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Florida Transportation Commission to Hold Meeting in Conjunction with 2013 Transportation Summit in Coral Gables, Florida on July 25

- Meeting to Include Updates on SunRail, Wekiva Parkway, All Aboard Florida and Other Projects-

(Miami, FL) – The Florida Transportation Commission (FTC) will hold a meeting on Thursday, July 25, 2013 from 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. at The Biltmore Hotel in Coral Gables, Florida. The FTC will be receiving reports, presentations and status updates from Florida Department of Transportation (DOT) Secretary Ananth Prasad, DOT District 5 Secretary Noranne Downs, and transportation leaders on projects including SunRail, the Wekiva Parkway, All Aboard Florida and others. Members of the media are invited to attend the morning session.

"We look forward to receiving an agency report from Florida Department of Transportation Secretary Ananth Prasad, status reports from District 5 Secretary Noranne Downs on SunRail and the Wekiva Parkway, and others on the incredible transportation projects we have on the horizon here in Florida," said Ron Howse, Chairman of the Florida Transportation Commission. "These initiatives allow our great State to thrive economically by connecting residents, tourists, and business enterprise from around the corner and around the globe."

The FTC meeting is being held prior to the official start of the 2013 Transportation Summit hosted by Floridians for Better Transportation (FBT) and in partnership with the Transportation and Expressway Authority Membership of Florida (TEAMFL) July 25-26, 2013.

Media interested in attending the morning session, or obtaining the full agenda of Thursday's commission meeting, should contact Christina Johnson at 850.339.5773 or via email at <u>Christina@on3pr.com</u>.

WHAT: The Florida Transportation Commission Meeting WHEN: Thursday, July 25, 2013 8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. *Media invited to attend.*

WHERE: The Biltmore / Country Club Ballroom 1200 Anastasia Avenue Coral Gables, FL 33134 305.445.1926

PARTICIPANTS: Ananth Prasad, DOT Secretary Noranne Downs, DOT District 5 Secretary Husein Cumber, Florida East Coast Industries Jesus Martinez, Southwest Research Institute Ron Howse, Chair, Florida Transportation Commission

For additional information, please visit <u>http://www.ftc.state.fl.us/meetings.htm</u> or contact the Florida Transportation Commission staff at 850.414.4105.

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The mission of the Florida Transportation Commission is to provide leadership in meeting Florida's transportation needs through policy guidance on issues of statewide importance and by maintaining oversight and public accountability for the Department of Transportation and other statutorily specified transportation authorities. More information may found at http://www.ftc.state.fl.us