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### **FDOT District Six Announces Details of Upcoming Procurement for the I-395 / SR 836 / I-95 Reconstruction Project**

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**Miami, FL** – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) today issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) concerning the upcoming procurement for the I-395 / SR 836 / I-95 Reconstruction Project. FDOT is requesting proposers to design, build and finance the project.

The Project consists of three project components. The first involves the complete reconstruction of the I-395 corridor from the I-95/Midtown Interchange (I-95/State Road 836/I-395) to the MacArthur Causeway Bridge in the City of Miami Beach, approximately 1.4 miles (I-395 Project). Proposed improvements for the I-395 Project include providing three thru lanes, and separate direct connections to I-95 northbound and SR 836. Improvements will be made to North Miami Avenue/NE 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue/NE 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue/Biscayne Boulevard intersections. Other improvements include updating the alignment and surface streets; creating a structural signature bridge over Biscayne Boulevard; roadway and aesthetic lighting; drainage improvements; Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) elements; bicycle and pedestrian improvements; and improving the area underneath the expressway by providing pedestrian pathways and common activity areas.

The Project also involves two additional components – the I-95 Pavement Reconstruction Project and the Miami-Dade Expressway Authority (MDX) 836.11 Project (MDX 836 Project). The I-95 Pavement Reconstruction Project consists of the replacement of concrete pavement on I-95 and associated bridge rail retrofits from NW 8 Street to NW 29 Street, approximately 1.6 miles.

The MDX 836 Project limits are NW 17 Avenue Interchange to the SR 836/I-95/I-395 Interchange (Midtown Interchange), approximately 1.4 miles. Improvements for the MDX 836 Project include adding new westbound and eastbound facilities; widening the SR 836 mainline on both sides, adding a new exit ramp at NW North River Drive, bridge rehabilitation, fender system replacement and concrete pavement replacement. The MDX 836 Project also includes traffic railing replacement, drainage improvements, roadway lighting, Intelligent Transportation Systems and two new Open Road Tolling (ORT) Infrastructure.

#### **Project Benefits**

Benefits of the Project to the community include increasing capacity to address future traffic congestion, improving safety by alleviating existing operational and geometric deficiencies, eliminating left-hand entrance/exit ramps, improving local access to and from I-395 / SR 836 / I-95,

and reducing evacuation time from Miami Beach. Construction is expected to start in 2017 and reach completion in approximately five years. The Project has an estimated total construction cost of \$800M.

**The Procurement Process**

The procurement process for the Project will include input from the Aesthetic Review Committee (ARC). This committee, comprised of five members of the community representing the Adrienne Arsht Center for the Performing Arts, the City of Miami, Miami-Dade County, the Miami Downtown Development Authority and FDOT, are responsible for reviewing and approving aesthetic requirements for the I-395 bridge over Biscayne Boulevard. The ARC will also be involved in scoring the aesthetic value of the technical proposals.

**Anticipated Procurement Timeline**

| Timeframe      | Activity  |
|----------------|---|
| <b>2016</b>    |   |
| April 20, 2016 | Shortlisting up to five (5) design/build firms  |
| June 21, 2016  | Final Aesthetic Signature Bridge Submittals due |
| Late 2016      | Technical Proposal Due                          |
| <b>2017</b>    |   |
| Early 2017     | Price submittals due                            |
| Early 2017     | Anticipated contract award                      |

FDOT is seeking a qualified firm that is experienced in the reconstruction of roadways and bridges. The successful proposer must have proven ability to deliver a reconstruction project of this magnitude.

Please see the official project website <http://I-395Miami.com> to view the RFP. Documents related to this procurement can also be accessed by visiting [ftp://ftp.dot.state.fl.us/LTS/D6/Design\\_Build/E6J53 I-395 Reconstruction/](ftp://ftp.dot.state.fl.us/LTS/D6/Design_Build/E6J53_I-395_Reconstruction/). The I-395 / SR 836 / I-95 Reconstruction Project website will serve as the official posting for all documents relating to this solicitation including addenda to the RFP, firms short listed to submit proposals and other information regarding the project. **Deadline for Letters Of Response (LOR) is April 20, 2016.**

To find out more about the project or the procurement, please contact Nadine Chinapoo via e-mail at [nadine.chinapoo@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:nadine.chinapoo@dot.state.fl.us) or you may visit the project website at [www.I-395Miami.com](http://www.I-395Miami.com).