



CITRUS COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES • JANUARY 28, 2022

Community Elected Leadership Summit **Lecanto Government Building Room 166** **9:00 AM**
3600 W. Sovereign Path, Room 166, Lecanto, FL 34461

A. WELCOME

Chairman Ronald E. Kitchen, Jr. made opening comments.

B. INVOCATION

Crystal River City Mayor Joe Meek led the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Crystal River City Mayor Joe Meek led the Pledge of Allegiance.

D. OPENING COMMENTS AND HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS

Chairman Ronald E. Kitchen, Jr. explained the process and provided an announcement.

- 1. *There Will Be No "Open to the Public" During the Community Elected Leadership Summit***
- 2. *Citizens are Welcome to Speak during Future Meetings of the Respective Elected Bodies***

E. INTRODUCTIONS BY ELECTED OFFICIALS

The following individuals were present:

Citrus County Board of County Commission: Chairman Ronald E. Kitchen, Jr.; Second Vice Chair Holly Davis, Commissioner Jeff Kinnard, D.C.; Commissioner Scott Carnahan; County Administrator Randy Oliver; and Public Information Officer Veronica Kampschroer.

Citrus County Schools: Chairman Thomas Kennedy; Board Member Douglas Dodd; and Board Member Linda Powers.

City of Crystal River: Mayor Joe Meek; Councilwoman Cindi Guy; ; Councilman Robert Holmes; and Councilman Ken Brown.

City of Inverness: Mayor Bob Plaisted; Councilwoman Linda Bega; Councilman Gene Davis; Councilman Cabot McBride; and Councilman Dave Ryan.

F. PRESENTATION BY THE FLORIDA TURNPIKE AUTHORITY (FTA)/ FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (FDOT) ON OPTIONS AND ALTERNATIVES FOR THE NORTHERN CONNECTOR

The following individuals representing the Florida Department of Transportation Turnpike provided the Northern Connector Presentation and responded to questions from the elected officials: Jennifer Stults, Planning and Environmental Management Administrator; and William "Billy" Burke, PLA, Project Manager with HDR.

Clerk's Note: Meeting was recessed following item F at 9:41 A.M. and reconvened at 11:00 A.M.

G. DISCUSSION OF ITEMS OF INTEREST

H. GROUP PICTURE & WORKING LUNCH

I. CONTINUED DISCUSSIONS

J. CLOSING COMMENTS

City of Crystal River Mayor Joe Meek and Chairman Ronald E. Kitchen, Jr. provided the closing comments.

K. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 1:23 PM

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**Community Leadership Summit
Friday, January 28, 2022
Lecanto Government Building
#Room 166
Agenda**

- ❖ Welcome, Invocation, & Pledge

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Citizens are welcome to speak during the next scheduled BOCC meeting.*

- ❖ 9:00am: FDOT Turnpike Northern Connector Presentation
- ❖ Introductions by Elected Officials
- ❖ Discussion of Items of Interest
- ❖ 12:00pm: Working Lunch
 - *Group Photo will be taken at this time.*
- ❖ Continued Discussion
- ❖ Closing Comments
- ❖ Adjournment



6th Annual Community Leadership Summit
Lecanto Government Building, Room #166
Friday, January 29, 2021

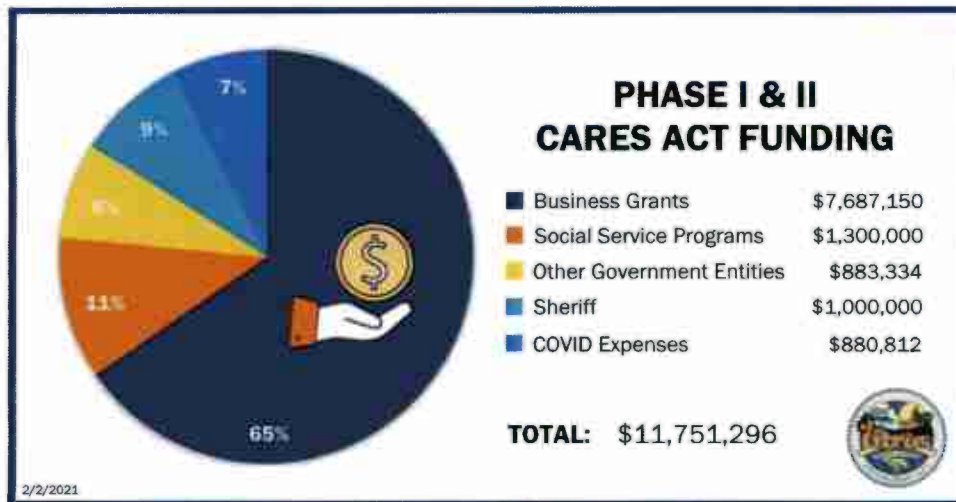
Meeting Notes:

Presentation by LifeStream

Topics of Conversation:



1. Cares discussion - Citrus County has spent 65.42% of Phase I & II allotment on grants to support local businesses and 11.06% for social service programs. An overview is below:



2. Reinvigorate quarterly meetings between the County & city governments.
3. Threat to local rule (SB522 and other issues that affect local decision-making power).
4. Coordinated approach between local governing bodies.
5. Continued TDC partnership, promotion of all County assets, and joint initiatives between entities.
6. Focus on economic development, job creation, and workforce housing.
7. Development of County strategic plan, brand development, and commitment to shared vision.
8. Protecting water resources and local supply (natural reservoirs and sustainable development).

Communication: Additional Information for item D (OPENING COMMENTS AND HOUSEKEEPING ITEMS)

9. Widening of Highway 41 and support for MFO transportation projects in all areas of the County.
10. Prioritize school safety and SRO program.
11. Advocate for incentive programs for residents to bring homes up to FEMA floodplain standards.
12. Continued support for septic to sewer programs.
13. Drive Kindergarten readiness in community using standards set by Florida Chamber's Prosperity Florida initiatives.
14. Development of community plan for Beverly Hills neighborhood.
15. Implement CPR/lifesaving initiative in Citrus County school system.
16. Protect minimum flow levels and explore water tax/metering as revenue source to be used for protecting future water resources.



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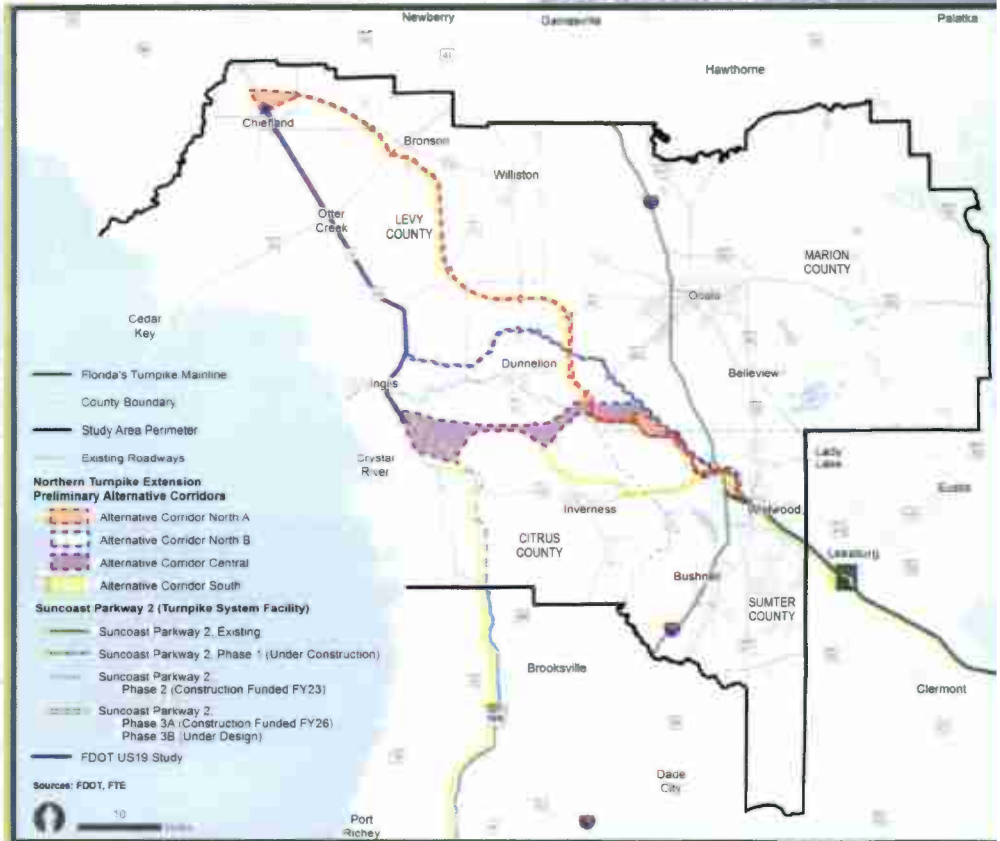


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Fast Facts

- ✓ The project is currently in the Planning phase and is following the Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) process.
- ✓ Held three hybrid virtual and in-person public meetings in December 2021 and welcomed over 1,300 attendees.
- ✓ The Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) process is evaluating four potential corridors with the goal of narrowing to one corridor.
- ✓ The PD&E Study will develop alternative alignments within the recommended corridor from the ACE.
- ✓ The PD&E study will also evaluate a No-Build option as well as potential Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSM&O) improvements.
- ✓ The PD&E Study will consider innovative concepts to combine Right-of-Way acquisition with the acquisition of environmental mitigation lands.



Economic Opportunities & Benefits

- ✓ Enhance regional connectivity
- ✓ Address regional congestion and safety
- ✓ Accommodate increased travel demand
- ✓ Improve hurricane evacuation

Project Description

The Northern Turnpike Extension project is a proposed extension of Florida's Turnpike from its northerly terminus in Wildwood to a logical and appropriate terminus as determined by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).

Project Status

This project is following the ACE process and the PD&E Study is anticipated to be complete in Spring 2023. The project is currently funded through the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study phase. It is not funded for the Design, Right of Way, or Construction phases. This project is being evaluated as a Turnpike System expansion project and is required to meet statutory tests of environmental and economic feasibility.

NORTHERN TURNPIKE EXTENSION

Citrus County BOCC Community Leadership Summit

Jennifer Stults, AICP, Florida's Turnpike
William Burke, PLA, Project Manager (HDR)
January 28, 2022



AGENDA

- ✓ Project Description
- ✓ Project Development Process
- ✓ Project Approach
- ✓ Project Goals
- ✓ Study Area
- ✓ Preliminary Alternative Corridors
- ✓ Project Schedule
- ✓ How to Comment and Contact Information

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ETDM Number: 14480

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

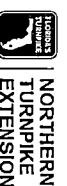
The Northern Turnpike Extension project is a proposed extension of Florida's Turnpike "from its northerly terminus in Wildwood to a logical and appropriate terminus as determined by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)" per Senate Bill (SB) 100 (2021), codified in section 339.66(6), Florida Statutes.

The Legislature finds that the extension of Florida's Turnpike is in the strategic interest of the state.



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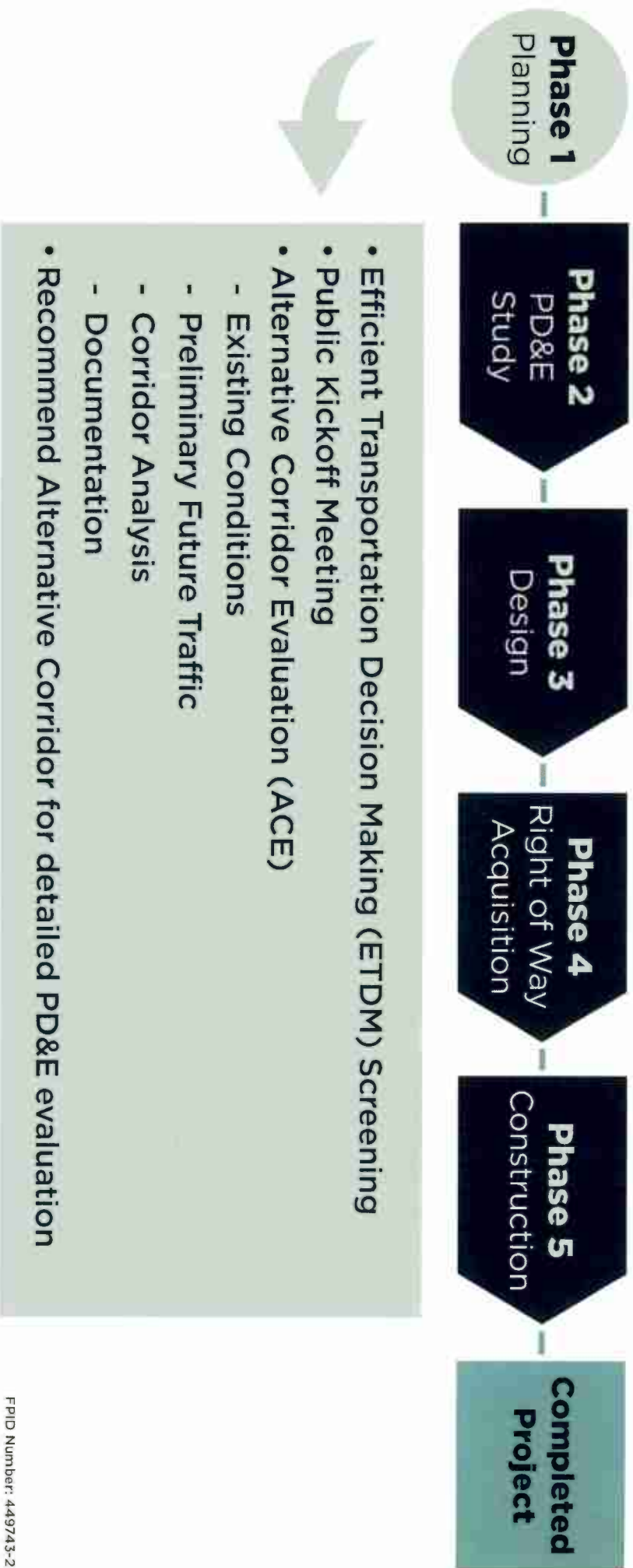
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PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

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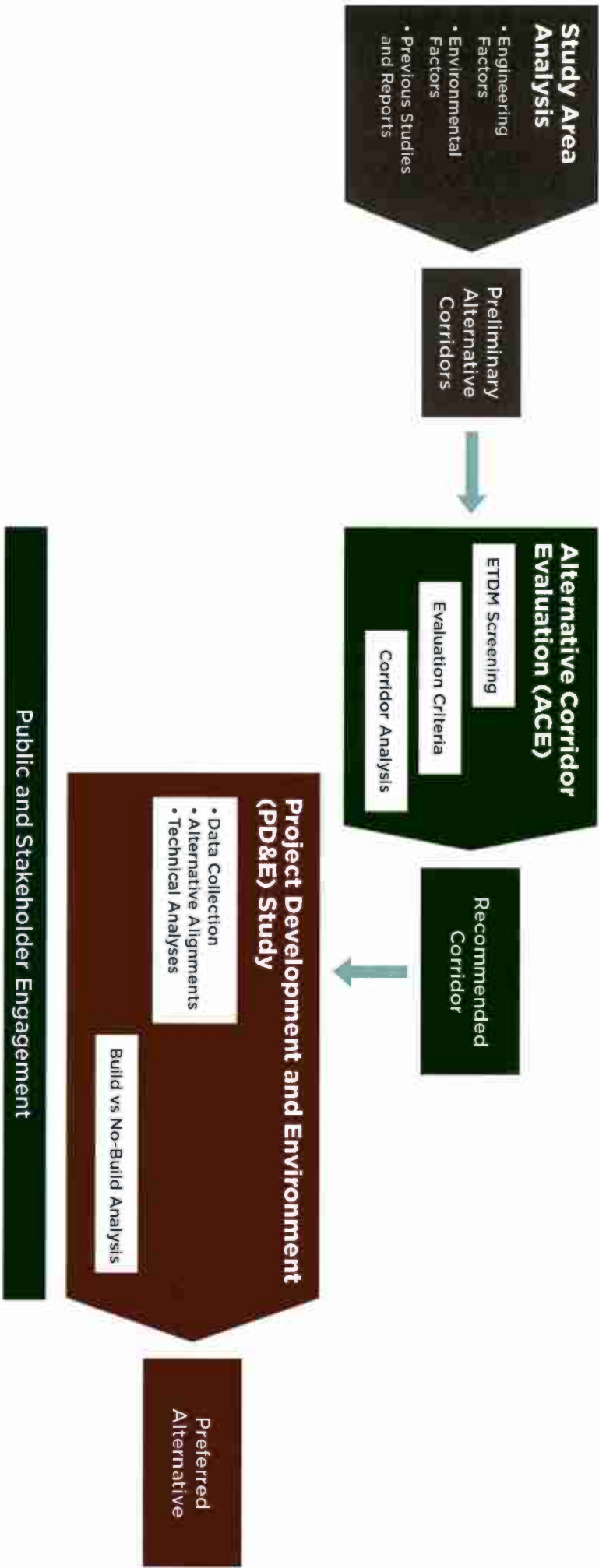
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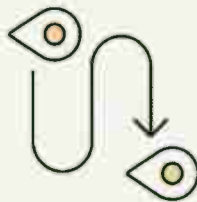


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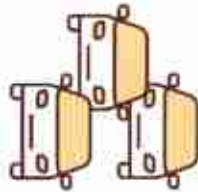
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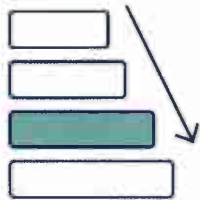
PROJECT GOALS



ENHANCE
REGIONAL
CONNECTIVITY



ADDRESS REGIONAL
CONGESTION
AND SAFETY



ACCOMMODATE
INCREASED TRAVEL
DEMAND



IMPROVE
HURRICANE
EVACUATION



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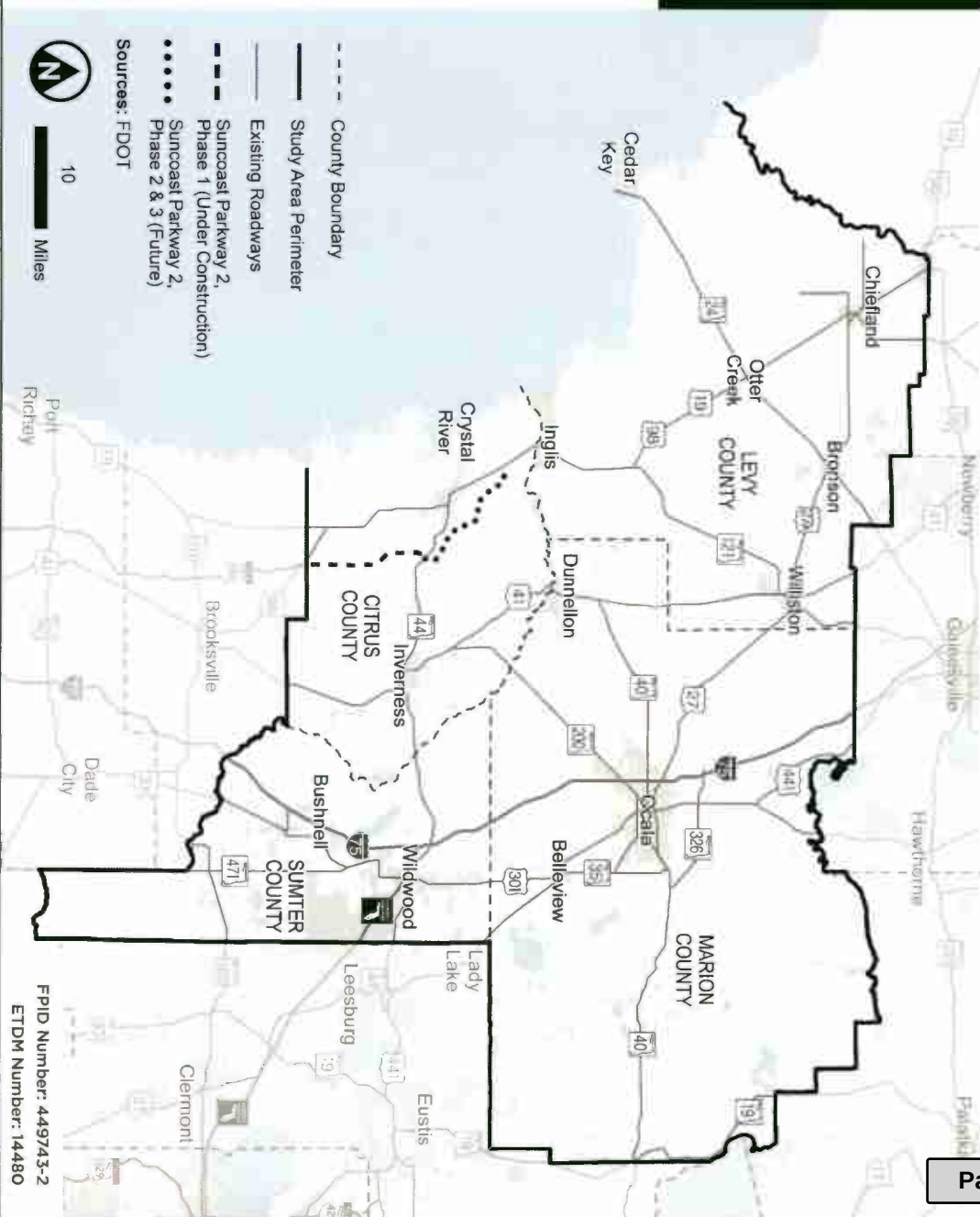
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STUDY AREA

The study area includes Citrus, Levy, Marion, and Sumter counties



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FUTURE LAND USE

Future Land Use Type

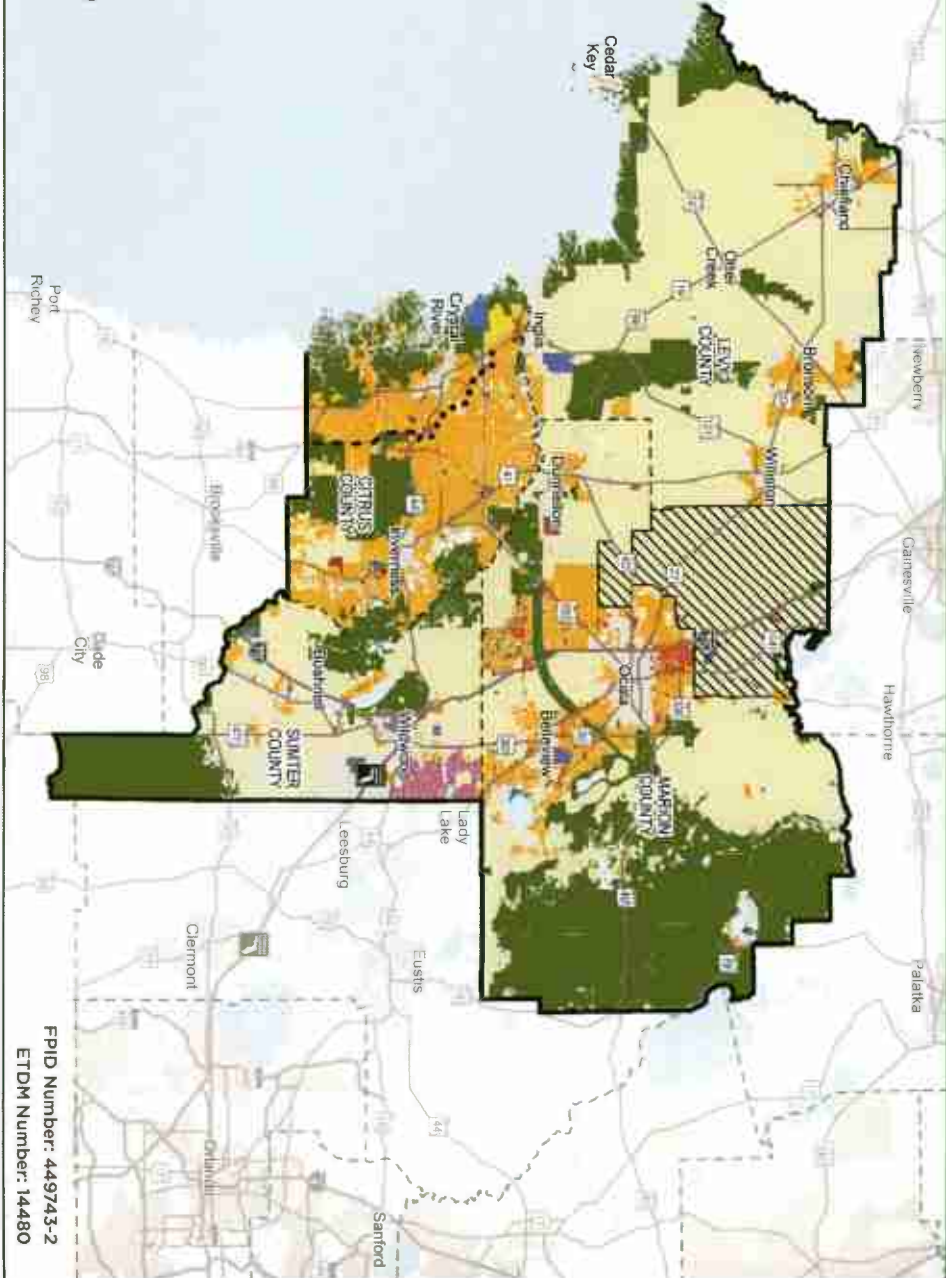


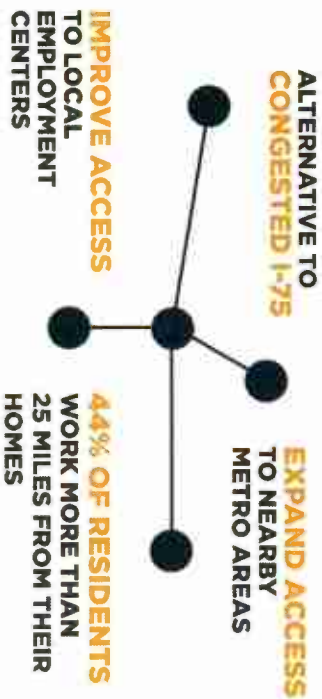
Comprehensive Plan Dates

County	Adoption/Amendment Year	Horizon Year
Citrus	2006	2030
Levy	2016	2026
Marion	2018	2045
Sumter	2016	2035

This generalized map includes comprehensive plan future land use category designations at the county level and does not include the category designations within the towns and cities.

Sources: FDOT, FGDL, Citrus County, Levy County, Marion County, Sumter County





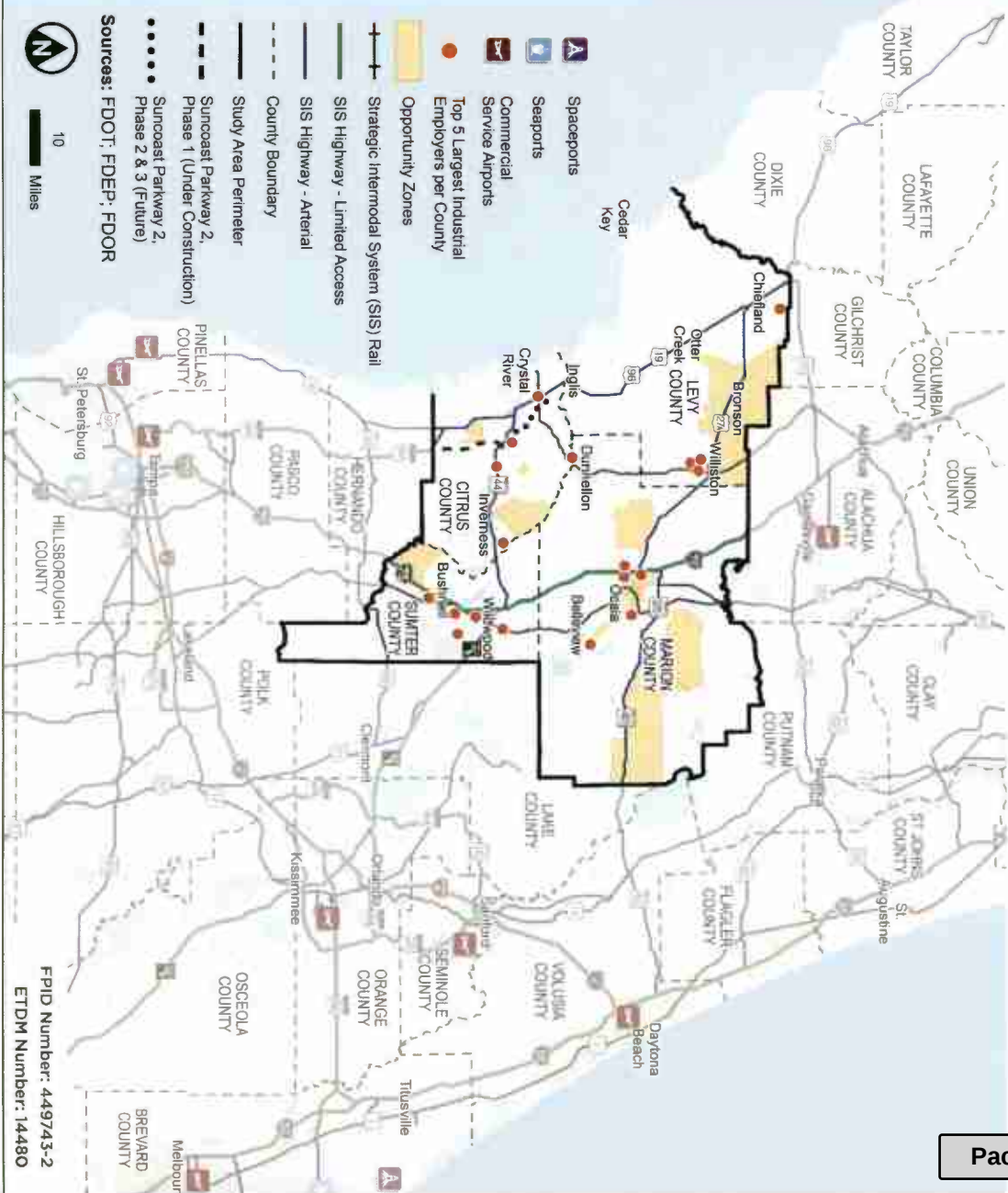
2045 STATEWIDE FREIGHT PROJECTIONS

INCREASE IN
IMPORT
34%
TONNAGE

INCREASE IN
EXPORT
81%
TONNAGE



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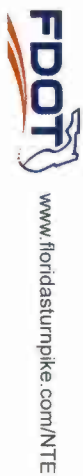
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51% TRAFFIC FROM 2019

43%
POPULATION
FROM 2019

54%
EMPLOYMENT
FROM 2019



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ADDRESS REGIONAL CONGESTION AND SAFETY



84,000+
CRASHES
IN 5 YEARS

737 FATAL
CRASHES

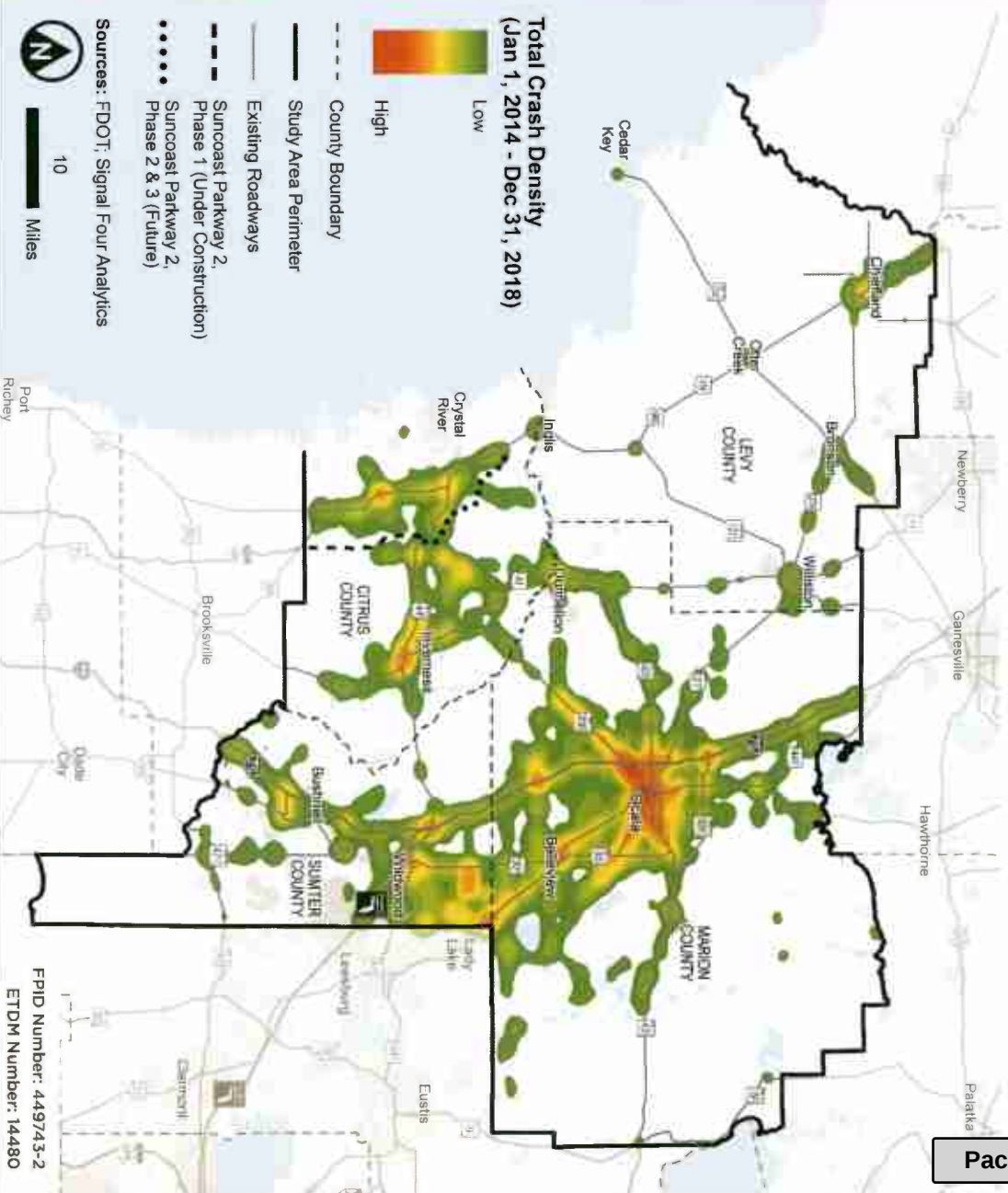
21,850 INJURY
CRASHES

ALL I-75
LANES CLOSED
1 out of 9
days

80%
of congestion is
non-recurring



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IMPROVE HURRICANE EVACUATION

Evacuating Population
356k+

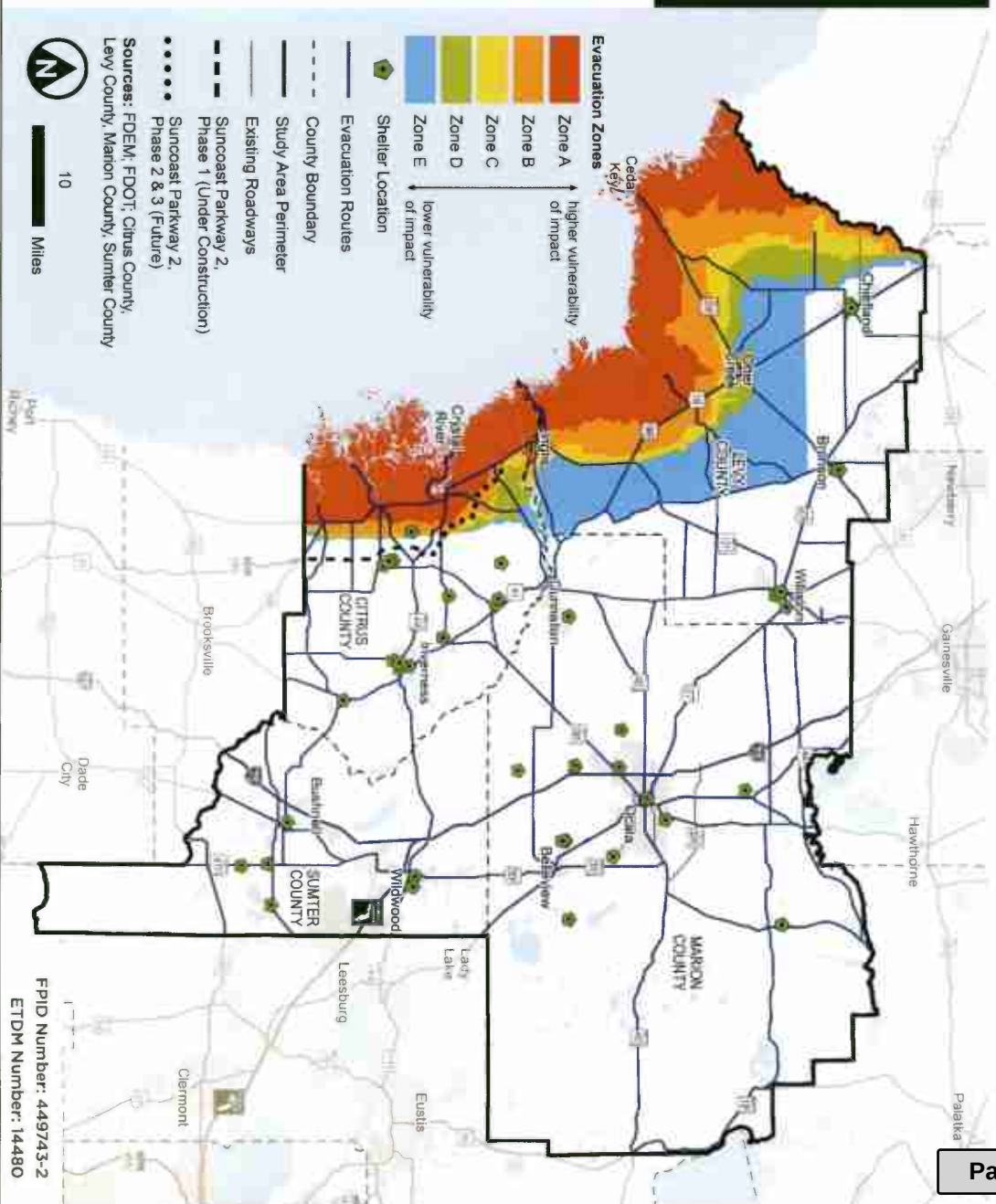
People
Need Shelter
51k+

Evacuating Vehicles
199k+

Clearance Time
24-56 hours

Demand
Exceeds Capacity on
Evacuation Routes

*Analysis based on
Category 5 storm



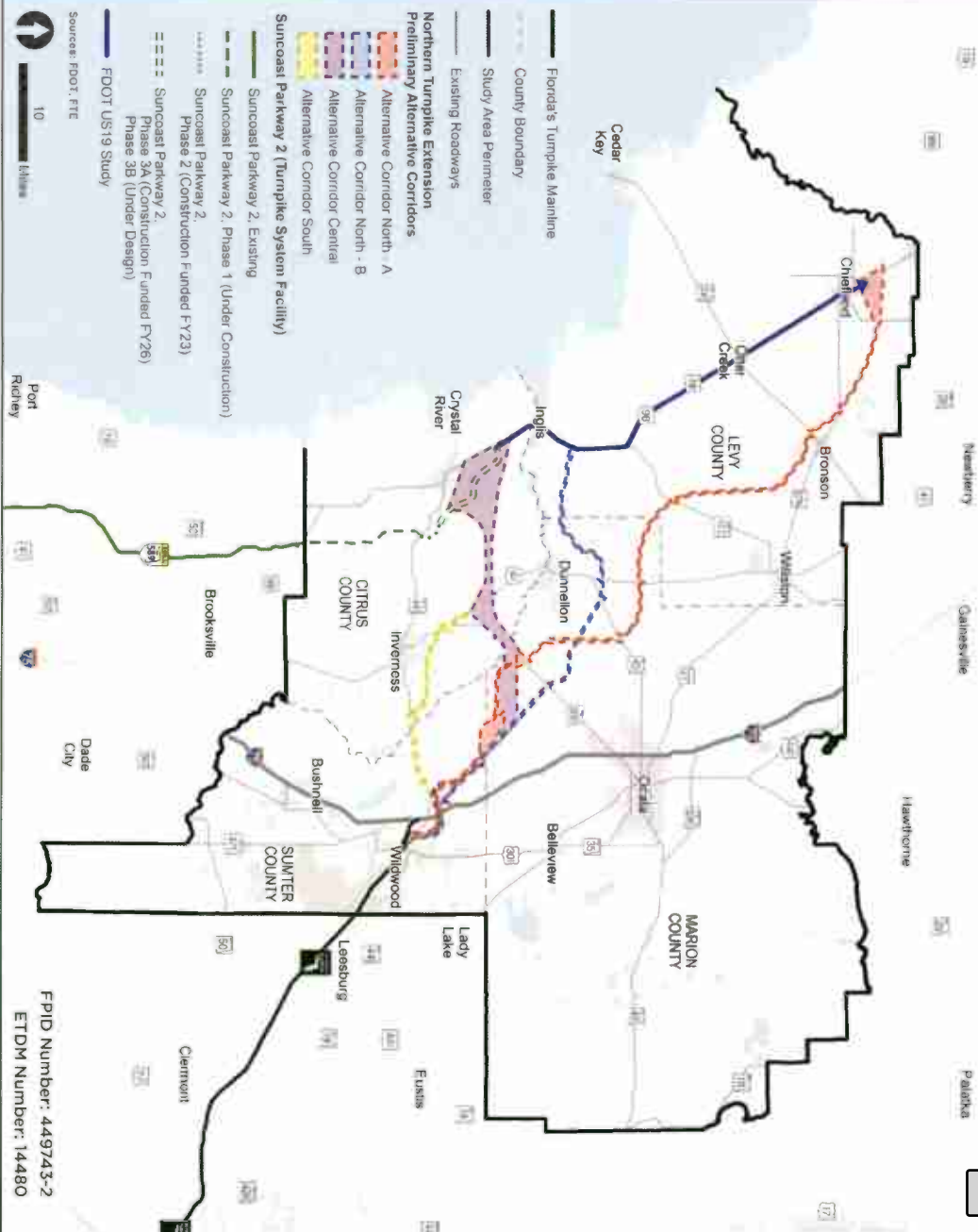
PRELIMINARY ALTERNATIVE CORRIDORS

Alternative Corridor North A

Alternative Corridor North B

Alternative Corridor Central

Alternative Corridor South



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PROJECT SCHEDULE

PROJECT ACTIVITY	2021			2022			2023	
	JUL-SEP	OCT-DEC	JAN-MAR	APR-JUN	JUL-SEP	OCT-DEC	JAN-MAR	
Start Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE)	●							
Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM) Screening		■						
Start Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study		●						
Public Kickoff Meeting		●						
Data Collection		■	■	■	WE ARE HERE			
Alternative Corridor Evaluation Report (ACER)			■					
Engineering and Environmental Analysis			■	■	■			
Public Information Meeting					●			
State Environmental Impact Report (SEIR)						■	■	
Public Hearing							●	
Report to Governor and Legislature							●	
PD&E Study Complete							●	
Continuous Public Involvement		■	■	■	■	■	■	

This schedule is preliminary and subject to change.

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CONTACT INFORMATION

For additional information, or to make comments, visit the project website at www.floridasturnpike.com/NTE

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Thank You



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CITRUS COUNTY CHRONICLE
Crystal River, Citrus County, Florida
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COUNTY OF CITRUS

Before the undersigned authority personally appeared

Tonya Knight and/or Jeanne Ethridge

Of the Citrus County Chronicle, a newspaper published daily at Crystal River, in Citrus County, Florida, that the attached copy of advertisement being a public notice in the matter of the Court

ROP Ad# : 50023323

Description: 6692-0121 FCRN Notice that the Citrus BOCC will conduct a Leadership Summit on January 28, 2022

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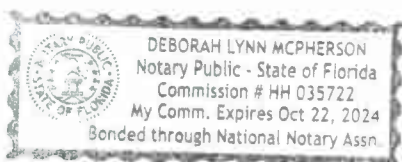
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Jeanne Ethridge
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me
This ^{21st} day of Jan 2022

By: Tonya Knight and/or Jeanne Ethridge

Who appeared by (☒) means of physical presence or ()
via online notarization.

Deborah Lynn McPherson
Notary Public



MISCELLANEOUS

**6692-0121 FCRN
PUBLIC NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Citrus County Board of County Commissioners will conduct a Leadership Summit that will include elected officials from the Board of County Commissioners, the Citrus County School Board, the cities of Inverness and Crystal River on **Friday, January 28, 2022**, at **9:00 A.M.** at Citrus County Lecanto Government Building, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Room 166, Lecanto, FL 34461. This meeting will be an annual summit to enhance coordination between elected bodies in Citrus County.

Any person requiring reasonable accommodation at this meeting because of a disability or physical impairment should contact the County Administrator's Office, 3600 W. Sovereign Path, Suite 267, Lecanto, FL 34461, (352) 527-5210, at least two days before the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, dial 7-1-1, 1-800-955-8771 (TTY) or 1-800-955-8770 (v), via Florida Relay Service.

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