

SARASOTA COUNTY GOVERNMENT

Transportation and Real Estate

TO: Sarasota County Commission

THROUGH: Thomas A. Harmer, Interim County Administrator

FROM: James K. Harriott, Jr., P.E., County Engineer

DATE: February 7, 2014

SUBJECT: **River Road Update – Joint Meeting with Charlotte County**

SUMMARY:

James K. Harriott, Jr., P.E., County Engineer will present an update on current and future construction projects on River Road.

BACKGROUND:

Intersection Widening and Reconstruction - River Road at U.S. 41

- This is an \$8.7 million intersection project with Woodruff and Sons (a local contractor).
- Final acceptance of the project was in December 2013.

River Road Widening Project - a.k.a. Englewood Interstate Connector

- North of US 41
 - Project is 100% designed and permitted.
 - About 60% of right-of-way acquired.
- South of US41
 - Project is not designed. There is no funding for design.
 - About 75% of right-of-way acquired (through a Developer Agreement with West Villages.
- At the direction of the Board, staff is working with the Metropolitan Planning Organization to make it a funding priority for state and federal funds. In the past, it has been designated a priority, but only for federal “earmark” funds.