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Design Phase of Founders Park Pedestrian Bridge Design-Build Project Begins May 22 *At MM 87 on SR 5/US 1/Overseas Highway in Islamorada, Village of Islands*

Miami, Fla. – On May 22, The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is scheduled to begin the design phase for a new pedestrian bridge that will be built at Mile Marker (MM) 87 on State Road (SR) 5/US 1/Overseas Highway in Islamorada, Village of Islands, in Monroe County.

This design-build project will cost an estimated \$4.68 million and take about two years to complete, weather permitting. Project limits will extend along SR 5/US 1/Overseas Highway, north and south of Founders Park.

The work to be performed includes installing a pedestrian bridge over SR 5/US 1/Overseas Highway at Founders Park, relocating utilities, realigning the path along the Florida Keys Overseas Heritage Trail (FKOHT), widening the shoulders, constructing concrete barrier walls, installing a sidewalk along Old Highway from the pedestrian bridge to Treasure Village Montessori and repaving and restriping the roadway.

To perform this work safely, it will be necessary to shift travel lanes at times to minimize construction-related impacts. Please note that this schedule may change due to bad weather or other unexpected conditions.

For more information, please call Construction Community Outreach Specialist Sergies Duarte at 305-216-3617 or FDOT's Public Information Office at 305-470-5349 or go to the website at www.fdotmonroe.com.

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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