



Suncoast Connector Task Force Meeting #2

Task Force Members Comments Summary



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- **Alleviate** congestion
- **Support** multiple modes of transportation (shared-use trails, freight and passenger rail, public transit)



- **Connect** rural communities
- **Expand** broadband service



- **Create** jobs
- **Advance** trade and logistics



- **Improve** energy distribution
- **Build** water, sewer and other infrastructure



- **Conserve** wildlife
- **Protect** environmentally sensitive areas



- **Provide** hurricane evacuation routes
- **Enhance** public safety



Alleviate & Support

Capacity

- Existing roads
- Travel demands
- Inflow/Outflow of traffic
- Congestion

Multi-Modal System

- Public transit options
 - Commuter rail systems
 - Bus networks
- Shared-use paths
- Trail network
- Freight trade & logistics
 - Freight rail system
 - Truck only lanes
 - Ports

Accessibility

- Roadway transportation classification analysis
- Access management techniques
- Balance state & individual needs
- Affordability
- Efficiency
- Quality of travel
- Travel options



Connect & Expand

Interchanges

- Best practices & policies
- By-passes
- Existing infrastructure
 - Feeder roads
 - Businesses
 - Shared use paths/trails
- Innovative designs
- Exits

Broadband

- Availability
- Expanding service options
- Tie-in with the corridor

Destinations

- Education
- Businesses
- Jobs
- Communities
- Essential services
- Land resources
- Major markets
 - Local & regional



**Create
&
Advance**

Economy

- Economic Development
 - Zoning
 - Diversify economics
 - Job creation
 - Preserve current economic activity
- Development as a region
- Planned development
- Future of our children
- Impacts to adjacent counties
- Connectivity
- Proactive approach

Right of Way

- Land acquisition
 - Joint agreements
 - Conservation lands
 - Environmental lands
 - Florida Forever lands
- Co-location of utilities
 - Water
 - Sewer
 - Transmissions
 - Gas
 - Broadband

Innovation

- Interchange management
- Multi modal transportation network



**Create
&
Advance**

Workforce Development

- Manufacturing jobs
- Toll jobs
- Industrial
- Construction
- Emerging markets
- Connecting with local communities – inland ports, rail spurs
- Partnering with schools & vocational rehabilitation

Improving Quality of Life

- Protecting current history
- Revitalize rural communities
- Accessibility
- Public safety

Emerging Technology

- Charging stations
- Smart roads
 - Amber alerts
- High tech communication abilities to prepare for future technology & transportation
 - Autonomous vehicles
 - Connected vehicles
 - Electric vehicles



**Improve
&
Build**

Cost

- Suncoast Parkway
- Driver projections
- Toll revenue
- Construction
- Long term maintenance
- Long Range Transportation Plan

Traffic

- Truck traffic volume (toll vs. free)
- Commuter traffic
- First responders
- Evacuation routes
- Bottlenecks
- Emergency Management

Infrastructure

- Water and sewer
- Utilities
- Pipelines
- Transmission lines
- Maintenance
- Existing roads
- Connectivity options
- Accommodate current & future growth
- Access Management
- Regional evacuation



**Conserve
&
Protect**

Land

- Public
- Private
- Commercial
- Agricultural
- Forestry
- Existing resources
- Land use
 - Policy recommendations
 - Best practices
- Sensitive lands
- Conservation
 - Easements
- Preservation
 - Protected resource values
 - Protecting natural resources
 - Protecting farmland areas
- History
- Eco-tourism
- Community & culture



**Conserve
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Protect**

Water

- Resources
- Freshwater flows
- Smaller streams that depend on water quality & flow from upland areas
- Hydrology
- Restoring flows
- Sea-level rise
- Flooding & storm surge areas
- Ecological future
- Aquifer recharge

Wildlife

- Re-establish wildlife corridors
- Florida wildlife map
- Protection
- Elevating roadways
- Greenways
- Crossings



**Provide
&
Enhance**

Hurricane Evacuation

- Shelters available
- Flood areas
- Storm surge areas
- Statewide/Regional evacuation plan
 - Routes
 - Roads used
- Evacuation behavior
 - People within the counties who evacuated & did not evacuate
 - People who go to a shelter vs. evacuating
- Availability of resources before & after
- Equity

Public Safety

- First Responders
- Hospitals & healthcare facilities
- Tele-health
- Emergency care
- Crashes
- Services available

Suncoast Parkway 2

Phase 1:

- From US 98 to SR 44
- Currently Under Construction
- Estimated Completion 2022

Phase 2:

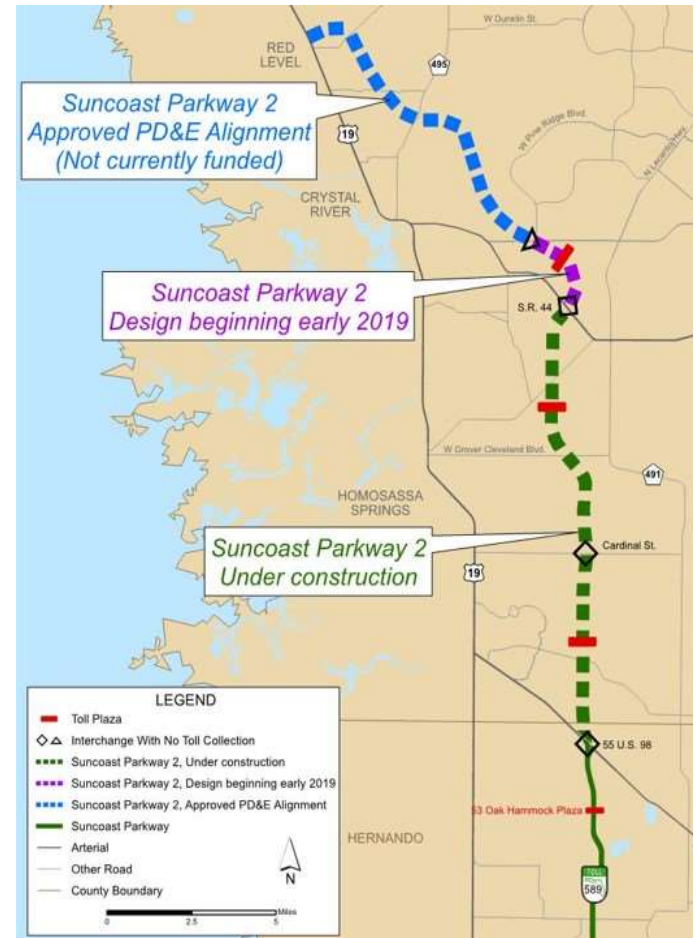
- From SR 44 to CR 486
- Re-evaluation & Design Underway
- Project Letting Scheduled September 2022

Phase 3:

- From CR 486 to US 19
- PD&E Complete & Alignment Optimization Update
- No Letting Date Currently Planned

US 19 (SR 55)

- Corridor Study and Action Plan (1988 - 1998)



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