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Palmetto Metrorail Station to be closed at 8 p.m. nightly beginning February 19 for State Road (SR) 826/Palmetto Expressway Construction

MIAMI, Fla. – The Palmetto Metrorail Station, located at 7707 NW 79 Avenue, will be closed from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. nightly, beginning Monday, February 19 for construction on SR 826/Palmetto Expressway.

During this time, the last northbound/eastbound Metrorail stop will be at the Okeechobee Metrorail station. Transit riders who are parked at the Palmetto Metrorail station will be provided with free bus shuttle service from the Okeechobee station to the Palmetto station.

This closure is necessary to allow workers to continue widening the southbound SR 826 bridge over SR 934/NW 74 Street and Metrorail as part of the Palmetto Expressway Capacity Project. Nightly closures will continue until the work is completed and may take several weeks.

Please note that this schedule may change due to bad weather or other unforeseen conditions. Commuters should anticipate delays and seek alternate routes if possible.

This Palmetto Expressway Capacity Improvement Project includes modifying the southbound flyover from westbound NW 103 Street/W 49 Street to southbound SR 826 and widening the SR 826 bridge over NW 103 Street/W 49 Street to create an additional general-purpose lane. In addition, the express lane entrance at NW 154 Street/Miami Lakes Drive will be relocated to NW 103 Street/W 49 Street to allow access to the express lanes from NW 154 Street and NW 122 Street/W 68 Street. Construction began in April 2022 and will last about 36 months. This project will cost an estimated \$66 million.

For additional information, please call FDOT's Public Information Office at (305) 470-5349 or contact Community Outreach Specialist Maria Camacho at (305) 731-7699 or Maria.Camacho@qcausa.com. You can also visit the project website at: www.826palmetto.com.

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