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November 20, 2020

## **Dear Property Owner or Other Interested Stakeholder:**

**RE:** Public Hearing

SR 9/I-95 at Lantana Road Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study Palm Beach County, Florida Financial Project ID Number: 413258-1-22-02

Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM) Number: 14338

On behalf of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District Four, you are invited to a Public Hearing for the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for the above referenced project. A PD&E study is FDOT's process to evaluate the social, economic and environmental impacts associated with a planned transportation improvement project. The purpose of this project is to reduce congestion and enhance safety within the SR 9/I-95 at Lantana Road Interchange study limits.

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the FDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and FDOT.

The public hearing will be held in two formats on the following days and times:

- Virtual Hearing: Tuesday, December 15, 2020 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please use
  the following link to register for the Virtual Hearing <a href="https://bit.ly/95lantana">https://bit.ly/95lantana</a>. To join by phone,
  please dial 415-655-0060 (Access Code: 677-256-529).
- In-Person Hearing: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The inperson Public Hearing will be held at the Lantana Road Branch Library located at 4020 Lantana Road, Lake Worth, FL 33462.

Both the virtual and in-person public hearings will begin at 5:30 p.m. with an open house, followed by a pre-recorded formal presentation at 6:00 p.m. and then a public comment period.

All exhibits can be viewed electronically on the project website <a href="www.fdot.gov/projects/95lantana">www.fdot.gov/projects/95lantana</a>, and accommodations can be made to address any questions by contacting the FDOT Project Manager at the contact information noted at the end of this notice. Persons wishing to attend the Public Hearing in person are encouraged to wear a mask/face covering consistent with the Safe Smart Step-by-Step Plan for Florida's Recovery and practice safe social distancing.

Persons wishing to submit written statements or other exhibits, in place of or in addition to oral statements during the virtual hearing, may do so using the comments feature on the GoToWebinar platform. During the in-person hearing, written comments may be submitted using the comment cards provided. Both in-person and virtual attendees may also submit additional written statements to Vandana Nagole, P.E., FDOT Project Manager, 3400 West Commercial Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309 or by email at <a href="mailto:vandana.nagole@dot.state.fl.us">vandana.nagole@dot.state.fl.us</a>. All exhibits or statements postmarked on or before December 30, 2020, will become part of the Public Hearing record.

If you would like to review the project documents prior to the Public Hearing, they will be available to the public beginning on Tuesday, November 24, 2020, on the project website at <a href="https://www.fdot.gov/projects/95lantana">www.fdot.gov/projects/95lantana</a>. Hard copies of project documents can be viewed at the Town of Lantana Town Hall located at 500 Greynolds Circle, Lantana, FL 33462 (Monday to Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.) and at the Lantana Road Branch Library located at 4020 Lantana Road, Lake Worth, FL 33462 (Monday to Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.). The documents will remain on display through December 30, 2020.

Notices are being sent to all property owners and tenants located within at least 300 feet on either side of the proposed alignment and to other public officials, regulatory agencies, organizations, and individuals interested in the project. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact me at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting at (954) 777-4281 or toll-free at (866) 336-8435, ext. 4281, or via email at vandana.nagole@dot.state.fl.us.

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me, or visit the project website at <a href="https://www.fdot.gov/projects/95lantana">www.fdot.gov/projects/95lantana</a>.

Sincerely,

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Vandana Nagole, P.E.

Project Manager

**Enclosure: Location Map**