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Sales Tax Extension – A Community Investment

**PUBLIC FORUM – SATURDAY, JULY 26, 10:00 A.M.
PUNTA GORDA ISLES CIVIC ASSOCIATION CENTER
2001 Shreve Street, Punta Gorda**

The South Charlotte County Coalition is sponsoring a Public Forum along with Punta Gorda Isles to explain the ballot initiative that will extend the 1% sales tax in Charlotte County for six years. Twenty million dollars (\$20,000,000) is being set aside out of this tax for the widening of Burnt Store Road, a valuable hurricane evacuation route. The funds will be earmarked to widen the road, from the Lee County Line north to Zemel road and beyond.

County Commissioners and the County Administrator will be at this meeting to explain the need for the extension and answer questions. It is important that Lakes residents attend and support the need for Burnt Store Road improvements. This will be on the August 26, 2008 ballot.



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