

TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

MEMORANDUM

To: Council Members

AGENDA ITEM 4C

From: Staff

Date: July 20, 2007 Council Meeting

Subject: Intergovernmental Coordination and Review Log

The attached Intergovernmental Coordination and Review (ICR) Log presents 9 applications for federal funding of projects or programs. The Review Log contains the applicant's name, project location, project description, federal funding source, and the amount of funds requested, as well as designation of Notification of Intent if it is a preliminary application. Staff recommendations are provided on the consistency of funding applications with the *Strategic Regional Policy Plan*.

TCRPC Number	Project Description	Applicant	Funding Agency	Federal Funding Requested	Total Funding
07-MC-06-01	Advance Notification – Project Development and Environmental Study SR 710	Florida Department of Transportation	U.S. Department of Transportation	\$128,000,000	\$160,000,000
07-PB-06-02	Palm Beach County Sherriff's Office – Solving Cold Case Files with DNA 2007	Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office	National Institute of Justice – Office of Justice Programs	\$176,235	\$176,235
07-PB-06-03	Assistance for Housing Opportunities to Promote Employment (A-HOPE) Program	Farm Worker Coordinating Council of Palm Beach County, Inc.	U.S. Department of Labor	\$401,888	\$401,888
07-SL-06-04	Big Brothers Big Sisters – Mentoring Program	Big Brothers Big Sisters of St. Lucie County, Inc.	U.S. Department of Education	\$100,000	\$119,170
07-MC-06-05	New Borrow Area for the Martin County Beach Erosion Control Project	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	None	N/A	N/A

07-FL-06-06	Mirco Loan Program	Minority/ Women Business Enterprise Alliance, Inc.	United States Department of Agriculture	\$150,000	\$165,000
07-SL-06-07	Environmental Assessment – Lennard Road Extension	St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioner	None	N/A	N/A
07-PB-06-08	Life –Management Skills Training for Staff in Secure Juvenile Programs	ARISE Foundation	U.S. Department of Justice	\$ 543,547	\$ 543,547
07-PB-06-09	Mentoring Children of Prisoners Program	Children’s Home Society of Florida	Administration for Children and Families – Family and Youth Services Bureau	\$225,000	\$300,000
Total				\$ 129,596,670	\$161,705,840

Recommendation

Council should approve staff comments and authorize their distribution.

Attachments

**TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND REVIEW LOG**

TCRPC NUMBER: 07-MC-06-01 SAI# FL200707033596C

APPLICANT: Florida Department of Transportation

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Advance Notification – Project Development and Environmental Study SR 710

The purpose and need for this project is to increase capacity and improve safety by upgrading a 4.255-mile section of State Road (SR) 710 (Warfield Boulevard), including the Indiantown/St. Lucie Canal Bridge (see Project Location Map attached). This project proposes to widen SR 710 to four lanes, including the reconstruction of the Indiantown/St. Lucie Canal Bridge. An alternate corridor analysis for a SR 710 bypass of Indiantown is included as part of the study. This segment of SR 710 from County Road 609 (Allapattah Road) on the western edge of Indiantown to just east of SR 76 and including the Indiantown/St Lucie Canal Bridge has been designated a Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) facility.

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) indicates safety is compromised by the constrained right-of-way through Indiantown and the perception of this roadway by through-traffic as a continuation of a long uninterrupted high-speed roadway. The five-lane undivided section in Indiantown is not consistent with current FDOT District Four policy to provide a median divider on all roadways of more than two lanes. The lack of shoulders and pedestrian facilities on the two-lane undivided St. Lucie Canal Bridge also compromises traveler safety. This bridge, built in 1965 and currently having a sufficiency rating of 61.0, is functionally obsolete, consisting of two undivided lanes with no shoulders, bike lanes or pedestrian facilities. The expansion of the bridge and roadway to divided facilities with adequate capacity will improve safety.

SR 710 is designed as a hurricane evacuation route and these improvements will enhance evacuation capacity and reduce hurricane evacuation time.

This project is included in the FDOT District Four SIS Cost Feasible Plan for 2025, and is consistent with the Martin County Comprehensive Plan. The Martin County Metropolitan Planning Organization 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan identifies the project in their needs plan. The FDOT indicates the project is also supported by the Indiantown Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) Master Plan. The project supports and improves mobility within the Indiantown redevelopment area and provides a critical link to the Rural Area of Critical Economic Concern.

Comments received from Martin County Community Development staff (see attached) do not support the widening of SR 710 within the Indiantown CRA. Staff indicates the CRA Master Plan calls for the SR 710 Roadway to remain two lanes, with a landscape median wide enough to buffer and protect the pedestrian from the effects of noise, pollutants, and visual impacts. The Town of Sewall's Point supports the proposed improvements to SR 710 (see attached).

FUNDING AGENCY: U.S. Department of Transportation

PROJECT COSTS: \$128,000,000 Federal
 32,000,000 State
\$160,000,000 Total

RECOMMENDATIONS: The PD&E Study is not in conflict with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan. Council encourages FDOT to work closely with Martin County officials and the Indiantown Neighborhood Advisory Committee to address potential impacts to safety, community character and access.

AGENCIES CONTACTED: All Martin County Municipalities
Martin Metropolitan Planning Organization

**MARTIN COUNTY, FLORIDA
INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

TO: Greg Vaday, ICR Coordinator
Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

DATE: June 25, 2007

FROM: Jeff Oris, Community Development Director
Community Development Department

SUBJECT: Project Development and Environmental Study TCRPC Comments

Community Development staff has reviewed the Advance Notification- Project Development and Environmental Study SR 710 from west of CR 609 to East of SR 76. Community Development staff strongly discourages the expansion of SR 710.

As stated in the Advance Notification Fact Sheet from FDOT, this PD&E lies within the Indiantown Community Redevelopment Area established in 2002. The adopted Indiantown Community Redevelopment Plan has a typical street section that illustrates SR 710 as an improved roadway that would provide greater pedestrian access and safety, while retaining the small town atmosphere of Indiantown. The plan calls for the roadway to remain two lanes, a landscaped median wide enough to buffer and protect the pedestrian from the effects of noise, pollutants, and visual impacts. The plan also calls for larger sidewalks, ornamental lighting, streetscaping, bike lanes and on-street parking. Community Development staff encourages FDOT to keep within these perimeters when performing this study.

The described project need for this PD&E states the "priority of safety and enhancement of quality of life and natural environment," therefore Community Development staff believes that the expansion of SR 710 would negatively affect the quality of life of the Indiantown community. The community was heavily involved in the creation of the Indiantown Community Redevelopment Plan and the overall desire from the community was to keep the roadway two lanes. The community also has strongly expressed the need to retain the low speed on SR 710, to provide greater protection to the pedestrian. Inclusively, the community has serious concerns about the safety of the children that cross SR 710 at the end of a school day.

Community Development staff encourages FDOT to continue their dialogue with County staff and the Indiantown Neighborhood Advisory Committee.



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TREASURE COAST
REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Robert L. Kellogg
Town Manager

June 19, 2007

Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council

301 East Ocean Blvd.

Suite 300

Stuart, FL. 34996

ATTN: Gregory Vaday, ICR Coordinator

RE: TCRPC Reference # 07-MC-06-01

Dear Mr. Vaday,

In your response to your correspondence June 13, 2007 regarding the above referenced project, please be advised that the Town of Sewall's Point support the improvements being proposed to SR 710 (Warfield Blvd.), and believe the TCRPC should approve such request. Please contact me if you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

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Robert Kellogg

Town Manager

TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND REVIEW LOG

TCRPC NUMBER: 07-PB-06-02

APPLICANT: Palm Beach County Sherriff's Office

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office – Solving Cold Case Files with DNA 2007

The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office is seeking funding from the National Institute of Justice Solving Cold cases with DNA Program FY 2007. The grant funding would help the sheriff's office to investigate every violent no-suspect case from the entire county and to conduct DNA analysis on any possible probative biological evidence. The end result is to close cold cases using more current technology to aid in a judicial finding. The grant monies will be used to continue the investigation of no-suspect violent crimes using the current successful Cold Case protocol.

FUNDING AGENCY: National Institute of Justice – Office of Justice Programs

PROJECT COSTS: \$176,235 Federal
 \$176,235 Total

RECOMMENDATIONS: The proposal is consistent with the **SRPP**. It supports **Regional Goal 14.1 – Safe cities, towns and villages**.

AGENCIES CONTACTED: Palm Beach County

TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND REVIEW LOG

TCRPC NUMBER: 07-PB-06-03

APPLICANT: Farm Worker Coordinating Council of Palm Beach County, Inc.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Assistance for Housing Opportunities to Promote Employment (A-HOPE) Program

The Farm Worker Coordinating Council of Palm Beach County, Inc. (FWCC) is applying for funding to provide emergency housing assistance to seasonal and migrant farm workers in Palm Beach County.

FWCC is a non-profit 501C(3) organization dedicated to serving migrant and seasonal farm workers and their families living in Palm Beach County. The FWCC, which serves over 30,000 farm workers and their families, is a diverse farm worker's service agency that addresses the continuing barriers to basic needs faced by migrant and seasonal farm workers. The FWCC provides a range of social services with a staff of 8 full time and 2 part time professionals working from offices in Lake Worth and Belle Glade. The FWCC receives funding from the United Way, Palm Beach County, Children Services Council of Palm Beach County, and from private foundations and individual donors.

Palm Beach County Housing and Community Development Department has indicated the services provided by FWCC, are consistent with Palm Beach County's Five Year Consolidated Plan (see attached).

FUNDING AGENCY: U.S. Department of Labor

PROJECT COSTS: \$401,888 Federal
 \$401,888 Total

RECOMMENDATIONS: The proposal is consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan. It furthers **Regional Goal 2.4** which is to provide an adequate supply of safe and affordable housing to meet the needs of agricultural workers and others with special needs.

AGENCIES CONTACTED: Palm Beach County Housing and Community Development



June 19, 2007

Gregory Vaday, ICR Coordinator
Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council
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RE: Farmworker Coordinating Council of Palm Beach County – A Hope
Program TCRPC Reference #07-PB-06-03

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Development Department**
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Dear Mr. Vaday:

This letter is in regards to the request for comments on the above referenced application submitted by the Farmworker Coordinating Council (FWCC) to the U.S. Department of Labor, Employment & Training Administration: National Farmworker Jobs Program, Housing Assistance for Program Year 2007.

The services provided by FWCC are consistent with Palm Beach County's Five Year Consolidated Plan (October 2005-September 2010), which covers U.S. HUD programs. Specifically, the Consolidated Plan identifies funding and supporting homeless prevention activities (emergency rent, mortgage, and utilities assistance) as one of the County's main strategies to address homelessness. Additionally, the objectives outlined in the Consolidated Plan include, amongst others, the provision of decent housing, assistance to the homeless, and assistance to persons at-risk of becoming homeless.

Moreover, the Palm Beach County Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) has awarded Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) Program funds, for a number of years, to FWCC to provide emergency rent, mortgage, and utility assistance to prevent homelessness among seasonal and migrant farmworkers and their families. More recently, HCD has awarded FWCC Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to provide Life Skills Training Services to seasonal and migrant farmworkers. FWCC has proven its ability to effectively administer both programs.

If you have any questions, please contact Elena Escovar, Planning Manager, at (561) 233-3621.

Sincerely,

Edward W. Lowery, J.D., Director
Housing and Community Development

Cc: Clement C. Clarke, Principal Planner, HCD
Cindee LaCourse-Blum, Planner II, HCD

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**TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND REVIEW LOG**

TCRPC NUMBER: 07-SL-06-04

APPLICANT: Big Brothers Big Sisters of St. Lucie County, Inc.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Big Brothers Big Sisters – Mentoring Program

“Mentor, Achieve, Succeed” is a Big Brothers Big Sisters one-to-one mentoring program intended to improve the capacity of children to succeed to adulthood in a safe, healthy and productive manner. This project will target 100 youth (per year) enrolled in 4th through 8th grades from St. Lucie, Indian River and Okeechobee Counties. Mentors will commit to consistent, weekly meetings on a year round basis. Time together will be spent building a relationship through educational and cultural activities.

FUNDING AGENCY: U.S. Department of Education

<u>PROJECT COSTS:</u>	\$100,000	Federal
	<u>19,170</u>	Applicant
	\$119,170	Total

RECOMMENDATIONS: The proposal is consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan. It furthers Regional Goal 12.1 – improved independence and self-sufficiency of the children in the region.

AGENCIES CONTACTED: Children’s Services Council of St. Lucie County

TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND REVIEW LOG

TCRPC NUMBER: 07-MC-06-05 SAI# FL200706123503C

APPLICANT: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: New Borrow Area for the Martin County Beach Erosion Control Project

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville District, intends to prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for a new borrow area for the Martin County Beach Erosion Control Project. In cooperation with Martin County, the study will evaluate alternative sand sources that will maximize shore protection while minimizing environmental impacts associated with the previously authorized restoration of four miles of shoreline southward from the St. Lucie County line.

The DEIS will evaluate various sources of beach quality sand, the impacts from removal of this sand on the environment and coastal processes, and the impacts from nourishing the beach with this sand. Significant issues to be analyzed in the DEIS include effects on federally listed threatened and endangered species, and essential fish habitat with particular concern for nearshore hardbottom habitat. Other issues include health and safety, water quality, aesthetics and recreation, fish and wildlife resources, cultural resources, socio-economic resources, and any other issues identified through scoping and public involvement.

To date, comments have been received from the Town of Jupiter Island and Martin County indicating support for the DEIS (see attached).

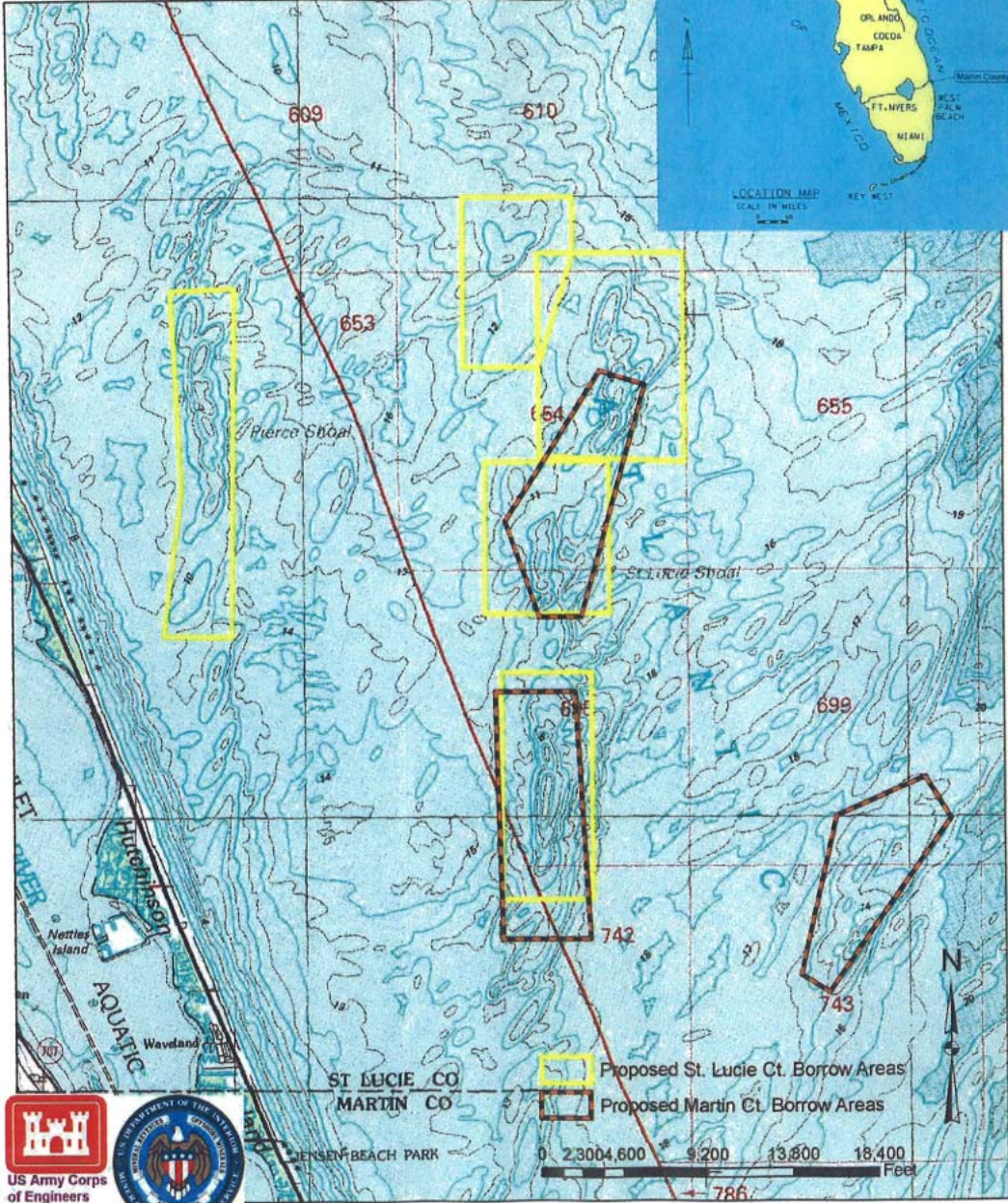
FUNDING AGENCY: None

PROJECT COSTS: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: Preparation of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement is not in conflict or inconsistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan. Council will review the final Environmental Impact Statement when it is completed.

AGENCIES CONTACTED: All Martin County Municipalities
All St. Lucie County Municipalities

ENCLOSURE Martin County BEC New Borrow Area Study Map



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July 2, 2007

Gregory Vaday, ICR Coordinator
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RE: New Borrow Area for the Martin County Beach Project
TCRPC Reference #07-MC-06-05
SAI#FL200706123503C

On behalf of the Town of Jupiter Island, we are pleased to provide comments on the Corps of Engineers study of alternative borrow sites for the Martin County Beach Erosion Control Project. The study seeks to identify a new borrow site for beach compatible sand to be placed along the Martin County shoreline. We encourage the TCRPC to support this project, as it seeks to define a non-exclusive source of beach compatible sand which could be used to the benefit of all of its member counties.

The three potential borrow sites in question lie primarily in federal waters and come under the jurisdiction of the Minerals Management Service(MMS). The sites range from 3 to 6 miles offshore of St. Lucie and Martin counties. Utilization of these sands for public benefit is consistent with the Department of Environmental Protection's Strategic Beach Management Plan, which provides for the restoration of critically eroded portions of the State's shoreline, and specifically identifies this project. These sand sources could also be used to supplement annual downdrift sediment deficits at nearby inlets as mandated by State adopted inlet management plans and be utilized to renourish other eroded coastal areas.

The MMS provides offshore sand mining leases to public municipalities on an individual project basis and does not give exclusive leases whereby others could not utilize the sands for public benefit. The subject shoals contain close to 20 million cubic yards of available sands which would provide for many beach restoration projects, providing public recreational benefits and protection of coastal properties along the Treasure Coast.

The MMS has done some initial study into the physical and environmental effects of the excavation of sands from these offshore shoals. The computer modeling performed during the study indicates that limiting the depth of excavation can prevent adverse effects to the shorelines adjacent to these borrow sites.

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New Borrow Area for Martin County
July 2, 2007

As sand supplies are dwindling all along the eastern seaboard of Florida, the development of these borrow sites by the Corps of Engineers will provide an economic benefit to the region, especially to projects that do not have a federal interest. The cost of offshore sand searches can range from \$500,000 to over \$1 million, so the study will certainly provide significant cost savings to communities contemplating future beach restoration projects.

In closing, as long as the sites are developed and utilized in a non-exclusive manner, whereby other municipalities could also access these sites, the Town of Jupiter Island supports the development of offshore sand resources within the Treasure Coast region.

Best regards,

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Clay M. Bryant, P.E.
Project Manager

Greg Vaday

From: Kathy Fitzpatrick [kfitzpat@martin.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, July 06, 2007 2:48 PM
To: gvaday@tcrpc.org
Subject: Martin County BEC
Attachments: Kathy Fitzpatrick.vcf

Greg,

The published EIS notice for Martin County's Beach Erosion Control Project is an important step toward the continuation of the County's Hutchinson Island Beach Renourishment Project. The sand source used in past projects has been exhausted, and we now begin the process of identifying new candidate sites. Preliminary reconnaissance has located a couple sites with good quality sand, and this first step will evaluate the environmental function of each site. The end result will be a sand source that has been fully evaluated, and ready for use for scheduled nourishment or for emergency work.

This project is fully supported by Martin County, and we will remain actively involved in every step as the project moves forward..

Kathy FitzPatrick, P.E.

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TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND REVIEW LOG

TCRPC NUMBER: 07-FL-06-06

APPLICANT: Minority/ Women Business Enterprise Alliance, Inc.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mirco Loan Program

The Minority/Women Business Enterprise Alliance, Inc., based in Orlando, is a 501(c)3 community-based private non-profit corporation that offers training, consulting, management, technical assistance and financing to small and medium-sized businesses. The applicant requests funds to implement a rural business lending program. The program will lend funds to entrepreneurs, small and emerging businesses in areas with a population of 25,000 or less. Although no activities are proposed in the Treasure Coast Region, the applicant was requested to circulate this grant application to all regional planning councils.

FUNDING AGENCY: United States Department of Agriculture

<u>PROJECT COSTS:</u>	\$150,000	Federal
	<u>15,000</u>	Applicant
	\$165,000	Total

RECOMMENDATIONS: The proposed project is consistent with the **SRPP**. It furthers **Regional Goal 3.7** that encourages business cooperative programs that foster economic growth in the region.

AGENCIES CONTACTED: None

**TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND REVIEW LOG**

TCRPC NUMBER: 07-SL-06-07

APPLICANT: St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Environmental Assessment – Lennard Road Extension

St. Lucie County has notified affected parties of the Federal Highway Administration approval of the Environmental Assessment for the Lennard Road Project Development and Environmental Study. The study involves evaluating the widening of Lennard Road from Walton Road to its northern terminus at Port St. Lucie High School, and extension of Lennard Road from this northern terminus to Savanna Club Boulevard (Segment 1); extension of Lennard Road from Segment 1 north to Tilton Road (Segment 2); a Municipal Services Benefit Unit (MSBU) project undertaken by the County to widen and extend Lennard Road from Tilton Road to Kitterman Road (MSBU Segment); extension from Kitterman Road north to U.S. 1 (Segment 3) and the Buchanan Connection which extends Buchanan Street south to the proposed Lennard Road in Segment 3. This project is approximately 5.25 miles. The project would serve as an alternate north/south corridor to US Highway 1. The MSBU portion of the project provides a link between segments 2 and 3 of the extension of Lennard Road. This portion of the project has been designed and permitted.

The Environmental Assessment provides a summary of the direct, secondary and cumulative impacts by alternative and a discussion of avoidance, minimization and mitigation. The proposed project would result in minor impacts to wetlands and surface waters. Potential impacts also include listed species impacts such as gopher tortoises and their commensals, including eastern indigo snake, impacts to wading bird foraging habitat, and community impacts such as division of community facilities, and changes in the rural nature of the area. The Federal Highway Administration, after consultation with the State Historic Preservation Officer, has determined that no resources listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places would be impacted. National Marine Fisheries Service

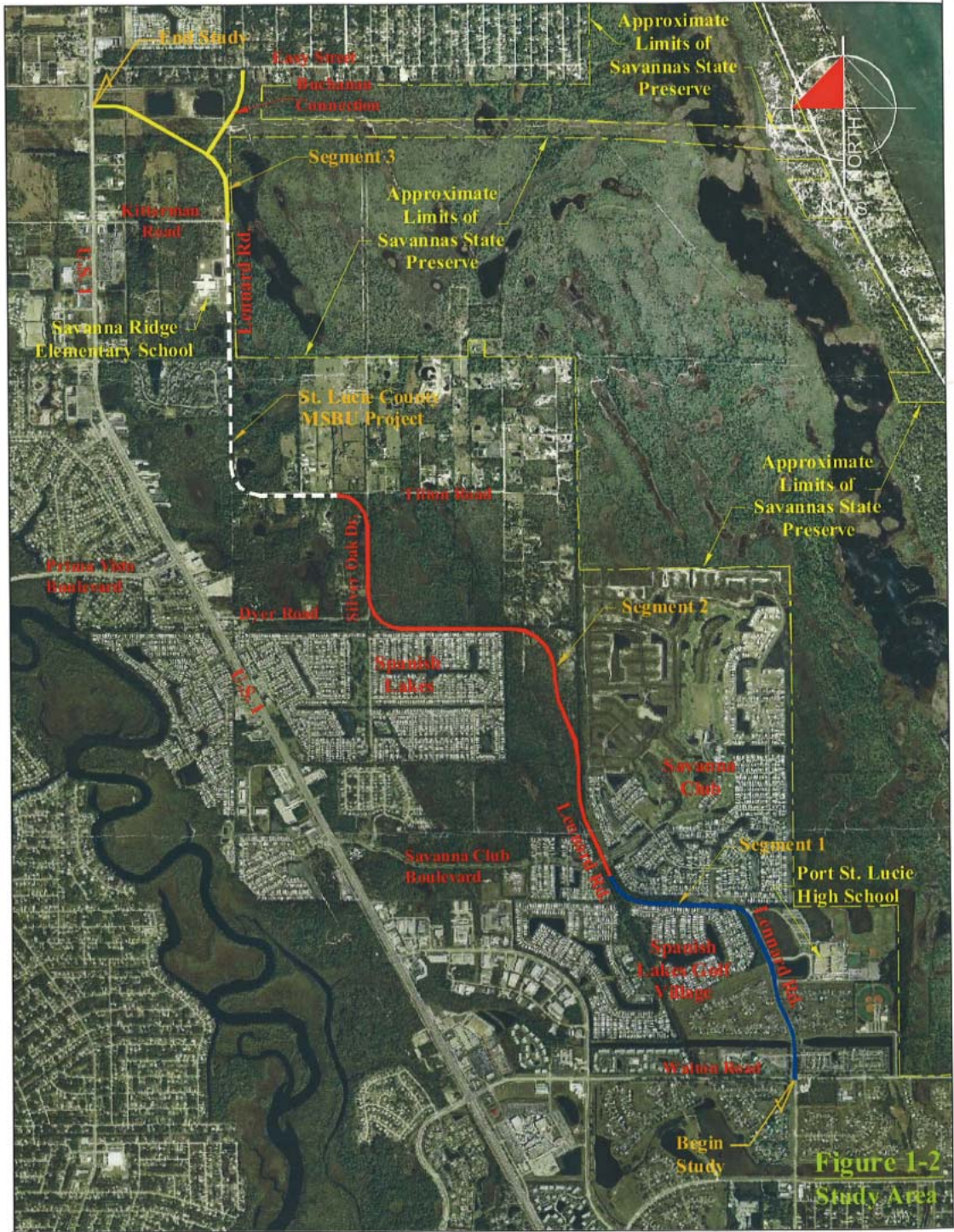
determined that the project is not likely to adversely affect essential fish habitat and that the plans to compensate for impacts to wetlands appear to be adequate. There are minor impacts to the Savannas State Buffer Preserve State Park associated with the construction of the MSBU segment.

FUNDING AGENCY: None

PROJECT COSTS: N/A

RECOMMENDATIONS: The proposed project will have some impacts on existing development and undeveloped property and natural areas along its route. The impacts include an increase in traffic in the vicinity of two schools – Port St. Lucie High School, and Savanna Ridge Elementary School. Additional impacts could include traffic noise, increased traffic, pedestrian accessibility and safety, and aesthetics. Careful consideration needs to be made in designing these roadway extensions to minimize these impacts. Furthermore, the project will impact the Savannas Preserve State Park, other natural areas, and negatively affect wetlands and wildlife. Provided that the roadway is designed to minimize impacts to existing communities, and there is adequate mitigation for impacts to listed species, wetlands, and natural areas, the project is not in conflict with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan.

AGENCIES CONTACTED: All St. Lucie County Municipalities



TREASURE COAST REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL
INTERGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION AND REVIEW LOG

TCRPC NUMBER: 07-PB-06-08

APPLICANT: ARISE Foundation

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Life-Management Skills Training for Staff in Secure Juvenile Programs

The ARISE Foundation, located in Jupiter, is submitting this grant application to the U.S. Department of Justice to enable the launch of a statewide life-skills training program.

ARISE's intent is to advance the present practice of providing training to staff (juvenile officers) in secure facilities in Florida. The training would encompass communication, interpersonal, anger management and stress reduction skills and how to teach life skills to incarcerated youth in their charge. Staff in this proposal refers to juvenile officers, youth care workers, juvenile correction officers, or direct line staff working with youth. Progress is measured by the staff's proficiency in teaching ARISE life skills to incarcerated youth and improved communication between staff and youth as short-term outcomes. Longer-term outcomes include reductions in staff turnover, reductions in reporting conflicts between staff and youth, reduction in absenteeism and reduction in workers' compensation claims. Although staff is the direct beneficiary of this training, it is anticipated that there will be a longer-range, positive impact on the incarcerated youth.

FUNDING AGENCY: U.S. Department of Justice

PROJECT COSTS: \$ 543,547 Federal
 \$ 543,547 Total

RECOMMENDATIONS: The proposal is consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan. It furthers **Regional Goal 14.1** – Safe cities, towns and villages.

AGENCIES CONTACTED: Palm Beach County Children's Services Council
Criminal Justice Commission

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TCRPC NUMBER: 07-PB-06-09

APPLICANT: Children's Home Society of Florida

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Mentoring Children of Prisoners Program

The Children's Home Society of Florida (CHS) located at 3333 Forest Hill Boulevard, West Palm Beach, is proposing to expand its successful mentoring program. CHS will provide mentors for 675 youths, ages 4-8, which have an incarcerated parent (200 in year 1; 250 in year 2; 225 year in 3). Mentors will provide at least one hour per week of volunteer support for one year. Mentoring services will be targeted to the Palm Beach County area, where there are more than 4,700 children of incarcerated parents. Palm Beach County includes urban and rural communities with populations of children of incarcerated parents not already served by other mentoring initiatives. CHS is requesting \$225,000 a year for three years to support this initiative.

FUNDING AGENCY: Administration for Children and Families – Family and Youth Services Bureau

<u>PROJECT COSTS:</u>	\$ 225,000	Federal
	<u>75,000</u>	Applicant
	\$ 300,000	Total

RECOMMENDATIONS: The grant proposal is consistent with the Strategic Regional Policy Plan. It furthers **Regional Goal 12.1** – Improved independence and self-sufficiency of the children in the region.

AGENCIES CONTACTED: Palm Beach County
Palm Beach County Children's Service Council