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Public invited to review hearing transcript of Draft Environmental Impact Statement for DRIC study

WHAT: The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is making comments received from the public regarding the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for the Detroit River International Crossing (DRIC) study available for review at 21 sites in Metro Detroit and Lansing. A copy of all comments received during the 90-day comment period ending May 29, including the complete transcript of written and oral comments recorded at the March 18 and 19 public hearings, is available at the sites and on the Partnership Web site at: www.partnershipborderstudy.com/reports_us.asp

Every effort has been made to provide the DEIS and related materials in print and electronic reader-friendly formats. To request language translation and alternative formats, such as large print or audio tape, please call 517-373-9534.

WHO: Interested members of the public

WHERE:

- MDOT Bureau of Transportation Planning, 425 W. Ottawa St., Lansing
- MDOT Metro Region office, 18101 W. Nine Mile Road, Southfield
- MDOT Detroit Transportation Service Center, 1400 Howard St., Detroit
- MDOT Taylor Transportation Service Center, 25185 Goddard Rd., Taylor
- Henry Ford Centennial Library, 16301 Michigan Ave., Detroit
- Detroit Public Library, 5201 Woodward Ave., Detroit
- Bowen Branch of the Detroit Public Library, 3648 W. Vernor Hwy., Detroit
- Library at Southwestern High School, 6921 W. Fort St., Detroit
- Delray Recreation Center, 420 Leigh St., Detroit
- Allen Park Library, 8100 Allen Rd., Allen Park
- Ecorse Library, 4184 W. Jefferson Ave., Ecorse
- Melvindale Library, 18650 Allen Rd., Melvindale
- River Rouge Library, 221 Burke St., River Rouge
- Kemeny Recreation Center, 2260 S. Fort St., Detroit
- Campbell Branch of the Detroit Public Library, 8733 W. Vernor Hwy., Detroit
- Neighborhood City Hall Central District, 2 Woodward Ave., Detroit
- Neighborhood City Hall Northwestern District, 19180 Grand River Ave., Detroit

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- Neighborhood City Hall Northeastern District, 2328 E. Seven Mile Rd., Detroit
- Neighborhood City Hall Western District, 11000 W. McNichols Rd., Detroit
- Neighborhood City Hall Eastern District, 7737 Kercheval St., Detroit
- Neighborhood City Hall Southwestern District, 7744 W. Vernor St., Detroit

BACKGROUND: The DRIC study is a bi-national effort to complete the environmental study processes for the United States, Michigan, Canada and Ontario governments related to a new border crossing. The DRIC study identifies solutions that support the regional, state, provincial and national economies while addressing the civil and national defense and homeland security needs of the busiest trade corridor in North America.

The DEIS examines the social, environmental and economic factors related to 10 alternatives (nine "build" alternatives and one "no-build" alternative) that would include a new border crossing (bridge) over the Detroit River, new customs and border protection facilities on both sides of the border, and direct connections to freeways in both the United States and Canada.

MDOT will respond to comments received on the DEIS in a Final Environmental Impact Statement to be released later this year.

For more information about the DEIS, visit the Partnership Web site at: www.partnershipborderstudy.com.

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