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NOTICE OF CORRIDOR VISIONING STAKEHOLDER DISCUSSION

DATE and LOCATION: February 13, 2020, 8:30 – 11:30 a.m. Robarts Arena, Sarasota Fairgrounds Ken Clark Building 3000 Ringling Boulevard Sarasota, FL 34237

PROJECT:SR 780/Fruitville Road Corridor Vision Plan
From US 301 to just east of I-75

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) would like to invite you, or a representative on your behalf, to participate in a stakeholder discussion to begin the formulation of a corridor vision for SR 780/Fruitville Road. The project limits are within the scope of FDOT operation and maintenance, US 301 to just east of I-75, however, we will take into consideration the work being done by the City of Sarasota to the west, and the work being done by the County to the east.

FDOT understands this section of SR 780/Fruitville Road is a diverse makeup of merchants, business and civic leaders, and local government representation. To better understand the existing relationship between the land uses along the corridor and the function of SR 780/Fruitville Road we are reaching out to you for your input.

The intent behind this effort is to formulate a Corridor Vision Plan that will be reflective of where your community would like to be and how we, as a partner, can better understand your needs. The project team will provide a brief overview of the purpose of the project, discuss previous and current related efforts in the area, and lead discussions to gather input on the future vision for the corridor. This discussion is designed to gather and analyze input from various local and regional entities. While the purpose of this meeting is to get input from a smaller group of stakeholders like yourself, we will hold a larger meeting later this spring that will target the community and residents along the corridor, where they will be invited to attend and participate in the activities.

Please reply to this message by Tuesday, close of business, February 11, 2020, to either indicate your participation in the discussion or to volunteer a designee to attend on your behalf. If you have any questions, please contact one of the primary contacts below.

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