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NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Alternative Transportation In Parks & Public Lands

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Please Join Us at a Public Meeting to Discuss the Revised Project Recommendations

Wednesday, April 13, 2011

4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

Sanibel Community House

2173 Periwinkle Way

Meeting Agenda

4:30-5:00 p.m.

Open house

5:00-5:30 p.m.

**Formal presentation discussing the
revised project recommendation**

5:30-6:30 p.m.

Comments/questions

The goals of the project are to reduce traffic in the Refuge, lower emissions and lessen impacts to wildlife and the environment. An additional goal of this project is to improve visitor mobility and accessibility and enhance visitor experience. Based on public input received at the public meeting in January of this year, the project recommendation has been revised and is now considered a Refuge-Focused Locally Preferred Alternative.

The project recommendation primarily focuses on supporting the Refuge with trail enhancements, wayfinding, and a “green” circulator (tram) to provide access to the Refuge and other environmental destinations on Sanibel-Captiva Road. This “green” circulator would be designed to bring visitors to the Refuge from Island resorts and would not be a Sanibel Island public transit system with any connections to the mainland. It will be designed to protect the environment and improve existing Refuge access and parking. The “green” circulator will include off-line stops in existing parking facilities, so as not to impact Sanibel street traffic. It will be designed to provide an enriched Refuge visitor experience, while reducing the number of visitor vehicles on City streets with the benefit of improved air quality and reduced disturbances to wildlife and environment. The project recommendations also include trail surface enhancements, a new shared-use trail, launch improvements to the Commodore Creek Canoe Trail, expanded Refuge parking, additional wildlife crossings and pedestrian crossing safety improvements.

The public is invited to this public information meeting and to comment on the revised project recommendation. Your participation continues to guide this project and we encourage you to join us again.

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