POLICY

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CONTEXT SENSITIVE SOLUTIONS

It is the policy of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to use a Context Sensitive Solutions (CSS) approach on transportation projects and activities for all modes appropriate to scale, cost, location, and schedule.

Context Sensitive Solutions is a proactive, collaborative, interdisciplinary approach to transportation decision making, project development, and implementation, taking into account, the views of stakeholders, and the local area where a project will exist, be operated, and be maintained. CSS considers the physical setting in which a project or activity is to be implemented, and seeks to enhance and conserve community defining features and environmental resources. This approach seeks to balance safety and mobility with local priorities. FDOT will encourage communities to contribute financially or in-kind toward enhanced project features and maintenance.

Consistent with the CSS principles prescribed by the Federal Highway Administration, FDOT transportation projects and activities shall be compatible and consistent with available resources, FDOT policies, and community visions.

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