

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY, FLORIDA

M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Jason E. Brown; County Administrator

THROUGH: Phillip J. Matson, AICP; Community Development Director

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DATE: February 10, 2020

SUBJECT: Resolution of Support for the Florida Department of Transportation Grant Application to Construct the I-95 Interchange at Oslo Road

It is requested that the information herein presented be given formal consideration by the Board of County Commissioners at its regular meeting of February 18, 2020.

DESCRIPTION AND CONDITIONS

The Oslo Road interchange is the MPO’s highest priority project on the state’s Strategic Intermodal System (SIS), which consists of interstate highways, railroads, airports, and seaports across the state. Design of the new interchange is now complete, and FDOT has programmed over \$11 million for right-of-way acquisition during FYs 2021 and 2022. Construction of the new interchange is expected to cost an additional \$46 million.

Each year, the US Department of Transportation announces the availability of funding through discretionary grant programs for infrastructure projects. The discretionary grant programs include the Infrastructure Investments Across America (INFRA) program and the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) program. In recent years, USDOT has funded approximately \$900 million of projects annually in each of these programs.

To expedite construction of the new Oslo Road interchange, FDOT has proposed submitting the interchange for funding through one of these programs. In support of the grant application, FDOT District 4 has requested a resolution from the Board of County Commissioners.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Board of County Commissioners authorize the Chairman to execute the Resolution of Support for the Florida Department of Transportation grant application for construction of the I-95 interchange at Oslo Road.

ATTACHMENTS

1. Resolution of Support for the Florida Department of Transportation Grant Application for the I-95 Interchange at Oslo Road