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Cow Key Channel Outbound Bridge Closure Begins April 15

State Road (SR) 5/US 1/Overseas Highway over Cow Key Channel Bridges (MM 4.1)

Key West, Fla. – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is scheduled to begin the outbound bridge closure on Wednesday, April 15, 2020, along SR 5/US 1/Overseas Highway over the Cow Key Channel Bridges, in Monroe County.

The work on the outbound bridge will last roughly three months, and it includes replacing sections of the bridges' deck and beams, as well as repaving and restriping the roadway.

To complete this work safely, traffic will be shifted to the inbound bridge while work is underway. The traffic shift will provide three lanes of traffic at all times as follows:

- Weekdays
 - 4 a.m. to 10 a.m. – Two inbound lanes and one outbound lane
 - 10 a.m. to 4 a.m. – One inbound lane and two outbound lanes
- Saturdays
 - Two inbound lanes and one outbound lane
- Sundays
 - One inbound lane and two outbound lane

The outbound US 1 left turn lane onto College Road South will be prohibited and detoured to College Road North. To minimize congestions, a temporary traffic signal will be fully operational at the intersection of US 1 and College Road North.

Motorist, pedestrian and cyclist detours will be placed in and around the project limits. Please use caution and follow the posted signage. Please note, the speed limit will be reduced to 25 miles per hour (mph) through the work zone.

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

For more information, please call Construction Community Outreach Specialist Maria Alzate at (305) 560-8218, or FDOT's Public Information Office at (305) 470-5349, or go to the website at www.fdotmonroe.com.

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Drivers are encouraged to call 511 before they travel or log on to www.fl511.com to get real-time 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.

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