

FLORIDA (Sen. Nelson and Rubio)

Current Condition of Transportation:

- 11% of FL's major roads are in poor condition¹
 - ASCE road grade of C²
 - Costs each Florida motorist \$325 a year in extra maintenance³
 - A total of 12,232 lives were lost on FL's highways from 2009 to 2013⁴
- Vehicle travel on FL's highways increased 75% from 1990-2013⁵ while the state population grew by 49% in that time⁶
- 47% of FL's major highways are congested.⁷
 - Congestion in America costs motorists \$121b annually in wasted fuel

Commerce:

- 77% of the \$400b worth of commodities delivered annually from sites in Florida is transported by trucks on the state's highways⁸

Need for Federal Investment:

- Nearly 39% federal share of Florida Highway Capital Program⁹
- National Interstate Backlog of \$185.24b on 47,575 miles of interstate¹⁰
 - National Highway System (NHS) backlog of \$424.5b on 227,224 miles of the NHS

DRIVE Act → *What this does for Florida*

Prioritize bridge reconstruction and safety:

- Increased bridge set aside funding for:
 - FL's 243 structurally deficient bridges -17% of Florida's bridges are rated as structurally deficient or functionally obsolete¹¹
 - Current ASCE bridge grade of B¹²

Improving Commerce:

- In the first 3 years of the DRIVE Act, FL will receive \$251,210,722 in addition to growth of the existing programs for freight.
- Prioritizes federal spending on the interstate for projects in the national economic interest

¹ TRIP

² ASCE

³ TRIP

⁴ FHWA

⁵ TRIP

⁶ US Census

⁷ TRIP

⁸ TRIP

⁹ ARTBA

¹⁰ AASHTO and FHWA

¹¹ FHWA

¹² ASCE

Long-Term 6-Year Certainty:

- Total share for first 3 years of DRIVE Act: \$8,354,666,296 that the state would not get otherwise.
- 1,250 projects are at risk with lack of federal investment
- Major projects in jeopardy:
 - a. Expansion of the I-95 express lanes into Broward County¹³: creating express lanes either way in Miami-Dade and Broward
 - b. Express lanes underway on Interstate 75: a \$700 million project being constructed in phases¹⁴

- Building off NEPA reforms accomplished in MAP-21, DRIVE is cutting red tape and accelerating project delivery to increase FL's ability to efficiently finish projects.
- DRIVE delivers 6 years of certainty. 12 short term extensions since SAFETEA-LU have impeded on FL's ability to properly plan and budget for transportation projects.
- DRIVE gives FL the ability to prepare for the next 50 years. With a focus on innovation, FL can better deploy technology to improve the state transportation network.

¹³ <http://wlrn.org/post/fdot-florida-relatively-good-shape-if-highway-trust-fund-goes-broke>

¹⁴ http://articles.sun-sentinel.com/2014-07-19/news/fl-broward-federal-highway-money-20140719_1_transportation-projects-federal-money-transit-projects