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GOVERNOR DESANTIS' "BOLD VISION FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE" BUDGET PROVIDES \$10.8 BILLION IN FDOT FUNDING

TALLAHASSEE, FLA. – Governor Ron DeSantis announced today the signing of his "Bold Vision for a Brighter Future" budget which will provide \$10.8 billion in funding for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), including \$9.7 billion in the Department's Work Program. This funding allows FDOT to make critical investments in Florida's transportation system.

Governor DeSantis said, "By signing the Bold Vision for a Brighter Future budget, the Florida Department of Transportation will continue their efforts to enhance safety for motorists by relieving congestion on our roadways and implementing technology which will improve and modernize Florida's infrastructure. This investment reflects the dedication of addressing one of the most pressing issues facing our state. I am committed to making life better for all residents and visitors of our great state and the Bold Vision for a Brighter Future budget will continue to make Florida a leader in transportation systems."

Governor DeSantis' Fiscal Year 2019-2020 budget transportation investments include:

- \$3.8 billion to increase system-wide infrastructure capacity which includes 125.7 new lane miles
- \$2.7 billion for highway construction
- \$160.8 million in seaport infrastructure enhancements
- \$278 million for aviation improvements
- \$1.1 billion for scheduled repairs of 84 bridges and replacement of 22 bridges
- \$1.1 billion for maintenance and operation of existing facilities
- \$668.1 million for transit program advancements
- \$230.5 million for additional safety initiatives

FDOT Secretary Kevin J. Thibault, P.E. said, "This budget emphasizes Governor DeSantis' commitment to the safety and improved mobility of Florida's motorists. I am proud to stand beside him to carry out the tasks of enhancing our transportation system, mitigating the congestion issue facing our Florida residents and visitors."

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