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**Subject: I-595 Corridor Roadway Improvements Project / 595Express
New River Greenway
Plantation Acres**

As part of the planned improvements associated with the Interstate 595 (I-595) Corridor Roadway Improvements Project, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), after polling affected homeowners and receiving the preferred noise barrier option, will be building a combination 14-foot-tall shoulder mounted noise barrier north of SR 84 and south of the North New River Canal and 8-foot-tall shoulder mounted barriers along I-595 in the vicinity of Flamingo Road and Hiatus Road.

Additionally, the New River Greenway, a component of the Broward County Greenway System, will be constructed as part of the I-595 project. The New River Greenway will provide a bicycle and pedestrian friendly corridor linking Markham Park and Broward County's western conservation area to Port Everglades. The New River Greenway is proposed to be placed on the north bank of the North New River Canal between Flamingo and Hiatus Roads. Some Plantation Acres residents have raised concerns now that the noise barriers at this location have moved to south of the canal. At the request of some residents, the FDOT is proposing to construct a fence between the residents and the proposed greenway.

FDOT, in cooperation with Broward County, has scheduled an informal meeting to provide residents of Plantation Acres an opportunity to gain additional information regarding the project. The meeting will be held at the **Volunteer Park Community Center, 12050 W. Sunrise Blvd, on Tuesday, July 15, 2008, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

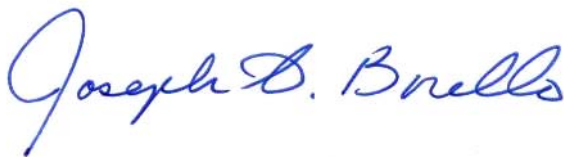
All property owners that are adjacent to the North New River Canal as well as anyone interested in getting more information about the potential fence along the Greenway are invited to attend. The meeting will give residents and interested parties an opportunity to come and speak with the engineers of the project, review renderings and provide feedback on the issue. There will be no scheduled presentation so attendees can come anytime between 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status.

If you need special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or require translation services (free of charge) please contact I-595 Project Manager Joe Borello by phone at (954) 777-4168 or by e-mail at joseph.borello@dot.state.fl.us at least seven days before the meeting.

If you have any questions or are unable to attend the meeting, please feel free to contact Alicia Gonzalez, the Public Information Officer for the project, at (954) 236-7365 or by email at info@i-595.com. Additional project information is available at www.i-595.com.

Sincerely,



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