

# MIAMI INTERMODAL CENTER

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## Media Release (Construction Notice)

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### **Construction of SR-953/LeJeune Road Corridor Projects Package 2 Begins February 7, 2005!**

**Miami-Dade County – On February 7, 2005, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District VI will begin the construction of the second and third components of the SR-953/LeJeune Road Corridor Projects Package 2.** These components will complete Phase I of the Miami Intermodal Center (MIC) Roadways Program which will improve traffic operations on LeJeune Road resulting in reduced traffic congestion on one of the area's busiest corridors. Work will include the following:

- Completion of SR-953 (LeJeune Road) Southbound Collector Distributor (CD) Road from South of NW 14<sup>th</sup> Street to just North of NW 18<sup>th</sup> Street, which will tie-in the three-lane one-way frontage road connecting existing Miami International Airport traffic with SR-836 westbound and LeJeune Road Southbound traffic;
- Construction of LeJeune Road Northbound CD Road which consists of the realignment of LeJeune Road from SR-836 to NW 21<sup>st</sup> Street and construction of an urban arterial section with six lanes (three in each direction). It will also include the construction of a two-lane one-way CD Road located just east of the relocated section of LeJeune Road which will provide a direct connection from eastbound SR-836 to the Miami Intermodal Center and the Miami International Airport; and
- Construction of the MIC/MIA Interchange which will consist of a total reconstruction of the interchange between NW 21<sup>st</sup> Street (the main exit to Miami International Airport) and LeJeune Road. Its limits on LeJeune Road are from south of the Tamiami Canal to NW 30<sup>th</sup> Street, and on NW 21<sup>st</sup> Street from east of the bridges over the CSXT Railroad to west of NW 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue. This project will include the replacement of eight bridges.

The construction work will be performed in several phases in order to minimize impacts to local residents, businesses and the motoring public. Lane closures will occur during non-peak hours (9:00 AM – 3:30 PM Weekdays and Weekends; 9:00 PM to 5:30 AM Sunday through Thursday Nights; and 11:00 PM to 7:00 AM Friday and Saturday Nights). Motorists are advised to watch for Electronic Message Boards and signs that will provide important lane closure information. **Construction is expected to last approximately three (3) years; however, this schedule could be impacted by bad weather or other unforeseen circumstances.**

As part of the MIC Public Affairs/Comprehensive Community Awareness Program, business interests and area residents affected by this project will receive periodic Maintenance of Traffic (MOT) bulletins providing road closure information and suggesting alternate routes. **For more information, contact Elizabeth T. Fernandez, MIC Senior Comprehensive Community Awareness Program Coordinator, at (305) 219-9039 or Gus Quesada, P.E., CEI Project Engineer, at (305) 883-7677.** We thank you for your patience while we improve the roadway for your traveling needs.