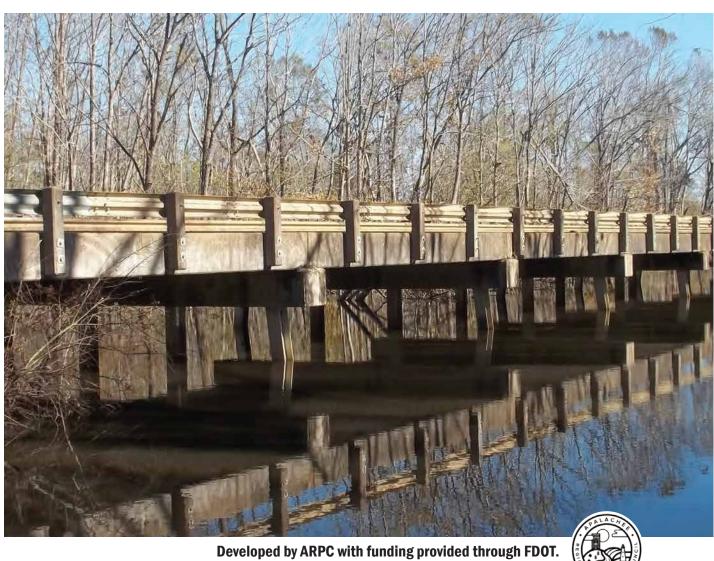


2025-2045 PROJECTS ELEMENT



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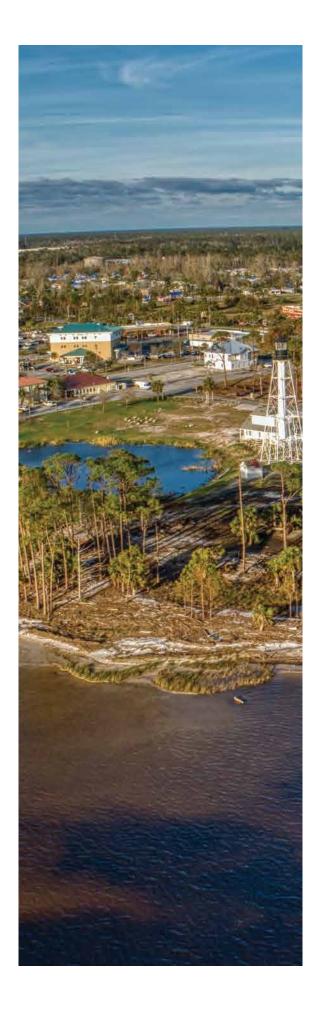
APALACHEE RRTP INTRODUCTION

This document—the Projects Element—is part 3 of the Rural Regional Transportation Plan (RRTP).

APALACHEE RRTP FOUR ELEMENTS OF THE RRTP

The RRTP comprises four elements:

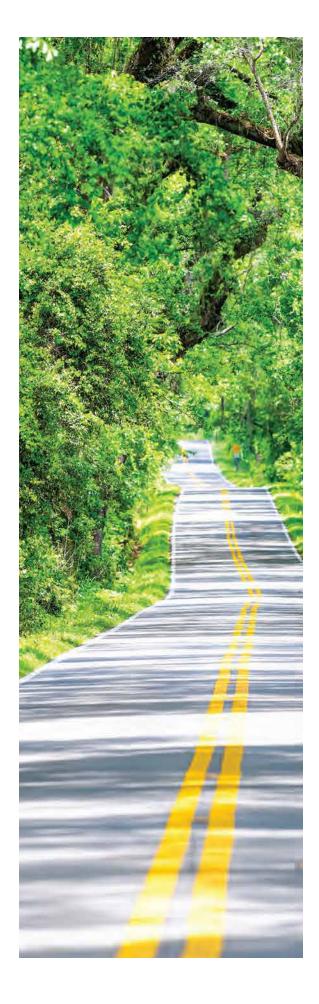
- The Foundation and Process Element goes over the four Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) emphasis areas and how they inform the RRTP as well as the overall planning process.
- The Existing Conditions and Analysis Element, provides an overview of the conditions and trends in the region as well as specific conditions and trends per the five counties of the RRTP: Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Jackson, and Liberty.
- This document, the Projects Element, describes the project solicitation and scoring process and the short-term and long-term project needs throughout the area.
- The Implementation Element describes recommended next steps to procure funding for the projects.



INTRODUCTION TO PROJECTS

The following projects were gathered at public involvement meetings throughout the region and by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC). The TAC then narrowed down the projects to focus on and that is what is included here.

Next, the projects were scored by a scoring committee and ranked. The scoring committee had three transportation professionals who were neutral (don't live in the planning area). To simulate a federal grant application where a scoring committee member may live in a completely different part of the country and not be at all familiar with the area, the scoring committee members were asked to utilize only the information provided when scoring. Each member scored the projects individually. The totals were then averaged for a final score for each project, and the projects were ranked accordingly. These results were brought to the December 2024 TAC meeting for discussion. TAC members negotiated some adjustments to the rankings and at the end of the meeting approved moving forward with the edited project lists below.



Scoring Criteria

Criteria			Tot	Total	Maximum Points
1. Project Narrative	Up to 3 points. The community told the story of the project and community in a clear and compelling way. For example: What is the need being met? Will any complementary activities take place and if so, then how do they relate to the project? Provide some context about the community as though the reader lives in another region of the United States and is unfamiliar with it.	Up to 2 points. The community addresses each of the other criteria, as applicable, in a way that is clear and concise.			
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Criteria				Total	Maximum Points
2. Safety	Up to 5 points. The community	Up to 5 points. The community	10 points: Clearly demonstrates multiple items.		
	clearly demonstrates	demonstrates how the project	5 Points: Clearly demonstrates one item or somewhat demonstrates multiple.		
	how the project incorporates	aligns with DOT's NRSS, SSA, and	O Points: Community provides no information or scorer isn't confident in what they've provided.		
	evidence-based, highly effective	Florida's Strategic Highway	The project will assist with achieving target speeds, reducing head-on and T-bone		
	measures to	Safety Plan,	crashes, addressing roadway departure risks, improving pedestrian and bicyclist safety through low-stress facilities and STEP elements, reducing water-related		
	and fatal injury	Vision Zero.	crashes, enhanced safety through lighting, mitigating heavy hauler risks, addressing high-injury networks, reducing congestion through multimodal ontions or increased		
			road network, and ensuring context-appropriate interventions.		
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5 points: Clearly demonstrates multiple items.		3 Points: Clearly demonstrates one item or somewhat demonstrates multiple.		O Points: Community provides no information or scorer isn't confident in what	they've provided.		The project will improve connectivity between destinations to improve access to	jobs, schools and key destinations; links communities or regions; enhances	active transportation and access to key locations; supports transit connectivity;	maintains infrastructure; incorporates operational strategies; and boosts travel	and tourism.		
Up to 5 points.	The	community	demonstrates	how the	project serves	national,	statewide, or	regional	functions.				C
Up to 5 points. The	community	demonstrates how the	project enhances	integration and	connectivity in the	transportation system.	For example, between	different modes of	transportation for	people, different modes	for freight, or both.		C
3. SYSTEM	CONNECTIVITY												

Criteria			2	Total	Maximum Points
4. Resilience	Up to 3 points. The community	12 points: Clearly demonstrates multiple items.			
	approach to reducing	6 Points: Clearly demonstrates one item or somewhat demonstrates multiple.			
	vanisportation network vulnerability through coordinated natural disaster risk reduction efforts with	O Points: Community provides no information or scorer isn't confident in what they've provided.			
	partners (ex. county and city staff, elected officials, DEP, and FDOT).	The project will mitigate stormwater/ flooding impacts to surface transportation, improve transportation network, enable emergency shoulder use during evacuations, reduce bridges being unusable due to flooding, incorporate nature-			
		based solutions, and ensure continuity during power outages.			
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15 points: Clearly demonstrates one or m	iore items.
	15 points: Clearly demonstrates one or more items. 6 Points: Somewhat demonstrates one or more items.
	they've provided. The project will assist with automated vehicles (advanced traffic signal assists with connected vehicles (advanced traffic signal).
	controllers, etc.), assists with electric vehicles (charging stations, etc.), assists with shared use vehicles (park and ride lots, etc.)
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Up to 8 points. The community clearly demonstrates how the project is consistent with the Future Land Use element of the approved local government's comprehensive plan. (If the project is not in a town, then they would be referencing the county plan.)	0
2 points. The community's comprehensive plan, including the future land use element, has been updated within the past 10 years.	0
6. Consistent with the Future Land Use elements of approved local government Comprehensive Plans	

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Up to 8 points. The community clearly demonstrates how the project is consistent with Goals, Objectives, and Policies of the approved local government's comprehensive plan. (If the project is not in a town, then they would be referencing the county plan)
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UP TO 3 POINTS. THE COMMUNITY PROVIDES MULTIPLE DATA POINTS FOR A BENEFIT COST ANALYSIS, SUCH AS THE PROJECT'S LUMP SUM COST, DETAILED COST BREAKDOWN, OR ANNUAL MAINTENANCE COST.

2 POINTS. THE COMMUNITY
DEMONSTRATES THE PROJECT IS COSTEFFECTIVE, USING LOW-COST, HIGHIMPACT STRATEGIES TO EFFICIENTLY
MOVE PEOPLE WITHIN ITS CONTEXT
CLASSIFICATION.

8. COST EFFECTIVE

Criteria				Total	Maximum Points
9. Economically Constrained Area	3 points. The project's county has an FY 24-25 operating budget under \$100 million.	2 points. The project is in an area where the Low or Moderate Income (LMI) population is 51% or higher, as determined by HUD, based on either the town or county data.			
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			TOTAL PROJECT SCORE		100

NEEDS PLAN

IDENTIFIED NEEDS

The following projects have been identified by the region as priority needs for the transportation system. They can be seen geographically in the RRTP's interactive map and Map 1: All Needs Map (Both Short and Long Term).

The projects are divided into ten categories: safety; system connectivity; resilience; automated, connected, electric and shared-use (ACES) vehicles; capacity; resurfacing; bridge; bicycle and pedestrian; park and ride lots; and freight, rail, and water/airport. These categories reflect the four emphasis areas of the Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) both generally (safety, system connectivity, resilience, ACES vehicles) and more specifically (capacity; resurfacing; bridge; bicycle and pedestrian; park and ride lots; and freight, rail, and water/airport) and the projects within the categories reflect the regional vision.

This plan covers a 20-year planning horizon, so the projects are also divided into short and long-term needs.

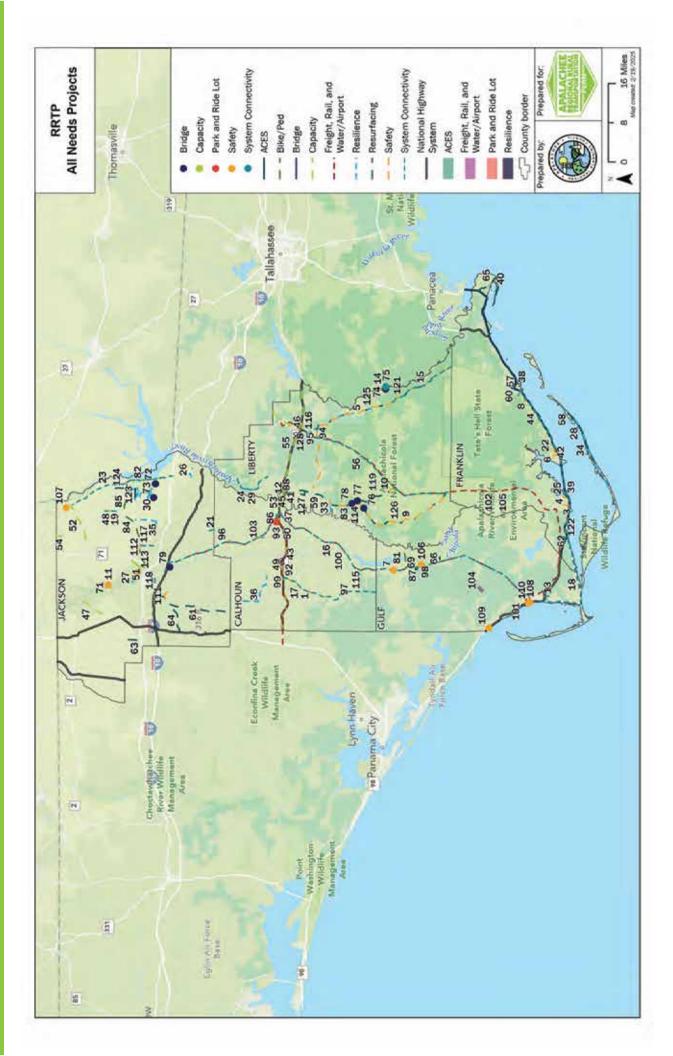
Since the locals do not have currently have project lists in their comprehensive plans and also don't have project lists in a regional plan, other than the FDOT Work Program, this list provides a solid foundation for future transportation planning efforts. We have captured project limits as well as descriptions so this institutional knowledge will be saved for the future and also made easily accessible for partners interested in coordinating.

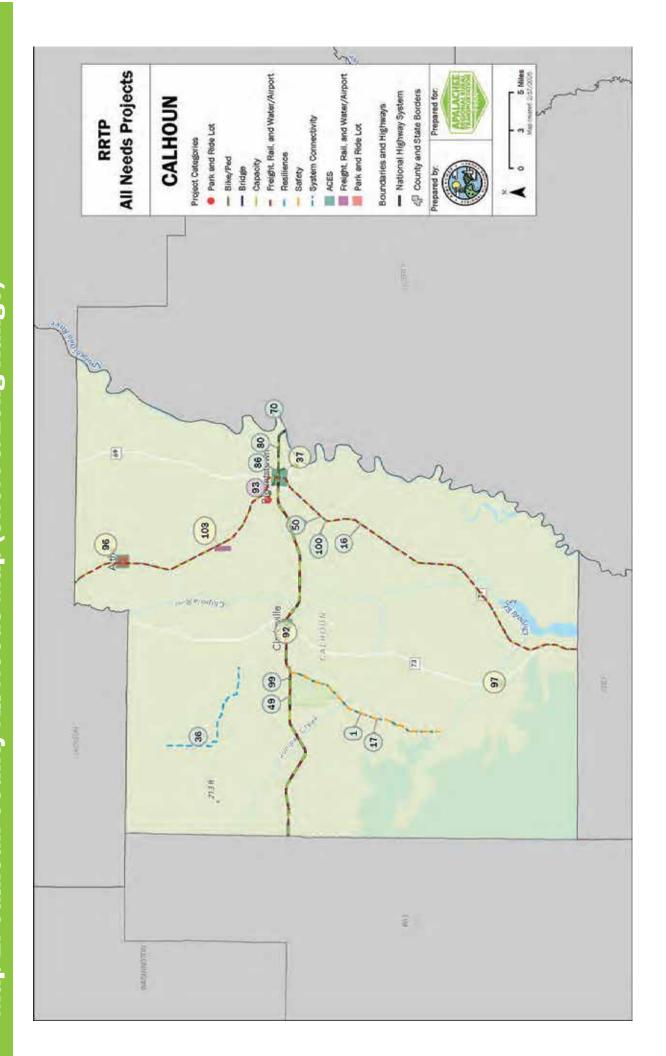
PROJECTS MEET THE REGIONAL VISION

The TAC voted at the November 2024 meeting to adopt the ARPC's Vision Statement as the RRTP's regional vision, "Our vision is to shape a safe and empowering environment that respects each individual's lived experience."

The projects in this plan reflect this regional vision. Each of the counties in the plan are unique and the collection of projects here support a variety of community needs from transporting goods to ensuring safe pedestrian environments for both residents and tourists to helping rural commuters have park and ride lots work for their specific needs.



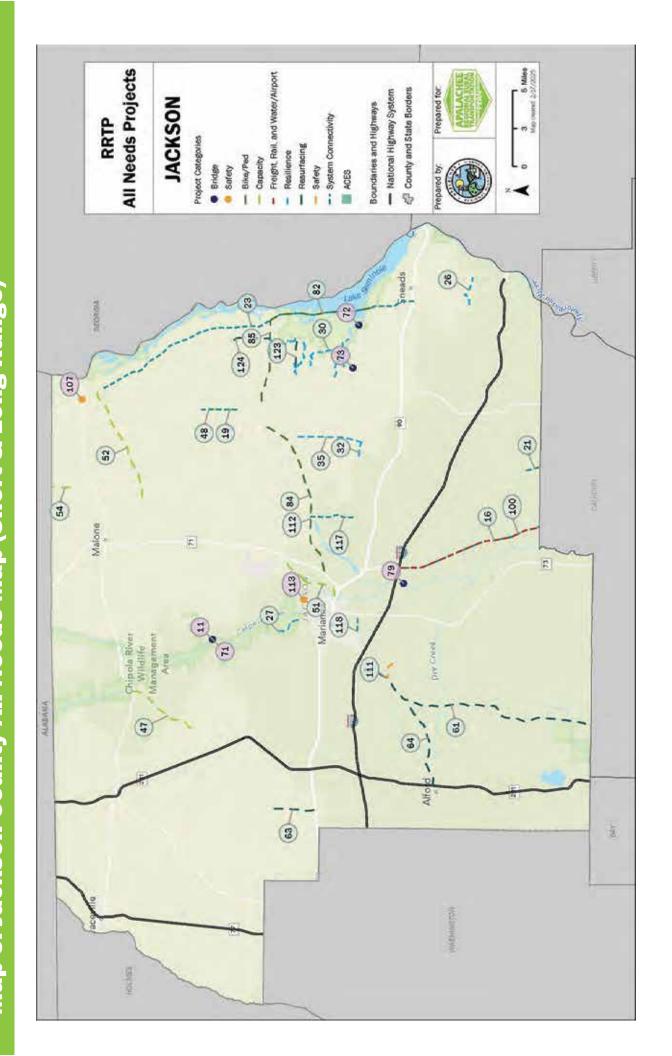


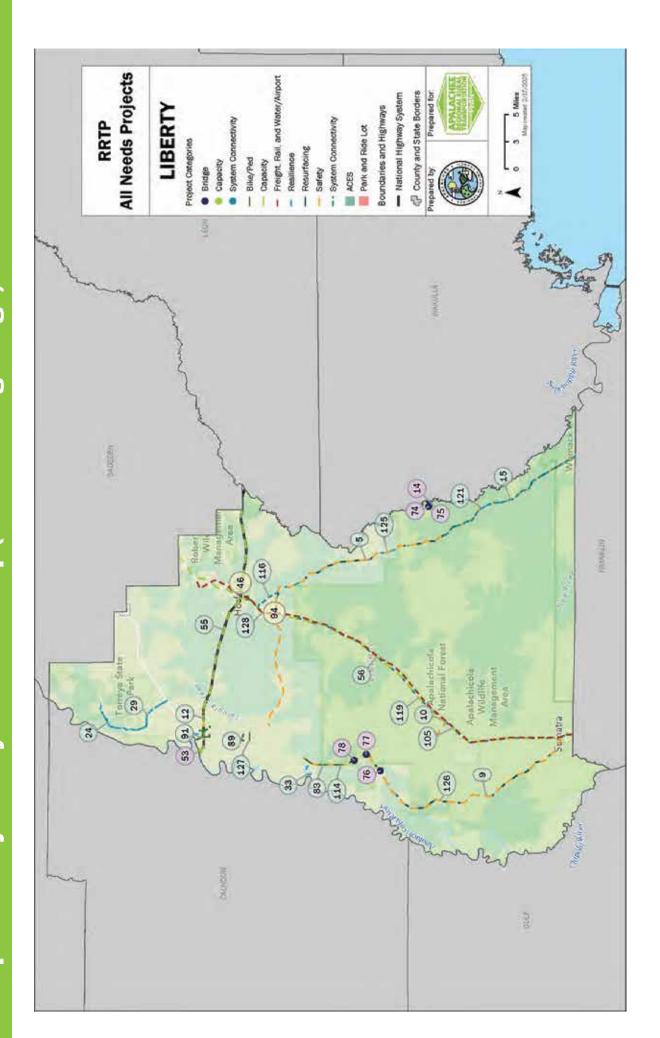


Map 3: Franklin County All Needs Map (Short & Long Range)



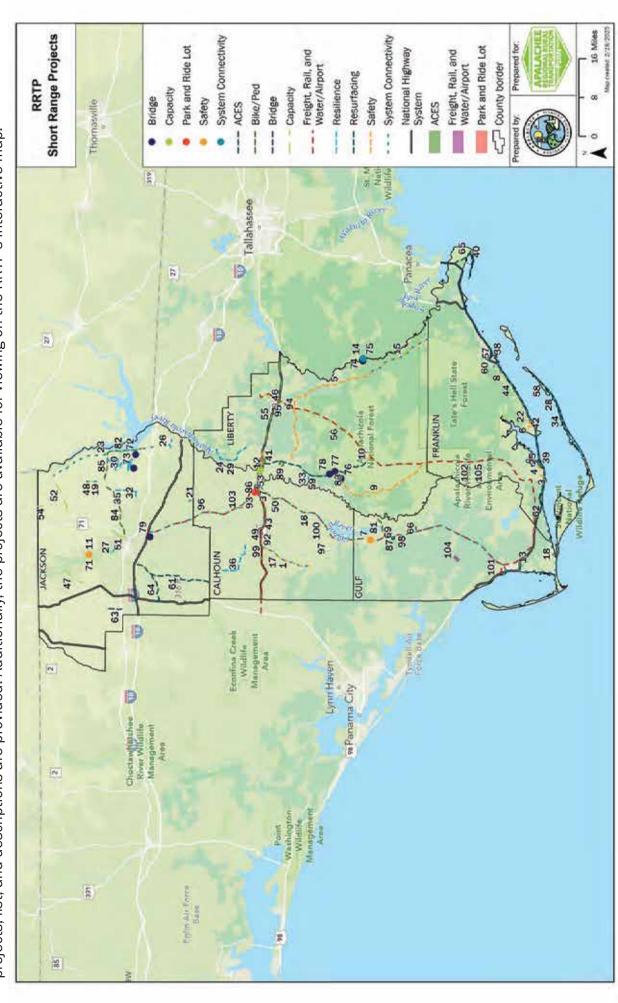






SHORT-RANGE NEEDS MAP

communities come across grants they would like to apply for, this serves as a reference of a short list of projects to pursue. A map of the The short-range needs would be the first projects explored as funding opportunities become available for the region. Also, as the local projects, list, and descriptions are provided. Additionally, the projects are available for viewing on the RRTP's interactive map.



SHORT RANGE PROJECT LIST

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	To	Improvement
				Short-Range	Short-Range Safety Needs:			
H	line	4	Pave County Road 1_Calhoun	(none)	Co. Rd. 1	SR 20	Calhoun Co Rd 392	Pave Road. (This Safety Project is also Map ID #17, System Connectivity.)
7	line	77	Pedestrian Safety Improvements along US Highway 98 and downtown Apalachicola_Franklin	Apalachicola	(See map)	(Avenue C. Avenue G.)	(Market Street/ US 98. Water Street)	Pedestrian Improvements
ო	line	ю	Street Lighting and Sidewalk Improvements_Pal Rivers Road_Franklin	Apalachicola	Pal Rivers Road	NS 98	DW Wilson Sports Arena	Pedestrian Improvements
4	line	4	Sidewalk and Street Lighting Improvements_Hillside Neighborhood_Franklin	Apalachicola	Martin Luther King Blvd	5th Street	7th st to Ave L	Pedestrian Improvements
Ŋ	line	വ	CR 67 Widening to Franklin County Line_Liberty	(none)	CR 67	Forest Rd 119/ Dollie Revell Rd	Franklin County Line	Widen Road. (This Safety Project is also Map ID #15, System Connectivity.)
Ø	line	ഹ	Traffic Lighting and Signage Improvements_Eastpoint_Franklin	Eastpoint	Whispering Pines Ave	Longwood Court	Twin Lakes (N Bayshore Dr to Otter Slide Rd)	Traffic Calming
	point	ဖ	Install Flashing Caution Light on Highway 71 North of Wewahitchka_Gulf	(near Wewahitchka)	Hwy 71 N	Stone Mill Creek Rd	Stone Mill Creek Rd	Intersection Improvements
00	line	9	Traffic Lighting and Signage Improvements_Franklin	Carrabelle	Messer Rd	Carrabelle	Carrabelle	Traffic Calming
o	line	7	CR 379 Widening_Liberty	(none)	CR 379	SR 65	CR 12	Widen Road

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	To	Improvement
9	line	5	Traffic Lighting and Signage Improvements_Eastpoint_Franklin	Eastpoint	Whispering Pines Ave	Longwood Court	Twin Lakes (N Bayshore Dr to Otter Slide Rd)	Traffic Calming
7	point	9	Install Flashing Caution Light on Highway 71 North of Wewahitchka_Gulf	(near Wewahitchka)	Hwy 71 N	Stone Mill Creek Rd	Stone Mill Creek Rd	Intersection Improvements
œ	line	9	Traffic Lighting and Signage Improvements_Franklin	Carrabelle	Messer Rd	Carrabelle	Carrabelle	Traffic Calming
0	line	7	CR 379 Widening_Liberty	(none)	CR 379	SR 65	CR 12	Widen Road
10	line	8	CR 12 (Wilma) Widening_Liberty	(Wildlife Management Area)	CR 12	SR 65	Wilma area	Widen Road
11	point	0	Hwy 162 at Chipola River - Bridge_Jackson	(none)	Hwy 162	Chipola River	Chipola River	Bridge Improvements (This Safety Project is the same bridge as Map ID #71, Bridge. #71 asks to widen and replace though.)
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□	file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	01	Improvement
12	line	10	SR 20 Complete Streets_Liberty	Bristol	SR 20	Bristol city limits	Bristol city limits	Complete Streets
				Short-Range Syster	Short-Range System Connectivity Needs:	ió		
13	line	1	Paving of CR-383 (Jones Homestead Road/ 13 Mile Rd)_Gulf_Franklin	(none)	CR 383 (Jones Homestead Road/ 13 Mile Rd)	Gulf of Mexico	US -98	Paving
14	point	2	CR 368 Ochlockonee River Bridge and Porter Lake Bridge Replacement_Liberty	(none)	CR 368	River Bridge	Porter Lake Bridge	Bridge Improvements (This Bridge Project is the same bridge as Map ID #74, Bridge. #74 asks for bridge replacement though.)
15	line	3	CR 67 Widening to Franklin County Line_Liberty	(none)	CR 67	Forest Rd 119/ Dollie Revell Rd	Franklin County Line	Widen. (This System Connectivity Project is also Map ID #5, Safety.)
16	line	4	Four Lane Highway 71_Gulf_Calhoun_Jackson	Port St. Joe Wewahitchka Blountstown	Hwy 71	Port St. Joe	1-10	Widen. (This System Connectivity Project is also Map ID #100, Freight, etc.)

map ID	map	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	70	Improvement
17	line	വ	Pave County Road 1_Calhoun	(none)	CR 1	SR 20	CR 392	Pave dirt road. (This System Connectivity Project is also Map ID #1, Safety.)
18	line	9	Pave/ Resurface "13 Mile Road"_Gulf_Franklin	(none)	30 A	US 98 (near Constitution Convention Museum S.P.)	US 98 (near a shooting range and St. Vincent Island)	Pave/ Resurface
19	line	2	Sweet Pond Rd, Green Rd to Lovedale Rd_Jackson	Lovedale	Sweet Pond Rd	Green Road	Lovedale Road	Pave dirt road. (This System Connectivity Project is also Map ID #48, Capacity.)
20	line	œ	Repaving of Commerce Street_Franklin	Apalachicola	Commerce	Ave. C	Ave. G	Repave
21	line	თ	Orlando Rd - Pave_Jackson	(none)	Orlando Rd	Alliance Rd	Jackson/ Calhoun County line	Pave dirt road
22	line	10	Signage Improvements along US Highway 98 to Carrabelle Airport and Apalachicola Airport_Franklin	Apalachicola Carrabelle	US 98	Carrabelle Airport	Apalachicola Regional Airport	Wayfinding
23		10	Timberlane Rd (CR 164) to Hwy 90 - Resurface_Jackson	(none)	River Rd	Timberlane Rd	Hwy 90	Resurface

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	To	Improvement
24	line	10	CR 270 (Martin Luther King Rd) Widening and Safety Improvements_Liberty	(none)	CR 270	SR 12	Torreya Park Rd	Widen and stabalize
				Short-Range F	Short-Range Resilience Needs:			
25	line	П	Downtown Apalachicola Stormwater Improvements_Franklin	Apalachicola	(See map)	(Market Street. Ave G.)	(Water St. Ave C.)	Stormwater comprehensive plan
26	line	N	Hill Farm Rd -Drainage Improvements Jackson	(none)	Hill Farm Rd	Sinai Rd	CR 286	Install box culvert and cross drain
27	line	7	Fish Hatchery Rd -Drainage Improvements_Jackson	(none)	Fish Hatchery Rd	start of unpaved part of road	end of unpaved part of road	Raise and pave dirt road
28	line	8	Roadway Improvements on Gulf Beach Drive_Franklin	(St. George Island)	Gulf Beach Dr	W 12th Street	St. George Island State Park	Roadway improvements
29	line	4	Martin Luther King Rd Guardrail and Bank Erosion (CR 270)_Liberty	(none)	CR 270	SR 12	Torreya Park Rd	Prevent road from collapsing
30	line	4	Eastside – Drainage System Improvements_Jackson	(none)	(WPA Ditches. See map. GIS files were sent.)	(east side of county)	(east side of county)	Clear the ditches

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	То	Improvement
31	line	5	Stormwater Improvements_Franklin	Apalachicola	(See map)	(Ave F. 4th St.)	(Water St. Ave D.)	Stormwater drain improvements
32	line	9	Reddoch Rd, between Hollister Rd and Dellwood Cypress Rd - Elevate_Jackson	(none)	Reddoch Rd	Hollister Rd	Dellwood Cypress Rd	Install a stormwater retention system
33	line	7	River Road (Estiffanulga) Box Culvert Replacements_Liberty	(Estiffanulga)	River Rd	CR 333	CR 333	Box culvert replacement
34	line	8	"Green" Infrastructure Improvements / Stormwater Improvements_Franklin	(St. George Island)	Gulf Beach Dr	western end of road	St. George Island State Park	Integrate green infrastructure
35	line	6	Dellwood Cypress Road - Pave_Jackson	(none)	Dellwood Cypress Rd	Butler	Reddoch Rd	Pave dirt road
36	line	10	Pave Porter Grade Road_Calhoun	(none)	Porter Grade Rd	CR 287	Hwy 274/ CR 274	Pave road

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43	poly	7	Install Charging Stations in Clarksville_Calhoun	Clarksville	Clarksville			Install EV charging stations
44	line	∞	Retrofit US 98 for ACES_Franklin	(none)	US 98	Eastern Franklin County line	Western Franklin County line	Retrofit US 98 for ACES
45	poly	თ	Construct EV Charging Stations at Parking Lot by Ace Hardware_Liberty	Bristol	Northside of SR 20	Ace Hardware	Sheriffs Office	Install EV charging stations
46	poly	10	Hosford Park and Ride EV Stations_Liberty	Hosford	Hosford Park and Ride			Install EV charging stations
				Short-Range	Short-Range Capacity Needs:			
47	line	Н	Holyneck Rd - Resurface_Jackson	(none)	Holyneck Rd	Hwy 162	Hwy 2	Resurface
48	line	7	Sweet Pond Rd, Green Rd to Lovedale Rd Pave_Jackson	Lovedale	Sweet Pond Rd	Green Rd	Lovedale Rd	Pave the dirt road. (This Capacity Project is also Map ID #19, System Connectivity.)

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	То	Improvement
49	line	3	Four Lane SR 20_Calhoun	(none)	SR 20	Bay/ Calhoun County line	Calhoun/ Liberty County line	Four lane road
50	line	3	Four Lane SR 71_Calhoun	(none)	SR 71	Calhoun/ Jackson County line	Calhoun/ Gulf county line	Four lane road
51	line	4	Old US Rd_Jackson	(none)	Old US Rd	Hwy 90	SR 166/ Caverns Rd	Widen and resurface
52	line	5	Neals Landing Rd - Paving_Jackson	(none)	Neals Landing Rd	Basswood	Timberlane	Pave the dirt road and chip seal
53	point	9	Replace Old SR 20 Apalachicola River Bridge_Liberty	(none)	Old SR 20	Apalachicola River Bridge end	Apalachicola River Bridge other end	Replace bridge
45	line	7	Grove Rd - Pave_Jackson	(none)	Grove Rd	Biscayne	State line	Pave the dirt road
55	line	8	Four Lane SR 20_Liberty	(none)	SR 20	Liberty/ Calhoun County Line	Liberty/ Leon and Gadsen County Line	Four lane road

56 lir	line	6	SR 65 Wider with shoulders_Liberty	(none)	SR 65	Liberty County Line	Liberty County Line	Wider with shoulders
				Short-Range R	Short-Range Resurfacing Needs:			
57 lir	line	1	Gulf Avenue Stormwater Management_Franklin	Carrabelle	Gulf Avenue (C 30)	US 98	SE Ave. F	Resurface and stormwater management program because continuously washing out
58 Eir	line	1	St. George Island State Park (Gulf Beach Drive)_Franklin	(none)	Gulf Beach Drive (CR 300)	12th Street West	St. George Island State Park entrance	Resurfacing
59 Ii	line	2	CR 12 South from SR 20 to SR 65_Liberty	(none)	CR 12 South	Zebbie Odem Rd	SR 65	Resurfacing and widening
60 lir	line	2	Resurfacing/ Restriping Ryan Drive_Franklin	Carrabelle	Ryan Drive	Ave K	US 98	Resurface and widen
61 lir	line	8	Fairview Rd (CR 167)_Jackson	(none)	CR 167	Penn Ave/ Kynesville/ CR 276	Calhoun County line	Resurface and widen

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	То	Improvement
62	line	4	Roadway Resurfacing/ Repaving along CR 30A_Franklin	(none)	CR 30A	end of the SCOP-30A project	US 98	Resurfacing
63	line	വ	Sapp Rd, Hwy 90 to Lovewood Rd_Jackson	(none)	Sapp Rd	Hwy 90	Lovewood Rd	Resurface and widen
64	line	9	Gardenview Rd_Jackson	(none)	Gardenview Rd	Kynesville	US Route 231 (Georgia Street)	Resurface and widen
65	line	7	Repaving of CR-370_Franklin	(none)	CR 370/ Alligator Dr	US 98	Phipps Bird Sanctuary	Resurfacing
99	line	7	Burgess Creek Road_Gulf	(Dalkeith)	Burgess Creek Rd	CR 381	end of the road	Resurfacing and widening
67	line	∞	East River Road_Gulf	Wewahitchka	East River Road	Hwy 71	7th Street	Resurfacing
89	line	0	West Orange Avenue_Gulf	Wewahitchka	(See map)	(Orange Ave. Pecan Street)	(Catalpa St.)	Resurfacing

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74	point	ស	CR 368 (FR 13) Porter Lake Bridge Replacement_Liberty	(none)	CR 368 (FR 13)	Over Porter	Replace bridge (This Bridge Project is the same bridge as Map ID #14, System Connectivity. #14 asks for bridge improvements though.)
75	point	9	CR 368 (FH 13) Ochlockonee River Bridge Replacement_Liberty	(none)	CR 368 (FH 13)	Over Ochlockonee River	Replace bridge
76	point	7	CR 379 (Mary Branch) Bridge Replacement_Liberty	(none)	CR 379	Over Mary Branch	Repair bridge
77	point	2	CR 12 (Big Gulley) Bridge Replacement_Liberty	(none)	CR 12	Over Big Gulley	Repair bridge
78	point	7	CR 12 (Little Gulley) Bridge Replacement Liberty	(none)	CR 12	Over Little Gullev	Repair bridge
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79	point	∞	Magnolia Rd - Replace_Jackson	(Lovedale)	CR 280 (Magnolia Rd)	Over Chipola River	Replace bridge
				Short-Range Bicy	Short-Range Bicycle Pedestrian Needs:		

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	file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	То	Improvement
80	line	Н	Extend the Greenway Trail_Calhoun	Blountstown	Greenway Trail	W. end of Apalachicola Bridge	Greenway Trail on the side of Blountstown	Extend the Greenway Trail in Liberty County to connect with the existing Florida Trail
81	line	7	Multiuse Path ATIIP Submission_Gulf	Wewahitchka	(See map)	(Lake Grove Rd. Hwy 71)	(River Rd)	Multi-use path
82	line	ო	River Rd (CR 271)_Jackson	(none)	River Rd (CR 271)	Three Rivers State Park	Welcome Church	Create a bike path
83	line	4	CR 12 Sidewalk Repair and/ or Replacement_Liberty	(none)	CR 12	NW County Road 333	SW CR 379	Sidewalk Repair and/or Replacement
84	line	Ŋ	Blue Springs Rd_Jackson	(none)	Blue Springs Rd	beginning of road	end of road	Create a bike path
85	line	ហ	Welcome Church Rd_Jackson	(none)	Welcome Church Rd	Messer Rd	River Rd	Create a bike path
98	line	9	Resurface the Greenway Trail_Calhoun	Blountstown	Greenway Trail	Sam Atkins Park	Apalachicola River boat ramp	Renovate the trail

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	То	Improvement
87	line	۲	Golf Cart Crossing on SR 71_Gulf	Wewahitchka	SR 71	Britt Ave	River Rd	Golf cart crossing
88	line	8	CR 12 / Michaux Road Multi-Use Path (Veterans Park)_Liberty	Bristol	(See Map)	(CR 12)	(NW Michaux Rd)	Multi-Use Path
89	line	80	Lake Mystic Road Sidewalk_Liberty	(none)	Lake Mystic Duggar Road	CR 12	CR 12	Sidewalk
06	line	80	Pea Ridge Road Sidewalk_Liberty	Bristol	Pea Ridge Road	NW Faircloth Rd	NW Michaux Rd	Sidewalk
91	line	ω	Main Street Sidewalk_Liberty	Bristol	Main Street	NW Solomon St	end of road	Sidewalk
				Short-Range Park	Short-Range Park and Ride Lot Needs:			
92	poly	1	Clarksville Park and Ride Lot_Calhoun	Clarksville	(See map)	Near the Dollar General or near the General Store	neral or near the Store	Create a Park and Ride Lot
83	point	2	Sam Atkins Park in Blountstown Park and Ride Lot_Calhoun	Blountstown	Sam Atkins Park	Just inside the park entrance	ark entrance	Create a Truck Park and Ride Lot

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From To	Improvement
94	poly	ε	Telogia Park and Ride Lot – New Lighting and Resurfacing_Liberty	(none)	Telogia Park	Telogia Park and Ride lot	Install new lighting and resurface
95	ylod	4	LCHS/ Bristol Park and Ride Lot – Restripe, Construct EV Charging Stations_Liberty	(none)	LCHS/ Bristol Park and Ride Lot	LCHS/ Bristol Park and Ride Lot	Restripe and construct EV charging stations
96	ylod	Ŋ	Altha Park and Ride Lot_Calhoun	Altha	(See map)	Near the center of Altha	Create a Park and Ride Lot
97	poly	φ	Kinard Community Center Park and Ride Lot_Calhoun	Kinard	Kinard Community Center	Kinard Community Center	Create a Park and Ride Lot
86	poly	7	Park and Ride Lot at Honeyville Park_Gulf	(none)	Honeyville Park	Honeyville Park	Create a Park and Ride Lot
			Short	-Range Freight, Ra	Short-Range Freight, Rail, and Water/Airport Needs:	Needs:	
6 6	line	7	Four Lane Highway 20_Calhoun_Bay	Blountstown	Hwy 20	Liberty County Line Hwy 231	Four lane the road

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	70	Improvement
100	line	2	Four Lane Highway 71_Gulf_Calhoun_Jackson	Port St. Joe, Wewahitchka, Blountstown	Hwy 71	Port St. Joe	1-10	Four lane the road. (This Freight, etc. Project is also Map ID #16, System Connectivity.)
101	ylod	ო	Reopen Port of Port St. Joe_Gulf	Port St. Joe	(See map)	(City Wastewater Treatment Plant. US 98. St. Joseph Bay.)	(Gulf County Canal. Kenny Mill Rd. Howards Rd. Marina Dr.)	Reopen the Port of Port St. Joe
102	line	4	Open Genesee Wyoming Rail Line_Gulf_Franklin_Liberty	(none)	Genesee & Wyoming Rail line	Telogía	Port St. Joe	Reopen the Genesee & Wyoming rail line from Telogia to Port St. Joe (Doesn't go as far north as Map ID #105.)
103	ylod	വ	Extend Runway at the Calhoun County Airport_Calhoun	(none)	Runway at the Calhoun County Airport	end of runway 18/36	Magnolia Church Rd	Extend the runway at the Calhoun County Airport
104	poly	9	Build General Aviation Airport_Gulf	(none)	General Aviation Airport	north of Port St. Joe	north of Port St. Joe	Construct a General Aviation Airport
105	line	7	Repair Railroad Freight Line_Gulf_Franklin_Liberty	(none)	Railroad freight line	Georgia Pacific	Port St. Joe	Repair and clean up the unused Genesee and Wyoming railroad (Goes farther north than Map ID #102.)

SHORT-RANGE PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS

SAFETY

1. Pave County Road 1_Calhoun (Map ID: 1, Map file: line)

Pave County Road 1, which is currently a dirt road, to enhance its function as a critical evacuation route for residents leaving Gulf County and heading to Highway 20 when evacuating to the east or north.

2. Pedestrian Safety Improvements along US Highway 98 and downtown Apalachicola_Franklin (Map ID: 2, Map file: line)

Improve pedestrian safety on US Highway 98 and intersections in downtown Apalachicola. Each year tens of thousands of tourists visit the historic city. Clearly marked crosswalks and traffic calming devices/techniques are needed to ensure pedestrian safety. The area to be addressed is the core downtown area Leslie Street (Avenue C) north to Avenue G; Market Street (US Highway 98) east to Water Street:

- Clearly identified crosswalks
- Traffic calming devices
- Improve signage at the intersection of US Highway 98 and Avenue E.

The intersection has a flashing traffic light that is very confusing through highway traffic. Signage is needed to improve flow at light. Also, pedestrians do not know when to cross.

3. Street Lighting and Sidewalk Improvements_Pal Rivers Road_Franklin (Map ID: 3, Map file: line)

Install proper street lighting and sidewalks along Pal Rivers Road from US 98 to the DW Wilson Sports Arena, as Pal Rivers Road and Bluff Road are the main access routes to the arena. This project aligns with FDOT's Vision Zero initiative for safety improvements.

Additionally, add sidewalks and street lighting along FLA C-30 from 26th Street to the east side of Pal Rivers Road. This section needs pedestrian and bicycle pathways on the north side of C-30 to safely separate them from motorized traffic heading to Buddy Ward Park and the Sea Farers Museum (Lombardi's). The area sees significant pedestrian and bicycle traffic, making these improvements essential for safety.

4. Sidewalk and Street Lighting Improvements_Hillside Neighborhood_Franklin (Map ID: 4, Map file: line)

Add streetlights and sidewalks throughout the Hillside neighborhood to increase pedestrian safety, access to after school program, Holy Family Senior Center, city hall and the splash pad recreational area. There are currently no sidewalks and few street lights.

Add a sidewalk from The Nest After School Program and the Splash Pad (14th Street and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Blvd) east for 10 blocks along MLK Blvd to 5th Street at the Orman House Museum State Park. This would connect the Hillside Community with the afterschool program, Holy Family Edler Care, city hall and the Splash Pad recreational park. It would also connect to the existing larger sidewalk network around the city.

5 (tied). CR 67 Widening to Franklin County Line_Liberty (Map ID: 5, Map file: line)

Widen the narrow road, which handles heavy traffic including dump trucks, log trucks, and semis, and also serves as a critical evacuation route. With a new rock mine opening at the county line, traffic volume is expected to increase, making road improvements essential for safety and efficient transport.

5 (tied). Traffic Lighting and Signage Improvements_Eastpoint_Franklin Map ID: 6, Map file: line In Eastpoint, the Whispering Pines residential community is in need of traffic calming devices on Whispering Pines Avenue, Longwood Court/Timber Ridge Court. These roadways experience high speed traffic from local residents. Twin Lakes from North Bayshore Drive to Otter Slide Road, also needs traffic calming devices to slow vehicular traffic. This two-lane road experiences a high volume of excessive speed traffic. It is a "backroad" arterial route to US 98 via Otter Slide Road and 4th Street, thereby by-passing US 98 traffic through Eastpoint.

6 (tied). Install Flashing Caution Light on Highway 71 North of Wewahitchka_Gulf (Map ID: 7, Map file: point)

Install a flashing caution light at the intersection of Highway 71 North and Stone Mill Creek Road to improve safety. This intersection becomes congested when employees from the Gulf Correctional Institution Annex finish their shifts. The area has seen two fatalities and is surrounded by nearby subdivisions, with vehicles often traveling at speeds of 65-70 mph. The caution light would help reduce accidents and improve traffic flow.

6 (tied). Traffic Lighting and Signage Improvements_Franklin (Map ID: 8, Map file: line) Install traffic calming devices on Messer Road in Carrabelle to address excessive speeding, which poses a danger to both adults and children in this small, family-oriented community.

7. CR 379 Widening_Liberty (Map ID: 9, Map file: line)

Widen and resurface the narrow road to improve safety and functionality, especially as it serves as a 10-mile alternate evacuation route when SR 65 is unavailable. The current road lacks deflection in the center and sides, which compromises its ability to handle increased traffic during emergencies.

8. CR 12 (Wilma) Widening_Liberty (Map ID: 10, Map file: line)

Widen the road to accommodate the high traffic volume, especially since it serves as an alternate route when Highway 65 is closed. The road is currently too narrow to handle the increased flow, making widening essential for safety and improved traffic management.

9. Hwy 162 at Chipola River -Bridge_Jackson (Map ID: 11, Map file: point)

Replace and widen the narrow bridge, which has been the site of multiple incidents. Vehicles frequently hit the guardrail or run off the bridge, with one incident resulting in a vehicle ending up in the water. Widening the bridge would enhance safety and prevent further accidents.

10. SR 20 Complete Streets_Liberty (Map ID: 12, Map file: line)

Implement a Complete Streets project in Bristol on SR 20 to enhance safety, accessibility, and mobility for all users, including pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists. This approach will ensure the roadway is designed to accommodate diverse transportation needs.

SYSTEM CONNECTIVITY

1. Paving of CR-383 (Jones Homestead Road/ **13 Mile Rd)_Gulf_Franklin** (Map ID: 13, Map file: line)

In Franklin County, CR-383, aka Jones Homestead Road and 13 Mile Rd, from the Gulf of Mexico to US 98, traverses both Franklin and Gulf County. Franklin County is requesting this roadway be paved for safety reasons. This roadway serves as an emergency evacuation route and is being requested in the interest of public safety and system connectivity. Franklin County's tourist development explosion, that supports the State of Florida's tourist development initiatives for revenue growth, warrants this request for public safety and emergency management goals.

2. CR 368 Ochlockonee River Bridge and Porter Lake Bridge Replacement_Liberty (Map ID: 14, Map file: point)

Repair and repave the road, which is in poor condition with numerous potholes and extensive damage. This road serves as a critical evacuation route from Liberty County to Wakulla County and is the only road, aside from SR 20, that connects the Gulf area to the interior. It likely hasn't been updated in nearly 100 years, making improvements essential for safety and accessibility.

- **3. CR 67 Widening to Franklin County Line_Liberty** (Map ID: 15, Map file: line) Complete the final phase of widening the road, which already has some sections widened. This narrow road handles heavy traffic, including dump trucks, log trucks, and semis, and also serves as an evacuation route. With a new rock mine set to open at the county line, traffic is expected to increase, making the widening project even more critical.
- **4. Four Lane Highway 71_Gulf_Calhoun_Jackson** (Map ID: 16, Map file: line) Widen Highway 71 to four lanes from Port St. Joe to Interstate 10, or alternatively, install passing lanes between Wewahitchka, Blountstown, and the Interstate to address the difficulty of passing on hilly sections. Improving this corridor is crucial for economic development, as prospective investors often inquire about the proximity to the Interstate and whether the route has four lanes.
- 5. Pave County Road 1_Calhoun (Map ID: 17, Map file: line)

Pave the existing dirt road to enhance its function as a crucial evacuation route for residents leaving Gulf County, providing a reliable connection to Highway 20 for those evacuating to the east or north.

- **6. Pave/ Resurface "13 Mile Road"_Gulf_Franklin** (Map ID: 18, Map file: line) Pave "13 Mile Road," which spans 2.66 miles between Gulf and Franklin Counties, with half of the road in each county. This road, which runs along the beach, needs improvements due to heavy visitor traffic, particularly to Cape San Blas and Indian Pass. Enhancing this roadway will improve the flow of traffic in a popular beach area. This road is used as an evacuation route.
- **7. Sweet Pond Rd, Green Rd to Lovedale Rd_Jackson** (Map ID: 19, Map file: line) Pave the existing dirt road to improve access for the Lovedale community, connecting it to the state highway system and the newly built Dollar General. This road serves as an evacuation route and also facilitates the flow of tourists from Georgia and Alabama to the state highway and is used by farmers getting to farmers' markets
- **8. Repaving of Commerce Street_Franklin** (Map ID: 20, Map file: line)
 Repave Commerce from Avenue C to Avenue G in downtown Apalachicola. This road is heavily used by tourists and residents in cars, pedestrians, bikes and golf carts. Each year the City of Apalachicola receives numerous complaints about conditions of pavement causing pedestrian falls, injuries and damage to bikes and vehicles

- **9. Orlando Rd Pave_Jackson** (Map ID: 21, Map file: line)
 Pave the existing dirt road to accommodate the increased semi-truck traffic traveling from Calhoun
- Pave the existing dirt road to accommodate the increased semi-truck traffic traveling from Calhoun County to Lueders and Cypress
- **10 (3-way tie). Signage Improvements along US Highway 98 to Carrabelle Airport and Apalachicola Airport_Franklin** (Map ID: 22, Map file: line)

Improve connectivity of the Carrabelle and Apalachicola Airports and surrounding areas through signage and wayfinding information on US Highway 98.

10 (3-way tie). Timberlane Rd (CR 164) to Hwy 90 – Resurface_Jackson (Map ID: 23, Map file: line)

Resurface the old state road that was transferred to the county. The road is deteriorating with extensive alligator cracking, resembling dried, cracked soil. It has surpassed its expected lifespan and is in need of resurfacing.

10 (3-way tie). CR 270 (Martin Luther King Rd) Widening and Safety Improvements_Liberty (Map ID: 24, Map file: line) Widen and stabilize the feeder road to Torreya State Park, which is currently too narrow with deteriorating shoulders to ensure safe access to the park.

RESILIENCE

- 1. Downtown Apalachicola Stormwater Improvements_Franklin (Map ID: 25, Map file: line) Develop a comprehensive plan for downtown Apalachicola that includes green infrastructure solutions such as pervious pavement, tree boxes, and swales to manage runoff during urban flooding and intense storms. These measures will allow water to percolate into the soil rather than flow directly into the Apalachicola River and Bay, providing significant environmental and community benefits. Given that the Apalachicola River is a Florida Outstanding Water, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve, and a National Estuarine Research Reserve, these improvements are vital. Currently, even brief rainstorms overwhelm the stormwater system, leaving tourists wading through water at intersections. With no available land for stormwater ponds, green infrastructure is crucial for enhancing drainage and reducing flood impacts. Planning and Design.
- **2 (tied). Hill Farm Rd -Drainage Improvements_Jackson** (Map ID: 26, Map file: line) Install a box culvert and cross drain to manage outfall, as the current road sits atop a failing culvert. If not addressed, further deterioration could lead to a complete washout, cutting off access to I-10 and disrupting regional transportation.
- **2 (tied). Fish Hatchery Rd -Drainage Improvements_Jackson** (Map ID: 27, Map file: line) Raise and pave the existing dirt road to improve stability in low-lying areas, ensuring reliable access to Florida Caverns State Park. When the Chipola River rises, Fish Hatchery Road floods, cutting off access to employee housing and the campground exit. Frequent flooding leaves staff and visitors stranded, especially if flood warnings are missed, isolating them until the waters recede.
- **3. Roadway Improvements on Gulf Beach Drive_Franklin** (Map ID: 28, Map file: line) Upgrade Gulf Beach Drive (CR 300), the sole access road to the renowned St. George Island State Park, by widening, repaving, and restriping the approximately 7-mile stretch from 12th Street West to the park entrance. This road is in urgent need of improvements to support its role in Florida's tourism industry. Currently, the roadway lacks shoulders to accommodate boat trailers and large motorhomes, with the last resurfacing completed 16 years ago. Due to sea turtle conservation efforts, overhead lighting is not permitted; therefore, installing in-ground lighting similar to airport runway systems is recommended to enhance safety.

4 (tied). Martin Luther King Rd Guardrail and Bank Erosion (CR 270)_Liberty (Map ID: 29, Map file: line)

The ditch paving has deteriorated, causing water to flow off the damaged surface and drop 10-20 feet, which has eroded the road. As the water continues to wash away the underlying support, the road is at risk of collapsing. Immediate repairs are needed to prevent further damage and potential road failure.

4 (tied). Eastside – Drainage System Improvements_Jackson (Map ID: 30, Map file: line) Clear the existing ditches constructed by the US Army Corps of Engineers, Hoover, and WPA to restore proper drainage and allow for ongoing maintenance. Due to insufficient upkeep, these older ditches no longer channel water effectively, leading to frequent flooding during heavy rain. Originally built during the construction of Lake Seminole, these ditches now require significant restoration to prevent future flooding. (GIS files were sent over.)

5. Stormwater Improvements_Franklin (Map ID: 31, Map file: line)

Identify and repair blocked stormwater drains in the downtown area. Franklin County requests that FDOT District 3 implement an enhanced maintenance program for US 98 to improve roadside drainage, particularly in the City of Apalachicola. This is essential to prevent heavy downpours from hindering the safe passage of emergency vehicles and general traffic for both residents and tourists.

6. Reddoch Rd, between Hollister Rd and Dellwood Cypress Rd – Elevate_Jackson (Map ID: 32, Map file: line)

Since the installation of a solar farm, the area has experienced increased road flooding after every rainfall. To address this, construct a stormwater retention system or elevate the road to prevent flooding.

7. River Road (Estiffanulga) Box Culvert Replacements_Liberty (Map ID: 33, Map file: line) There is a cross drain running beneath Route 333, and the drainage system on River Road is eroding, creating a significant washout area that extends to River Road. The concrete drains in this area are extremely old, and the county lacks the funding needed to replace the deteriorating headwalls and pipes.

The existing concrete is showing severe signs of wear and needs to be replaced. Water erosion has caused significant damage, requiring the area to be resurfaced. The solution would involve installing a new pipe or headwall drain, as well as a box culvert. River Road, located nearby, is starting to collapse and give way. There is an urgent need for underground drainage from Route 333 to the large drain that leads to River Road to prevent further damage.

8. "Green" Infrastructure Improvements / Stormwater Improvements_Franklin (Map ID: 34, Map file: line)

Integrate green infrastructure on St. George Island, including swales and pervious pavement, to improve rainwater absorption and reduce rapid flooding during storm events.

9. Dellwood Cypress Road -Pave_Jackson (Map ID: 35, Map file: line)

Pave the existing dirt road to resolve hazardous flooding, especially between Butler and Reddoch Road, and to enhance its potential as an economic development corridor, improving accessibility and supporting growth in the area.

10. Pave Porter Grade Road_Calhoun (Map ID: 36, Map file: line)

Pave Porter Grade Road to improve accessibility, safety, and reduce ongoing maintenance needs. The road is in a heavily populated area and is home to a big business that moves sheetrock and has dump trucks on a daily basis. Also, emergency vehicles go up and down there and there are potholes.

ACES VEHICLES

- **1.** Install Charging Stations in Blountstown_Calhoun (Map ID: 37, Map file: polygon) Install a high-speed EV charging station with at least four charging stands that support both Tesla and non-Tesla vehicles near the intersection of Highway 20 and Highway 71 in Blountstown. The city has offered property for this purpose, with options on either side of the intersection and a large park in the center. This location is ideal for travelers heading to or from the beach, between Tallahassee and Panama City, or from Marianna to Mexico Beach and Cape San Blas. Placing the charging station here would allow visitors to easily access nearby restaurants and shops while charging their vehicles.
- **2. Electric Charging Stations -Carrabelle_Franklin** (Map ID: 38, Map file: polygon) Install centrally located multi-vehicle electric charging stations in Carrabelle to support the growing number of tourists using EVs in the area.
- **3. Electric Charging Stations -Apalachicola_Franklin** (Map ID: 39, Map file: polygon) Install electric vehicle charging stations in Apalachicola and provide signage for their locations. Previously, the city had multiple stations, but they were removed earlier this year. Local tourist-related businesses report that the lack of charging stations is negatively affecting their business
- **4. Electric Charging Stations -Alligator Point_Franklin** (Map ID: 40, Map file: polygon) Install electric vehicle charging stations in Alligator Point and add signage to indicate their locations. Local tourist-related businesses have reported that the absence of charging stations is negatively affecting their business.
- **5. Bristol Park and Ride EV Charging Station_Liberty** (Map ID: 41, Map file: polygon) There's a little bit of space right there. County doesn't have land everywhere. Power already running through there, so wouldn't be too bad of a job.
- **6. Electric Charging Stations -Eastpoint_Franklin** (Map ID: 42, Map file: polygon) Install electric vehicle charging stations in Eastpoint and add signage to indicate their locations. Local tourist-related businesses have reported that the absence of charging stations is negatively affecting their business.
- **7. Install Charging Stations in Clarksville_Calhoun** (Map ID: 43, Map file: polygon) Install a high-speed EV charging station with at least two charging stands that accommodate both Tesla and non-Tesla vehicles to support increased accessibility for electric vehicle users.
- **8. Retrofit US 98 for ACES_Franklin** (Map ID: 44, Map file: polygon)
 To accommodate the use of automated self-driving vehicles on US-98 within Franklin County, retrofit the highway with the necessary technologies and infrastructure to support ACES (Autonomous, Connected, Electric, Shared) vehicle operations.
- 9. Construct EV Charging Stations at Parking Lot by Ace Hardware_Liberty (Map ID: 45, Map file: polygon)

Located along SR 20 and near the Sheriff's Office, rather than in remote or less accessible areas.

10. Hosford Park and Ride EV Stations_Liberty (Map ID: 46, Map file: polygon) No narrative.

CAPACITY

- 1. Holyneck Rd Resurface_Jackson (Map ID: 47, Map file: line)
- Pave the existing chip seal road to accommodate increased semi-truck traffic from the new bottling plant, as well as out-of-state beachgoers. The north end connects to Highway 2, making this upgrade essential for improved traffic flow and safety.
- **2. Sweet Pond Rd, Green Rd to Lovedale Rd Pave_Jackson** (Map ID: 48, Map file: line) Pave the dirt road from Green to Lovedale to accommodate the increased traffic from a new store and beachgoers. The current dirt surface experiences heavy traffic, making it difficult to maintain.
- 3 (tied). Four Lane SR 20_Calhoun (Map ID: 49, Map file: line)

Widen Highway 20 in the western part of the county from two lanes to four lanes to improve safety and reduce accidents. The current road has no passing zones, with dips and curves that contribute to frequent accidents, including fatalities that sometimes require airlifts. The high traffic volume also makes it difficult for residents to access the highway from their driveways, causing congestion in both directions. Expanding the road would address safety concerns and improve traffic flow.

3 (tied). Four Lane SR 71_Calhoun (Map ID: 50, Map file: line)

Widen and improve the roadway to handle the heavy traffic, especially during the summer, as it serves beachgoers. The winding road also carries numerous log trucks traveling on Highway 71 from Gulf County to mills in Liberty County, leading to frequent crashes and congestion. Upgrading the road would enhance safety and accommodate the high traffic volume.

4. Old US Rd, SR 10 to Old Greenwood Rd_Jackson (Map ID: 51, Map file: line)

Widen and resurface the road to accommodate increased traffic, primarily from school commutes. Originally built for a sparsely populated subdivision, the area has since grown with new housing and two schools, resulting in traffic volumes that exceed the road's current capacity.

5. Neals Landing Rd - Paving_Jackson (Map ID: 52, Map file: line)

Pave the existing dirt and chip seal road, which serves as a cut-through route from Bascom to Lovedale, ending near River Road. The area is highly agricultural, and the current chip seal surface is failing. Paving is needed to handle the increased load and capacity demands.

- **6. Replace Old SR 20 Apalachicola River Bridge_Liberty** (Map ID: 53, Map file: point) Replace the Old SR 20 Apalachicola River Bridge to ensure safe and reliable access across the river.
- **7. Grove Rd Pave_Jackson** (Map ID: 54, Map file: line)
 Pave the existing dirt road to improve durability, accessibility, and reduce maintenance requirements.
- **8. Four Lane SR 20_Liberty** (Map ID: 55, Map file: line) No narrative.
- **9. SR 65 Wider with shoulders_Liberty** (Map ID: 56, Map file: line) No narrative.

RESURFACING

- **1 (tied). Gulf Avenue Stormwater Management_Franklin** (Map ID: 57, Map file: line) In Carrabelle, C-30 (Gulf Avenue) urgently requires a stormwater management program, as it is continuously washing out. This area needs improvements to prevent wash-over from US 98, which is causing environmental issues in the Gulf of Mexico.
- 1 (tied). St. George Island State Park (Gulf Beach Drive)_Franklin (Map ID: 58, Map file: line) Upgrade Gulf Beach Drive (CR 300), the sole access road to the renowned St. George Island State Park, by widening and repaving the 7-mile stretch from 12th Street West to the park entrance. This road, last resurfaced 16 years ago, lacks shoulders to accommodate boat trailers and large motorhomes. As the State Park is a significant tourist destination contributing to Florida's economy, these improvements are essential. Additionally, due to sea turtle conservation efforts, overhead lighting is not permitted; instead, install in-ground lighting similar to airport runway lights to enhance safety.
- **2 (tied). CR 12 South from SR 20 to SR 65_Liberty** (Map ID: 59, Map file: line) Complete the resurfacing project on CR 12 South from SR 20 to SR 65. While resurfacing is currently underway from SR 20 to Lake Mystic Road, the remaining stretch needs attention. This route is vital for evacuations but is too narrow, with deteriorating shoulders that are starting to erode.
- **2 (tied). Resurfacing/ Restriping Ryan Drive_Franklin** (Map ID: 60, Map file: line) Resurface and restripe Ryan Drive in Carrabelle from Avenue K to US 98, a stretch of approximately 0.8 miles. The road is severely rutted due to heavy local truck traffic. Previously, truckers used Ryan Drive to bypass the historic district, but a city ordinance now prohibits this. Trucks are rerouted south via Lake Moriarty Road and westward on US 98.
- **3. Fairview Rd (CR 167)_Jackson** (Map ID: 61, Map file: line) Widen and resurface the road, which is currently very narrow and heavily trafficked, particularly by out-of-town drivers. The road has narrow lanes with no shoulder and serves as a key route between Marianna and Bay County.
- **4. Roadway Resurfacing/ Repaving along CR 30A_Franklin** (Map ID: 62, Map file: line) Complete the resurfacing of CR 30A with additional paving extending 1.7 miles eastward from the endpoint of the SCOP-30A project to its intersection with US 98. Additionally, address the issue of road runoff to prevent it from entering the Bay and harming the seagrass beds. The original scope of this project had to be scaled back due to budget constraints; see SCOP Project C-30A Resurfacing Project #44062115401 for more details.
- **5. Sapp Rd, SR 10 to Lovewood Rd_Jackson** (Map ID: 63, Map file: line) Widen and resurface the road, which is in worse condition than CR 167. The asphalt is in poor shape and not designed to handle the increased traffic it currently experiences.
- **6. Gardenview Rd_Jackson** (Map ID: 64, Map file: line)
 Widen and resurface the deteriorating road to address safety concerns. Over the years, the lines and reflectors have been refreshed, but the aging road still requires significant improvements. It handles a substantial amount of cut-through traffic from Alford to Marianna.
- **7 (tied). Repaving of CR-370_Franklin** (Map ID: 65, Map file: line)
 Repave and restripe CR-370, Alligator Drive, from US 98 to the Phipps Bird Sanctuary. This roadway was last resurfaced in 1985, following damage from Hurricane Illena. Originally part of the State Road system until 1983, it was transferred to the county in its original condition. The county resurfaced it nearly four decades ago and now requires financial assistance for repaving.

7 (tied). Burgess Creek Road_Gulf (Map ID: 66, Map file: line)

Resurface Burgess Creek Road in Dalkeith from CR 381 to the road's end, covering 0.4 miles. According to community input, this is considered the worst road in Gulf County and is in urgent need of improvement.

8. East River Road_Gulf (Map ID: 67, Map file: line)

Resurface East River Road from Highway 71 to Seventh Street, covering 0.6 miles. This road is heavily used, providing access to Wewahitchka Elementary and High Schools, and requires improvements to support the high volume of traffic.

9. West Orange Avenue_Gulf (Map ID: 68, Map file: line)

Resurface W. Orange Avenue from Highway 7 to Pecan Street, then to Catalpa Street, and ending at Old Dairy Farm Road, covering 0.4 miles. This primary road provides access to TL James Park and serves many homes in the area. The county aims to improve connectivity to schools, parks, and businesses for the community.

10. Old Dairy Farm Road -the category shows up as System Connectivity instead of Resurfacing_Gulf (Map ID: 69, Map file: line)

Resurface Old Dairy Farm Road in Wewahitchka from Highway 71 to Catalpa Street, with an additional 150 feet extended in both directions at the intersection. This 0.6-mile stretch leads to TL James Park, which includes ball fields and is heavily used by the community.

BRIDGE

1. Replace Trammel Bridge_Calhoun_Liberty (Map ID: 70, Map file: line)

Replace the westbound bridge over the Apalachicola River, as it serves as a critical evacuation route and daily commute for residents between Bristol and Blountstown. FDOT has proposed closing the aging westbound bridge due to high maintenance costs, but this would severely impact access, as it is the only river crossing until Interstate 10. In emergencies, such as transporting patients to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital, detours would require a lengthy route via Highway 69, Ocheesee Road to Sneads, and I-10, significantly increasing travel time. Maintaining this bridge is essential for safety and connectivity in the region.

2. Hwy 162 - Replace_Jackson (Map ID: 71, Map file: point)

Replace and widen the bridge on Highway 162 over the Chipola River. Bridge #530022. The current narrow bridge has been the site of multiple incidents, with vehicles frequently hitting the guardrail or running off the bridge, including one case where a vehicle ended up in the water. Upgrading the bridge would enhance safety and prevent future accidents.

3. Curlee Rd_Jackson (Map ID: 72, Map file: point)

Replace the wooden culvert on Curlee Road with a concrete box culvert to enhance durability and improve drainage. Bridge #534181.

4. Stephens Rd_Jackson (Map ID: 73, Map file: point)

Replace the existing wooden culverts with concrete box culverts to improve durability and long-term performance. Bridge #534180.

5. CR 368 (FR 13) Porter Lake Bridge Replacement_Liberty (Map ID: 74, Map file: point) No narrative.

6. CR 368 (FH 13) Ochlockonee River Bridge Replacement_Liberty (Map ID: 75, Map file: point) No narrative.

7 (three-way tie). CR 379 (Mary Branch) Bridge Replacement_Liberty (Map ID: 76, Map file: point) The bridge, built in the 1940s, has severely deteriorated. FDOT bridge reports highlight its poor condition and necessary repairs, but the county lacks the funds to address these issues.

7 (three-way tie). CR 12 (Big Gulley) Bridge Replacement_Liberty (Map ID: 77, Map file: point) The bridge, constructed in the 1940s, has significantly deteriorated. FDOT reports detail the extent of its poor condition and the repairs needed, but the county does not have sufficient funds to carry out the necessary work.

7 (three-way tie). CR 12 (Little Gulley) Bridge Replacement_Liberty (Map ID: 78, Map file: point) The bridge, dating back to the 1940s, is in a state of severe deterioration. FDOT reports highlight its critical condition and outline required repairs, but the county lacks the necessary funding to address these issues.

8. Magnolia Rd - Replace_Jackson (Map ID: 79, Map file: point) Bridge #530041.

BICYCLE / PEDESTRIAN

1. Extend the Greenway Trail_Calhoun (Map ID: 80, Map file: line)

Extend the Greenway Trail in Liberty County to connect with the existing Florida Trail. Currently, users must walk along the shoulder of Highway 20 to reach Blountstown, which poses safety concerns. By extending the trail under the bridge and connecting it to the existing path, it would provide a safer route for pedestrians. This extension would also link the trail to Marianna and the nearby Caverns trail, enhancing regional connectivity.

2. Multiuse Path ATIIP Submission_Gulf (Map ID: 81, Map file: line)

Install a multi-use path in Wewahitchka to connect the business community with local schools and Gaskin Park on Lake Grove Road. This path would link businesses, schools, the park, and the boat landing, enhancing accessibility and promoting safe, active transportation.

3. River Rd (CR 271) Jackson (Map ID: 82, Map file: line)

Develop a connected bike path along River Road (CR 271) from Three Rivers State Park to Welcome Church to enhance recreational opportunities and promote safe cycling in the area.

4. CR 12 Sidewalk Repair and/ or Replacement_Liberty (Map ID: 83, Map file: line) Not ADA compliant.

5 (tied). Blue Springs Rd_Jackson (Map ID: 84, Map file: line)

Create a connected bike path along the entire length of Blue Springs Road to promote safe cycling and improve recreational access throughout the area.

5 (tied). Welcome Church Rd_Jackson (Map ID: 85, Map file: line)

Establish a connected bike path along Welcome Church Road to enhance cycling safety and provide additional recreational options.

6. Resurface the Greenway Trail_Calhoun (Map ID: 86, Map file: line)

Renovate the aging trail, as it has been a popular walking route for years, especially among older residents who use it in the mornings. The asphalt is crumbling in places, raising safety concerns that need to be addressed.

7. Golf Cart Crossing on SR 71_Gulf (Map ID: 87, Map file: line) No narrative.

8 (four-way tie). CR 12 / Michaux Road Multi-Use Path (Veterans Park)_Liberty (Map ID: 88, Map file: line)
No narrative.

8 (four-way tie). Lake Mystic Road Sidewalk_Liberty (Map ID: 89, Map file: line) No narrative.

8 (four-way tie). Pea Ridge Road Sidewalk_Liberty (Map ID: 90, Map file: line) No narrative.

8 (four-way tie). Main Street Sidewalk_Liberty (Map ID: 91, Map file: line) No narrative.

PARK AND RIDE LOT

- **1. Clarksville Park and Ride Lot_Calhoun** (Map ID: 92, Map file: polygon) Establish a Park and Ride lot near the Dollar General or General Store in Clarksville to provide a convenient meeting spot for carpooling. This would serve local residents needing a central location to connect for their work commutes, as the nearest existing Park and Ride facility is in Bay County.
- **2. Sam Atkins Park in Blountstown Park and Ride Lot_Calhoun** (Map ID: 93, Map file: polygon) Many truck drivers, including those with logging trucks and lowboy trailers, currently park in the grocery store parking lot or in an unpaved dirt lot near the gas station on the west side of Blountstown. This practice takes up parking spaces and causes damage to these areas due to the heavy vehicles. Drivers often park their work trucks overnight, then switch to personal vehicles to commute home. There is a need to identify a county-owned location for designated truck parking to prevent further damage and alleviate congestion.
- **3. Telogia Park and Ride Lot New Lighting and Resurfacing_Liberty** (Map ID: 94, Map file: polygon) Install new lighting and resurface the Telogia Park and Ride lot to enhance safety. The area is currently very dark, causing concerns for those who park and commute early in the morning or late at night. Improved lighting and resurfacing would increase security and usability.
- **4. LCHS/ Bristol Park and Ride Lot Restripe, Construct EV Charging Stations_Liberty** (Map ID: 95, Map file: polygon)

Restripe the LCHS/Bristol Park and Ride lot and construct EV charging stations to improve accessibility. This public parking area is widely used, and these upgrades would enhance convenience for the community.

5. Altha Park and Ride Lot_Calhoun (Map ID: 96, Map file: polygon)

Establish a designated Park and Ride lot near the center of Altha, utilizing the area close to the school board property. Currently, people park in front of the old schoolhouse, which has limited parking spaces and is used by pickup trucks during the day. With the new school located two blocks away, a dedicated Park and Ride facility would provide a centralized area for commuters. Given the rural nature of the area, many residents drive in from the countryside, park wherever they can, and carpool to work. A designated lot would help organize parking and support these commuting patterns.

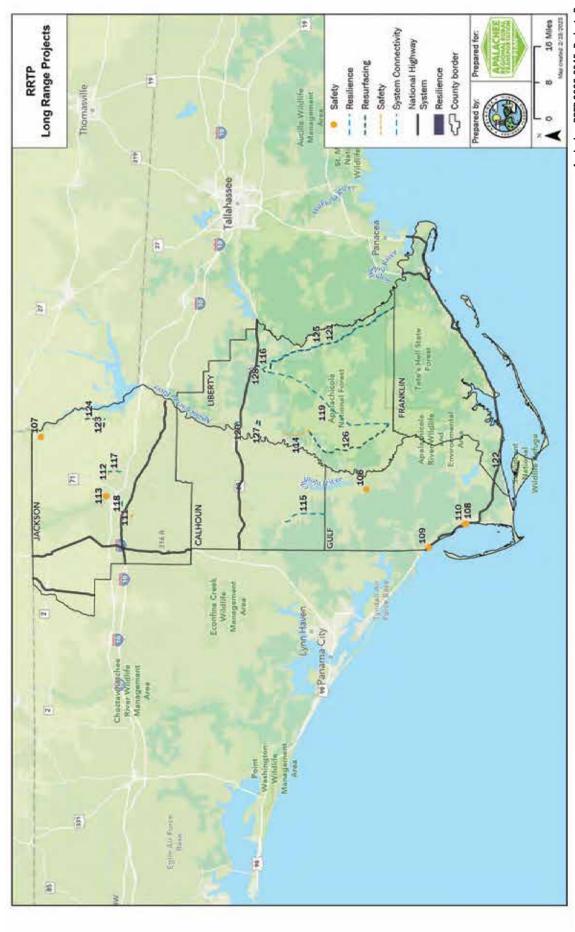
- **6. Kinard Community Center Park and Ride Lot_Calhoun** (Map ID: 97, Map file: polygon) Establish a Park and Ride lot at the Kinard Community Center to provide a convenient carpooling location for local residents.
- **7. Park and Ride Lot at Honeyville Park_Gulf** (Map ID: 98, Map file: polygon) Establish a Park and Ride lot at Honeyville Park to facilitate the transportation of workers to Port St. Joe for jobs at Eastern Shipbuilding, as well as county and city positions.

FREIGHT, RAIL, AND WATER/AIRPORT

- **1. Four Lane Highway 20_Calhoun_Bay** (Map ID: 99, Map file: line) Widen Highway 20 to four lanes from the Liberty County line to Highway 231 to improve the efficiency of truck-based goods transportation.
- **2. Four Lane Highway 71_Gulf_Calhoun_Jackson** (Map ID: 100, Map file: line) Widen Highway 71 to four lanes from Port St. Joe to Interstate 10 to improve the efficiency of goods transportation by truck. This is particularly crucial as Port St. Joe is the most distant city from the interstate system in Florida.
- **3. Reopen Port of Port St. Joe_Gulf** (Map ID: 101, Map file: polygon) Reopen the Port of Port St. Joe to integrate it into the Gulf to Gadsden Freight Logistics Zone, enhancing regional trade and transportation capabilities.
- **4. Open Genesee Wyoming Rail Line_Gulf_Franklin_Liberty** (Map ID: 102, Map file: line) Reopen the Genesee & Wyoming rail line from Telogia to Port St. Joe to facilitate the movement of goods and enhance regional logistics.
- **5. Extend Runway at the Calhoun County Airport_Calhoun** (Map ID: 103, Map file: polygon) Extend the runway to accommodate larger aircraft, as the current length limits operations to smaller planes, especially during the summer when a longer runway is needed. The county owns the property south of Magnolia Church Road, making expansion feasible. Extending the runway would attract larger aircraft and support industrial growth in Calhoun County.
- **6. Build General Aviation Airport_Gulf** (Map ID: 104, Map file: polygon)
 Construct a General Aviation Airport north of Port St. Joe to improve regional air access and support economic development.
- **7. Repair Railroad Freight Line_Gulf_Franklin_Liberty** (Map ID: 105, Map file: line) Repair and clean up the unused railroad leading to Quincy to restore functionality and improve access.

LONG RANGE NEEDS MAP

and be pursued on a short-range basis. Finally, as the local communities come across grants they would like to apply for, it can be helpful The long-range transportation projects are still very valuable. As projects on the short-range list are implemented, some of these projects may be elevated to the short-range list. Additionally, should priorities change, some of these projects may become of greater importance to have a large pool of projects to consider so they can choose the project most likely to be funded. A map of the projects, list, and descriptions are provided. Additionally, the projects are available for viewing on the RRTP's interactive map.



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LONG RANGE PROJECT LIST

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	To	Improvement
				Long-Range S	Long-Range Safety Needs from TAC:			
106	point	11	Install Caution Light on Highway 71 Southern Wewahitchka_Gulf	Wewahitchka	Co Rd 386	Hwy 71	Hwy 71	Intersection Improvements
107	point	12	Timberlane Rd (CR 164) at SR 2_Jackson	(none)	Timberlane Rd	SR2	SR 2	Intersection Improvements
108	point	13	Install Embedded Flashing Lights on US 98_Gulf	Port St. Joe	3rd Street	NS 98	NS 98	Intersection Improvements
109	point	13	Install Embedded Flashing Lights on US 98/ Veterans Park_Gulf	Port St. Joe	US 98	Crosswalk at Veterans Park	Crosswalk at Veterans Park	Crosswalk Improvements
110	point	41	Install Traffic Light on US-98 at Eastern Shipbuilding Entrance_Gulf	Port St. Joe	US 98	Howard Rd	Howard Rd	Intersection improvements

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111	line	15	Thompson Rd at Bart Rd - Sharp Curve_Jackson	(none)	Thompson Rd	Bart Rd	Bart Rd	Sharp Curve
112	line	16	Blue Springs Rd at Blue Springs Park - Turn Lane_Jackson	Marianna	Blue Springs Rd	Blue Springs Park	Blue Springs Park	Intersection Improvements
113	point	17	Meadowview Rd at Caverns Rd (SR 166)_Jackson	Marianna	Meadowview Rd	Caverns Rd	Caverns Rd	Intersection improvements
114	line	18	Striping on CR 12 from CR 333 to Orange_Liberty	(none)	CR 12	CR 333	Orange	Restripe
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115	line	11	Pave County Road 12_Calhoun	(none)	CR 12	CR 392	Gulf County Line	Pave road
116	line	12	CR 67A Widening and Paved Shoulders_Liberty	(none)	CR 67A	CR 67	SR 65	Widen
117	line	13	Poplar Springs Rd, Blue Springs Rd to Springs Cemetery Rd – Pave_Jackson	Marianna	Poplar Springs Rd	Blue Springs Rd	Springs Cemetary Rd	Pave dirt road

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	124	line	11	Little Zion Rd_Jackson	(none)	Little Zion Rd	Welcome Church Rd	Greer Rd	Pave road

map ID	map file	Rank	Project Name	City	Road/ Facility	From	То	Improvement
125	line	12	CR 67 to Franklin County SR 65_Liberty	(none)	CR 67	Franklin Co Line	SR 65	Resurfacing and widening
126	line	13	CR 379_Liberty	(none)	CR 379	CR 12	SR 65	Resurface and widen
127	line	14	Lake Mystic Road_Liberty	(Lake Mystic)	Lake Mystic Road	CR 12	CR 12	Resurfacing
128	line	14	SR 65_Liberty	(none)	SR 65	Hosford	Franklin County line	Resurfacing

LONG-RANGE PROJECT DESCRIPTIONS

SAFETY

11. Install Caution Light on Highway 71 Southern Wewahitchka_Gulf (Map ID: 106, Map file: point) Install a flashing caution light at the intersection of Highway 71 South and CR 386 to improve safety. The area experiences heavy congestion due to nearby businesses, including a Dollar General and Pub 71, as well as being a key turnoff for traffic heading to St. Joe Beach and Mexico Beach. The intersection is dangerous, with frequent backups. The caution light would assist with traffic control.

12. Timberlane Rd (CR 164) at SR 2_Jackson (Map ID: 107, Map file: point) Install a caution light at the intersection of SR 2 and Timberlane Road to help reduce speed and improve visibility. The community has expressed a need for additional warning signage, such as "Intersection Ahead" signs, to alert drivers.

SR 2 is a state road, and the community prefers the state to fund these improvements. Unfortunately, justification is challenging due to a lack of recorded incidents. However, locals have reported numerous close calls, highlighting the need for preventive safety measures.

13 (tied). Install Embedded Flashing Lights on US 98_Gulf (Map ID: 108, Map file: point) Install embedded yellow flashing lights in the crosswalk at the 300 block of US 98 (Monument Ave). This area sees frequent pedestrian traffic as visitors park on the water side and cross to access downtown shops and restaurants. With limited parking downtown, these safety lights will enhance visibility and protect pedestrians crossing the busy roadway.

13 (tied). Install Embedded Flashing Lights on US 98/ Veterans Park_Gulf (Map ID: 109, Map file: point)

Install embedded flashing lights in the crosswalk on US 98 at Veterans' Park. This beach road experiences heavy pedestrian traffic, especially at night or dusk when visibility is low. The flashing lights will improve safety for those crossing after leaving the beach.

14. Install Traffic Light on US-98 at Eastern Shipbuilding Entrance_Gulf (Map ID: 110, Map file: point)

Vehicle traffic is very congested on US 98 from March 1st to November 1st in Port St. Joe. Trying to drive out of Howard Road onto US 98 is a problem and there are many vehicles trying to turn left on US 98 between 5:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. 6 days of the week. They are employees leaving Eastern Shipbuilding. The community would like this issue to be studied and worked out.

The goal is to safely, efficiently, and comfortably allow for a large surge of employees located on Howard Road in Port St. Joe to head west (left) on US 98, which is frequently congested, between 5 p.m. and 6:30 p.m., while also maintaining the flow of traffic within the community.

The community would like to install partial day traffic light (or other devices) at the entrance/exit of Eastern Shipbuilding at the Intersection of Howard Road and US 98 (Monument Ave) in Port St. Joe. This would better facilitate the volume of traffic exiting Howard Road onto US 98 during peak hours, as well as increasing needs to cross US 98 when the hotel, restaurant, bar and possibly condo unit development comes in and the Shipyard gets bigger, which it is planning to do.

Eastern Shipbuilding is located at 432 Howard Road, Port St. Joe. They currently have 333 employees and about half of them get off work at 5 p.m. and the other half get off at 6 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Most of the employees drive down Howard Road and then try to take a left onto US 98 heading west towards Bay County.

Meanwhile, traffic from people waiting at the Marina traffic light heading SE towards Apalachicola backs up and blocks Howard Road.

The shipyard (Eastern Shipbuilding) is an economic development godsend to Port St. Joe. Eastern Shipbuilding gives the community clean manufacturing jobs. It provides consistent money to offset their tourist economy, diversifying their economy. It also gives young people options for a job so they can grow up, get a job at the shipyard, and not have to leave Port St. Joe. It's not really a port. They do the outfitting and finishing of ships, which only uses 12-15 feet of bulkhead. Also, they might become a maintenance facility in the future. Port St. Joe lost 900 manufacturing jobs 25 years ago when the papermill and supporting chemical plants closed and the rail line closed. The shipyard is where an ugly papermill used to sit. Eastern Shipbuilding is the only thing economically the community has to hang their hats on. Half of the jobs pay 65-70k (80-90k with overtime). These are skilled jobs. The community set up welding programs in their high schools to

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- **15. Thompson Rd at Bart Rd Sharp Curve_Jackson** (Map ID: 111, Map file: line) Recently installed guardrails at this location based on crash data. However, there have been ongoing issues with large farm equipment, as there isn't enough space for both vehicles and equipment to pass safely. This issue may have been partially addressed by the recent guardrail installation, but further monitoring is needed to confirm if it has been fully resolved.
- **16. Blue Springs Rd at Blue Springs Park Turn Lane_Jackson** (Map ID: 112, Map file: line) Add a center turn lane and extend the shoulder for 600 feet in both directions from the JBS gate back toward West Marianna. These improvements will help alleviate traffic congestion, especially when the park opens, as traffic often backs up onto Blue Springs Road. The entrance is situated at the bottom of a hill, creating a safety hazard when vehicles crest the hill and encounter stopped traffic. The increase in park attendance has made this issue more urgent, particularly during peak morning hours.
- **17. Meadowview Rd at Caverns Rd (SR 166)_Jackson** (Map ID: 113, Map file: point) Install a traffic signal at the intersection near Caverns Road to address sight distance issues and improve safety for the community.
- **18. Striping on CR 12 from CR 333 to Orange_Liberty** (Map ID: 114, Map file: line) Although CR 12 and CR 379 were recently restriped, the section of CR 12 from CR 333 to Orange will not be restriped due to insufficient county funds.

SYSTEM CONNECTIVITY

- **11. Pave County Road 12_Calhoun** (Map ID: 115, Map file: line) No narrative.
- **12. CR 67A Widening and Paved Shoulders_Calhoun** (Map ID: 116, Map file: line) Update and widen the outdated roads to current standards, as they are too narrow with eroded shoulders. Modernizing these roads will address safety concerns and reduce the risk of vehicles running off the road and causing accidents.
- **13.** Poplar Springs Rd, Blue Springs Rd to Springs Cemetery Rd Pave_Jackson (Map ID: 117, Map file: line)

Pave the existing dirt road to connect Blue Springs Road to Highway 90, providing a shorter route to I-10. The section from Highway 90 to Spring Cemetery is already under contract for paving; the next phase will extend paving from Blue Springs Road to Spring Cemetery.

14. Pooser Rd from Wynn Rd to Old Airbase Rd – Pave_Jackson (Map ID: 118, Map file: line) Develop and pave the new roadway as part of an ongoing, long-term project to support increased vehicle traffic. The county acquired land from the state to develop housing and aims to improve the road by widening, stabilizing, and addressing the existing hills to accommodate future growth.

15. State Road 65 5' Paved Shoulder_Liberty (Map ID: 119, Map file: line) No Narrative.

RESILIENCE

11. Franklin Whitaker Road Erosion_Liberty (Map ID: 120, Map file: line)

The area is situated on a downhill slope where the county has repeatedly obtained grants and invested resources to resolve ongoing issues, but no solution has been successful so far. Securing funding is recommended to install underground piping and a perforated pipe system to channel water effectively, addressing the persistent problem caused by underground springs. Despite previous investments, erosion continues as the springs undermine the soil from below, necessitating a long-term solution.

12. CR 67 Box Culvert Repairs_Liberty (Map ID: 121, Map file: line)

Limited grant funds allowed only for resurfacing, leaving the box culverts unaddressed. As a result, the existing piping is now failing due to improper headwall installation, leading to sagging and creating a large hole along the road shoulder. The headwalls, which are between 20 to 50 years old, are deteriorating and urgently need replacement.

13. Shoreline Improvements_Franklin (Map ID: 122, Map file: poly)

Develop a plan and design for shoreline improvements. Replicate US 98 Living Shoreline. Nowhere for people to walk as it is crumbling into the ocean.

RESURFACING

11 (tied). Butler Rd, Little Zion Rd to Sandridge Church Rd_Jackson (Map ID: 123, Map file: line) Pave the existing dirt roads to improve accessibility, reduce maintenance, and enhance safety for drivers.

11 (tied). Little Zion Rd_Jackson (Map ID: 124, Map file: line)

Pave the existing dirt road to enhance accessibility, safety, and reduce ongoing maintenance costs.

12 (tied). CR 67 to Franklin County SR 65_Liberty (Map ID: 125, Map file: line)

Complete the resurfacing project from Yellow Creek down to Highway 98 in Franklin County, as some sections have already been resurfaced but this stretch remains unfinished.

13. CR 379_Liberty (Map ID: 126, Map file: line)

Resurface CR 379 from CR 12 to SR 65, as this section is currently not included in existing plans. The road needs to be widened, as it is narrow with deteriorating shoulders that are breaking off.

14 (tied). Lake Mystic Road_Liberty (Map ID: 127, Map file: line) No narrative.

14 (tied). SR 65_Liberty (Map ID: 128, Map file: line)

No narrative.

CONCLUSION

This concludes the Projects
Element—part 3 of the Rural Regional
Transportation Plan (RRTP).
See the other elements of the RRTP for
more information:

- The Foundation and Process
 Element goes over the four Florida
 Transportation Plan (FTP) emphasis
 areas and how they inform the RRTP
 as well as the overall planning
 process.
- The Existing Conditions and Analysis Element, provides an overview of the conditions and trends in the region as well as specific conditions and trends per the five counties of the RRTP: Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Jackson, and Liberty.
- The Implementation Element describes recommended next steps to procure funding for the projects.

