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### **FDOT District Six to Host In-Person and Virtual Public Hearing for the Venetian Causeway PD&E Study** *from North Bayshore Drive to Purdy Avenue*

**Miami, FL** – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District Six, will hold a Public Hearing for the above referenced project in-person on **Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at the Miami Beach Botanical Garden located at 2000 Convention Center Drive, Miami Beach, FL 33139; and simultaneously online using GoTo Webinar.** This Public Hearing is being held as part of a current Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study that is being conducted to evaluate proposed transportation solutions for this segment of Venetian Causeway and to provide documented information necessary for FDOT to reach a decision on the type, design, and location of the improvements. The project is being developed to address identified structural and functional deficiencies of the 12 existing bridges through potential alternatives such as replacement or rehabilitation while minimizing potential impacts to the natural and human environments.

#### **To attend the In-Person Public Hearing:**

Visit [www.fdotmiamidade.com/VenetianBridgeStudy](http://www.fdotmiamidade.com/VenetianBridgeStudy) to **RSVP by May 10, 2021** for planning purposes. **Limited space is available.** All current Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines and social distancing rules will be observed.

#### **To attend the Virtual Public Hearing online:**

Join the meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone by visiting this link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/338192325>. Participants can also dial in using their phone: +1 (646) 749-3122, Access Code: 338-192-325.

The hearing will begin as an open house with a formal presentation starting at 7:30 p.m. Graphic displays and information about the study will be available for viewing. In-person audience members onsite can approach the microphone and ask questions or make comments in compliance with social distancing regulations. Online viewers will be able to make comments via the GoTo Webinar chat box. Prior to the hearing, comments may be submitted on the project website at [www.fdotmiamidade.com/VenetianBridgeStudy](http://www.fdotmiamidade.com/VenetianBridgeStudy).

FDOT encourages public participation without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who need special assistance under the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 or who need translation services (free of charge) should contact Nicholas Danu, P.E. at (305) 470-5219; in writing to FDOT, 1000 NW 111 Avenue, Miami, FL 33172; or by email at [Nicholas.Danu@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Nicholas.Danu@dot.state.fl.us) at least seven (7) days prior to the Public Hearing.

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