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## State Road (SR) 5/US 1/Overseas Highway/ Lower & Upper Matecumbe Keys

Roadway Project Begins the Week of March 28

*Monroe County, FL* – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is scheduled to begin a roadway project the week of March 28, 2016. The project limits extend along SR 5/US 1/Overseas Highway from south of Lignumvitae Channel Bridge (MM 77.47) at Lower Matecumbe Key to Jerome Avenue (MM 81.44) at Upper Matecumbe Key in Islamorada, Village of Islands, Monroe County. The project will cost an estimated \$4.8 million and will take roughly 10 months to complete.

Work to be performed includes:

- Widening and rebuilding sections of roadway
- Relocating segments of existing shared use path (FKOHT)
- Repaving and restriping the roadway
- Performing drainage improvements
- Installing and relocating areas of landscaping

To complete this work safely, it will be necessary to close travel and turn lanes at times. Tasks will be done in stages and lane closures will be scheduled to keep traffic moving.

Please note that this schedule may change due to bad weather or other unexpected conditions. For more information, please call FDOT's Public Information Office at 305-470-5349 or Construction Public Information Specialist Paulette Summers at 786-510-3921 or go to the website at <u>www.fdotmonroe.com</u>.

Drivers are encouraged to call 511 before they travel or log on to <u>www.fl511.com</u> to get realtime traffic and lane closure information. FDOT would like to remind drivers that wearing a safety belt is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes. Please drive cautiously in construction zones.