

Miami-Dade Transit's AirportLink Metrorail Extension

## **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Miami-Dade Transit's (MDT) AirportLink Metrorail Extension Project is a 2.4-mile elevated Metrorail extension from the existing Earlington Heights Station to the Miami Intermodal Center (MIC), a major transportation hub being developed by Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), next to Miami International Airport (MIA). Construction began in spring of 2009 and will open for service beginning the afternoon of Saturday, July 28, 2012. The project features a multilevel Miami International Airport Station which will provide passengers with a central transfer point to different modes of transportation, including Metrobus, Metrorail, Tri-Rail, Amtrak, Greyhound, tour buses, taxi cabs, rental cars, and an Automated People Mover that connects to MIA. Funding for this project comes from the People's Transportation Plan (\$404.7 million), the half-penny sales tax, and from FDOT (\$101.3 million).

The AirportLink will provide residents and visitors with direct Metrorail link to MIA via an Automated People Mover. With this project, Miami-Dade County joins the ranks of other major cities with rapid transit connections to their airports.



Project Alignment Map

### **PROJECT BOUNDARIES**

The AirportLink will run west from the existing Earlington Heights Station over NW 27<sup>th</sup> Avenue, parallel to State Road (S.R.) 112, turning south just west of NW 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The alignment crosses over the Miami River just east of the South Florida Rail Corridor Bridge, continuing south until it terminates at an elevated multilevel station just east of the MIC's Rental Car Center.

# POTENTIAL IMPACTS TO THE PUBLIC DURING CONSTRUCTION

- Construction disturbances visual, noise and dust impacts
- Temporary lane closures during offpeak hours
- Intermittent sidewalk closures and detours for pedestrians
- Temporary Metrorail service interruptions

# Access to area businesses and residences will be maintained at all times.

#### **COMMUNITY AWARENESS**

Miami-Dade Transit values the community it serves and has established a Public Information Officer as the point-of-contact during the AirportLink's construction. For more information, please contact:

### **MIAMI-DADE TRANSIT**

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