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FDOT TO HOLD COMMUNITY MEETING FOR I-595 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

FORT LAUDERDALE -- The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 4 will be holding a **Construction Community Meeting for the I-595 Express Corridor Improvements Project** on **Thursday, January 28, 2010 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** at the **Signature Grand, located at 6900 State Road 84 in Davie.**

The purpose of the Construction Community Meeting is to provide property owners and interested parties throughout the corridor and South Florida with an opportunity to learn about the I-595 construction project, including the tolled reversible Express Lanes, which will be starting shortly.

The I-595 Corridor Roadway Improvements Project consists of the reconstruction of the I-595 mainline and all associated improvements to frontage roads and ramps from the I-75/Sawgrass Expressway interchange to the I-595/I-95 interchange, for a total project length of 13 miles along the I-595 corridor and on Florida's Turnpike from Peters Road to Griffin Road. The approximate cost of design and construction is \$1.2 billion. Construction is expected to start in early 2010 and to be completed in 2014.

The project improvements will be implemented as part of a public private partnership (P3) with I 595 Express, LLC, who was awarded the contract to serve as the concessionaire to design, build, finance, operate and maintain (DBFOM) the project for a 35 year term.

For further information on the I-595 Express Corridor Improvements Project visit the project's website at www.i-595.com.

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