

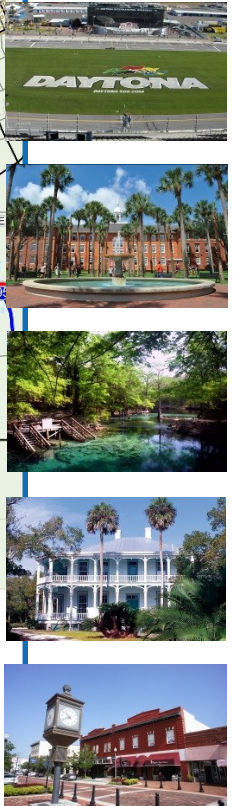
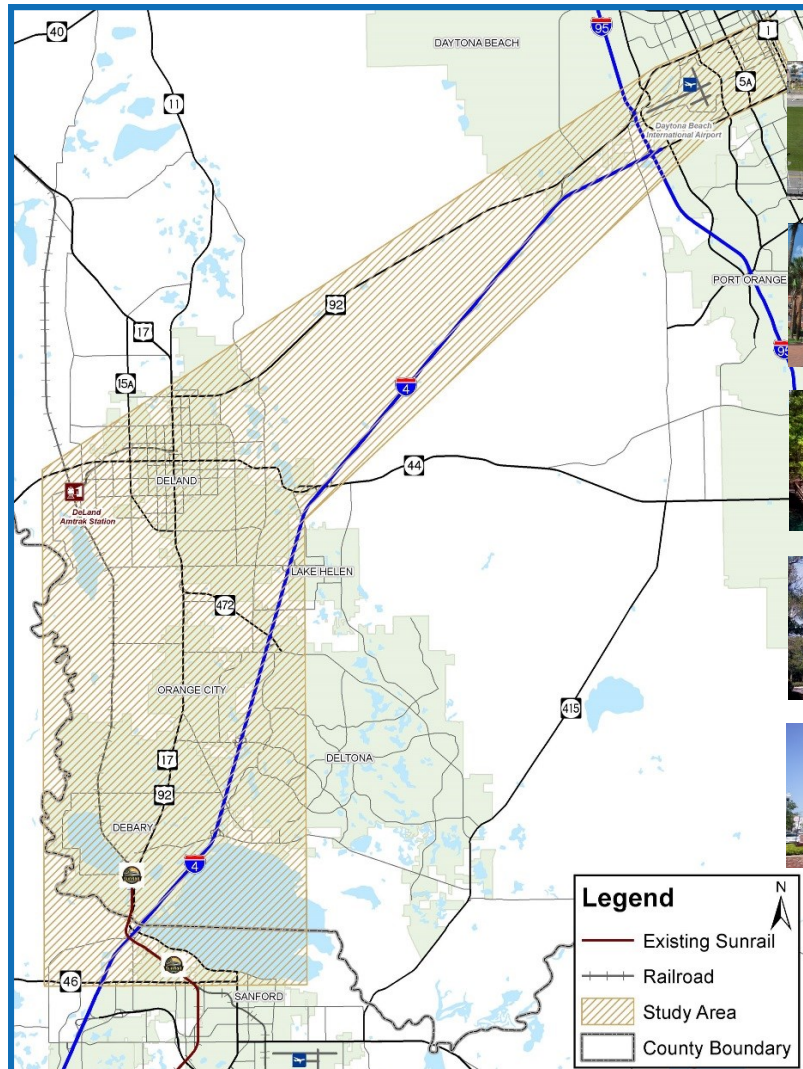
Project Description

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is conducting a corridor study to evaluate options to provide enhanced transit service that best meets current and future transportation needs to improve mobility within Volusia and northern Seminole Counties.

The Study Area extends from State Road (S.R.) 46 in Seminole County to U.S. 1 in Volusia County. This Study began in the summer 2014 and is expected to be completed in the winter of 2015.

The Study will:

- Evaluate options for providing enhanced transit service
- Work to achieve community consensus and support for the Recommended Alternative that can be jointly adopted by FDOT, the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization, MetroPlan Orlando, and local government agencies
- Evaluate opportunities for connectivity with SunRail and other existing or proposed regional transportation projects
- Evaluate the feasibility and cost-effectiveness of the Recommended Alternative and its potential to compete nationally for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding



Study Purpose

Central Florida continues to experience substantial growth in residential development, seasonal and tourist populations, as well as growth in employment. As a result, there is increased congestion and greater challenges to achieve and maintain mobility on major arterial roadways within the region. Current public transportation services are not adequate to meet the growing mobility needs of the corridor's workforce, visitors and transit-dependent populations. Thus, it becomes increasingly important to identify opportunities, or alternatives, to provide enhanced transportation service, improve connectivity, and provide mobility and travel choices. Improved transportation connectivity and travel choices will assist to stimulate economic development while minimizing impacts to the area's natural, social, and physical environments.

Development of Alternatives

The Study will evaluate options to provide enhanced transit service within the study corridor. As alternatives are developed, the following transit options will be considered:

- Enhanced Bus (e.g. LYNX FastLink)
- Bus Rapid Transit and Express Bus (e.g. LYMMO)
- Light Rail Transit/Streetcar (e.g. Charlotte LYNX Blue Line)
- Commuter Rail (e.g. SunRail)



Alternatives will be evaluated based on cost/cost-effectiveness, ridership potential, mobility/connectivity, community support, and potential social, natural, and physical impacts.

How You Can Get Involved and Stay Informed

Opportunities for public involvement will be available through the Study’s website, grassroots outreach events, public meetings, and workshops/open houses. Due to the unique geographic characteristics of the Study Area, these public meetings and events will be held in both the west and east side of Volusia County to maximize opportunities for public input. As information becomes available, it will be posted on the project’s website, and notices will be sent to local officials, agencies, businesses, interested persons on the study mailing list, and local newspapers with the widest circulation.

We urge anyone interested in this Study to actively participate in the process by attending these public outreach events, regularly visiting the Study’s website, or contacting the Project Managers as listed to the right:

Upcoming Public Outreach Events

Date & Time	Event & Location (Event Information Identical)
Friday December 5, 2014 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM	Orange City Farmers Market Dickinson Park Corner of US 17/92 and East Graves Avenue Orange City, FL
Saturday December 6, 2014 8:00 AM to 11:00 AM	DeBary Farmers Market Gateway Park 860 North US Highway 17/92 DeBary, FL
Sunday December 7, 2014 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM	Daytona Beach Flea & Farmers Market Booth # C253C 1425 Tomoka Farms Road Daytona Beach, FL
Wednesday December 10, 2014 7:00 AM to 10:00 AM	Volusia Farm Bureau Farmers Market Volusia County Fairgrounds 3050 East New York Avenue (Highway 44) DeLand, FL

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