

# Introducing M-CORES

The Multi-Use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance

## PLANNING AHEAD TO GROW FORWARD

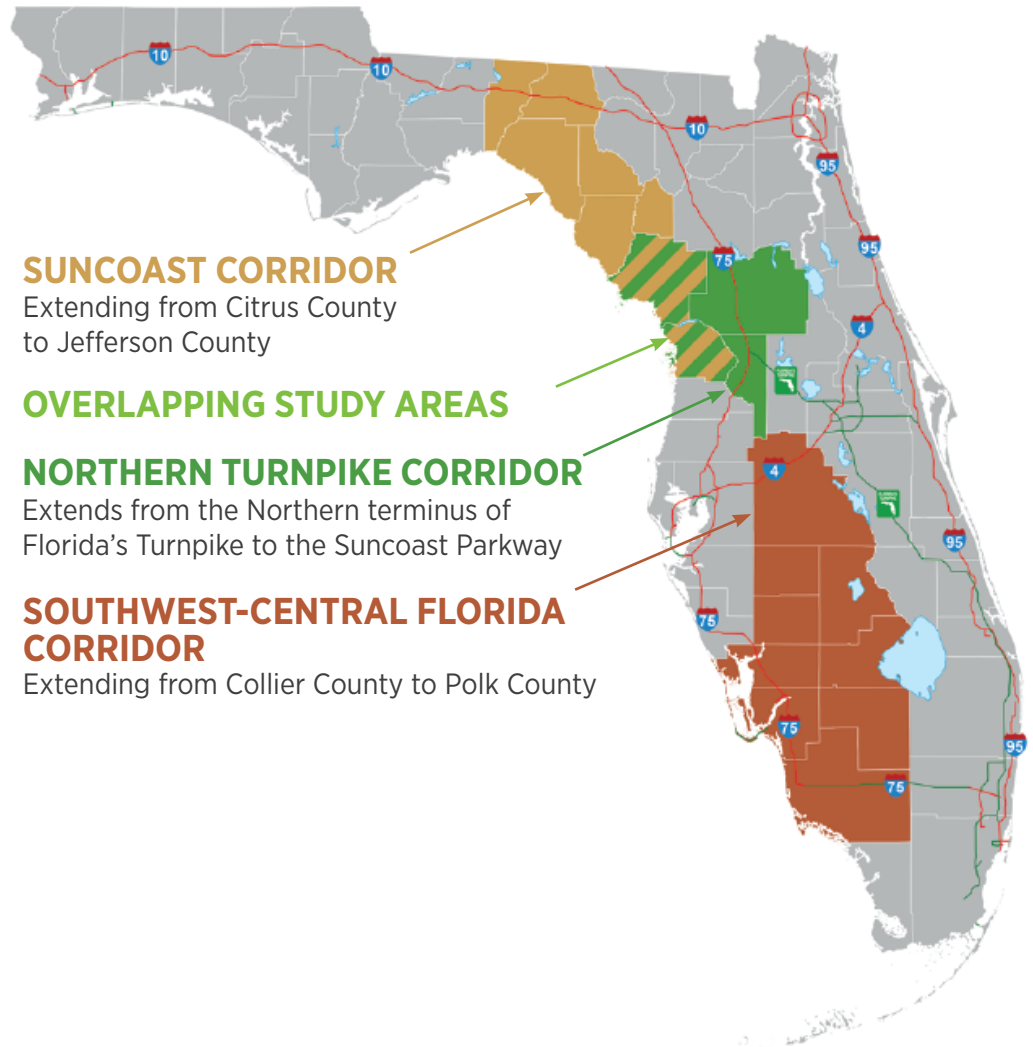
The Multi-Use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance (M-CORES) proposed projects are intended to revitalize rural communities, encourage job creation and provide regional connectivity while leveraging technology, enhancing the quality of life and public safety, and protecting the environment and natural resources. The program became law in 2019, and the legislation provides for the following under the oversight of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT):

- Definition of the three (3) study areas.
- Establish diverse Task Forces to include subject matter experts that embody all aspects of each study area.
- Facilitate the conversation and provide many opportunities for public engagement and input for items that are important to communities and the state.

## LOCAL TASK FORCE INVOLVEMENT

Task Forces consisting of subject matter experts appointed for each of the three (3) study areas will hold several meetings in each local jurisdiction within the proposed study areas, seeking public input and participation. Members of these Task Forces include environmental specialists, experts in logistics planning, educators, local leaders and more.

Each of the three Task Forces will issue evaluations in a final report that must be submitted to the Governor, the President of the Senate, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives by October 1, 2020.



### SUNCOAST CORRIDOR

Extending from Citrus County to Jefferson County

### OVERLAPPING STUDY AREAS

### NORTHERN TURNPIKE CORRIDOR

Extends from the Northern terminus of Florida's Turnpike to the Suncoast Parkway

### SOUTHWEST-CENTRAL FLORIDA CORRIDOR

Extending from Collier County to Polk County

## PROGRAM GOALS



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



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



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



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

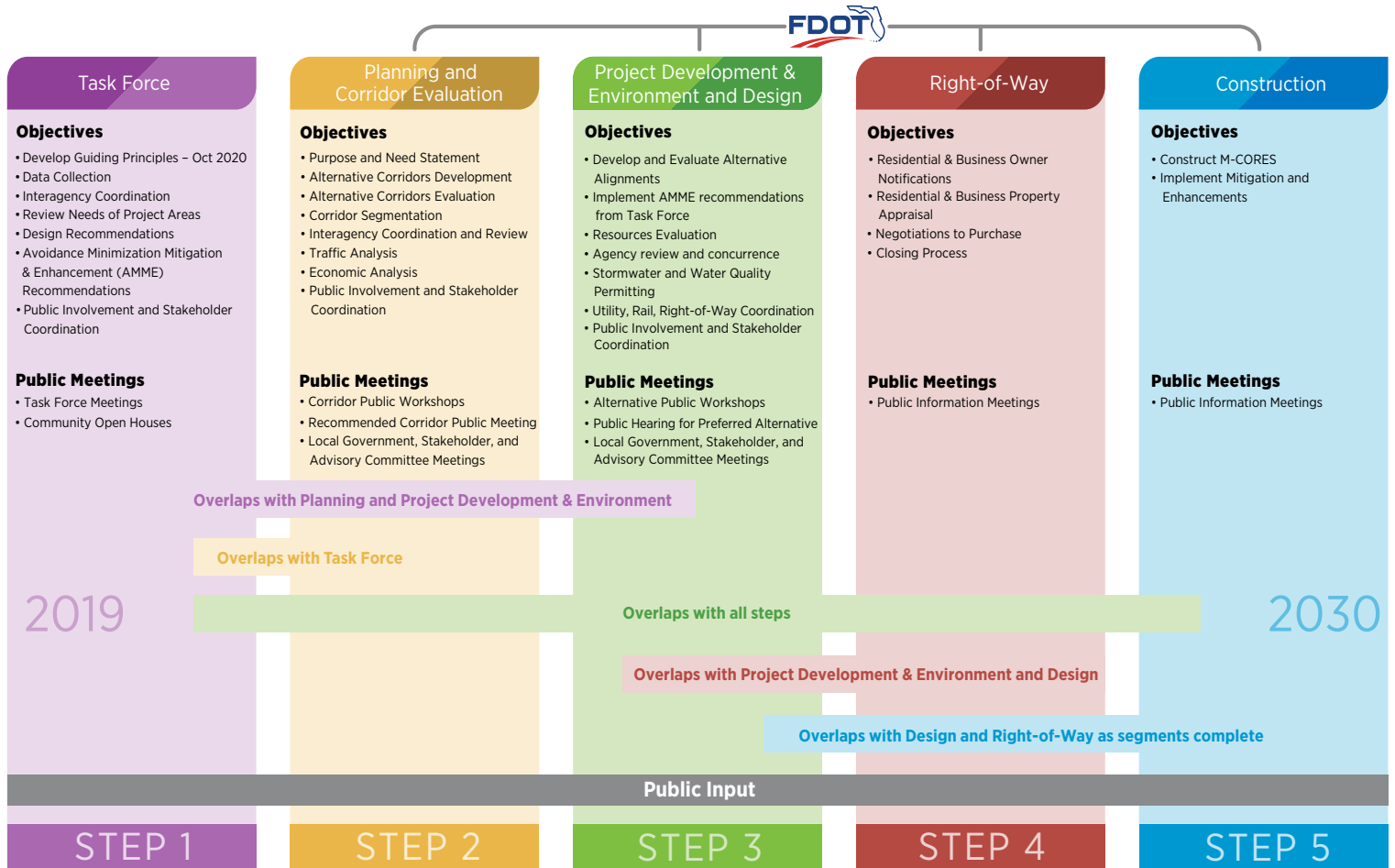


- **Create** jobs
- **Advance** trade and logistics



- **Provide** hurricane evacuation routes

# PROGRAM SCHEDULE



## CONTACT US

Public participation is vital to the M-CORES process, and there are many ways to share your comments or ideas. FDOT encourages public participation.

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