



# *Florida's Future Corridors Action Plan*

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# *Presentation Outline*

- Draft Future Corridors Action Plan
- Initial partner feedback from Statewide Workshop, November 30-December 1 in Orlando
- Proposed strategy for advancing initial corridors and study areas
- Additional program implementation activities



# *Future Corridors Action Plan*

## **Action Plan**

1.0 Vision

2.0 Background

3.0 Policy Framework

4.0 Process Framework

5.0 Next Steps

### **Appendices**

- Glossary
- Maps of Study Areas and Re-Use Corridors

## **Implementation Guidance**

- The Case for Florida's Future Corridors: Trends, Conditions, and Forecasts
- Initial Inventory and Status of Statewide Study Areas and Corridors
- Guidance for Next Steps
  - Detailed description of future corridor planning process
  - Screening criteria
  - Role of regional visioning
  - Coordination with land use and other related decisions
  - Ongoing partner and public involvement
  - Roles and responsibilities: FDOT and partners



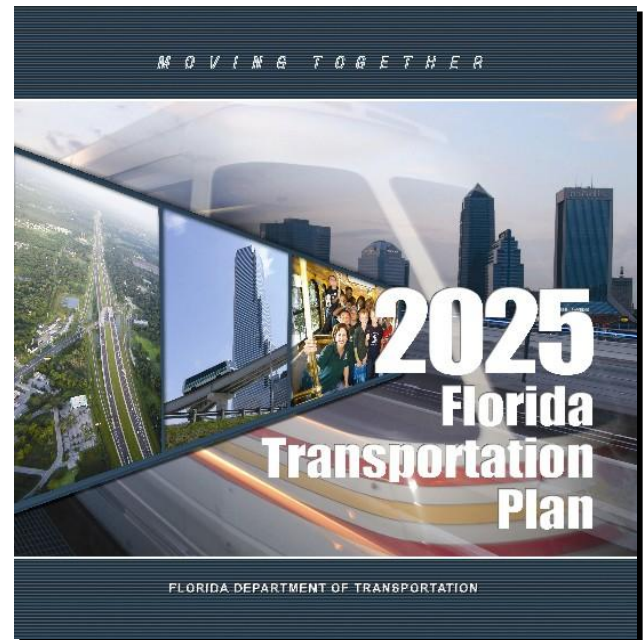
# *Vision for Florida's Future Statewide Corridors*

- Florida's Future Corridors Program will develop and maintain a statewide, integrated network of multi-modal, multi-use corridors that:
  - Address current and future statewide mobility and connectivity needs
  - Are connected to regional facilities that also serve local trips
  - Are developed in a manner that balances economic competitiveness and mobility needs with community livability and environmental stewardship
  - Are developed by a partnership of state agencies, commissions and other statewide partners
  - Are financed through user fees to the maximum extent possible



# Goals and Objectives

- Mobility/connectivity
- Economic competitiveness
- Community livability
- Environmental stewardship



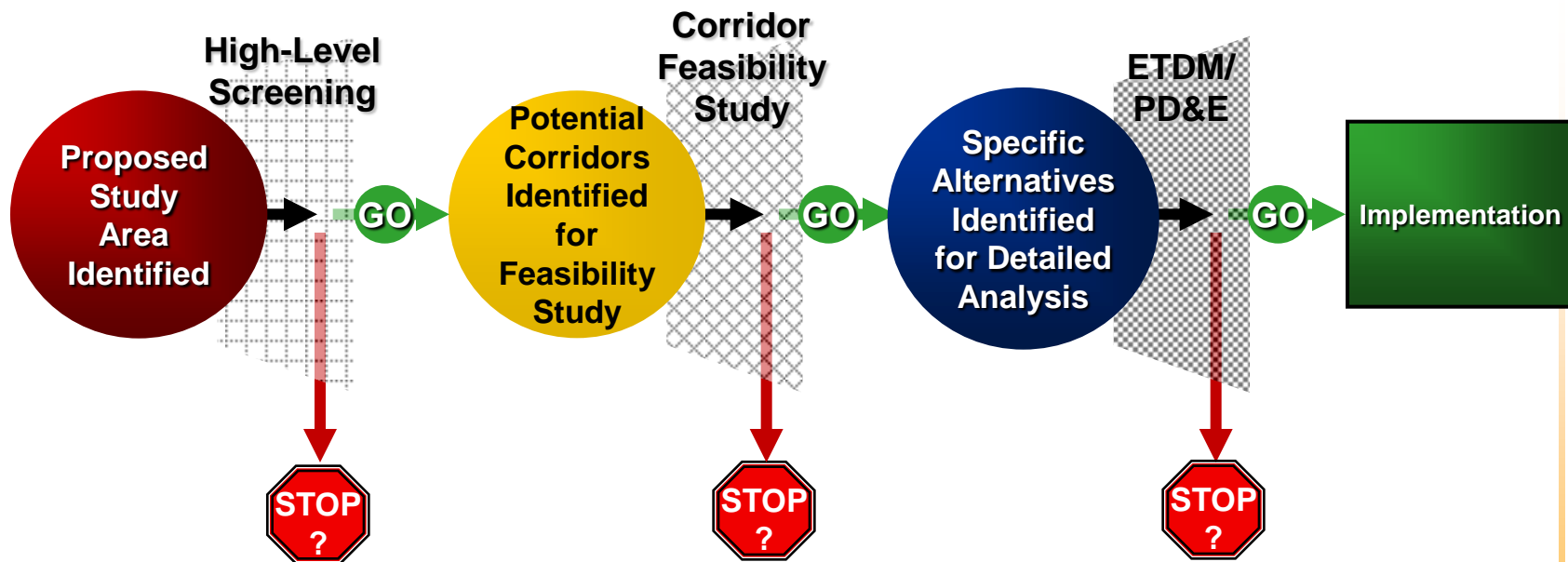


# Future Corridor Planning Process

Concept

Feasibility

ETDM/PD&E





# Screening Criteria for Statewide Corridors

## ■ Mobility/Connectivity

- System connectivity
  - Gaps in existing system
  - Intermodal connectivity
  - Connectivity to SIS
  - Connectivity to regional systems
- Congestion/delay/reliability
- Freight and visitor flows
- Emergency evacuation and response
- Military needs
- Safety

## ■ Economic Competitiveness

- Access to statewide industry clusters
- Access to fast-growing areas
- Access to economically distressed areas
- Economic development benefits
- Economic disruptions

## ■ Community Livability

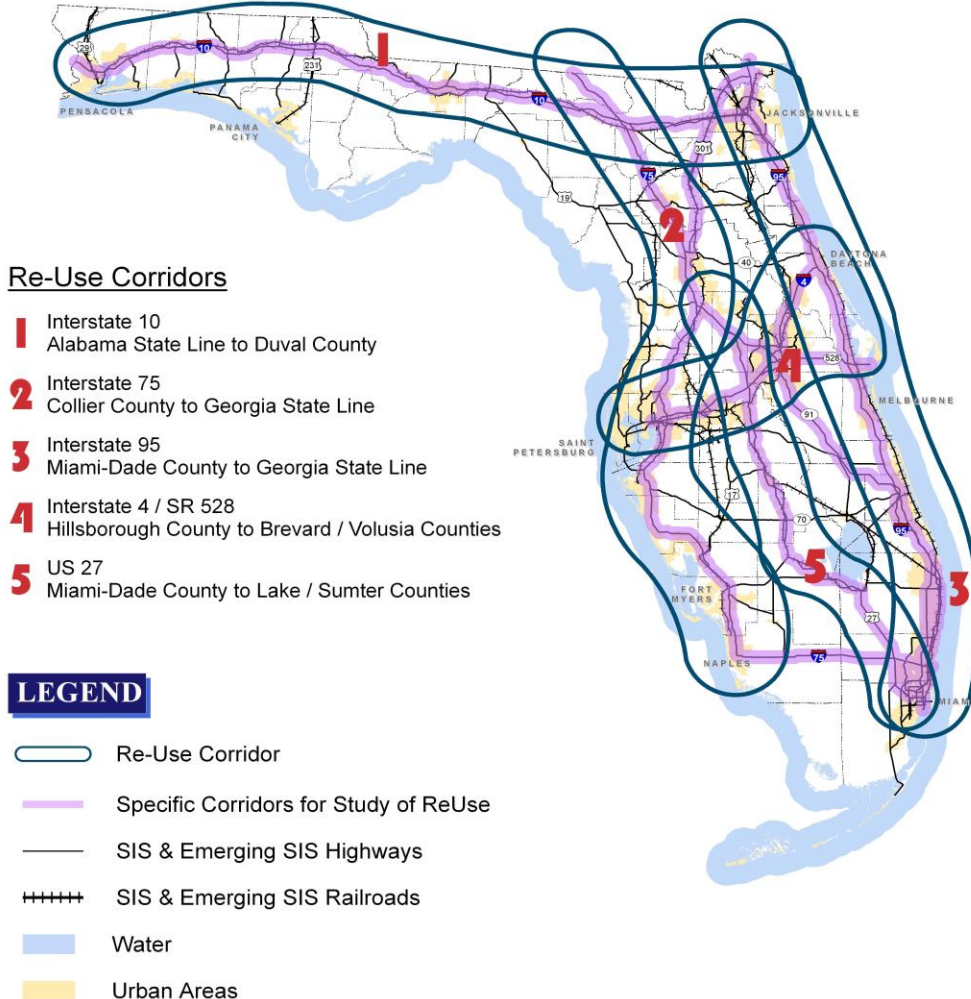
- Land use and development
- Comprehensive planning and visioning
- Multi-use facilities
- Historic and archaeological resources
- Noise and aesthetics
- Degree of community support

## ■ Environmental Stewardship

- Conservation lands
- Surface waters
- Wetlands
- Coastal and marine
- Threatened/endangered habitat
- Air quality
- Energy consumption



# Re-use/Re-design of Existing Statewide Corridors







# Initial Study Areas for Potential New Statewide Corridors



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# Partner Feedback

- Consensus around need for future corridors and benefits of a consistent planning approach
- Strong consensus around the need to integrate corridor planning with planning for land use, economic development, conservation, and related activities
  - Corridors should be consistent with regional visions
  - How can mobility need serve as a catalyst for regional collaboration where visions do not exist?
- Implementation challenges related to intergovernmental coordination
  - Differences in planning horizons
  - Differences in institutional boundaries, structures



# *Partner Feedback*

- Request for additional detail on criteria, methodologies
- Request for additional detail on financial policies and criteria
- Concern over pace of program and proposed planning process
- Concern over what plan “adoption” means
  - Are the 9 study areas being formally designated?



# *Proposed Strategy for Advancing Initial Corridors and Study Areas*

- Identify four types of corridors based on policy objectives
  - Re-use of existing corridor
  - New corridors
    - Interregional connectivity
    - Interstate connectivity
    - Economically distressed/developing areas
- Identify potential prototype that is ready to advance among each of the 4 types of corridors



# 4 Types of Corridors : *Re-Use of Existing Corridor*

- Key policy objectives
  - Congestion relief
  - Freight mobility
  - Modal alternatives
- Key issues
  - Feasibility of managed lanes on existing highway corridors
  - Feasibility of additional modal options, e.g., passenger or freight rail
  - Optimization of travel across key modes and facilities
  - Support for revitalization of existing urban areas
  - Leveraging funding sources (tolls and traditional revenue sources)
  - Pricing strategies



# 4 Types of Corridors: *Interregional Connectivity Corridor*

- Key policy objectives
  - Improving connectivity for people and freight between established/growing economic regions
  - Supporting sustainable development choices in areas between these established regions
- Key issues
  - Congestion and delay on existing corridors
  - Long-distance mobility needs, especially freight
  - Integration with regional growth visions in emerging or rural areas
  - Identification of segments that are ready to move forward
  - Partnerships with MPOs and regional authorities on urban segments



# 4 Types of Corridors: *Interstate Connectivity Corridor*

- Key policy objectives
  - Improving connectivity between Florida and neighboring states
- Key issues
  - Unique needs of freight, visitors, military, emergency evacuation/response
  - Integration with regional growth visions
  - Funding partnerships with other states and federal programs



# 4 Types of Corridors: *Economically Distressed/Developing Area*

- Key policy objectives
  - Providing transportation system that supports region's choices about future growth and development
- Key issues
  - Planning in the context of a 50-year vision for land use, conservation, economic development and transportation
  - Determining how to set aside right of way for corridors that may not be built for many years
  - Identifying segments that are ready to move forward
  - Financing segments that meet statewide or regional policy objectives but are not feasible today





# *Next Steps: Policy Development*

- Continue ongoing coordination among state agencies and commissions
- Work with partners on 50-year population and development scenarios
- Clarify role of regional visioning
- Refine screening criteria and implementation guidance as needed
- Develop financial criteria and policies
- Continue ongoing partner and public involvement



# Next Steps: *Potential Activities for 2007*

- Emphasize re-use corridors
- Advance initial set of future corridor study areas
  - Interregional connectivity
  - Interstate connectivity
  - Economically distressed/developing areas
- Move forward with PD&E on segments of study areas that are ready



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