Cape Coral Bridge PD&E Study Alternatives Workshop Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) June 20, 2023 – July 11, 2023

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Q: How will all lanes of traffic stay open during bridge construction?

A: Four lanes of traffic will be open throughout construction. The new eastbound bridge will be built south of the current eastbound bridge. It can temporarily hold 4 lanes of traffic, two in each direction, maintaining the current conditions. Then, both of the current bridges will be demolished. The new westbound bridge will be built in the footprint of the current bridges. The new bridges will each provide 3 lanes of traffic and a shared use path.

Q: Will there be a light at the Caloosa Yacht and Racquet Club Drive and College Parkway intersection?

A: A traffic study is being conducted that analyzes the Caloosa Yacht and Racquet Club Drive and College Parkway intersection. Traffic study results will be available for review and comment at the study's public hearing, currently scheduled for Spring 2024.

Q: Will more noise walls be added?

A: The PD&E Study will include a highway traffic noise study, conducted in accordance with federal and state requirements, to determine if noise barriers are reasonable and feasible. The results of the study will be available for review and comment at the public hearing, currently scheduled for Spring 2024.

Q: What about construction noise?

A: Noise from construction activities is unavoidable; however, measures will be taken to minimize the effect of construction on the quality of life of nearby residents.

Q: How can I get project updates?

A: Please visit https://capecoralbridgeproject.com/ for regular updates on the project.

Q: What will a new bridge look like?

A: Aesthetic considerations will continue through the design phase.

Q: What is happening to the tolls?

A: Currently, tolls will be maintained throughout construction. Additionally, tolls will be converted to electric tolling.

Q: What are the proposed bicyclist and pedestrian improvements?

A: New 8 to 10-foot sidewalks are proposed along both sides of Cape Coral Parkway. These sidewalks will be integrated into the Bernice Braden Park and the new bridges. Each bridge will have a 10-foot shared use path. The shared use paths separate from the bridges to tie down into Bernice Braden Park on the Cape Coral side. The shared use paths continue from the bridge to the at-grade frontage road system along College Parkway on the Ft. Myers side, connecting to existing pedestrian facilities along McGregor Blvd. A 6-foot sidewalk is proposed at-grade along the U-turns under the bridges.