

# Rail Traffic Evaluation

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Public Workshop

July 10, 2008

*FDOT District 1*

# Agenda

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- Meeting Purpose and Format
- Scope of Work
- Public / Stakeholder Outreach
- Schedule
- Contacts

# Meeting Purpose

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- Establish Dialog with Stakeholders
- Provide Overview of the Scope of Study
- Obtain Input to Scope of Study
- Identify Concerns and Ideas

# Meeting Format

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- Introductory Presentation
- Three (3) Breakout Areas
  1. Identify Impacts / Develop Mitigation
  2. Evaluate Freight Routing
  3. Passenger Rail Feasibility Assessment

# Scope of Study

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# Scope of Work

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- Four Work Elements
  1. Identify Impacts / Develop Mitigation
  2. Evaluate Freight Routing
  3. Passenger Rail Feasibility Assessment
  4. Public/Stakeholder Outreach

# Identify Impacts / Develop Mitigation



- Existing Conditions
- Future Conditions (2030) Analysis
  - Without Increased Freight
  - With Increased Freight
- Identify Potential Mitigation Strategies
  - Safety Improvements
  - Traffic Improvements
  - Multimodal Improvements

# Freight Corridors

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- Opportunities and Constraints
  - Underutilized / Abandoned Rail ROW's
  - Utility Corridors
  - Transportation Corridors
- Land Use Considerations
- Traffic Considerations

# Passenger Rail Service

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- Identify Passenger Rail Needs within Polk County
- Opportunities and Constraints
  - Orlando Metropolitan Area Plans
  - TBARTA Planning
  - Regional Plans (Intercity, HSR)
- Macro Level Analysis
  - Demand Forecasting (Ridership Analysis)
  - Operations Planning
  - Costing
  - Socioeconomic / Environmental Considerations

# Stakeholder Outreach

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## □ Key Components

- Understand, Address and Respond to Public Concerns
- Integrate Outreach with Technical Work
- Outreach to Support Decision Making
- Use Outreach to Help Shape Recommendations

# Stakeholder Outreach

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- Techniques
  - Meetings
    - Formal and Informal
  - Direct Communications
    - Web page / “e – news”
    - Fact Sheets / Newsletters
  - Commitment to Follow Up



# Project Schedule

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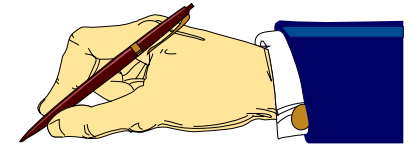


- Summer / Fall 2008
  - Data Collection
  - Preliminary Analysis
- Winter 2008/2009
  - Technical Findings
  - Preliminary Recommendations
- Spring 2009
  - Final Recommendations
  - Implementation Plan

# Get Involved



- We Want to Hear from You
  - Attending Meetings
  - Talk with the Study Team
  - Voice Concerns
  - Identify Opportunities



# Contact The Team

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- Please Participate in the Breakout / Discussion Areas
  - We Look Forward to an Open Dialog
  - Thank You for Attending



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