TO NOT SUPPORT
THE PROPOSED INTERIM PLAN FOR THE I-275
I-4 INTERSTATE EXPANSION DUE TO LACK OF DESIGN
ELEMENTS PREVIOUSLY DISCUSSED.

Bertha Glover 311 W. Amelia Ave Tampa FL 33602

Thomas Parks 505 W. Ross Ave. " " 33602

Doris Counts 521 W. Ross Ave. " " "

Margaret Wellington 3304 N. Jefferson St. " 33603

Loris L. Glover 319 E. Janette Ave. Tampa, FL 33603

Rehana Chomick 2720 N. Jefferson St. Tampa FL 33602

Scott Palma 2024 N. CENTRAL AVE TAMPA, FL 33602

Lena Young-Lynn 3406 N. Avon Ave Tampa FL 33603

Gregory Barton 313 W. Amelia Ave. Tampa FL 33602

Theresa Welby 2106 N. Morgan St Tampa FL 33602

Jamie Crank 210 W. Kyles 33602

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to

Post-it* Fax Note

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Date	1/25/96	# of pages	1
To	Ms. Mary Ann Perry	From	Lena Young, THCA
Co. Dept.	DOT, Dist. 7	Co.	Tampa Heights Civic Assoc
Phone	813-2368	Phone	813-272-2990
Fax	813-6091	Fax	813-272-2597

APPENDIX C

**COURT REPORTER'S TRANSCRIPT OF ORAL COMMENTS
RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC HEARING**

1 Questions posed during the formal portion will be
2 addressed and other comments received will be available
3 about three weeks after the comment period closes January
4 26, 1996.

5 To allow everyone that would like to speak the
6 opportunity to do so, please limit your comments to three
7 minutes. Before you start speaking, please state your
8 name and address for the court reporter.

9 The first speaker card that I have is
10 Mr. Gary Reckart of 4006 North Marguerite Street, Tampa,
11 Florida. Mr. Reckart, if you would step over to the
12 microphone on the other side that way everyone can hear
13 you. Thanks.

14 MR. RECKART: I reside at 4006 North
15 Marguerite Street, Tampa, 33603.

16 Mr. Coleman, I have observed the displays here
17 and I have attended a number of these meetings in the past
18 and it appears to me that you people aren't listening to
19 us. It appears to me that there some designs that you
20 have, and continue to exist, and you are not paying
21 attention to some of the comments that some of the
22 citizens are making.

23 Number two, I notice also, I believe, you
24 deleted 40th Street on this design plan and this is going
25 to limit the accessability of revenues and income into an

1 area of Tampa that needs an infusion of income. There's a
2 current PDA plan designed now to widen 40th Street from
3 Hillsborough Avenue to Fowler Avenue to four lanes. And
4 taking out that exit there will certainly impact the
5 viability of an income coming into that area of Tampa.

6 The other thing that I'm particularly
7 interested in is that in the current design you have a
8 water retention pond located to the corner of Martin
9 Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and Marguerite Street, or
10 I-275. That is where my home is currently located. I
11 object to that water retention pond being placed in that
12 particular area.

13 First of all, because there is no need of it
14 being there. There's no current water flow problems on
15 that corner. There doesn't appear to be any cause or
16 going to be a cause effect as a result of the design
17 there.

18 More importantly, that is an intersection
19 where ten to twenty thousand people come into our city
20 going to the Buc's game or sports arenas on Dale Mabry
21 Avenue and to put a swamp hole right there on that major
22 corner in the Seminole Heights subdivision is something
23 that I'm going to object to and I'm going to fight.

24 Now, I've sent y'all letters and I've made
25 comments about that in the past, but you're not paying

1 attention to us, Mr. Coleman. So I would appreciate it if
2 you would pay more attention to the public's comments as
3 it relates to this concept.

4 Also, it appears to me that our properties are
5 going to be in limbo for ten to fifteen years and we are
6 not going to be able to sell them as a result of this
7 design. And I would like to know what the FDOT is doing
8 do to put aside some monies to purchase properties for
9 those who want to sell now and don't want their properties
10 held captive or hostage for the next ten or fifteen years.

11 Thank you, sir.

12 MR. COLEMAN: Thank you for your comments.
13 The next speaker is Mr. Jimmy Mazzitelli, 4119 West Carmen
14 Street.

15 MR. MAZZITELLI: My name is Jimmy Mazzitelli.
16 I live at 4119 West Carmen Street.

17 My concern is this here: From the Frankland
18 Bridge to the Himes Avenue. In 1993, it was designed to
19 be finished. Now, we are in 1996 and I'm under the
20 impression from talking to people out there, that they're
21 going to delay that another three or four years. I think
22 they're going to take that funding and go down into the
23 downtown intersection which they say is the bottleneck.
24 We live in that area and we always seem to be on the
25 shortend. The 1993 people who live there, their homes are

1 in limbo. Nobody knows where they are going. I remember
2 meeting an eighty-year old lady who said, "What am I going
3 to do? I can't sell my home. I can't do anything." And
4 we are turning it around now, the County Commissioners or
5 whoever is responsible for that are saying we are going to
6 take that funding and we are going to go to intersecting
7 two-lane on downtown due to their construction that I can
8 see.

9 So I say, the last time we gave it to the
10 Veterans Expressway and I say this time we take care of
11 our own. We are citizens too. This is a political game
12 and I can see it downtown, but let the County
13 Commissioners find another one. We gave it up once.
14 We're not going to do it again. We'll fight.

15 MR. COLEMAN: Thank you for your comments.
16 Mr. Andrew Diaz, 777 South Harbour Island Boulevard.

17 MR. DIAZ: My name is Andrew Diaz. I am the
18 attorney from the law firm of Brigham, Moore, Gaylord,
19 Schuster, Merlin & Tobin, 777 South Harbour Island
20 Boulevard, Tampa, Florida.

21 In the project, we represent owners Pizza Hut,
22 Amoco, Shell Oil Company, and Westcoast Partnership, and
23 that owner specifically and their property, the apartment
24 building, the Westshore Apartments, located at 4601 Grey
25 Street. That owner request comments on the record today

1 that they object to the taking of either property. If
2 this project goes through the apartment partner and either
3 property and/or redesign the project so it avoids their
4 property altogether.

5 In addition, all the property owners that our
6 law firm represents will seek compensation for any loss of
7 value due to the ongoing further condemnations being held
8 hostage for the past fifteen years by the Department of
9 Parking. Thank you.

10 MR. COLEMAN: Thank you for your comments,
11 Mr. Diaz.

12 That's all the comment cards I have in my
13 hand. Would anybody else like to speak in this formal
14 portion of the hearing? If you would, would you just step
15 to the microphone and state your name and address and just
16 fill out a comment card when you're done.

17 MR. COCHEN: My name is Ted Cochen, 3441 West
18 Lambright Street, Tampa, Florida, 33612.

19 MR. COLEMAN: Hold on just a minute, sir. Is
20 the microphone on in the back? Try speaking a little
21 closer. Maybe the microphone is weak.

22 MR. COCHEN: Okay.

23 MR. COLEMAN: If you would, would you please
24 state your name again, sir.

25 MR. COCHEN: My name is Ted Cochen. I live at

1 3421 West Lambright Street, Tampa, Florida, 33614. I own
2 property at 24th Street and 13th Avenue, the address is
3 2401 13th Avenue.

4 We are here going through the same meeting we
5 did in '93. Then they said it was a five-year program
6 from the Howard Frankland Bridge to the interchange and a
7 five-year program for the interchange to 50th Street.
8 That's nice, but nothing's happening and here we are doing
9 the same thing all over again.

10 Also, all of a sudden from I-75 to the County
11 line is in the process of being improved. If you can not
12 get traffic out of downtown to that area, what good is it
13 going to do for the downtown? We still have the same,
14 where one accident will jam-up the interstate in any
15 direction during the peak traveling hours.

16 Also, our Governor came down and looked last
17 year, and you showed on your film the truck hanging over
18 the interchange. You didn't show the one upside down that
19 fell off the wall and the man was killed. The Governor
20 came down and flew over it and said in January of '95,
21 Tampa will get a new interchange. Okay. Thank you, sir.

22 MR. COLEMAN: Thank you for your comments.
23 She'll get you a comment card as you sit down right there,
24 sir.

25 MR. COCHEN: Thank you.

1 MR. COLEMAN: Is there anyone else who would
2 like to speak during the formal portion of the hearing?

3 The transcript of these oral proceedings of
4 this hearing and copies of, or references to, written
5 statements or exhibits, together with copies or references
6 to materials made available before the hearing will be
7 available for public inspection in the Florida Department
8 of Transportation, Project Development and Environment
9 Department located at 11201 North McKinley Drive, Tampa,
10 Florida, 33612, within approximately three weeks.

11 It is approximately 6:50 p.m. And since no
12 one wishes to make a statement, I hereby close this
13 hearing.

14 There will still be people available to answer
15 your questions in the room next door should you want to
16 look at displays more or ask more questions.

17 Thank you for attending.

18 MS. BATEMAN: My name is Barbara Bateman. I
19 live at 4708 Ballast Point Boulevard, Tampa, Florida.

20 My comments regard the extension of the
21 Crosstown Expressway from where it exits now to the Gandy
22 Bridge. DOT has had several meetings in the past. The
23 residence in the area have said they don't want. They
24 don't need it. And DOT continues to pursue it.

25 In the paper yesterday, in the Tampa Tribune,

1 it mentioned that now their idea is to get some of the
2 traffic off of the Howard Frankland Bridge and there's
3 lights on Gandy so they need this to keep people from
4 stopping at the lights. There are three lights on Gandy.
5 One at Lois Avenue, which they don't need, one at
6 Manhattan and one at Westshore. The only time there's
7 traffic on Gandy is at 5:00 o'clock and those people may
8 be delayed five or ten minutes going through those lights.
9 So we're going to pay close to a hundred million dollars
10 for a road to save them five or ten minutes, disrupt our
11 neighborhoods? Come on.

12 And the cost keeps changing. Last year, or at
13 the hearings, whenever they were, the cost was close to
14 two hundred million dollars. This year, in the Tribune
15 yesterday, they quoted about ninety-four million dollars.
16 How much is this thing going to cost? Do they listen to
17 people? Residents have said no. Businesses have said no.
18 But they continue telling us that we need this extensive
19 mile of road.

20 I didn't have much time to prepare for this
21 meeting. They said that there was notices in the December
22 and in last Friday's paper. It must have been buried way
23 in the place that nobody reads because I found out about
24 it at 10:30 last night. I cannot stay. I have a 6:00
25 o'clock appointment. I'm here at about 4:45 p.m. I had

1 to leave work early. Fortunately, I could today to come
2 and complain.

3 Also, the place they had it, the Holiday Inn,
4 Ashley Plaza, had no parking. I parked over in the City
5 of Tampa lot and paid three bucks. Why couldn't they have
6 done this at one of the schools like they have in the past
7 or somewhere more accessible to the public and where there
8 would be plenty of public parking.

9 That's about all I have for right now at such
10 short notice. But we don't need it. We don't want it.
11 Take it off the map.

1 MR. MANUEL SOLAR: My name is Manuel
2 Solar. I live at 710 East Emily Street, Tampa.
3 The retaining wall of the north buffer that will
4 be built next to my home will depreciate the
5 price of my house and I won't be able to sell it
6 to nobody. It's too close to the interstate.
7 So, I'm recording a complaint. See if the
8 interstate -- when they come through will buy my
9 home. And that's about all I can say.

10 MS. JOYCE E. McCARDY: My name is
11 Joyce McCurdy and my address is 1517 31st Avenue,
12 Tampa, Florida, zip code, 33610. My concern with
13 this project is the fact that property is going
14 to be purchased up to 13th Avenue, which is just
15 right in back of the property of mine on 12th
16 Avenue. There's going to be a retention pond
17 that's going to be almost in my backyard. I'm
18 not opposed to the plan, but I do feel that the
19 State should petition to buy that property
20 between the area of 25th and 26th Streets to give
21 those residents a reprieve because they're going
22 to be pretty well boxed in by sound barrier walls
23 and retention ponds. That it's not going to
24 allow us to have nice sights. And I'm requesting
25 as a property owner in that area of three or four

1 parcels of land that the State by that property
2 and relieve those residents.

3 MS. SYLVIA MARION CARLEY: This is my
4 mom. She lives in the house and her name is
5 Althlean Marion. And, so, therefore I am making
6 these comments for her -- with her.

7 My name is Sylvia Marion Carley and I
8 am the daughter of Althlean Marion. We live at
9 2207 15th Avenue in Ybor City. We have reviewed
10 some of the plans for highway improvement and
11 construction. We have noted that our house and
12 design fall under Plan 3A as told to us by the
13 D.O.T. representatives. In looking at the entire
14 plans however from community to community, we
15 have seen the importance of having a complete
16 plan for not only safety, but better construction
17 and living for our community. Therefore, we
18 would encourage the construction of the entire
19 plan and not spending money twice by improving a
20 little bit now and then coming back and having to
21 redo that and then working on an additional
22 plan. I think this kind of construction and
23 infrastructure is needed for our community.

24 MR. JOSEPH PIMMENTO: My name is Joe
25 Pimmento. 2512 15th Avenue, Tampa, Florida,

1 33605. I'm against foreclosure of the interstate
2 exit of 22nd Street/I-4. And I'm also for
3 improvement of black area for streets such as
4 26th Street. That's supposed to be widened out
5 several years now, 30 years ago in the so-called
6 Ybor City Improvement Plan. Yet today is not
7 widened. It's a dangerous area. And I want to
8 know -- make -- and I want to know if they're
9 going to do anything to improve that street, 26th
10 Street.

11 MR. ROBERT WRIGHT, SR.: Robert
12 J. Wright, Sr. 8329 Endive Avenue, Tampa,
13 33619. I'm sitting here because I'm concerned
14 about the church, Mt. Olive AME Church, at 1747
15 West Lasalle Street. And the corridor is coming
16 through our parking area. And I want to know
17 what effect that would have on the church because
18 if they take all the parking, we are virtually
19 out of business. I don't know who we would get
20 that answer from, but whomever can give us the
21 answer, we need it.

22 MR. ALAN FRAZIER: Okay. My name is
23 Alan Frazier. My public comment concerns the
24 right-of-way portions of Ybor City. I just
25 thought that D.O.T. should talk to the

1 Mayor Greco and the Mayor of Commission about the
2 possibility of taking all the right-of-way north
3 of I-4 in the Ybor City area and building a new
4 interstate there and the existing interstate when
5 they're finished, tear it up and give it to the
6 city or the Mayor of Commission for development
7 of Ybor City.

8 I brought this comment up a couple
9 years ago and no one ever looked into it, I don't
10 think, but it would seem to be logical because
11 the engineer told me the cost of construction of
12 interstate while you have the traffic existing is
13 a hundreds of millions of dollars more. And, so,
14 I think -- I know it probably will not happen,
15 but I think D.O.T. should talk to the mayor about
16 the possibility of that and see if he thought it
17 was a good idea, and if he thought it was a good
18 idea he could get it done. And it would open a
19 substantial amount of land for development and
20 south of I-4 and although it's not politically
21 correct, it would get rid of a big slum.

22 MS. TRISHA WILLSEY: Trisha Willsey,
23 T-R-I-S-H-A, W-I-L-L-S-E-Y. 2106 North Morgan
24 Street, Tampa, 33602. Comments on the I-275/I-4
25 interim interchange survey and proposed plan

1 concerns me greatly as a resident of Tampa
2 Heights. The interim plan does not allow for any
3 buffering of our neighborhood from the
4 interstate. It does not allow for any of the
5 linear parts that we have been discussing with
6 D.O.T. for the past five or six years. It does
7 not allow anything to -- to buffer the
8 neighborhood from the interstate at all. The
9 concern I have is that somehow in the interim
10 plan there needs to be some sort of financing
11 found to allow for buffering.

12 MS. MARTHA D. FERNANDEZ: Martha
13 Diane Fernandez. 2815 Central Avenue, Tampa.
14 And I'm concerned about the noise barrier that
15 they have not planned for in the interim plan
16 along Elmore from Florida/Nebraska to Columbus
17 Drive. I feel they need something there for the
18 residents of this area, small area. And right
19 now it's very noisy and with the expansion the
20 noise will only get worse. And they have not
21 made any plans for it. I would appreciate them
22 taking this into consideration.

23 MS. FRANCES BAKER: Frances Baker.
24 19 -- 1912 -- 1215 15th Avenue, Tampa, Florida,
25 33605. Once again when they're coming in and

1 taking the property and putting up noise barriers
2 that does not work. We already have an aunt
3 where they did that same type of set up and she
4 is already sick and she had problems. We have
5 sick people in that house. And we've asked
6 months before if they're going to take the whole
7 property, fine. If they're simply going to come
8 in and take part of that property and put up
9 noise barriers, it's unfair to the people who
10 live in that community for the State to come in
11 and do a half way job. We've had surveyors out
12 there saying that, Yes, they're going to take all
13 the property. We're prepared to sell the
14 property. We do not want to have a behind job
15 done again. We want the whole thing.

16 MS. JOYCE C. LANE: My name is Joyce
17 C. Lane. Address, 4110 Margherite Street, Tampa,
18 Florida, 33603. My comment is -- a request would
19 be when they hold another meeting like this,
20 please, hold it in a facility that is large
21 enough to handle the parking. That's it.

22 MS. JACKIE VICTOR: My name is Jackie
23 Victor. 5117 Branch Avenue, Tampa, Florida,
24 33602. I own a lot on Henderson Street near
25 flanking the interchange where I-4/1-75 meet.

1 And I'm just anxious to know when can I get my
2 check? How soon can I get my check?

3 MR. JOE D. MISA: My name is Joe
4 D. Misa. 31 -- mailing address, 3120 Florida
5 Avenue, Tampa, 33603. My comments are in the
6 nature -- I own some property on 7th Avenue just
7 west of Nebraska Avenue. And in the time I've
8 owned that property I've come to really like the
9 people in that area. It is a poor black area.
10 There is a proposal now to close 7th Avenue.
11 Right now Ybor City is developing. 7th Avenue is
12 booming and I think it's ludicrous to close 7th
13 Avenue off where you're suggesting to close it
14 off. I think it makes no sense and I can't help
15 but think there's an ulterior motive behind
16 closing it. I've discussed this with many people
17 in the neighborhood. And I'm really -- I'm
18 really -- feel very strongly about this. You are
19 closing off 7th Avenue and you're only going to
20 have access to Palm Avenue and Cass Street.

21 Now -- right now we have -- the
22 police department is not far away and when
23 there's a shift change the police -- there's
24 police presence and visibility. They go to
25 shifts and go down -- or head east on Henderson.

1 And when they return, most of the time they
2 return to 7th Avenue heading west towards the
3 police department. It's very comforting. Right
4 now we also have the ability of getting all the
5 service vehicles in there.

6 I think you're closing is going -- is
7 going to create a beautiful section to the west
8 of the closing and I think that's what the
9 ulterior motive is. That's becoming the new Hyde
10 Park, so to speak. It's beautiful houses being
11 built there. Originally I thought it was for low
12 income, but I know that the houses are running
13 from 100,000 on up, 150,000 and better. At any
14 rate, the closing will create a beautiful area on
15 that side, but I think it's going to create a
16 slum on the other side. And, of course, not to
17 mention the fact that there won't be any more
18 traffic going through 7th Avenue, Henderson and
19 some of the other streets that do go through.
20 Henderson right now is a very busy street and 7th
21 Avenue has its good share of moving traffic.

22 Again, I do feel very strongly about
23 this. I've commented on this before. I don't
24 remember the lady I spoke to last time, but she
25 was a high ranking person or engineer with

1 Greiner. She said she would call me back. She
2 thought they were valid complaints in terms of
3 servicing that area, but I never did get a call
4 back. Tonight I heard a speaker kind of berate
5 the member of the Greiner team -- design team by
6 saying, You're not listening to us. I think
7 there's a lot of truth to that. I really would
8 like a chance to speak to a designer. My
9 background is in architecture engineering and I
10 build architecture scale models. So, I'm privy
11 to a lot of plans. Indeed, I was the model maker
12 who made the model of the Crosstown connector.

13 At any rate, I cannot see stifling
14 developments along 7th Avenue. I would think
15 more that you would encourage development along
16 7th Avenue because you can get to Florida Avenue
17 and you create a complete circular traffic flow
18 into downtown. We also have a warehouse district
19 a little bit west of the overpass and it would be
20 interesting to try to develop that or encourage
21 development along that dead area. Indeed, with
22 all the nightclubs and nightclub life that's
23 forming along Ybor City, you have a perfect area
24 where there's no housing where you have these
25 huge warehouses so there's stores and shops and

1 so on in there. A private developer might be
2 interested down the road in doing that.

3 At any rate, I know that would be a
4 future situation, but I -- I'm trying to say that
5 I think there should -- 7th Avenue should not be
6 closed and development should be encouraged.
7 Right now again as I say you have a good traffic
8 flow. I thought the whole purpose of most of the
9 stuff was to keep traffic flowing. Instead
10 you're creating an area that will become a slum.
11 I think there's no two ways about it.

12 Again, I have a lot more to say, but
13 at this point I think I'll end it. I would like
14 to speak to a designer and I will send some
15 written comments. I would like also to request
16 some drawings of that particular overpass, the
17 7th Avenue overpass. I know my property at least
18 at this point is not in the taking so I'm not
19 concerned about that. And that's it. Thank you
20 very much for your opportunity.

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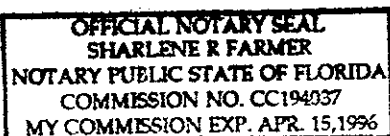
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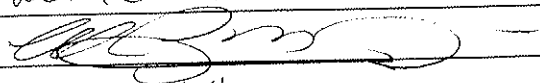
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APPENDIX E

PUBLIC NOTICES, NEWSLETTER, PUBLIC HEARING HANDOUT

THE TAMPA TRIBUNE

Published Daily

Tampa, Hillsborough County, Florida

State of Florida

County of Hillsborough

Before the undersigned authority, personally appeared R. Putney, who on oath says that he is Accounting Manager of The Tampa Tribune, a daily newspaper published at Tampa in Hillsborough County, Florida, that the attached copy of advertisement being a

LEGAL NOTICE

in the matter of GREINER

was published in said newspaper in the issues of DEC. 26TH, 1995 & JAN. 12TH, 1996

Affiant further says that the said The Tampa Tribune is a newspaper published at Tampa in said Hillsborough County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said Hillsborough County, Florida, each day and has been entered as second class mail matter at the post office in Tampa, in said Hillsborough County, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement, and affiant further says that he has neither paid nor promised any person, firm, or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in the said newspaper

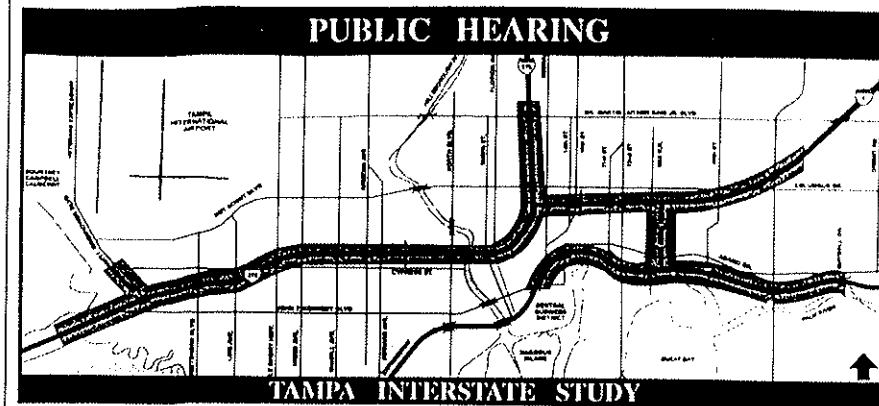
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 07TH day of MARCH A.D. 1996

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Type of Identification Produced _____

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[Signature]



PUBLIC HEARING LOCATION

Holiday Inn - Ashley Plaza
111 West Fortune Street
Tampa, Florida 33602

January 16, 1996

Open House 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
Presentation 6:00 p.m.

STUDY DOCUMENTS ON DISPLAY AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS

December 15, 1995 to January 26, 1996

Tampa Public Library-Main Branch
900 North Ashley Street

Public Library-Seminole Heights Branch
4711 Central Avenue

Public Library-Ybor City Branch
1505 Nebraska Ave.

Public Library-West Tampa Branch
1718 N. Howard Ave.

Public Library-College Hill Branch
2607 E. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

HCC Ybor City Campus Library
1502 E. 9th Ave.

Work Program Item No.: 7140004

State Project No.: 99007-1402

Federal Aid Project No.: IR-9999(43)

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will conduct a Public Hearing on the proposed improvements to I-275 from the Howard Frankland Bridge/Kennedy Boulevard ramps and just north of Cypress Street on Memorial Highway (S.R. 60) north to Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and I-4 from I-275 (including the interchange) to east of 50th Street (U.S. 41); a multi-laned controlled access facility (Crosstown Connector) on new alignment from I-4 south to the existing Tampa South Crosstown Expressway; and improvements to the Tampa South Crosstown Expressway from the Kennedy Boulevard overpass east to Maydell Drive in Hillsborough County. The hearing will be held on Tuesday, January 16, 1996, at the Holiday Inn-Ashley Plaza, located at 111 West Fortune Street, in downtown Tampa, between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

The hearing will present the preferred alternative conceptual drawings and the potential impacts associated with the improvements to I-275 and I-4 in the limits on the map above. This project may involve encroachments to wetlands and floodplains which require special considerations under Executive Orders 11990 and 11988, respectively.

FDOT representatives will be available beginning at 4:30 p.m. on the day of the hearing to answer informal questions and discuss the project. Beginning at 6:00 p.m., a formal presentation will be given by FDOT on the proposed project and its associated impacts. Time for public testimony will follow the presentation. All persons will be afforded full opportunity to express their views and furnish specific data on matters pertinent to the project.

Conceptual plans, copies of the Preliminary Engineering Report, and all other technical reports for the project will be available for public viewing beginning December 18, 1995, at the six locations listed above.

For information concerning the project or the hearing, contact Ms. Pamela Sherman, Public Involvement Coordinator, District Seven, at (813)975-6460, or contact the Tampa Interstate Study Office at (813)286-7667.

Persons who wish to submit written statements and other exhibits in lieu of, or in addition to, oral statements, may do so at the hearing, or they can mail them to the address below by January 26, 1996. All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996, to become part of the official Public Hearing Transcript.

The Public Hearing is being held pursuant to the Federal Aid Highway Act, 23 U.S.C. 101 et. seq. 128.315; Section 2(a), 2(b), and 9(e)(1) of the Department of Transportation Act; 49 CFR Section 1.4(c); 23 CFR Section 1.32; Chapter 339.155 of the Florida Statutes; 23 CFR 771; and Titles VI and VIII of the Civil Rights Act. Access for the disabled is available and in compliance with 49 CFR Part 27 and 49 CFR Parts 37 and 38.

Mr. William H. McDaniel, Jr., P.E.
District Secretary
Attention: Mr. Michael J. Coleman, P.E.
District Project Development and Environment Engineer
Florida Department of Transportation, MS 7-500
11201 North Malcolm McKinley Drive
Tampa, Florida 33612-6403

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Publisher's Affidavit LA GACETA

PUBLISHED WEEKLY
Tampa, Hillsborough County, Florida

State Of Florida
County Of Hillsborough, ss.

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared

Roland Manteiga

who under oath says he is Publisher of La Gaceta, a weekly newspaper published at Tampa, in Hillsborough County, Florida; that the attached copy of advertisement,

being a Notice of Public Hearing - Jan. 16, 1996

in the matter of AUDIENCIA PUBLICA- 16 de enero del 1996

in the _____ Court,

was published in said newspaper in the issues of January 12, 1996

Affiant further says that the said La Gaceta is a newspaper published at Tampa, in said Hillsborough County, Florida, and that the said newspaper has heretofore been continuously published in said Hillsborough County, Florida, each week and has been entered as second class mail matter at the post office in Tampa, in said Hillsborough County, Florida, for a period of one year next preceding the first publication of the attached copy of advertisement; and affiant further says that he has neither paid nor promised any person, firm, or corporation any discount, rebate, commission or refund for the purpose of securing this advertisement for publication in the said newspaper.

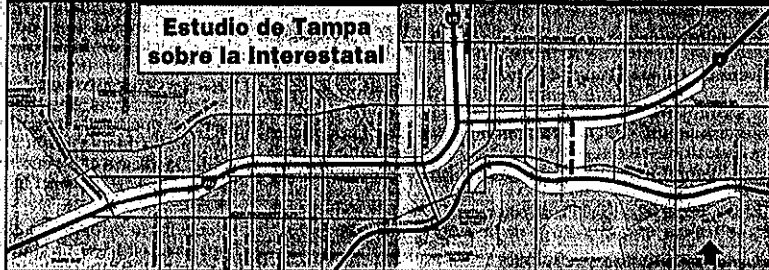
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AUDIENCIA PUBLICA

Estudio de Tampa
sobre la Interestatal



Local de la Audiencia pública

Holiday Inn - Ashley Plaza
111 West Fortune Street
Tampa, Florida 33602

16 de enero del 1996

Audiencia Pública de
4:30 p.m. a 7:30 p.m.

Presentación a las 6:00 p.m.

El Departamento de Transporte de la Florida (FDOT) conducirá una audiencia pública sobre mejoras propuestas para: 1) Interestatal 275 (I-275) desde la rampa del puente Howard Frankland/Kennedy Boulevard y la rampa hasta el norte de Cypress Street sobre Memorial Highway (S.R. 60) y la continuación de la I-275 hacia el norte hasta Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard; 2) Interestatal 4 (I-4) desde I-275 (incluyendo el intercambio) hasta el este de 50th Street (U.S. 41); 3) una carretera de acceso controlado de múltiples vías (Crosstown Connector) sobre un nuevo alineamiento desde la I-4 sur hasta el existente Tampa South Crosstown Expressway; 4) mejoras al Tampa South Crosstown Expressway desde el este del paso superior de Kennedy Boulevard hasta Maydell Drive en el condado de Hillsborough. La audiencia se celebrará el

Martes, 16 de enero del 1996, en el Holiday Inn Ashley Plaza localizado en el 111 West Fortune Street en el centro de Tampa, entre las horas de 4:30 p.m. y 7:30 p.m.

Representantes de la FDOT estarán disponibles desde las 4:30 p.m. el día de la audiencia pública para contestar preguntas y tratar los temas referentes al proyecto. Una presentación formal será ofrecida por el FDOT comenzando a las 6:00 p.m. y tratará sobre el proyecto propuesto y los impactos asociados a este. Seguido de la presentación se permitirán comentarios del público. Se le dará la oportunidad a todos los presentes a expresar sus puntos de vista y proveer datos específicos pertinentes al proyecto. Todas las personas que deseen enviar comentarios por escrito, estos deberán ser enviados por correo antes del 26 de enero de 1996 para poder ser incluidos en el acta oficial de la audiencia pública.

Para información concerniente al proyecto o a la audiencia pública, comuníquese con la señora Pamela Sherman, Coordinadora de Relaciones Públicas para el Distrito 7 del FDOT, al número (813) 975-6460 o a la Oficina del Estudio Interestatal de Tampa al número (813) 286-7667.

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



**Your
Attendance
is
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TAMPA INTERSTATE PUBLIC HEARING
Tuesday, January 16, 1996
Holiday Inn, Ashley Plaza, 111 W. Fortune St.
4:30 p.m.- 7:30 p.m.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

In 1987, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) began a study to update 35 miles of interstate in Hillsborough County on I-275 from the Howard Frankland Bridge north to the Pasco County line and on I-4 from the downtown interchange east to the I-75 interchange. This master plan study resulted in the preferred concept, which was adopted in the Hillsborough County Long Range Transportation Plan. The preferred concept involves separate travel lanes for both express and local traffic, with designated lanes for buses, carpools, and vanpools. Interchange improvements are also included.

Federally funded roadway projects are required to undergo a study of potential socioeconomic and environmental impacts of the proposed improvements. The Public Hearing will address these potential impacts for the section of interstate shown on the map below.

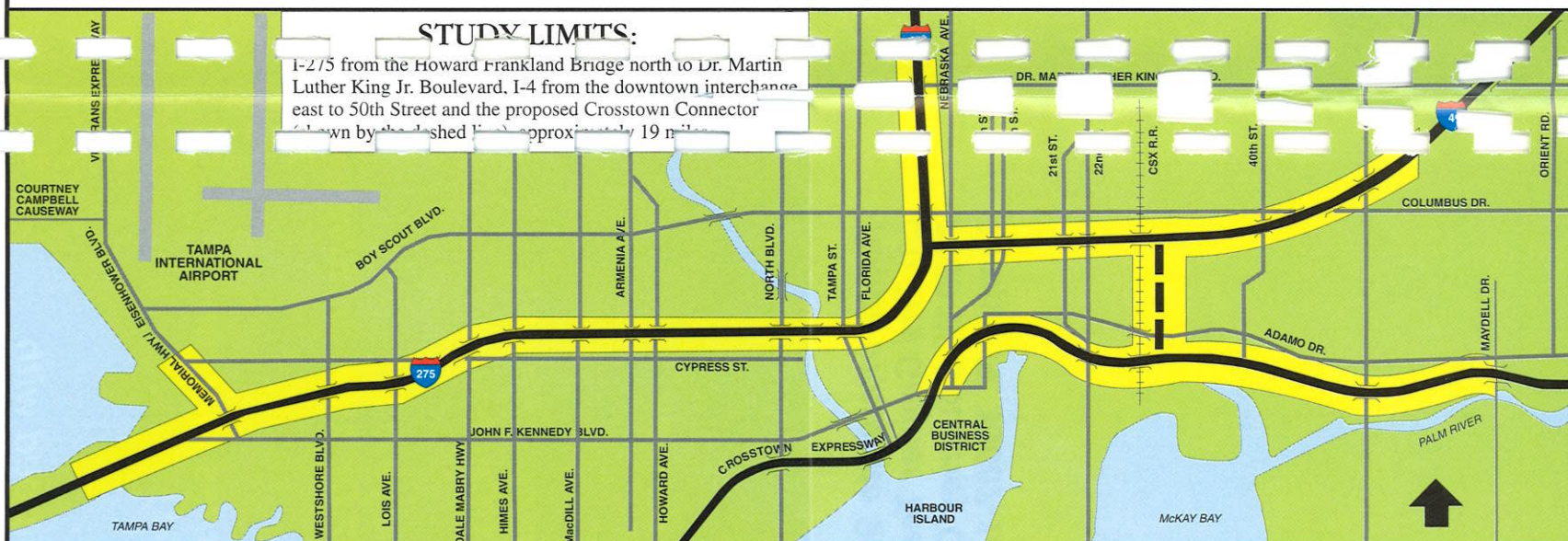
PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing is the formal opportunity for you to comment on the project. Information about the project is available for your review at six libraries throughout the study area (see the back of this notification for

addresses). There will be two portions of the Public Hearing: informal and formal. During the informal portion from 4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., aerial photographs and other project materials will be displayed. Representatives from the FDOT and the study team will be available to answer your questions. Court reporters will be present to receive your oral comments, and comment cards will be provided for written comments. The formal portion of the hearing will begin at 6:00 p.m. If you wish to speak during the formal portion, please sign up when you arrive at the hearing. Your written comments will become part of the official public hearing transcript if received by January 26, 1996 at the following address:

Michael J. Coleman, P.E.
Project Development and Environment Engineer
Florida Department of Transportation, District VII
11201 North McKinley Drive, MS 7-500
Tampa, Florida 33612-6403

Please don't miss this opportunity to make your voice heard!



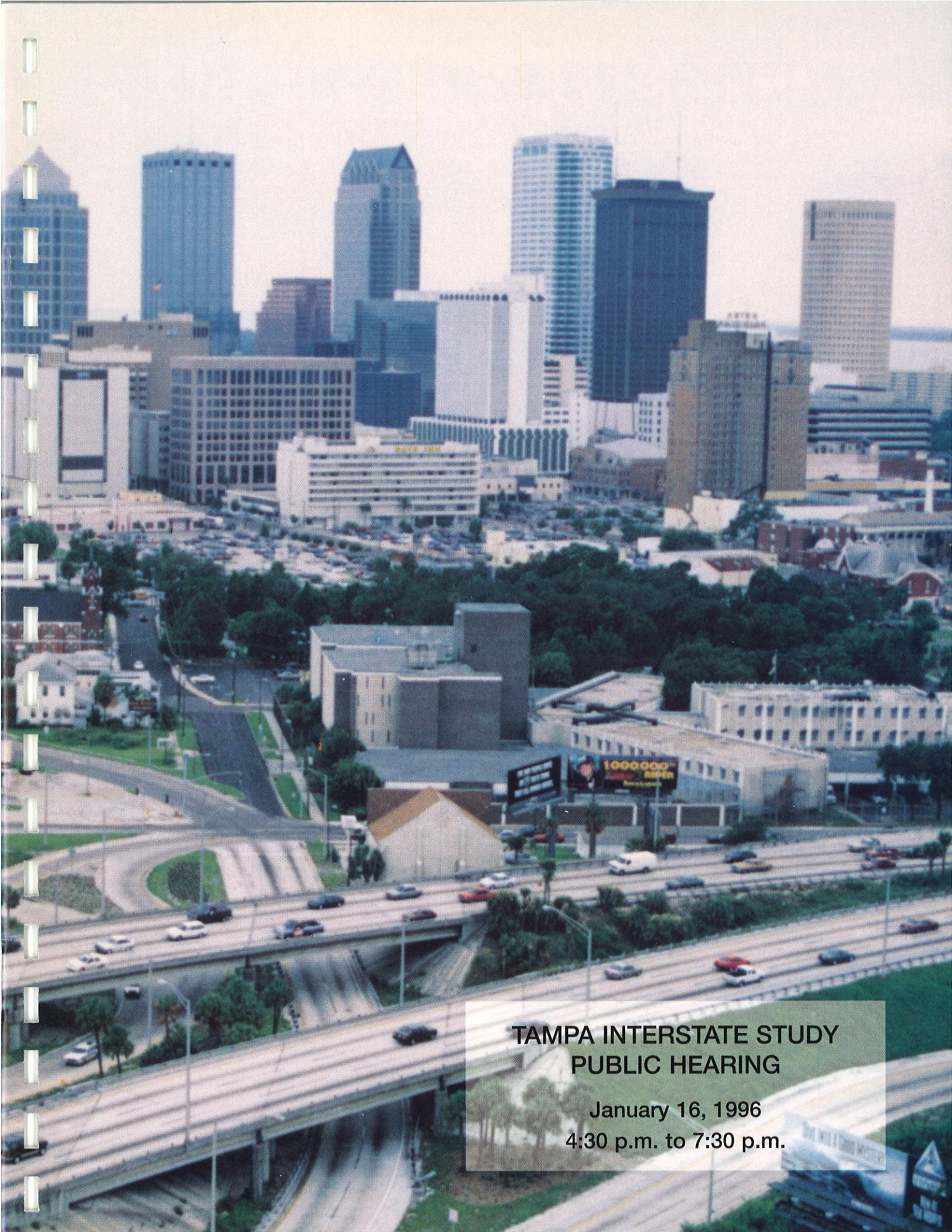
Are you informed about Tampa's transportation plans? See how well you can do at answering these questions!

- How many vehicles currently travel the interstate daily?
A. 35,000
B. 70,000
C. 100,000
D. 155,000+
- How many vehicles per day was the interstate designed to carry?
A. 35,000
B. 60,000
C. 100,000
D. 155,000+
- On a national average 13% of people carpool to work. How does the Tampa Bay area match up?
A. 1%
B. 3%
C. 8%
D. Same as national average
- How many public workshops and local presentations have been held for this project?
A. Three
B. Five
C. Seven
D. More than fifty
- What is the annual ridership of HARTline?
A. 1 million
B. 3 million
C. 5 million
D. 10 million
- What is the estimated mode split (multiple occupancy vehicles vs. single occupancy vehicles) for the TIS concept?
A. 5% multiple, 95% single
B. 10% multiple, 90% single
C. 20% multiple, 80% single
D. 25% multiple, 70% single
- When was the Tampa Interstate constructed?
A. 1958
B. 1962
C. 1965
D. 1971
- On average, how many accidents occur on the interstate annually?
A. One a week
B. Two a week
C. One everyday
D. More than two every day

(See the back of this page for answers.)

Answers:
1: B 3: D 5: D 8:
(Information based on the Tampa Interstate Study)

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**TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY
PUBLIC HEARING**

January 16, 1996
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PUBLIC HEARING

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State Project Number: 99007-1402
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Hillsborough County, Florida

January 16, 1996
4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Holiday Inn, Ashley Plaza
111 West Fortune Street
Tampa, Florida 33602

WELCOME

Welcome to the Public Hearing for the Tampa Interstate Study Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). This study is being directed by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) with sponsorship by the Federal Highway Administration. Greiner, Inc. and its consulting team are conducting the study.

The purpose of this Public Hearing is to receive your comments regarding the proposed interstate improvements described in this brochure. Tonight's hearing will be conducted according to the following schedule:

4:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Representatives from the FDOT and its consulting team will be available to discuss the project, answer questions, and receive comments. Conceptual plans and supporting reports will be available for your review.

6:00 p.m. - The FDOT will make a formal presentation regarding the project and its associated impacts. Formal public testimony will follow the presentation.

If you would like to become a part of the official public hearing transcript for this project, please register your comments in one of four ways:

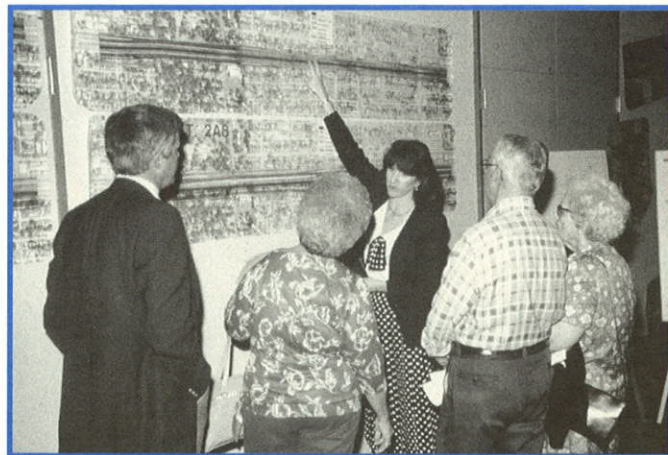
- Make an oral statement to the court reporter during the informal portion of this hearing.
- Fill out the Comment Sheet (provided at the back of this brochure) and drop it in one of the comment boxes tonight.
- Make an oral statement during the formal portion of the public hearing by filling out a speakers card available throughout the display rooms.
- Fill out and mail the Comment Sheet or any statements and exhibits pertaining to this project to the FDOT District VII address provided on the back of the Comment Sheet.

All submittals must be postmarked by January 26, 1996 to become part of the official public hearing transcript.

All comments received will be considered equally before a final recommendation is developed. The complete official transcript will be available for public inspection and copying approximately three weeks after January 26, 1996 at the address provided on the Comment Sheet.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Public involvement has been an important element of this project. Through numerous presentations, meetings, and workshops, interested persons have provided valuable insight into key issues and concerns regarding the proposed interstate reconstruction.



Information about this project has been documented in the Tampa Interstate Study Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). This document and other project materials are available for your review through January 26, 1996 at the following locations:

Tampa/Hillsborough County Public Library - Main Branch, 900 North Ashley Street, Tampa, Florida 33602

Tampa/Hillsborough County Public Library - Seminole Heights Branch, 4711 Central Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33603

Tampa/Hillsborough County Public Library - College Hill Branch, 2607 East Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard, Tampa, Florida 33610

Tampa/Hillsborough County Public Library - West Tampa Branch, 1718 North Howard Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33607

Tampa/Hillsborough County Public Library - Ybor City Branch, 1505 Nebraska Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33602

Hillsborough Community College - Ybor City Campus Library, 1502 East 9th Avenue, Tampa, Florida 33605

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Tampa Interstate Study (TIS) is being conducted to identify potential improvements to Interstates 4, 275, and 75. Phase I of TIS, the Master Plan, was approved by the Federal Highway Administration in November 1989. The TIS Master Plan addressed numerous issues related to major interstate reconstruction within a densely developed urban area, such as aesthetics and the urban and community environment.

Phase II of the study involves the evaluation and documentation of environmental, social, and economic impacts of the proposed improvements and further refinement of the concepts developed in the Master Plan. These concepts include the preferred type and location of multi-lane improvements, potential high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) facilities, transit facilities, traffic management techniques, and traffic surveillance and control systems.

In Phase II, the original study limits were combined into one Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). This area covers approximately 24.1 kilometers (15 miles) of I-275, I-4 and the proposed Crosstown Connector. A map of the study limits is shown below.

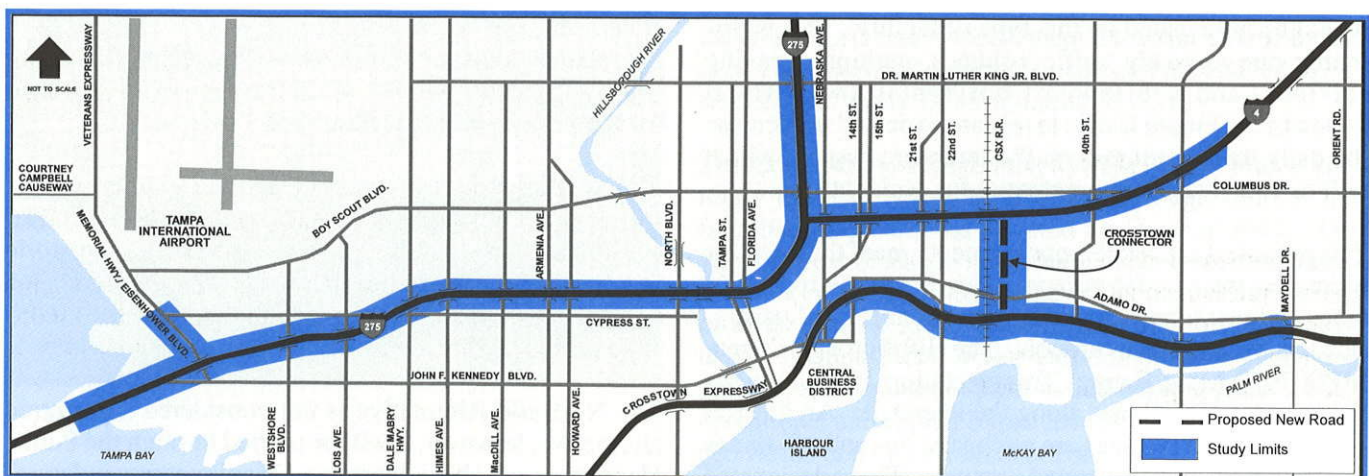
The Preferred Alternative for this project is a four-roadway system. Essentially, a four-roadway system consists of one roadway inside of another. The inside roadway, or through roadway, would serve travelers using the interstate for long trips, such as across the state, across the country, or from one side of the city to the other. The outside roadway, or local roadway, would operate much like the interstate does today. To move from the inside through roadway to the outside local roadway, a vehicle would exit at a designated location. The diagram on the opposite page shows a typical section of a four-roadway system.

On I-275, a four-roadway system will be provided from the Howard Frankland Bridge/Kennedy Boulevard ramps to north of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard. HOV/Transitway lanes will be included within the interstate alignment. Direct ramps from Kennedy Boulevard to the Veterans Expressway will be provided. Sherrill Street will be extended under the interstate and a new one-way extension of Lemon Street to Westshore Boulevard will be constructed. Interchanges will be provided at Kennedy Boulevard, Veterans Expressway, Westshore Boulevard, Lois Avenue, and Dale Mabry Highway.

In the West Tampa area, the existing interchanges at Himes, Howard, and Armenia Avenues will be maintained. New interchange ramps at North Boulevard will be provided to relieve congestion and improve accessibility. In addition, interchanges will be located at Ashley/Tampa Streets and Jefferson/Orange Streets. The existing ramps to and from the north at Floribaska Avenue will be removed, and a full interchange at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard will be provided.

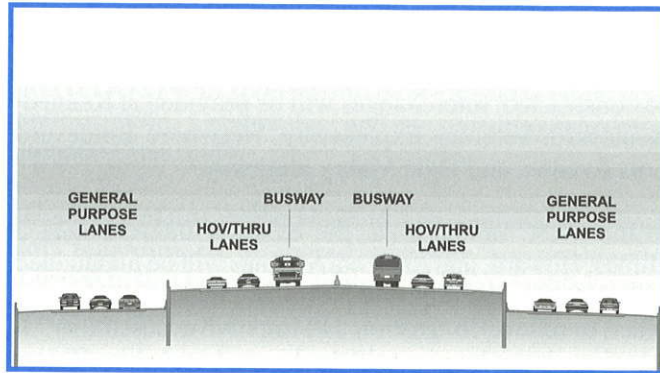
I-4 improvements include a four-roadway system transitioning to a two-roadway system at 50th Street. HOV lanes will be included within the interstate alignment. The existing interchange at 21st/22nd Streets will be replaced with a new interchange at 14th/15th Streets. Parallel frontage roads will connect these areas to serve both Ybor City and the downtown area. Other improvements include the reconfiguration of the interchange at Columbus Drive and 50th Street, the removal of the 40th Street interchange, and a new interchange to link I-4 with the proposed Crosstown Connector.

The proposed Crosstown Connector will be a six-lane facility on a new alignment beginning at I-4 in the vicinity of 31st Street and extending south to the Crosstown Expressway. This new roadway will increase accessibility to Tampa's port area and reduce heavy truck traffic in the Ybor City area.



Study Limits Map

Crosstown Expressway improvements begin at the Kennedy Boulevard overpass and extend east to Maydell Drive. The improvements will provide a four-lane eastbound and a three-lane westbound system with additional auxiliary lanes.



Four-Roadway System

The Preferred Alternative has been determined to be consistent with the "Interstate Highway System Policy" adopted by the FDOT on November 14, 1991.

NEED FOR IMPROVEMENTS

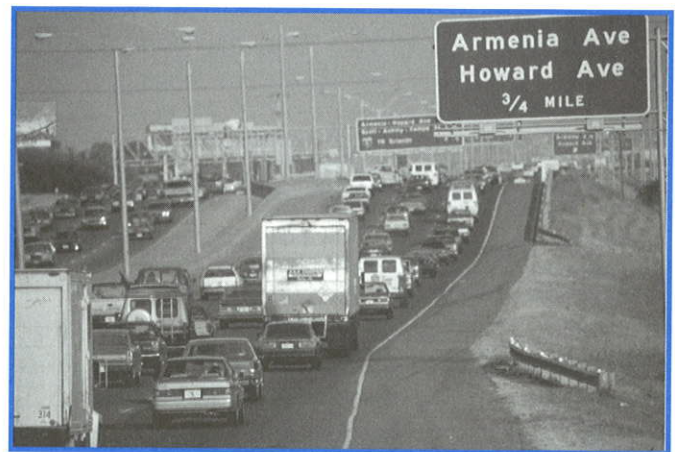
The proposed improvements to I-275, I-4, and the Cross-town Expressway will provide key links to other recently improved, under construction, or planned highway improvements and to areas of Hillsborough County which are expected to experience significant growth within the next 10 to 20 years. Without the primary interstate system, other associated freeways, expressways, and arterials, as provided for in the Hillsborough County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) 2010 Long Range Transportation Plan, will fail to provide the necessary capacity and system connectivity.

Portions of the existing interstate system currently operate at an unacceptable level of service. Additionally, some areas of the interstate experience more accidents than would be anticipated on this type of facility. This is primarily due to heavy traffic volumes, multiple weaving sections, and substandard horizontal and vertical geometrics. Future traffic levels are expected to increase the daily traffic volumes on the interstate system, which will further increase the potential for accidents.

The proposed interstate improvements meet the need for increased intermodal opportunities by providing HOV lanes and transitways, priority access ramps, and park-n-ride lots for buses and carpools. The Hillsborough County MPO 2010 Long Range Transportation Plan identifies the need for HOV lanes along the interstate. An integral part of these HOV lanes are exclusive on- and off-ramps at selected exits for buses and carpools. These designated ramps are part of the TIS Preferred Alternative.

The MPO 2010 Long Range Transportation Plan also emphasizes the use of transit corridors, which are major arterials designed and built to give public transit an advantage over the single-occupant vehicle. As reconstruction of these transit emphasis corridors occurs, they will be designed with features to attract transit riders. Some of the features listed in the plan include HOV lanes, exclusive on- and off-ramps for buses and carpools, and park-n-ride lots. The Preferred Alternative meets the criteria for transit emphasis corridors.

The proposed interstate improvements are needed to upgrade the safety and efficiency of the existing I-275 and I-4 transportation corridors while maintaining access to the surrounding community. These improvements are needed to meet existing and projected traffic demands, provide for multi-modal opportunities in the corridor, and improve the efficiency of this important regional and local transportation link.



NO-BUILD ALTERNATIVE

A No-Build Alternative was evaluated to identify impacts to traffic operations if the proposed interstate improvements are not implemented. With the No-Build Alternative, traffic congestion along the corridor will increase and the interstate will not provide continuity in the regional transportation network. In addition, the No-Build Alternative will not fulfill the purpose of and need for the project, which is described above.

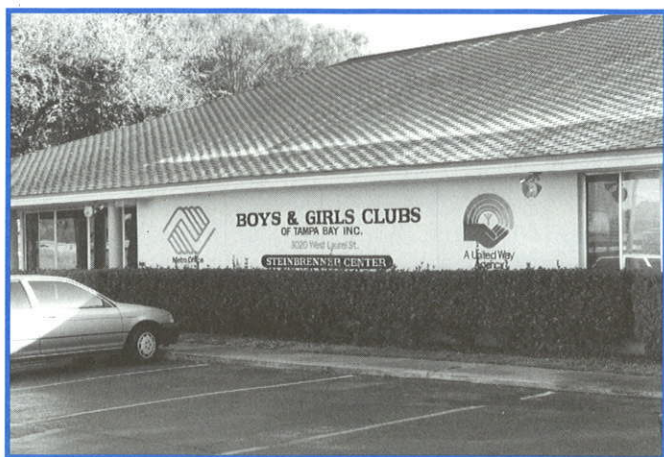
The No-Build Alternative will not require additional right-of-way; will not displace any businesses, residences, or community services; and will not impact any historic structures. The No-Build Alternative will not require the considerable capital expenditures associated with interstate design, right-of-way acquisition, and construction.

The No-Build Alternative is not considered a preferred alternative; however, it will be carried through the Public Hearing as a viable alternative. Final recommendations regarding the No-Build Alternative will take place after the hearing.

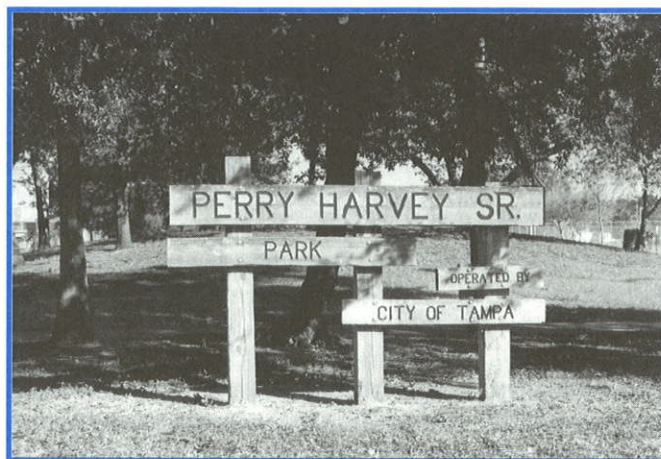
ENVIRONMENTAL OVERVIEW

Socioeconomic and Community Impacts - Existing and future land uses will not be significantly altered because the proposed improvements involve an existing freeway and land uses within the project vicinity are already established. The Preferred Alternative will not adversely affect community cohesion; will not adversely affect a disproportionate share of minority and low income persons; and will not socially or culturally isolate any specific ethnic groups or minorities. Overall access to the many neighborhoods adjacent to I-275 and I-4 will be maintained and traffic circulation within existing communities will be improved. It is anticipated that proposed mitigation as a part of the project will have a positive effect on community revitalization and renewal, neighborhood identity, and quality of life.

Community Services - Three existing and former school facilities will require relocation: the Carver Center, the Hillsborough County Instructional Service Center (Velasco Building - old location), and the Henderson Facility (presently vacant). No post offices, library branches, police facilities, or medical facilities will be impacted by the project. One fire facility, the Communications Building for Tampa Fire and Rescue - 911 Dispatch Center, will be impacted by the project. Thirteen churches will be directly impacted and require relocation. The Boys and Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay, Inc. (West Tampa Branch and Administrative Office) on Laurel Street and a Salvation Army building (currently vacant) located at the northwest corner of Kay Street and Florida Avenue will be impacted by the project. Coordination meetings have been held to discuss the possibility of early acquisition to ensure their continuous service to the surrounding community.



Parks and Recreational Facilities - Of the 16 publicly owned parks and recreation facilities located along the project corridor, a small portion of one park, Perry Harvey Park, will be directly impacted by the project requiring a Section 4(f) Evaluation under the U.S. Department of Transportation Act of 1966. The FHWA has determined that there is no feasible or prudent alternative to the use of the park for public transportation purposes, and steps to avoid and minimize harm to the park have been taken. Numerous coordination meetings have been held and conceptual mitigation plans have been prepared for the park.



Air Quality - Carbon monoxide (CO) concentrations are expected to be lower in the vicinity of the project as a result of increased motor vehicle mobility, faster operating speeds, and less stop-and-go driving. The Preferred Alternative will not cause, or contribute to, CO concentrations above the one- and eight-hour National Ambient Air Quality Standards.

This project is in an area which has been designated as non-attainment for the ozone standards under the criteria provided in the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990. This project is in conformance with the State Implementation Plan because it will not cause violations of any of the National Ambient Air Quality Standards. This project is included in the urban area's current approved conforming Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), in the area's conforming long-range plan, and is included in the area's Conformity Determination Report.

The Congestion Management System (CMS) plan is currently under development for Hillsborough County and is to be completed and adopted by October 1997. The effectiveness of single-occupant vehicle reduction strategies is being addressed in the CMS plan development process. Strategies incorporated into the Preferred Alternative include HOV lanes, carpool/vanpool programs, parking management (park-n-ride lots), public transit operational and capital improvements, and provisions for pedestrian and bicycle facilities on cross streets. Furthermore, the Preferred Alternative was found to be consistent with land use plans and growth management goals.

Noise - The distance from the roadway centerline to the 65 and 67 dBA (Leq) contours is predicted to increase with the Preferred Alternative. This is a result of higher future-year peak hour traffic volumes related to the expanded roadway network and additional travel lanes. It is predicted that 1,351 noise sensitive sites will experience noise levels which approach or exceed the FHWA Noise Abatement Criteria. Noise abatement measures were evaluated for each site approaching or exceeding FHWA criteria. It was determined by a noise barrier analysis that economically reasonable barriers can benefit 1,137 sites. Noise barriers will be implemented as a vertical design element to minimize impacts associated with the project.

Drainage and Hydrology - The proposed interstate improvements will require that the existing interstate drainage system be reconstructed as an urban or enclosed storm sewer system. A final determination will be made during final design. The State requirements for stormwater treatment (Chapter 40D-40 F.A.C.) will apply throughout the study area.

Water Quality - The proposed stormwater facility designs will include, at a minimum, the water quality treatment requirements for water quality impacts as required by the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) in Chapter 40D-40 F.A.C.

Wetlands - Approximately 2.7 hectares (6.7 acres) of wetlands will be impacted by the proposed interstate improvements. The wetlands consist of man-made ponds and ditches, degraded natural wetlands, and Hillsborough River bottom area. Approximately 1.1 ha (2.8 ac.) of wetland impacts will require mitigation. It is proposed that five new stormwater treatment ponds necessary for this project be used for mitigation purposes. The pond littoral zones in excess of the required 35 percent of the surface area will be used to offset the wetland impacts at an approximate ratio of one acre of newly created wetland for each acre of impacted wetland. Based on coordination with the Southwest Florida Water Management District, no wetland mitigation beyond the creation of stormwater treatment pond littoral zones is anticipated.



Floodplains and Floodways - Floodplain impacts for the project are minimal since the existing roadway alignment will be utilized. No floodways will be impacted by the project. The roadway within the project corridor currently serves the community as an evacuation route. Modification to the roadway width and drainage structures should improve the use of the facility for emergency services and evacuation purposes.

Uplands, Wildlife, Threatened or Endangered Species - Due to the heavily urbanized nature of the study area, significant undeveloped upland areas are not present and significant amounts of suitable habitat for wildlife are not present within the project area. Manatee Watch Program Guidelines, as outlined by the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (DEP), will be implemented during interstate improvements over the Hillsborough River. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) has reviewed these guidelines and concurs with their use. Impacts to uplands, wildlife or threatened or endangered species are not anticipated as a result of the project. A determination of "no effect" has been made and the project is consistent with the Endangered Species Act.



Critical Habitat, Outstanding Florida Waters - No designated Critical Habitat, Aquatic Preserves, Wild and Scenic Rivers, or Outstanding Florida Waters exist within the limits of the study area.

Farmlands - Through coordination with the Soil Conservation Service, it has been determined that the project study limits, located in the urbanized area of Tampa, do not meet the definition of farmland as defined in 7 CFR 658. Therefore, the provisions of the Farmland Protection Policy Act of 1984 do not apply to this project. The project will have no impact on farmlands.

CULTURAL RESOURCES

Cultural resources are considered to be properties with ethnic, historic, architectural, industrial, and personal significance to the community. The Tampa interstate project area is near several areas containing cultural resources. These areas are known as the West Tampa National Register Historic District, the Ybor City National Historic Landmark District, the proposed Tampa Heights Multiple Property Listing (MPL), and numerous individual properties of historic significance.

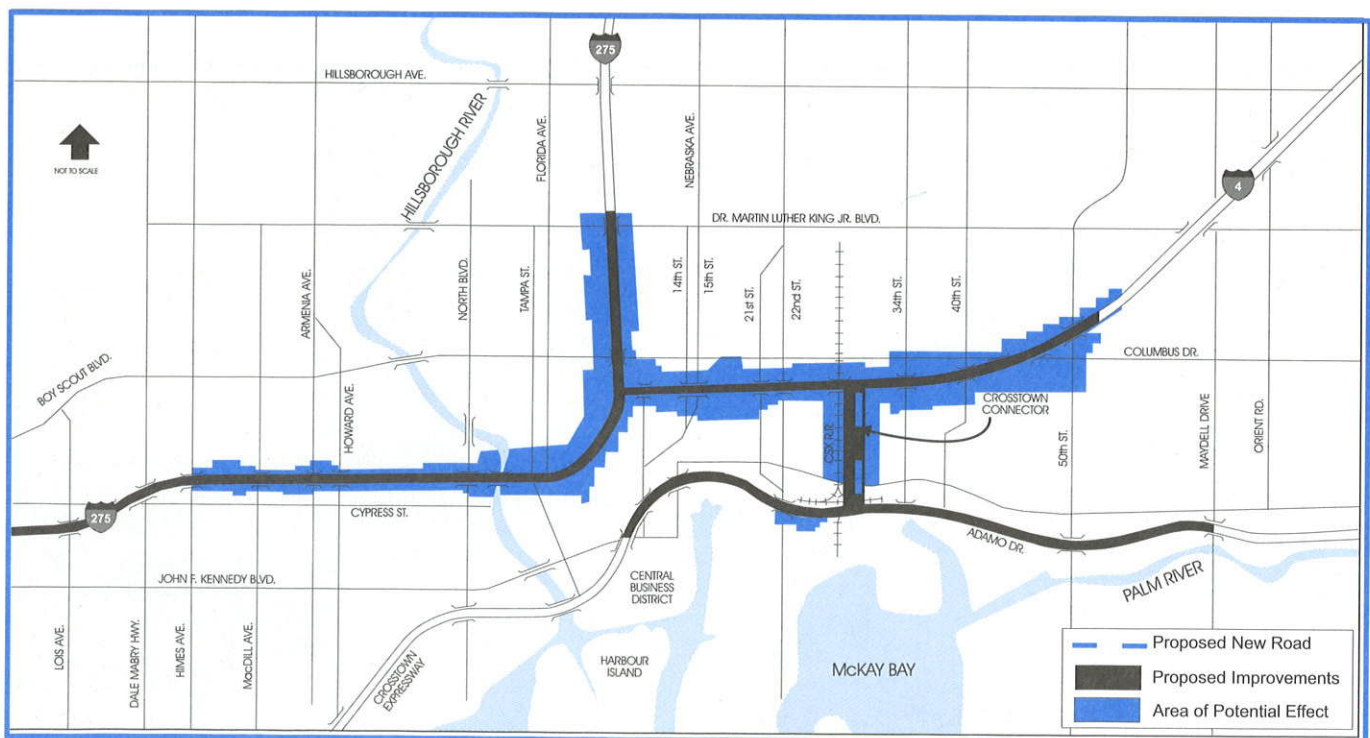
Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act defines the process that agencies must follow when requesting federal funding on a project, or undertaking, if the proposed undertaking involves potential impacts to historic resources. The first step in the Section 106 process is to establish the Area of Potential Effect (APE). The APE is the geographic area in which potential impacts to historic properties may occur. The map below shows the location of the APE in relation to the Tampa interstate corridor.

Once the APE for the Tampa interstate project was established, it was surveyed to identify any historic properties either listed or eligible for listing on the *National Register of Historic Places*. Overall, 1,376 structures were assessed during this survey. As part of the Section 106 process, a "determination of effect" procedure was imple-

mented. This procedure determined whether a structure would be either directly or indirectly impacted by the project. Direct impacts are those effects associated with project construction, such as right-of-way acquisition. Indirect impacts are visual or auditory effects or changes in traffic patterns that could affect the use of or access to the resource.

To reduce the number of direct impacts, the roadway alignment was shifted based on different alternatives to avoid historic structures. Because the historic districts are located so closely to the existing corridor, these efforts sometimes resulted in more impacts and were rejected as plausible alternatives. However, these efforts were successful in reducing the total number of direct impacts in the Ybor City and West Tampa areas. Overall, 116 historic structures within the proposed right-of-way will be directly impacted. Outside of the proposed right-of-way, 64 structures will be indirectly impacted.

A draft Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) has been developed for this project to identify specific mitigation measures for historic structures. One measure involves moving structures directly impacted by the project into vacant areas within the historic districts. A historic structures inventory was conducted to rate each structure based on historic condition, physical condition and the ability to relocate the structure. Other factors were relocation cost, potential for asbestos, and whether the building was occupied. Through this process, 35 structures are recommended to be relocated and rehabilitated, and 29 structures are proposed to be relocated and deeded to the City of



Area of Potential Effect

Tampa Community Redevelopment Agency for rehabilitation. By moving these structures, the historic quality of these districts will be further enhanced, while helping to revitalize these communities.



A key component in reaching consensus during this process was extensive public involvement. Residents of the historic districts, as well as the surrounding community, provided valuable input through participation in public meetings and community workshops. In addition, numerous agencies were consulted so that all involved parties could review and comment on each step of the process. By soliciting public involvement and agency participation early in the decision-making process, a comprehensive approach to historic resources management was achieved.

URBAN DESIGN GUIDELINES

From the beginning of this project, visual quality and aesthetics have been an integral component of the planning process. As a result, the Tampa Interstate Study Urban Design Guidelines have been developed. The goal of these guidelines is to minimize adverse visual and auditory impacts to users of the interstate and land uses adjacent to the system. In addition, these guidelines are intended to ensure a consistent, aesthetically pleasing design treatment and minimize visual effects throughout the project limits.

Due to the magnitude of the project, the proposed interstate reconstruction is expected to be implemented by individual design segments over an estimated 20-year time frame. The Urban Design Guidelines will provide a set of uniform design criteria to maintain the unity and integrity of the entire project, as well as appropriate transitions between the different design segments.

The guidelines address 13 design elements: bridge structures, retaining walls and embankments, noise walls, lighting, fencing, sign supports, stormwater management areas, landscaping, pavement and streetscape, opportunities for public art, utilities, mounds and grading, and recreation facilities and architectural elements. The rendering below provides an example of some of these features.



Example of Wall and Embankment Treatments

FEDERAL - STATE PARTNERSHIP IN HIGHWAYS

Through a series of Congressional acts, the Federal-aid Highway Program was conceived and developed as a joint federal-state partnership. The success of this partnership is evident in the thousands of miles of excellent highways and bridges comprising the nation's transportation network. The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), in consultation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and in accordance with federal and state laws, makes final decisions for the location, design, construction and maintenance of Florida's highways.

The FHWA, in accordance with federal law, cooperates with the State of Florida in planning and developing federal-aid transportation improvements. The FHWA reviews and approves all federal-aid actions proposed by FDOT. When present at a public hearing, FHWA representatives serve as observers and technical advisors regarding federal requirements and procedures.

TITLE VI AND TITLE VIII COMPLIANCE

This hearing is being held to afford all citizens the right to understand the project and comment on their concerns to the Department. The hearing is being held to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, as amended. Public participation at this hearing is encouraged and solicited without regard to race, color, creed, religion, sex, age, national origin, disability or family status.

Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to Department compliance with Title VI and/or Title VIII may do so by contacting the Florida Department of Transportation, District VII, Title VI and VIII Program Officer, MS 7-500, 11201 N. McKinley Drive, Tampa, Florida, 33612-6403, which is represented here tonight, or the Florida Department of Transportation Minority Program Affairs Office, 605 Suwannee Street, Room 260, MS 65, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-0450. All inquiries or complaints will be handled according to Department procedure and in an expeditious manner.

RIGHT OF WAY ACQUISITION AND RELOCATION

The Preferred Alternative for this project will require the relocation of approximately 1,014 residences and 159 businesses. The 1,173 residential and business displacements have a combined estimated right-of-way cost of \$388,145,000 and a relocation cost of \$37,068,500, for a total of \$425,213,500 (in 1994 dollars). This information is shown in the table below.

Preferred Alternative	Total
Number of Residential Relocations	1,014
Number of Business/Non-Profit Relocations	159
Total Number of Relocations	1,173
Right-of-Way Cost (estimated)	\$388,145,000
Relocation Cost (estimated)	\$37,068,500
Total Cost	\$425,213,500

Note: Estimates shown in 1994 dollars.

The FDOT has developed a Right-of-Way and Relocation Program in accordance with Section 339.09, Florida Statute and the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1990 (Public Law 91-646, as amended by Public Law 100-17). The four brochures which describe in detail the Department's relocation assistance and right-of-way acquisition program are: Your Relocation: Residential, Your Relocation: Business, Farm and Non Profit Organization, Sign Relocation, and The Real Estate Acquisition Process. These brochures are available here this evening as is a representative from our right-of-way office. Questions on right-of-way may also be addressed by contacting:

Mr. Joe Thompson
District Right-of-Way Administrator
Florida Department of Transportation
MS 7-900
11201 North McKinley Drive
Tampa, Florida 33412-6403
Phone: (813) 975-6000

Following this Public Hearing, a recommendation concerning the Preferred Alternative will be made to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) along with a request for Location and Design Concept Acceptance (LDA). Following approval, an advertisement announcing LDA will appear in the *Tampa Tribune*. Once this notice is published, the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) phase of the project will be complete. The project schedule shown on the right highlights other activities for the remainder of the project. The FDOT's current Adopted Five Year Work Program (FY 1995/1996 through 1999/2000) shows design is scheduled to begin for several segments within the project area in fiscal year 1995/1996.

Tampa Interstate Study Project Schedule	
Public Hearing	January 16, 1996
Comment Period Ends	January 26, 1996
FHWA Approval of EIS	Summer 1996
FDOT Requests LDA	Fall 1996

For your convenience, space for your notes is provided below.

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TAMPA INTERSTATE STUDY - PHASE II ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Work Program No. 7140004 State Project No. 99007-1402 Federal Aid Project No. IR-9999(43)

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENT SHEET

January 16, 1996

4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Please use this comment sheet to express your opinions about the project. Drop your written comments into the comment box here tonight or mail them to the address on the back of this form.

All written comments must be postmarked by January 26, 1996.

Comments: _____

(Attach additional sheets if necessary)

Thank you for taking time to participate in this Public Hearing.

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**ATTENTION:
Mr. Michael J. Coleman, P.E.
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