



## Innovation and Economic Development Advisory Group Report

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presented to

**FTP/SIS Steering Committee** 

presented by John Walsh, Vice Chair

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## **Key Issues identified by Advisory Group**

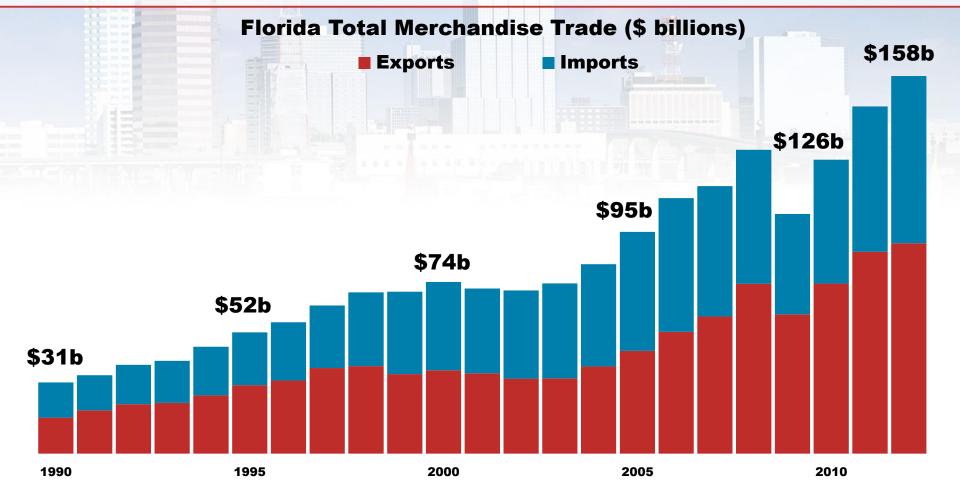
- 1. Continue to position Florida as a global hub for trade, logistics, manufacturing, and related services
- 2. Enhance Florida's position as a destination for domestic and international visitors
- 3. Align transportation investments with strategic economic development opportunities in Florida
- 4. Strengthen and connect resources across Florida's economic regions to build a globally competitive Florida.
- 5. Support development of a world-class workforce in transportation and other industries
- 6. Strengthen and maintain a competitive business climate for transportation and other industries



## KEY ISSUE 1: Continue to position Florida as a global hub for trade, logistics, manufacturing, and related services



## **Economic Trends** *Growing Global Trade*





### **Issue 1 – Trade and Logistics**

- Increase efficiency, capacity, and connectivity of major seaports, airports, spaceports, and intermodal rail terminals
- Increase efficiency, capacity, and connectivity of major truck, rail, and water corridors
- Create or expand clusters of logistics, distribution, and advanced manufacturing businesses in strategic locations
- Increase efficiency of supply chain and distribution network
- Expand use of new technologies for freight movement



## KEY ISSUE 2: Enhance Florida's position as a destination for domestic and international visitors



### **Economic Trends** *Growing Tourism and Visitors*

Visitors to Florida (in millions)

98.9

74.6



2003



2014



2024



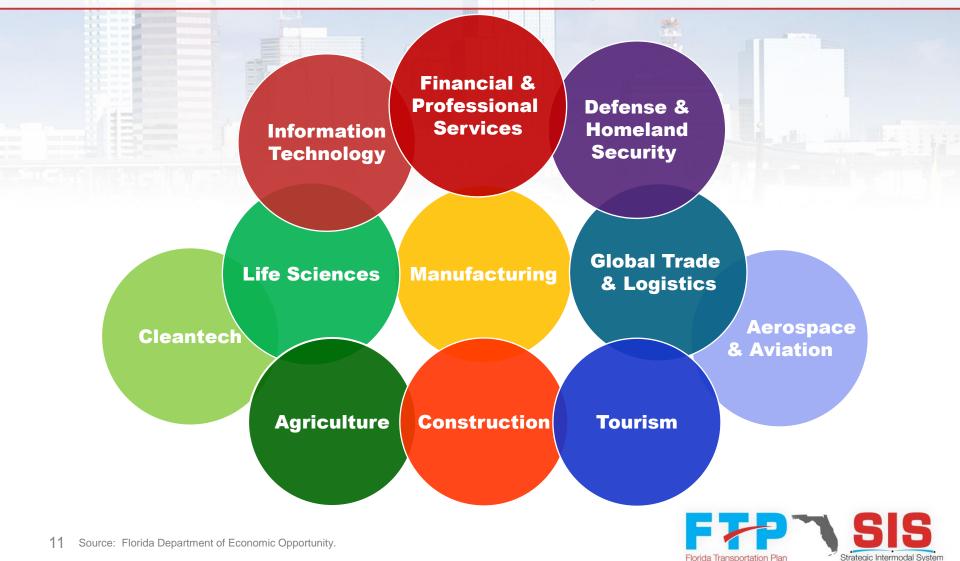
### **Issue 2 – Growth in Visitors**

- Protect and improve quality of transportation experience for Florida visitors
- Increase efficiency and diversity of multimodal transportation connections between attractions and major transportation hubs
- Improve intrastate air, rail, and water transportation services
- Provide transportation options for visitors that promote unique cultural, historic, and natural resources
- Make airports and seaports more attractive for investment
- Emphasize quality customer service, including multi-lingual or universal signage
- Accommodate increasing size of cruise ships and airplanes
- Strengthen partnerships between transportation and tourism development organizations

## KEY ISSUE 3: Align transportation investments with strategic economic development opportunities in Florida



### **Economic Trends** *Toward a More Diverse Economy*



## Issue 3 – Alignment with Economic Development Opportunities

- Coordinate short-term transportation decisions with economic development activities for competitive projects
- Support long-term strategic investments to support statewide and regional talent and innovation clusters
- Formalize partnerships between transportation and economic development organizations
- Encourage private sector companies involved in transportation technology to locate and expand in Florida

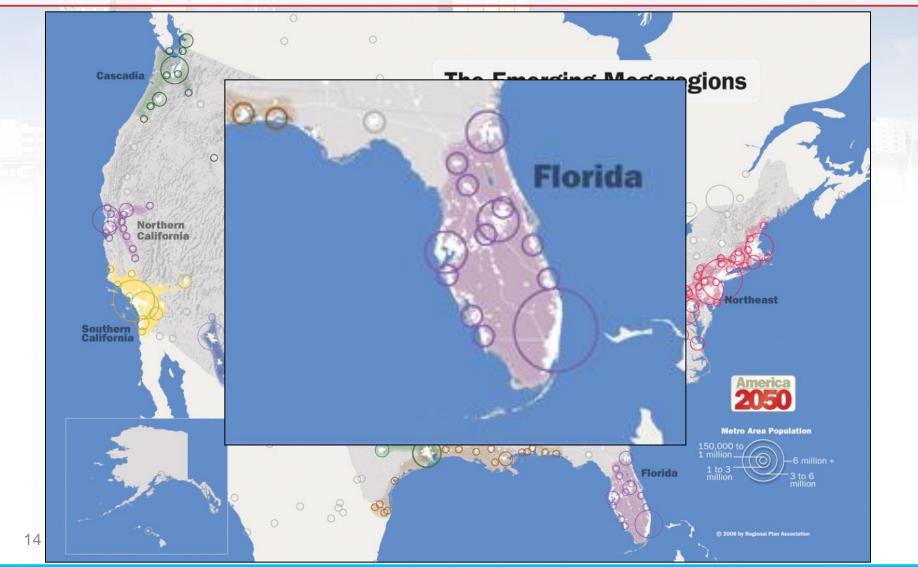


# **KEY ISSUE 4:**

### Strengthen and connect resources across Florida's economic regions to build a globally competitive Florida



## **Shift to Megaregions**



### **Issue 4 – Connecting Regions**

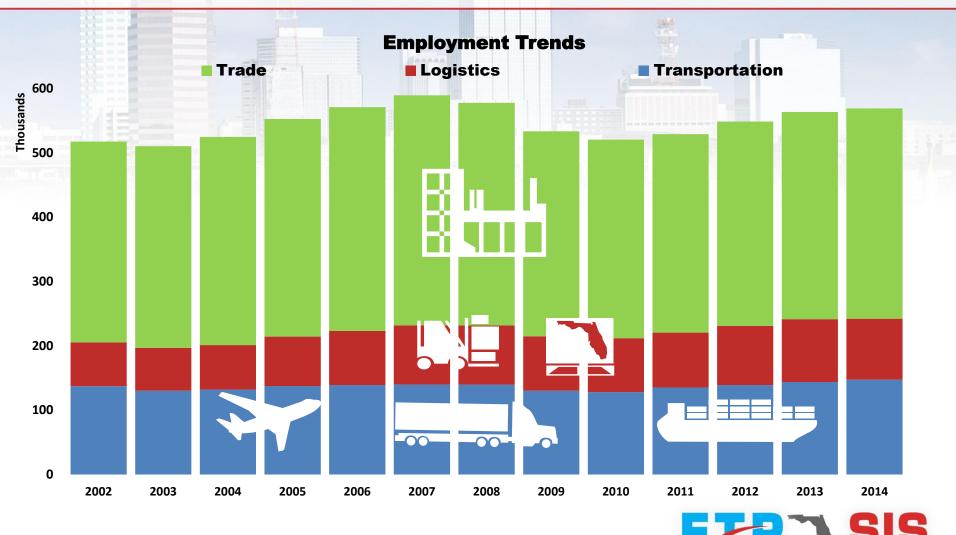
- Expand options for transportation connectivity between communities within common economic regions
- Expand cost-effective, multimodal options for transportation connectivity between all of Florida's economic regions
- Continue to proactively plan for future statewide and interregional transportation corridors
- Better align transportation and economic development priorities on a regional scale



## KEY ISSUE 5: Support development of a world-class workforce in transportation and other industries



### Talent Supply and Education World-Class Transportation Workforce



Strategic Intermodal Syste

### **Issue 5 – Transportation Workforce**

- Strengthen regional talent supply systems for transportation, trade, and logistics
- Create new or expand existing centers of talent and innovation in transportation
- Encourage transportation agencies and authorities to include talent supply elements in their long-range plans



## KEY ISSUE 6: Strengthen and maintain a competitive business climate for transportation and other industries



### **Issue 6 – Business Climate**

- Reduce time and improve predictability of process for planning and developing major transportation projects
- Improve ability of businesses involved in transportation to accomplish registration, permitting, and other regulatory transactions
- Improve "soft" trade infrastructure through technology and partnerships



### **Implementation Issues**

#### Collaboration and coordination

- » Regional visions
- » Transportation, economic development, tourism, and workforces
- Maintaining existing strengths
- Technology and innovation
- Funding
- Implementation and performance monitoring

