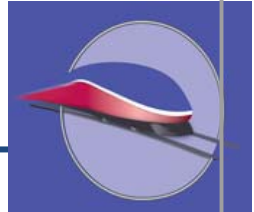


## Preapplication for HSIPR Program

OMB No. 2130-0583



## Preapplication instructions:

- For each question, enter the appropriate information in the designated gray box; keep text answers brief.
- For a multi-State project/program, States are encouraged to identify a lead applicant.
- Please submit one preapplication for each individual project, planning study, or corridor service program.
- Answers provided in this form **will not be used for evaluation or selection purposes**.
- Applicants should complete and submit this form electronically to: [HSIPR@dot.gov](mailto:HSIPR@dot.gov).

## A. Who are you?

(1) Select applicant type, as defined in Appendix 1.1 of the HSIPR Guidance (*Check the appropriate box from the list*):

State

Amtrak

If one of the following, please append appropriate documentation as described in Section 4.3.1 of the HSIPR Guidance:

Group of States

Interstate Compacts

Public Agency established by one or more States

Amtrak in cooperation with a State or States

(2) Name of lead State or organization applying: Florida Department of Transportation

(3) Name(s) of additional States and/or organizations applying in this group (*if applicable*):

(4) Application point of contact (POC):

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## What is your project?

(5) Project/program name: Florida East Coast Amtrak Service

(6) Describe the project or program; if a program has multiple phases please describe each and how they fit together; if the project or program relates to another HSIPR application describe the linkage (*less than 1000 characters*):  
Implement the expansion of Amtrak long distance passenger rail service along Florida's east coast (with the ultimate objective of corridor service), generally as planned by Amtrak in cooperation with FDOT and the Florida East Coast Railway in 2002. Based on a corridor service development plan that will be jointly developed by FDOT, Amtrak, FEC and Tri-Rail, the project would provide route and operational improvements on the Florida East Coast Railway, construct eight new passenger rail stations between Jacksonville and Miami and acquire necessary rolling stock.

(7) Location information

(A) Describe the location of the proposed project/program (attach map if available) (*less than 250 characters*): On existing Florida East Coast Railway line between Jacksonville and West Palm Beach with a cutover to the South Florida Rail Corridor in West Palm Beach to continue service to Miami.

(B) Which high-speed rail and/or intercity passenger rail route(s) benefit from this project? Identify endpoints, major locations served, and name of current route (if applicable) (*less than 250 characters*): This is a restoration of passenger service on the Florida East Coast corridor between Jacksonville and Miami that was discontinued in 1968.

(C) State(s) in which the project/program investment is/are located: Florida

(D) State(s) in which the benefiting service(s) is/are located: Connect national Amtrak System to points on Florida's east coast.

(8) Project/program type:

(A) Types of capital investments contemplated (*Check all that apply*):

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Structures (bridges, tunnels, etc.)           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rolling Stock Refurbishments |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Track-Rehabilitation                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rolling Stock Acquisitions   |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Track-New Construction             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stations, Terminals          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Rights-of-Way                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Support Facilities (Yards, Shops, etc.) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Major Interlockings                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Grade Crossing Improvements             |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Communications, Signaling, Control | <input type="checkbox"/> Electric Traction                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other ( <i>Please describe</i> ):             |  |

(B) Describe the types of proposed improvements (e.g., new passing tracks, interlocking reconfigurations, station improvements, equipment acquisitions, etc.) (*less than 500 characters*): 8 stations (with sidings), improvements to Jacksonville Amtrak Station. Passing track. Connection between FEC and South Florida Rail Corridor at Northwood (West Palm Beach area).

(C) Service attributes (*Check all that apply*):

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Additional Frequencies on Existing Route | <input type="checkbox"/> Improved On-Time-Performance on Existing Route |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New Service                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Increased Average Speeds/Shorter Trip Times    |

Other (Please describe):

## (9) Project/program milestones (mm/yyyy):

Construction start date:  
04/2010

Construction completion date:  
10/2012 (goal)

Service improvements realized:  
10/2012 (goal)

## (10) Anticipated benefits (on intercity passenger rail service(s) benefitting from project/program)

Project/Program Benefits	Before (FY 2008 levels)	After (Project completion)	Not Applicable	Not Sure
<b>Annual passenger-miles</b>	0	36,172,500	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Average daily round trips</b> (weekday)	0	2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>On-time performance (OTP)</b> (at endpoint terminals)	N/A		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Top speed (mph)</b>	N/A	90 mph	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Average operating speed (mph)</b> (between endpoint terminals)	N/A		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

## What will your project/program cost & how will it be funded?

### Capital Costs

(11) Total anticipated project/program capital cost (in millions of dollars)(Note: preapplication estimates will not be binding):  
\$70 million, plus additional equipment costs to be determined.

(12) Will your project/program proposal include matching funds?

(A)  Yes If yes, as what percentage of total costs? Unknown pending determination of station real estate values.

No

(B) Proposed source(s) of capital matching funds (*Please check all that apply*):

State  Local  Private  Other (*Please specify*):  
Amtrak  N/A  Not sure

(13) If an in-kind match is expected, provide a brief description of the asset (*less than 100 characters*). FDOT Strategic Intermodal System capacity investment, local govt. station maintenance & land for stations. Amtrak equipment.

### Operating Costs

(14) Is the project/program expected to result in an additional annual cost of operations for the benefitting service?

Yes  No  Not sure

(A) If additional operating funding is required, what would be the source? (*Select the appropriate option by clicking the gray box to activate the dropdown menu*):

Other If other is selected, please specify: Amtrak operating funds (part of national service). As this service splits New York-Miami service at Jacksonville for new passenger service on the FEC, initial operating cost increases will be limited to the new service. Corridor operating plan TBD.

(B) What is the status of providing that funding? (*Select the appropriate option by clicking the gray box to activate the dropdown menu*):

Other If other is selected, please specify: Annual congressional appropriation for intial long distance service. Eventual corridor operating funding TBD.

### D. What preparation have you done?

(15) Please indicate the status of planning, engineering and environmental studies/documentation supporting your program or project. (Although applicants are asked to respond to all items, note that not all are required for all tracks.)

	No study exists	If no study exists, are you applying for HSIPR funds to complete study?	Study underway	Study completed? (year)	Not applicable
<b>Corridor Service Planning Studies/Documents</b> (for the intercity passenger rail service benefitting from project or program)					
Purpose & Need/Rationale	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2001	<input type="checkbox"/>
Service/Operating Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prioritized Capital Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ridership/Revenue Forecast	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Operating Cost Forecast	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tier 1 Programmatic (or “service”) NEPA <i>(Identify document from dropdown menu)</i> Environmental Assessment (EA)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Assessment of Benefits	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2001	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Project Planning Studies/Documents</b> (if application is for program (multiple projects), multiple boxes may be checked)					
Preliminary Engineering (PE)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Tier 2 (project-level) NEPA <i>(Identify document from dropdown menu)</i> Environmental Assessment (EA)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Detailed Capital Cost Estimates	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Assessment of Benefits	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>General Planning Studies/Documents</b>					
Project Management Plan	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Financial Plan (capital & operating – sources/uses)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(16) Is the project(s) included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)?  Yes  No  Not sure

(17) Is the project/program included in a Performance Improvement Plan for the host railroad?  Yes  No  Not sure

## (A) Who are your partners & what are their commitments?

- (18) **Right-of-Way Owner(s).** Provide the status of agreements with railroad(s) that own the right-of-way. (If appropriate, “owner(s)” may also include operator(s) under trackage rights or lease agreements.) (If more than two railroads, please include additional information in question 24.)

Railroad owner 1 (Name):	Florida East Coast Railway
Status of railroad owner 1 (Click on the appropriate option from the dropdown menu shaded in gray):	No agreement, but host railroad supports project
Railroad owner 2 (Name):	State of Florida - South Florida Rail Corridor
Status of railroad owner 2 (Click on the appropriate option from the dropdown menu shaded in gray):	No host railroad involved

- (19) **Intercity Passenger Rail Operator.** If applicable, provide the status of agreements with partner that will operate the benefiting high-speed rail/intercity passenger rail services (e.g., Amtrak). (Click on the appropriate option from the dropdown menu shaded in gray):

No agreement, but partner supports project

- (20) **Benefits to Types of Rail Service.** What share of the project/program benefits will accrue to other non-intercity passenger railroad service types (e.g., commuter or freight)? (Click on the appropriate option from the dropdown menu shaded in gray): Some - less than 25%

If benefits to non-intercity passenger rail services are foreseen, are cost-sharing agreements in place with the beneficiary organization(s)?  Yes  No  N/A  Not sure

## (B) Which track is the best fit for your project/program?

- (21) Anticipated HSIPR funding track (Click on the appropriate option from the dropdown menu shaded in gray):

Track 2 (Programs)

If unsure, please explain:

- (22) Anticipated application filing date (Check the appropriate box):

2009 – first round

Subsequent round(s). (Note: Funding for subsequent rounds is not guaranteed.)

## (C) What help do you need?

- (23) Describe any areas in which you could use technical assistance, best practices, advice or support from others (*less than 500 characters*): The Florida Department of Transportation will need the full engagement of both Amtrak and Florida East Coast Railway in refining project specifics, ridership estimates, environmental assessment, feasibility study, service development plan, P/L analysis, and operating finance plan. Much of this work was completed in anticipation of instituting this service in 2002, but needs updating due to age of studies and change of host railroad ownership.

## (D) Additional information (optional)

- (24) Please provide any additional information, comments, or clarifications. This section is optional.

### Clarifications:

Item 8A - May need new ROW for Northwood Conn. between FEC and South Florida Rail Corridor.

Item 8C - Restores passenger service discontinued in 1968.

Item 10 - On-time performance & average operating speed targets TBD in cooperation with Amtrak & FEC.

Item 11 - Proposed costs include: \$34.5M - capacity improvements, \$11M - ROW, \$20M - station development & \$4.5M - contingency. In-kind match is in addition to these costs. Rolling stock cost TBD.

Item 13 - In anticipation of developing this service, FDOT has spent \$10.9M of a STIP commitment of \$72.8M in state Strategic Intermodal System funds for projects on the FEC line since 2005. This is in addition to Item 16 amounts.

Item 16 - Proposed project was included in STIP from 2002-2008.

Item 18 - Renegotiate agreement w/FEC.

Item 19 - Amtrak board approved concept & pre-app.

Item 20 - Connectivity benefit to Tri-Rail service in making it possible to extend service north along the FEC corridor.

### Additional comments:

This project has significant support from local governments along the proposed corridor. 66 adopted resolutions or letters of support are on record. An additional 13 have scheduled consideration shortly.

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## Lee, Robert E

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**From:** Galloway, Drew [GallowD@amtrak.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 08, 2009 4:05 PM  
**To:** Lee, Robert E  
**Cc:** Mann, Jeff; McArthur, Jay; Stennis, Todd  
**Subject:** FRA Pre-Application Section 4.3.1. Amtrak Statement of Support

Ed,

Per our conference call this morning, please feel free to use the following statement to comply with Section 4.3.1 requirements.

“Amtrak’s Board has given its support, based upon the information provided by states, to advancing the planning for recommended corridor programs / projects, including the FEC Corridor program. Amtrak anticipates working closely with FDOT, the FEC and Tri-Rail as partners to complete the Service Development Plan and associated agreements prior to submission of the formal grant application.”

Drew

## INTERCITY RAIL COMPONENT (AMTRAK) ON THE FEC CORRIDOR

### ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS & LETTERS OF SUPPORT (AS OF 7/1/2009)

	COUNTY	RES #	DATE ADOPTED
1 Belle Glade, City of	PALM BEACH	2009-2744	15-Jun-09
2 Boca Raton, City of	PALM BEACH	54-2009	14-Apr-09
3 Business Development Board of Martin County	MARTIN	09-0506	8-May-09
4 Cocoa, City of	BREVARD	2009-64	23-Jun-09
5 Davie, Town of	BROWARD	2009-134	3-Jun-09
6 Delray Beach, City of	PALM BEACH	19-09	21-Apr-09
7 Delray Beach CRA	PALM BEACH	09-02	28-May-09
8 Economic Council of Martin County	MARTIN	09-2009	8-May-09
9 Enterprise Flagler (economic development collaborative)	FLAGLER	09-04	27-May-09
10 Fellsmere, City of	INDIAN RIVER	09-H	16-Apr-09
11 Flagler County Chamber of Commerce	FLAGLER	2009-01	29-May-09
12 Flagler County Government (BOCC)	FLAGLER	2009-24	18-May-09
13 Flagler County Palm Coast Homebuilders	FLAGLER	09-01	7-May-09
14 Florida Association of Counties	STATE-WIDE	letter	23-Jun-09
15 Florida Regional Councils Association	STATE-WIDE	09-01	25-Jun-09
16 Fort Lauderdale, City of	BROWARD	09-140	2-Jun-09
17 Fort Pierce, City of	ST LUCIE	09-25	6-Apr-09
18 Greenacres, City of	PALM BEACH	2009-15	1-Jun-09
19 Gulf Stream, Town of	PALM BEACH	009-2	9-Apr-09
20 Hobe Sound Chamber of Commerce	MARTIN	2009-1	18-May-09
21 Hypoluxo, Town of	PALM BEACH	09-371	15-Apr-09
22 Indian River Chamber of Commerce	INDIAN RIVER	09-5	18-May-09
23 Jacksonville Transit Authority	DUVAL	2009-20	25-Jun-09
24 Jensen Beach Chamber of Commerce	MARTIN	5-19-09	19-May-09
25 Juno Beach, Town of	PALM BEACH	2009-09	22-Apr-09
26 Jupiter, Town of	PALM BEACH	16-09	7-Apr-09
27 Lantana, Town of	PALM BEACH	R-07-2009	22-Jun-09
28 Malabar, Town of	BREVARD	09-2009	18-May-09
29 Martin County Convention & Visitors' Bureau	MARTIN	09-5-6-2009	6-May-09
30 Martin County Government (BOCC)	MARTIN	09-5.34	19-May-09
31 Martin County MPO	MARTIN	letter	18-May-09
32 Martin County Economic Council	MARTIN	09-2009	8-May-09

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### ADOPTED RESOLUTIONS & LETTERS OF SUPPORT (AS OF 7/1/2009)

		COUNTY	RES #	DATE ADOPTED
33	Martin County Tourist Development Council	MARTIN	2009	10-Jun-09
34	Melbourne, City of	BREVARD	3060	12-May-09
35	North Florida TPO	CLAY, NASSAU, ST JOHNS, DUVAL	2008-18	13-Nov-08
36	North Palm Beach, Village of	PALM BEACH	2009-30	9-Apr-09
37	Palm Beach County Government (BOCC)	PALM BEACH	2009-0960	16-Jun-09
38	Palm Beach County League of Cities	PALM BEACH	09-XX	23-Jun-09
39	Palm Beach County OEDP Committee	PALM BEACH	letter	4-Jun-09
40	Palm Beach Gardens, City of	PALM BEACH	54-2009	4-Jun-09
41	Palm Beach MPO	PALM BEACH	5-09	21-May-09
42	Palm Coast, City of	FLAGLER	2009-103	2-Jun-09
43	Pembroke Pines, City of	BROWARD	3229	20-May-09
44	Pompano Beach, City of	BROWARD	2009-192	12-May-09
45	Port St. Lucie, City of	ST LUCIE	09-R88	22-Jun-09
46	Realtors Association of Indian River County	INDIAN RIVER	09-04	16-Jun-09
47	Realtors Association of Martin County	MARTIN	09-07-05	7-May-09
48	Realtors Association of St. Lucie	ST LUCIE	09-01	5-May-09
49	Rockledge, City of	BREVARD	652-2009	3-Jun-09
50	St. Augustine, City of	ST JOHNS	2009-13	22-Jun-09
51	St. Lucie County Government (BOCC)	ST LUCIE	09-123	14-Apr-09
52	St. Lucie TPO	ST LUCIE	09-04	3-Jun-09
53	St. Lucie Village, Town of	ST LUCIE	2009-08	16-Jun-09
54	Sebastian, City of	INDIAN RIVER	R-09-18	8-Apr-09
55	Sebastian River Area Chamber	INDIAN RIVER	09-003	13-May-09
56	Sewall's Point, Town of	MARTIN	09-XX	22-Jun-09
57	Stuart, City of	MARTIN	09-55	18-May-09
58	Stuart Community Redevelopment Agency	MARTIN	R03-09	22-Jun-09
59	Stuart Main Street	MARTIN	09-June 9, 2009	9-Jun-09
60	Stuart/Martin Chamber	MARTIN	09-222	5-May-09
61	Titusville, City of	BREVARD	27-2009	26-May-09

62	Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council	PALM BEACH, MARTIN, ST LUCIE & INDIAN RIVER	09-04	20-Mar-09
63	Vero Beach, City of	INDIAN RIVER	09-13	7-Apr-09
64	West Melbourne, City of	BREVARD	2009-17	19-May-09
65	West Palm Beach, City of	PALM BEACH	200-09	15-Jun-09
66	West Park, City of	BROWARD	2009-52	20-May-09

**RESOLUTIONS/ACTIONS SCHEDULED FOR CONSIDERATION (AS OF 7/1/2009)**

1	Bunnell, City of	FLAGLER		July
2	East Central Florida RPC	CENTRAL FL		July
3	Fort Pierce Utilities Authority	ST LUCIE		June
4	Indian River County Government (BOCC)	INDIAN RIVER		July
5	Indian River County MPO	INDIAN RIVER		July
6	Indian River Shores, Town of	INDIAN RIVER		June
7	Martin County CRA Advisory Council	MARTIN		July
8	MPOAC	STATE-WIDE		July
9	Ocean Breeze Park, Town of	PALM BEACH		July
10	Riviera Beach, City of	PALM BEACH		July
11	Space Coast (Brevard County) TPO	BREVARD		July
12	Stuart Downtown Business Association	MARTIN		July
13	St Lucie County Chamber of Commerce	ST LUCIE		June