Martin/St. Lucie
Proposed Transit Authority Action Plan

Regional Transit Summit
January 8, 2010
Overview of Presentation

- Transit Governance in Florida
- Example Process
- Highlights of Proposed Action Plan
- Next Steps
Transit Governance in Florida

- Authority: 7
- County/City: 18
- Private: 5
- Non-Profit: 7
Florida Transit Authorities

- Jacksonville–JTA
- Hillsborough–HART
- Pinellas–PSTA
- Orlando–LYNX
- SE Florida–Tri-Rail
- Polk–PTA
- Tampa Region–TBARTA

Recent
Florida Transit Authorities

- Existing Authorities
- Areas Considering
  - Lee County
  - Sarasota/Manatee
  - NE Florida (JTA expansion)
  - Gainesville
  - Martin/St. Lucie
Successful Example

Polk Transit Authority

Model for Martin/St. Lucie
Polk Model: 4-Step Process

2. Polk Regional Transit Organization: 2004
3. Polk Transit Authority: 2007
4. Sales Tax Referendum: 2010
Martin/St. Lucie: 4-Step Process


2. Regional Transit Organization → 2010 - RTA

3. Regional Transit Authority → 2012/2013

4. Dedicated Revenue → When Time is Right
Key Elements

• Facilitate Regional Transit Summit
• Build Consensus on Approach
• Provide Blueprint for Establishing RTO
• Provide Information on Authorities & Funding Mechanisms
Regional Transit Organization (RTO)

Regional board that facilitates & guides transition to an authority
RTO Process: Interlocal Agreement

- Establish Transit Policy Board
- Specify Board Composition
- Specify Powers & Duties
- Identify Staff Support
- Achieve Interlocal Support
RTO Process: Education

- Support Regional Vision
- Services & Markets
- Land Use Coordination
- Service & Funding Allocation
- RTA Charter (duties & powers)

RTO Coordination Role

Recommendations to MPO/TPO/Local Governments

Lead Transition to RTA
RTO Process: Tech Support

Support RTO in Education & Awareness

- Technical Support Working Group
- Staff Support to RTO Board
- Agendas
- Research
- Presentations

RTO Coordination Role
### Recommended RTO Composition

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11 RTO Board Members
Next Steps

• Integrate Input from Regional Transit Summit
• Present Action Plan to Joint MPO/TPO Board for Endorsement
• Finalize Action Plan (in response to Board comments)
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