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## FDOT Completes Final State Road (SR) 997/Krome Avenue Enhancement Project

Truck Bypass Project Completed 42 Days Ahead of Schedule

**MIAMI, Fla.** – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has successfully completed the final segment of the SR 997/Krome Avenue Enhancement Projects – a corridor spanning approximately 36 miles in western Miami-Dade County. These projects improve mobility and enhance safety along the critical Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) corridor.

The Truck Bypass Project, completed 42 days ahead of schedule on March 30, 2021, extends from west of Krome Avenue to east of SR 5/US 1 along SW 312 Street/Campbell Drive, SW 336 Street/Davis Parkway and SR 9336/Palm Drive. The \$16.3-million project provides a truck bypass facility and redirects traffic from the Homestead Historic Downtown District. FDOT completed this project with the support of Homestead and Florida City elected officials and the community. Horizon Contractors, Inc. was the contractor.

The scope of the work for this project included the following:

<u>SW 312 Street/Campbell Drive</u>: widening and rebuilding Campbell Drive from west of Krome Avenue to east of US 1; providing two, 11-foot travel lanes in each direction; repaving and restriping the roadway; upgrading existing traffic and pedestrian signals to current standards; installing new drainage and lighting; widening a section of US 1 from south of NE 11 Street to east of SE 6 Avenue; installing a sanitary sewer lift station at the southwest corner of Campbell Drive and US 1; and relocating existing trees within City of Homestead limits.

<u>SW 336 Street/Davis Parkway</u>: rebuilding this section of Davis Parkway from west of Krome Avenue to US 1 to extend the capacity of existing pavement to facilitate truck bypass; adding right turn lanes at the intersections of Davis Parkway and Krome Avenue and at Davis Parkway and US 1; improving drainage throughout the project limits; constructing curb ramps and sections of sidewalk on Davis Parkway; and upgrading lighting, signalization, signage and pavement markings, and crosswalks.

**SW 344 Street/Palm Drive:** adding a southbound right turn lane on US 1 to westbound Palm Drive; repaving and restriping the intersection of Palm Drive and Krome Avenue

and a section of Palm Drive at US 1; upgrading lighting, signalization, signage and pavement markings; and improving drainage along a section of Krome Avenue.

In addition to this work, the Krome Avenue roadway and safety improvements spanned from SR 25/Okeechobee Road to SW 312 Street. Other work included widening the corridor from two to four lanes, building a wide grassy median, constructing a multi-use path, and installing new drainage, signalization and lighting. The overall improvements began construction in 2015 and cost an estimated \$260 million.

For more information on the project, visit www.fdotmiamidade.com/krome. You may also call FDOT's Public Information Office at (305) 470-5349 or Senior Community Outreach Specialist Heather M. Leslie at (305) 905-5876.

Drivers are encouraged to log on <a href="www.fl511.com">www.fl511.com</a> 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 vehicles crashes. Please drive cautiously in construction zones.

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