



Florida Greenways and Trails Council (FGTC)

Public Hearing and Council Meeting



PUBLIC MEETING: Thursday, January 11, 2018
TIME: 8:00 am
LOCATION: Florida Sheriffs Association,
Blackburn-Hunt Building,
2617 Mahan Dr, Tallahassee, FL 32308

FGTC Members in Attendance for Thursday Council Meeting:

Brian Smith, Appointed by the Governor-Trail User; Sam Carr, Appointed by the Governor-Greenway User; Sarrah Glassner, (Chair) Appointed by the Governor-Greenway User; Kasey C. (KC) Ingram-Traylor, Appointed by the President of the Senate-Trail User; Chuck Barrowclough, Appointed by the President of the Senate-Greenway User; Becky Afonso, (Vice Chair) Appointed by the President of the Senate-Greenway User; Ralph Lair, Appointed by the Speaker of the House-Greenway User; Faron Boggs, Appointed by the Speaker of the House-Trail User; Sine Murray, Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP); Jerrie Lindsey, Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission(FWC); Robin Birdsong, Florida Department of Transportation(FDOT); Marti Miller, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services(DACS); Patricia M. Steed, Regional Planning Council (Jennifer Codo-Salisbury attended afternoon session on behalf of Patricia M. Steed).

OGT Staff in Attendance for Thursday Council Meeting:

Samantha Browne, Bureau Chief; Eric Draper, Director, Florida Park Service; David Clark, Deputy Secretary of Land and Recreation; Doug Alderson, Assistant Bureau Chief, Britney Moore, Regional Land Trails Coordinator-North; Ashley Killough, Regional Land Trails Coordinator-Central; Christine Small, Regional Land Trails Coordinator-South; Daniel Diaz, GIS Coordinator

Welcome

Welcome from Sarrah Glassner on behalf of Steve Casey, Executive Director, Florida Sheriffs Association

Welcome from David Clark, Deputy Secretary of Land and Recreation

Approve Agenda:

FGTC REMARKS:

MOTION: Brian Smith

SECOND: Jerrie Lindsey

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE MEETING AGENDA

APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS: Amend agenda to defer voting on FGTS plan and modifications to RTP agenda item to clarify no vote will take place.

DEFER

WITHDRAW

NOT APPROVE

OTHER:

Approve the June 15, 2017 Meeting Summary:

FGTC REMARKS: Defer to later time due to technical difficulties displaying the minutes.

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE MEETING SUMMARY

APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS:

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OFFICE OF GREENWAYS AND TRAILS REPORT:

OGT Staff Update:

Updates regarding the Florida Greenways and Trails System Plan progress and next steps.

Trail Town Designation: See attached

Proposed Dunedin to be designation as inaugural Florida Trail Town

FGTC REMARKS: Discussion regarding what it means to be a Florida Trail Town and how to monitor compliance and accountability. Proposed Trail Town Subcommittee

to include Becky Afonso, Brian Smith, Shawn Thomas, Jerrie Lindsey, Sam Carr and Dale Allen (Florida Greenways and Trails Foundation).

MOTION: Brian Smith

SECOND: KC Ingram-Traylor

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE TRAIL TOWN DESIGNATION

APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS:

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Trail Guidelines: See attached

Ashley Killough presented on an OGT project to develop minimum standards relating to trail construction and design to foster a cohesive trail system while allowing for local individuality. Also discussed future project related to trail guides for the regional trails of Florida similar to that of the Florida Circumnavigational Saltwater Paddling Trail databook.

FLORIDA GREENWAYS AND TRAILS COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Designations: See attached

Three proposed designations into the Florida Greenways and Trails System

Ocheesee Pond Paddling Trail

FGTC REMARKS:

MOTION: Sam Carr

SECOND: Brian Smith

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DESIGNATION

APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS:

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Indian River Lagoon and St. Lucie River Paddling Trail

FGTC REMARKS:

MOTION: KC Ingram-Traylor

SECOND: Sam Carr

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DESIGNATION

APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS:

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OTHER:

Royal Palm Beach Pines Natural Area

FGTC REMARKS:

MOTION: Brian Smith

SECOND: Robin Birdsong

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE DESIGNATION

APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS:

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REVIEW OF COUNCIL DUTIES: See attached

Toni Sturtevant – Office of General Council

Discussion regarding Sunshine laws on the Council, how to handle certain procedures, how to handle discussions and service outside of the Council meetings. Also discussed the difference between serving as the Council and serving as the RTP Committee.

RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (RTP): See attached

Pam Ister - Recreational Trails Program, Office of Operations

Discussion regarding the proposed RTP bylaws drafted by the subcommittee. Discuss possible nominees for the RTP Committee, including those with motorized experience. Hold RTP meeting or conference call in the future to vote on these matters.

SHARED-USE NON-MOTORIZED (SUN) TRAIL NETWORK REPORT: See attached

Robin Birdsong - Sun Trail Program Manager, FDOT

Overview of SUN Trail project update, focused on future funding and recent groundbreaking and ribbon cutting in the City of Edgewater.

FLORIDA GREENWAYS AND TRAILS FOUNDATION: See attached.

Dale Allen - President, Florida Greenways and Trails Foundation

Overview of the Florida Greenways and Trails Foundation mission and purpose as well as a history of trails, both in Florida and across the nation. Dale discussed the rail trail movement and examples of long distance trails in other states. Dale discussed the economics of trails and creating "SUN-sational trails". Lastly, Dale discussed accomplishments of the Foundation and FDOT in creating trails throughout the state.

THE NATURE OF AMERICANS: IMPLICATIONS TO FLORIDA: See attached

Jerrie Lindsey – Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission

Discussion on findings related to nature and human health conducted by Dr. Stephen F. Kellert with Yale University in partnership with numerous organizations including Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. Jerrie presented the findings which included the disconnections between nature and Americans as well as recommendations for solutions, especially towards children and future generations.

FLORIDA KEYS OVERSEAS HERITAGE TRAIL: See attached

Eric Pate – Park Planner, Florida Park Service

Overview of FKOHT Unit Management Plan update and challenges as well as impacts from Hurricane Irma.

PRESENTATION OF MAPS: See attached

Samantha Browne: Overview of the difference between opportunity and priority maps.

Britney Moore – Regional Land Trails Coordinator – North

List of changes on Northwest Map:

US 90 was added as a new priority trail from Escambia to Duval County.

The Panama City to Marianna Corridor was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail in Bay, Calhoun, and Jackson County.

The US 331 Trail Corridor was added as a new opportunity between US 90 and Santa Rosa Beach in Walton County.

The Seacrest Connector was added as a new opportunity trail in Walton County between US 98/SR 30 and CR 30 A.

The Chattahoochee to Bristol Corridor was added as a new opportunity trail in Gadsden and Liberty County.

Segments of the Whiting Field to Blackwater State Forest Trail Corridor were changed from priority trails to opportunity trails in Santa Rosa County.

Questions/Comments:

Dale Allen: Questions regarding including both the Old Spanish Trail and the Northwest Passage as priority trails. Clarified that the Chattahoochee to Bristol is intended to be an unpaved trail. General state of support for maps.

List of changes on North Central Map:

US 90 was added as a new priority trail from Escambia to Duval County.

Segments of the Gainesville to Branford Corridor and the entire Newberry to High Springs Corridor were changed from opportunity trails to priority trails, connecting the Ichetucknee to O’Leno Trail with the Nature Coast Trail Corridor through Columbia and Alachua County.

The Madison-Jasper Connection was added as a new opportunity trail in Madison County.

Questions/Comments:

Dale Allen: Question about removing the Taylor County trail from the opportunity map.

Jerrie Lindsey: Agrees with Dale’s inquiry.

List of changes on Northeast Map:

US 90 was added as a new priority trail from Escambia to Duval County.

The Waldo Road Corridor was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail, connecting Gainesville to Hampton through Alachua and Bradford County.

Questions/Comments:

Ashley Killough – Regional Land Trails Coordinator – Central

List of changes on Northeast Map:

Clay county and Jacksonville to Keystone Heights – entire segment changed from opportunity to priority.

The Cecil Trail to Cary S.F. was added as a new opportunity trail in Nassau and Duval County.

The Railway/Phillips Hwy Route was added as a new opportunity trail, extending the north end of the Kernan Blvd Corridor along the FEC Railroad ROW in Duval County.

The SR 207 Trail Corridor was added as a new opportunity trail adjacent to the Palatka to St. Augustine Corridor in St. Johns County.

The Flagler to Jacksonville Corridor and the Bunnell to Ormond Connector were added as new opportunity trails along US 1 in St. Johns and Flagler County, connecting St. Augustine to the Lehigh Greenway Rail Trail Corridor near Bunnell.

The Palm Coast to Bulow Corridor was added to the north end of the Palm Coast to Ormond Corridor in Flagler County.

The Altamonte Springs Connector was added as a new opportunity trail between the Seminole Wekiva Trail and Altamonte Springs in Seminole County.

Questions/Comments:

Dale Allen: Questions East Coast Greenway alignment through St. Johns County and if county input has been included.

Jerrie Lindsey: Guana River Wildlife Management Area unsure of willingness to site trail.

List of changes on East Central Map:

East Coast Greenway alternative alignment changed from priority to opportunity because it parallels other priority lines and the Space Coast TPO is conducting feasibility studies for Merritt Island corridor

East Coast Greenway alternative alignment changed from priority to opportunity because it creates a smaller loop with the Coast to Coast, St. Johns River to Sea

Loop and East Central Florida Rail Trail. Typo indicated this trail was remaining a priority in maps at the council meeting. Typo has been corrected.

Christine Small – Regional Land Trails Coordinator – South

List of changes on East Central Map:

The Heartland Trail was added as a new priority trail between the Kissimmee River and Okeechobee in Okeechobee County.

A segment of the SR A1A Urban Trail corridor across Indian River Lagoon was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail in Brevard County.

The Florida Cracker Trail Corridor was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail across Highlands, Okeechobee, and St. Lucie County.

The Treasure Coast N-S Rural to Urban Connector Corridor and the Jenkins Rd Connector were added as a new opportunity trails in St. Lucie County.

The Walton Road Trail was added as a new opportunity trail in St. Lucie County, extending the Crosstown Parkway Corridor to the coast.

Alternate alignments of the East Coast Greenway were added as new opportunity trails at the northern end of the East Coast Greenway – Martin County Corridor.

Segments of the Brevard Zoo Linear Trail Corridor and the St. Johns River Corridor were removed from the Opportunity Trails Map in central Brevard County.

The Grant-Valkaria Trail System and a segment of the South Brevard Al Tuttle Trail Corridor were removed from the Opportunity Trails Map in southern Brevard County.

The Bridge Road Trail Corridor, Hutchinson Island Trail Corridor, Indian River Drive Trail Corridor, Martin East West Corridor, Okeechobee County to Palm City Connector, the St. Lucie Canal Trail Corridor were removed from the Opportunity Trails Map in Martin County.

The Titusville to Edgewater Corridor (Proposed ECG Alternate) was changed from a priority trail to an opportunity trail in Volusia and Brevard County.

The All Aboard Florida Rail with Trail Corridor was changed from a priority trail to an opportunity trail between Melbourne and the south county line in Brevard County.

The All Aboard Florida Rail with Trail Corridor was changed from a priority trail to an opportunity trail in Indian River County.

The All Aboard Florida Rail with Trail Corridor was changed from a priority trail to an opportunity trail in St. Lucie County.

The All Aboard Florida Rail with Trail Corridor was changed from a priority trail to an opportunity trail between Jonathan Dickinson State Park and the south county line in Martin County.

Questions/Comments:

List of changes on West Central Map:

The Withlacoochee State Trail Ext. - Dade City Trail Corridor, Old Fort King Corridor, and a segment of the Pasco County to Tampa Bypass Canal Corridor were changed from opportunity trails to a priority trails, connecting Tampa to the Withlacoochee State Trail through Hillsborough and Pasco County.

Multiple trail segments around Lake Tohopekaliga were changed from opportunity trails to priority trails, connecting the south end of the Shingle Creek Regional Trail in Osceola County to the All Aboard Florida Rail with Trail Corridor in Orange County.

The Heartland Trail Corridor was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail along the US 27 Corridor in Polk and Highlands County.

The Lake Placid loop trail was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail in Highlands County.

Additional segments of the Lake Placid loop trail were added as new priority trails in Highlands County.

The Florida Gulf Coast Trail and the South Coast Greenway Corridor were added as new priority trails in south Hillsborough County.

The Willow-Ellenton Trail Corridor was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail in Manatee County.

The Gateway Greenway Trail Corridor was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail in Manatee County.

The Fruitville Road Corridor was added as a new priority trail in Sarasota County.

The Longboat Key Trail Corridor was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail along Anna Maria Island in Manatee County and Longboat Key in Sarasota County.

The Mid-County Trail Corridor along the Manatee River was removed from the Opportunity Trails Map, and replaced by the Perico-Desoto Trail and the Desoto to Downtown trail of the Florida Gulf Cost Trail, a new priority trail in Manatee County.

The Shingle Creek West Connector was added as a new opportunity trail branching off the Shingle Creek Regional Trail in Osceola County.

The Southport Segment of the Lake Tohopekaliga Loop was added as a new opportunity trail in Osceola County.

The Lake to Lake (C-31 Canal) trail of the C-31 Canal Corridor was added as a new opportunity trail between Lake Tohopekaliga and East Lake Tohopekaliga in Osceola County.

The Neo City Loop Connector was added as a new opportunity trail in Osceola County.

The CSX Trail, Gateway Trail Corridor, and Joe's Creek Trail System were added as new opportunity trails in south Pinellas County.

The Cortez Bridge Connector and the SW Trail were added as new opportunity trails in western Manatee County.

The Manatee Loop Trail was added as a new opportunity trail in Manatee County.

The SR 31 Multi-Use Trail Corridor was added as a new opportunity trail in northern Lee County.

The CR 635 Connector Corridor adjacent to Highlands Hammock State Park was added as a new opportunity trail in Highlands County.

The Bluff Hammock Trail was added as a new opportunity trail in Highlands County.

The South Coast Greenway Corridor, south of 19 Ave NE in Ruskin was changed from a priority trail to an opportunity trail in Hillsborough and Manatee County.

The Bayshore Treewalk Trail Corridor was changed from a priority trail to an opportunity trail in Manatee County.

The Sarasota Bay Trail Corridor was changed from a priority trail to an opportunity trail between the north county line and Bayfront Park in Sarasota.

Questions/Comments:

Jerrie Lindsey: FWC doesn't support alignment along Tucker Grade through Babcock Webb WMA.

Brian Smith: Include Howard Bridge in Tampa. Interstate construction will include trail and would like to see on the map as a priority.

Becky Afonso: Was anything submitted from Oldsmar for the opportunity map?

List of changes on South Map:

The Caloosahatchee Trail Corridor and the Sugar Trail Corridor were changed from opportunity trails to priority trails across northern Lee and Hendry County.

The Estero-Bonita Corridor was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail in Lee County.

The Imperial/Three Oaks Trail was added as a new opportunity trail in Lee County.

The SR 29 Trail Corridor was added as a new opportunity trail in Hendry County.

The Conservation Levee Corridor, Hiatus Rd. - C-42 Canal Trail Corridor, the Flamingo Rd Corridor, and the Snake Creek Trail Corridor were changed from opportunity trails to priority trails in Broward County.

The Snake Creek Trail Corridor was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail in Miami-Dade County.

CSX RR Corridor was added as a new priority trail in Miami-Dade County.

The Krome Trail Road ROW Corridor between SW 8th Street and SW 323 Street was changed from an opportunity trial to a priority trail in Miami-Dade County.

The Krome Trail ROW Corridor between SW 232 Street and Mowry Drive was removed from the Opportunity Trails Map in Miami-Dade County.

The Biscayne Trail Corridor at the eastern end of the Biscayne-Everglades Greenway Corridor was changed from an opportunity trail to a priority trail in Miami-Dade County.

The River of Grass Greenway Corridor was removed from the Priority Trails Map between Collier-Seminole State Park in Collier County and SW 187 Ave in Miami-Dade County.

The All Aboard Florida Rail with Trail Corridor was changed from a priority trail to an opportunity trail in Palm Beach County.

The All Aboard Florida Rail with Trail Corridor was changed from a priority trail to an opportunity trail where it does not coincide with the East Coast Greenway in Broward County.

Questions/Comments:

Samantha Browne: 714 emails received in support of the Rail corridor

Brian Smith: Consider also raising the coastal loop to priority status.

Dale Allen: Why is the east coast different from the west? (Miami has multiple priority trails, but Ft. Myers must choose.)

Doug Alderson – Paddling Trails Coordinator

List of changes on statewide Paddling Trails Map:

The Perdido River was added as a new priority paddling trail.

The Choctawhatchee River was added as a new priority paddling trail.

Governor's Creek was added as a new paddling trail opportunity in Clay County.

The Edgewater Paddling Trails were added as a new paddling trail opportunity in Volusia County.

The Cross Bayou Blueway was added as a new paddling trail opportunity in Pinellas County.

Questions/Comments:

Sam Carr: Ocklawaha River to Silver Springs added as priority

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Donald Scott with the Lee County MPO: Would like both the rail and corridors on the priority map. The Coastal Loop has a Complete Streets and PD&E study underway. Red line straddling Lee and Collier Counties request that both are added to the FGTS Priority Trail Network.

Nick Batos with the Village of Estero Council: Requests to reinstate the rail corridor on the priority map. It has been on the priority map and will be a catalyst for other trails if it can be done. Lee MPO voted to keep it as a priority and will add the coastal route as well. Desired maps would include rail as priority as in the las plan and coastal as priority as originally shown and Imperial/Three Oaks Trail. We believe there is no reason that it should be how it was requested. Present statement to council with letters of support (see attached).

Eric Draper: Is either trail located near state parks?

Nick Batos: Near Koreshan and FGCU Trail.

Peter O'Flynn, Deputy Mayor of Bonita Springs: Bonita Springs and Estero worked together for the first time on this trail. The two communities are coming together to promote trails. This smaller loop is located near Lover's Key. Multiple lines parallel to each other in different parts of the state. Bonita and Estero are catching up to the rest of the state.

Eric Draper: Is it included in the annual budget to maintain both of the trails beyond construction?

Peter O'Flynn: From Bonita's perspective, 2 million in annual budget for bike/ped. Playing catch up with the comprehensive plan and have made the money commitment.

Lakshmi Gurram with the Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO: A master plan was adopted in 2002 which included trails on the FGTS network. West Coast Trail is currently

an opportunity and prefer it be a priority due to a lot of economic activity. IT would close the loop and is part of the Gulf Coast Corridor.

KC Ingram-Traylor: Is the North Part of the loop included? Keep both trails?

Lakshmi Gurram: they are two different trails with two very different populations.

David Hutchinson with the Sarasota/Manatee MPO: Support OGT recommendations for Sarasota and Manatee Counties. Inform the council that the regional support for greenways and trails system is that part of the state is stronger than ever. Continue to work on specific connections between jurisdictions. OGT and Council work and support is appreciated.

Jim Wood with FDOT: Overall perspective – waking the sleeping giant, seeing what is happening in other parts of the state and driving the process. FDOT is in the implementation role and is trying to figure out how to best work with MPOs to get things done. Discussion soon when to do what segments. Realistic expectations, there is more demand than supply with SUNTrail. Strongly with how frequently to ask for new projects, will be a bit before they open another application cycle. Did a lot of preconstruction projects but now doing more construction there will be smaller numbers of accepted projects because of the higher costs.

COUNCIL COMMENT:

Start with staff explaining significance of loops. Samantha Browne: used to be so many lines on the map that we tried to clean it up to make it a true priority map. Looked at each region individually, especially Miami (so densely populated and one county). Closed ending lines in Miami. Loop at each loop on a case by case basis.

Bonita and Estero Trails:

Sarrah Glassner: Is it ready for priority status?

Brian Smith: Both seem ready.

Becky Afonso: Both here and showing support for backing

Jerrie Lindsey: Aware of other concerns regarding the trails that were not presented today?

Samantha Browne: All letters were in support.

Sam Carr: We need to simplify the maps (Ralph Lair concurs).

Ralph Lair: Regional meetings, multiple meetings in each region? Plenty of opportunity to comment from the public.

KC Ingram-Traylor: Any part completed in Charlotte County? Southern portion under construction

Sarrah Glassner: Once a trail is completed is it removed from the priority map?

Jerrie Lindsey: Doesn't want the opportunity line to run through Babcock Webb Wildlife Management Area.

COUNCIL VOTE:

Each motion and modification will be discussed individually. Go map by map for each. OGT staff is allowed to make changes to opportunity maps but not priority maps.

Priority Maps:

Northwest Map

FGTC REMARKS:

MOTION: Brian Smith

SECOND: KC Ingram-Traylor

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

APPROVE PRIORITY MAP

APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS:

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North Central Map

FGTC REMARKS:

MOTION: Brian Smith

SECOND: KC Ingram-Traylor

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

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Northeast Map

FGTC REMARKS:

MOTION: Brian Smith

SECOND: KC Ingram-Traylor

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

- (X) APPROVE PRIORITY MAP**
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West Central Map

FGTC REMARKS: The West Coast Trail - Charlotte County Corridor along Placida Road in Charlotte County and a segment of the Legacy Trail along SR 777 and SR 776 in Sarasota County were changed from opportunity trails to priority trails.

MOTION: KC Ingram-Traylor

SECOND: Brian Smith

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

- () APPROVE PRIORITY MAP
- (X) APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS: Add priority trail in Charlotte County as discussed.**
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East Central Map

FGTC REMARKS:

MOTION: Brian Smith

SECOND: Ralph Lair

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

() APPROVE PRIORITY MAP

(X) APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS: Correction to error on map in Brevard County

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South Map

FGTC REMARKS: The Tamiami Trail Corridor between was re-added to the Priority Trails Map between the Sanibel - Captiva Corridor and Bonita Springs in Lee County.

MOTION: Becky Afonso

SECOND: KC Ingram-Traylor

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

() APPROVE PRIORITY MAP

(X) APPROVE WITH MODIFICATIONS: Coastal Loop of Bonita Springs and Estero to priority map.

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Paddling Trails Map

FGTC REMARKS: Add Silver River and Ocklawaha River to priority map.

MOTION: Sam Carr

SECOND: Ralph Lair

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

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FGTC REMARKS:

MOTION: Becky Afonso

SECOND: Brian Smith

FGTC RECOMMENDATION:

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* Sam Carr voted no, all other council members voted yes

Staff changes to the opportunity map in response to FGTC recommendation:

The Taylor-Dixie Coastal Trail Corridor was re-added as an opportunity trail, separate from the FNST in Taylor County.

The Babcock Web Trail Corridor was added as a new opportunity trail in southern Charlotte County. Waiting on adjusted alignment from FWC.

The Howard Frankland Bridge across Old Tampa Bay was added as a new opportunity trail.

The City of Oldsmar to Pinellas Trail Connector will be added as a new opportunity trail. Pending receipt of trail alignment from the City of Oldsmar.

Brevard County correction

ANNOUNCEMENTS/NEXT MEETING:

Next Meeting- April 5, 2018 in Tallahassee

