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## State Road (SR) 5/Channel 5 Bridge Rehabilitation Project Begins the Week of March 8

**MIAMI, Fla.** – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will begin the SR 5/Overseas Highway Channel 5 Bridge Rehabilitation Project (bridge # 900098) the week of March 8, 2021, at Mile Marker (MM) 71.4 in Monroe County.

The work will last about two and a half years and includes repairing the columns underneath the bridge. The estimated construction cost is \$7 million.

To build this project safely, it will be necessary to shift traffic and close travel lanes at times. Construction will be done in stages and closures will be scheduled to avoid special events and peak periods of traffic. Lane closures will take place from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday through Thursday. Please use caution when traveling through construction zones.

Please note that this schedule may change due to bad weather or other unforeseen conditions.

For more information, please call FDOT's Public Information Office at (305) 470-5349, or Construction Community Outreach Specialist Paulette Summers at (786) 510-392 or visit [www.fdotmonroe.com](http://www.fdotmonroe.com).

Drivers are encouraged to log on to [www.fl511.com](http://www.fl511.com) to get real-time traffic and lane closure information before they travel. 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.

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The Florida Department of Transportation's mission is to provide a safe transportation system that ensures the mobility of people and goods, enhances economic prosperity, and preserves the quality of the state's environment and communities. The department is committed to building a transportation system that not only fits the current needs of Florida's residents and visitors, but also enhances mobility throughout the state to accommodate its consistent and rapid growth. The unique nature of the Sunshine State and its year-round warm climate provides numerous opportunities to achieve the department's mission through multiple transportation modes including highways/streets, air, rail, sea, spaceports, transit, and the ever-expanding deployment of bicycle & pedestrian facilities