Project Status Update
12.13.13
Final Report: Late December 2013

- direct quotes
- guest essays
- data sets
- trends (current and future)
- scenarios
- toolbox
- regional priorities (collaboration)
- progress Indicators
- implementation section:
  - local government
  - private sector/EDO
  - RPC’s
  - leadership models
consensus issues:
opportunities to work together

REGIONAL PRIORITIES

In addition to identifying and prioritizing issues affecting the Region, the workgroups were tasked with focusing on one or two main issues to be tackled both in the short and long term. These focus issues impact the livability of the region as a whole. They constitute a common objective so that everyone, whether from the private, public or civic realms, can support and understand the benefits to the overall region. They are the type of endeavours that can only be accomplished if we join forces and address as a common goal. It will take time, possibly beyond the completion of the grant period to identify and stand united behind a few regional issues. These issues comprise the Priorities of the Plan.

1. Strengthen Southeast Florida’s role as a global hub for trade, visitors, talent & investment
2. Create & expand strong regional innovation clusters
3. Develop & retain a highly skilled, diverse, globally fluent workforce
4. Promote an entrepreneurial culture that fosters new business opportunities
5. Plan for the impact of climate change & sea level rise on private & public investment in the form of rising insurance rates & costs of new resilient infrastructure

1. Enhance Southeast Florida’s quality of life to attract & retain a diverse mix of families, workers, visitors, retirees & businesses
2. Develop & maintain globally competitive infrastructure & economic development sites that support the region’s economic vision
3. Improve coordination & collaboration to help Southeast Florida compete globally as a leading region
4. Position Southeast Florida to attract national & international events

1. Embrace great design as a core seven50 planning principle & policy
2. Connect with local arts & culture to create communities with a distinctive sense of place
3. Invest strategically in the creative arts
4. Recognize that culture is a significant driver for economic competitiveness & quality of life

1. Ensure the future supply & quality of water to meet the region’s economic, environmental & quality of life goals
2. Redevelopment opportunities should be prioritized over new development
3. Enhance independence, quality, access & security of the region’s food supply
4. Encourage resilient & sustainable development in coastal areas

1. Ensure water supply; identify & prioritize at-risk natural resources & infrastructure & minimize saltwater intrusion
2. Engage & educate the public to create new policy regarding climate change issues
3. Utilize adaptive planning for natural systems
4. Explore sustainable transportation funding with alternative ways to finance improved mobility

1. Mitigate damage & assure proper freshwater flows to the St. Lucie & Lake Worth estuaries, Indian River Lagoon, Lake Okeechobee, the Everglades & Florida Bay
2. Ensure future growth & development decisions strengthened agricultural opportunities & meet natural resource & ecosystem restoration goals
3. Support Everglades restoration
4. Prioritize storm preparedness, risk reduction & emergency management
5. Value & enhance agricultural assets
6. Ensure a sustainable, consistent, independent & cost effective energy supply & delivery system throughout the region
7. Focus on the region’s barrier islands first; they host unique destinations & also provide frontline barriers for the mainland

1. A Regional Leadership Organization should operate as one voice for the region
2. Regional Leadership Organizations should be politically independent
3. Build capacity for decision-making at the local level & devolve funding to the lowest effective level
Seven50 Regional Initiatives
Public/Private Partnership Opportunities

• Implementing CERP **TOP PRIORITY**
• Sustainable Transportation Funding **TOP PRIORITY**
• Agricultural Industry and Research Support
• Life Science South Florida
• Globally Competitive Fiber Optic Network
• Regional Data Warehouse
• Regional Freight and Intermodal Investment Coalition
• Climate Compact/Sea Level Rise Mitigation
• Seven-County Brownfields Assessment
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• Seven-County Energy Conservation Initiative
• Seven-County International Games Coalition
• Coastal Private Septic to Public Sewer Coalition
• Beach Renourishment and Inlet Maintenance Coalition
• “Ready Or Not Here It Comes” Coalition
• Biggert-Waters Flood Insurance Reform Act of 2012
• Regional Workforce Alignment Initiative
Council’s role moving forward
data warehouse/website/regional assets map/etc.
indicators/measuring progress
forming coalitions
Corporation Size:
5th Largest Metropolitan Corporation in the Nation

Budget:
$40 Billion/year

Organization:
7 Major Divisions (Counties)
121 Departments (Municipalities)

Main Businesses:
Transportation, Housing, Health Care, Leisure Services, Education, and Water

Employment:
2.8 million who help support another 4 million family members

Shareholder Increase Market Share by 35%

Expectations:
Increase Employment by 31%

Summit #4
Final Summit
January 15th, 2014
Broward Convention Center
additional input: draft plan “on tour”

- Read
- Provide comments
- Identify regional issues important to each organization
- No adoption, no approval
- No new form of government

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