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FDOT to Host Public Meeting for Three Roadway Projects

State Road (SR) 5/Overseas Highway

Marathon, FL– The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is developing the design for three roadway improvement projects along (SR) 5/Overseas Highway in Monroe County, Florida. The first project is from south of 33 Street/MM 48.70 to 37 Street/MM 49.03. The second is from the north end of the 7 Mile Bridge to south of Knight's Key Boulevard/MM 47 and the last project is from Sombrero Beach Road/MM 50.0 to Coco Plum Drive/MM 54.6. Work for the three projects are expected to start in April 2017 and last about eight months. The combined estimated construction cost is \$2.9 million. The scope of work for these projects is listed in the enclosed public meeting notification.

A public meeting will be held **from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday, November 5, 2015 at the Monroe County Government Center, County Commission Chamber, 2 floor, 2798 Overseas Highway, Marathon, FL 33050**. The meeting will begin as an open house, from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., with a formal presentation starting at 5:30 p.m. Graphic displays will be shown during the meeting, and FDOT representatives will be available to discuss the project.

The proposed work for these projects includes:

33 Street/MM 48.70 to 37 Street/MM 49.03

- Repaving and resurfacing the road
- Widening the road to add a two-way turning lane
- Modifying the intersection at 33 Street from a T intersection to a four sided intersection
- Installing new drainage, curb and gutter, and sidewalks
- Updating signage and pavement markings
- Designating the outside travel lanes to be shared with bicycles known as a “sharrow”
- Removing the existing Florida Keys Overseas Heritage Trail on the north side and removal of the asphalt sidewalk on the south side

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North of the 7 Mile Bridge to South of Knight's Key Boulevard/MM 47

- Repaving and restriping the road
- Replacing existing guardrail
- Widening the northbound shoulder and adding rumble strips
- Installing additional drainage
- Adding a pedestrian ramp at the end of the Trail
- Installing bike pavement markings to both northbound and southbound shoulders
- Updating signage to current standards
- Adding a traffic counting station

Sombrero Beach Road MM/50.0 to Coco Plum Drive MM/54.6

- Installing additional signal heads at various intersections
- Enhancing existing signal heads at Coco Plum Drive
- Replacing the traffic signal controller at 89 street and Coco Plum Drive

Please contact Public Information Specialist Nancy Barta if you have any questions about these projects at (305) 294-1238 or email at nancy@swcinc.net.

FDOT encourages public participation without regard to race, color, national origin, age, gender, 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, Ivette Ruiz-Paz at (305) 470-5349 or in writing to FDOT, 1000 NW 111 Avenue, Miami, FL 33172 or by email at: ivette.ruiz-paz@dot.state.fl.us at least seven days prior to the public meeting.

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