



Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area (TMA) Leadership Group

2019 Top Priorities for Multi-Use Trails

- ❖ **Duke Energy Trail** - The trail is partially funded with one remaining gap needing design and construction, from the San Martin Bridge to 126th Avenue North. Once completed, the Duke Energy Trail will link with the Pinellas Trail to create a 75-mile loop that includes a connection to Hillsborough County via the Courtney Campbell Trail.
- ❖ **South Coast Greenway** - Part of the Gulf Coast Trail, the South Coast Trail would go from Adamo Drive and extend south the Manatee County line. The entire South Coast Greenway trail has been broken into seven phases. Phase I is funded with construction expected to begin in 2019. Phase II will be constructed as the Waterset DRI builds out. Part of Phase III is entering design and the other portion is seeking funding for construction. Request/Status: funding for PD&E and design of remaining Phases.
- ❖ **Bypass Canal Trail** – A 17+ mile trail southward from Flatwoods Park, on the banks of the Bypass Canal per agreement with the Southwest Florida Water Management District. Using existing parks in Temple Terrace and the Florida State Fairgrounds areas as trailheads, the corridor expands future access to the Old Fort King and Withlacoochee State Trail. Request/Status: Hillsborough County requests funding for the design and construction of the next phase.
- ❖ **Orange Belt Trail** – The approximately 37 mile long trail would extend from the Starkey Trail (C2C connector) in the Trinity area of southwest Pasco County to the existing Withlacoochee State Trail trailhead (connects to Good Neighbor/South Sumter Connector) at U.S. Highway 301 in Trilby in northeast Pasco County. The planned trail alignment generally follows the historic Orange Belt Railroad line that crosses Pasco County in a southwest to northeast direction. The Orange Belt Trail is scheduled for a route study which will determine exact alignment and preliminary engineering funded (\$1.9M) in 2019/20. Request/Status: Pasco County requests \$15.5M for right-of-way acquisition and construction.

----- Tampa Bay TMA Leadership Group Purpose -----

There is a role for a TMA-focused group, not currently performed by any existing transportation organization. That role includes developing regional consensus priorities for the TMA, especially in the allocation of federal & state funds. The group will focus on major cross-county transportation markets and traffic movements, and on helping the Tampa Bay metropolitan area speak with one voice in discussions of regional transportation prioritization issues and financial resources.