

Project Development & Environment Study



Public Hearing Summary & Comments

SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway)

Multi-Use Trail PD&E Study
from Bayshore Boulevard to West of Ben T. Davis Beach Entrance

Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties, Florida

Florida Department of Transportation
District 7

Work Program Item Segment Number: 422640 2
FAP Number: 9045-090-C
May 2011



Summary of Public Hearing Comments

A Public Hearing was held for the project in two sessions. Session 1 was on Thursday, March 24, 2011 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Clearwater Christian College. Session 2 was held at the Westin Tampa Bay on Tuesday, March 29, 2011 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. A total of 79 members of the general public attended the two Public Hearing sessions. A total of 8 written comment forms were received and 6 oral comments were made during the formal public comment forum at Session 1 and a total of 7 written comment forms were received and 6 oral comments made at Session 2.

Most of the comments provided at the hearing sessions expressed support for the project. Some of the comments expressed concern about elimination of fishing on the South side of the Causeway, limiting access to the water and concern for wildlife. Other comments expressed concern about the cost of the project and a perceived wasteful spending to build the project.

The public hearing comment period was advertised to end on April 10, 2011. A total of 285 comments were received. Five (5) official letters of support were received from public groups. A total of 15 written comment forms were received from both public hearing sessions. A total of 12 oral comments were given at both hearing sessions, and 253 comments received were submitted via email after both hearing sessions.

Throughout the course of the study, 19 individuals requested to be placed on the project mailing list. These requests were handled as they were received. One hundred and thirty one (131) comments expressed general support for the project. Seventeen (17) comments were received concerning elimination of access points along the causeway for fishing and swimming. Five (5) comments expressed concerns about potential environmental impacts (excluding noise) such as wildlife, air quality, safety and health. Four (4) comments expressed other concerns such as disliking the idea and a poor notification process. One hundred and fifty (150) comments expressed concerns about the project regarding funding, current economic state and cost of project.

Because some individuals submitted several comments in different forms, the total number of comments received, does not equal the total number of individuals in favor or against the project. When duplicate comments were eliminated the total count of project support was

one hundred and twenty two (122) individuals and project opposition was one hundred and twenty four (124) individuals. The following table indicates the number and nature of comments received.

Table 1 - Summary of Public Comments

Comment	Number from Hearing	Number from Email	Total Received
Expressing Concerns Over Various Impacts			
Concern about environmental impacts, wildlife, safety & health	1	4	5
Concern about funding and/or a real need for project	2	96	98
Concerns about eliminating access points for swimming, fishing, etc.		17	17
Other concerns such as, general dislike for the project		4	4
Expressing Support for Project			
Vital trail connectivity for bicyclists and pedestrians	11	111	122

PUBLIC HEARING COMMENTS

(Received prior to the comment
close-out period)



March 28, 2011

CITY OF TAMPA GREENWAYS
AND TRAILS CITIZENS
ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Sally Thompson, Chair
Randy Stribling, Vice-Chair

Ming Gao
Intermodal Systems Development Manager
FDOT-District 7
11201 N McKinley Drive, MS 7-500
Tampa, FL 33612-6456

Dear Mr. Gao,

The City of Tampa Greenways and Trails Citizen Advisory Committee would like to express our support of the proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway trail and pedestrian bridge. This trail is included in the City of Tampa Greenways and Trails Master Plan that was adopted by City Council in 2001. It is also an important connection in a regional trail that would link Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties.

We commend the Florida Department of Transportation for supporting and pursuing funding for this multi-modal transportation effort.

Sincerely,

Sally Thompson, Chair
City of Tampa Greenways and Trails Citizen Advisory Committee

FOR MORE INFORMATION
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Tampa Parks and Recreation
Department
1402 W. Columbus Drive
Tampa, FL 33607
(813) 274-5134 (phone)
(813) 274-7629 (fax)
www.tampagov.net/dept_parks/trails

Xc: Karen Palus, Director, City of Tampa Parks and Recreation
Lori Salvety, Bicycle/Pedestrian/Public Involvement Coordinator, FDOT



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March 29, 2011

Robin Rhinesmith
Project Manager
Florida Department of Transportation, District 7
11201 N. McKinley Drive, MS 7-500
Tampa, Florida 33612-6456

Dear Ms. Rhinesmith:

The Westshore Alliance, representing approximately 100,000 employees in the Westshore area, fully supports the Departments' current plans to provide a multi-use trail along the length of the Courtney Campbell Causeway. When completed, the multi-use trail will not only provide a significant recreational amenity for residents and visitors to the area, but will provide non-automotive transportation enhancements critical to improving the mobility environment in the Westshore area.

The Department's plans are also consistent with the guiding principals of the Westshore Alliance Pedestrian Plan by helping provide the foundation for a comfortable, accessible pedestrian/bicycle network within the greater Westshore area that interconnects to other Tampa Bay trail systems.

The Alliance sincerely appreciates the Department's continued efforts to expand multimodal mobility options for the Westshore area and look forward to continued collaboration on future projects.

Sincerely,



Ron Rotella
Executive Director

→ Robin



March 24, 2011

TO: Florida Department of Transportation

RE: Public comment on proposed multi-use trail along Courtney Campbell Causeway

FROM: Marcia Biggs
Chair, Tampa Bay Sierra Club

To Whom It May Concern

This letter serves as official statement of support by the Tampa Bay Sierra Club for the building and funding of a multi-use trail as a regional connector for non-motorized travel adjacent to the Courtney Campbell Causeway. The establishment of such a trailway would serve to encourage non-carbon producing modes of transportation such as bicycles, walking, inline skating and running, which would ultimately serve to benefit our local residents.

The Tampa Bay Sierra Club supports the use of alternative forms of transit which would help reduce congestion and carbon emissions, and support healthier lifestyles for those living on both sides of the bay. Our group, with nearly 1,700 members, embraces the natural beauty of this area and many regularly enjoy walking and bicycling. Not only would this trail connect two counties, it would also connect us as neighbors and residents of one regional community.

By connecting each end to another trail system (Upper Tampa Bay Trail and Ream Wilson Trail), this Causeway stretch would offer an incredibly scenic ride which would easily be the subject of positive regional and national publicity and coverage. As a recreational bicyclist, I personally can assure you I would be one of thousands who would put this trail to use!

Build it and we will come!

Marcia Biggs

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MAR 23 PM 2:33

J. SUDLER HOOD M.D.
1255 DRUID RD. S.
BELLEAIR, FL 33756
727-461-4762

March 30, 2011

Dear Ming Gao,

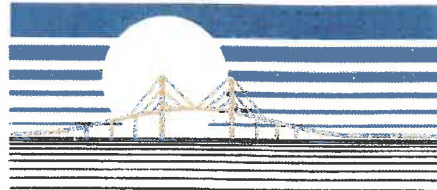
I am in agreement with the establishment of a bike link on the Courtney Campbell parkway but firmly believe that it should be located on the north side of the parkway. The south side with its mud flats, beaches, and rip rap wall is home to innumerable resident and migratory shorebirds. A bike trail would adversely impact the birds some of which are protected species. Bonaparte's gull is found nowhere else in Pinellas County except for the south side of the parkway. The construction activity would be detrimental to the numerous species who call the south side home. I would urge you to consider establishing the bike trail on the north side where the Mangroves prevent the establishment of shorebird colonies.

Sincerely yours,



J. Sudler Hood M.D.

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2011 APR -4 PM 2:40



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Executive Director

Manny Pumariega

April 4, 2011

Mr. Ming Gao
Florida Department of Transportation
District 7, SIS Coordinator Alternate
11201 N. Malcolm McKinley Dr., MS 7-500
Tampa, Florida 33612-6403

Dear Mr. Gao:

It is my pleasure to write a letter in support of the FDOT, District 7, State Road 60 Multi-Use Trail project.

The trail will provide bicycle and pedestrian access along an eight-mile stretch from Bayshore Blvd. in Pinellas County to west of the Ben T. Davis Beach entrance in Hillsborough County.

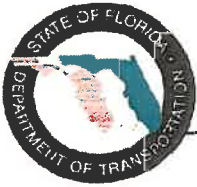
On May 23, 2005 the Courtney Campbell Highway was designated as a Florida Scenic Highway. One of the requirements of this designation was the development of a Corridor Management Plan. An important element of that Plan was the goal of completing a multi-use trail across the full length of the causeway. The Courtney Campbell Scenic Highway Corridor Advisory Committee (CCSH CAC) finds the proposed S.R. 60 Multi-Use Trail project consistent with the Goals and Policies found in its Corridor Management Plan.

In addition the CCSH CAC would like to encourage the utilization of public art reflecting the intrinsic resources found along the trail to enhance visual interest for the trail users.

In conclusion, the Courtney Campbell Scenic Highway Corridor Advisory Committee fully supports the SR 60 Multi-Use Trail Project and the ability for the citizens of the Tampa Bay region to be able to travel safely from Pinellas County to Hillsborough County without having to use an automobile.

Sincerely,

Manny L. Pumariega
Executive Director



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WHILE DEVELOPING THE ACCESS TRAIL OF THIS SORT WOULD IT NOT BE PRUDENT TO EXTEND THE TRAIL NORTHWARD TO THE END OF COOPER'S POINT EXTENDING UP DAMASCUS ROAD? THIS SHOULD NOT ADVERSELY IMPACT THE ENVIRONMENT IN A SIGNIFICANT WAY, WHILE GRANTING ACCESS TO A RATHER PRISTINE PORTION OF OUR COUNTY.

Name (Print): CARL MARTIN

Address: 2 MAPLEWOOD AVE

City, State, Zip: CLEARWATER FL 33765

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Email: CARLMARTIN@CLEARWATER.EDU

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- 1) In favor of project
- 2) As Pinellas resident would, of course, rather have project start on Pinellas side
- 3) I have concern on how to get to trail without improvements from Clearwater East West to proposed trail
- 4) Hand rail has potential of eliminating view for recumbents, and road bikes. If no or limited view what would be point of riding for recreation

Thanks!

Name (Print): Ron Peabody

Address: 1111 Bayshore Blvd N B9

City, State, Zip: Clearwater FL 33759

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Email: rpeab@gmail.com

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I drive 2 miles to the Pinellas Trail or 20 miles to the Suncoast Trail. Construction of the Progress Energy Trail and a connector from the Ream Wilson Trail to the proposed Courtney Campbell Trail would allow me to take full advantage of the proposed Courtney Campbell trail without ever starting the car. Regardless, I fully support this tremendous project.

Name (Print): Richard Kolhoff

Address: 2283 Republic Drive

City, State, Zip: Dunedin, FL 34698

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Email: mkolhoff@tampabay.rr.com

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The Railing detracts from the Scenic Hwy attributes of this roadway section.

The current proposed plan does not address access to the water for swimming which is currently being done by members of the community who are currently ~~training~~ doing triathlons training several times during the week and weekend. They are utilizing areas which are not in a shoaled area.

Name (Print): Cheryl S. McDonald
Address: 824 Willowbranch Ave
City, State, Zip: Clearwater, FL 33764

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THIS PROJECT IS A WASTE OF
~~STATE~~ MONEY THAT WE DON'T
HAVE. PLEASE CANCEL THIS
PROJECT & RETURN THE MONEY
TO THE FEDS.

Name (Print): BILL THOMAS

Address: PO BOX 4656

City, State, Zip: CLEARWATER FL 33758

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Email: BTHOMAS3777@YAHOO.COM

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Fishing area

new bridge

Instead of building a straight bridge, why don't build a fishing area.

Name (Print): CARMEN Marcet

Address: 4611 North Lincoln Avenue

City, State, Zip: Tampa, Fl. 33614

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This project will be great for regional connectivity. It will compliment eco-tourism in the area, as well. As a Safety Harbor resident, I would like to see a connection between this trail and the Ream Wilson Trail, which will eventually extend to Clearwater Beach.

I fully support the project and hope that funds could be available sooner to complete entirely by 2014.

Name (Print): Tammy Vrana

Address: 260 Tucker St

City, State, Zip: Safety Harbor, FL 34695

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MARCH 24, 2011

11800 PARK BLVD #205
SEMINOLE, FL 33772
(360) 317-1663

Dear Reader,

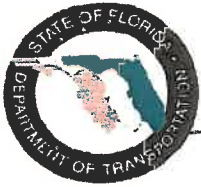
My name is Glen Gullickson and I live in Seminole.

I am here to speak on behalf of the proposed multiuse trail along SR 60 (Country Campbell Causeway) from Bayshore Blvd. in Pinellas County to West of Ben T. Davis Beach entrance in Hillsborough County, a distance of eight miles.

Completion of a cross bay connector for pedestrians and bicyclists is an important step in linking both the Pinellas and Hillsborough County trail systems.

I strongly encourage the FDOT to approve this proposal.

Glen Gullickson



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1. South side Courtney Campbell Causeway is an Important Bird Area for shorebirds, many of which are Florida listed as species of Special Concern (SSC). The Draft Wetland Assessment does not address all listed species.
2. The entire causeway is designated as a Great Florida Birding Trail. As such, public access must be maintained. This denies access to handicapped/disabled persons and scientific researchers doing periodic surveys.
3. The proposed plan denies access to a major portion of the causeway to a multitude of recreational fishermen and picnickers.

Name (Print): Sidney Crawford

Address: PO Box 576

City, State, Zip: Ozong, FL 34660

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Email: blumax100@gmail.com

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THIS IS A GREAT IDEA + WE'LL USE IT EVERY WEEK!

"I Am the President of Island Club of Rocky Point Condo. Assoc." 813-298-3851

Name (Print):

MIKE FERRAGAMO

Address:

3307 BAY CLUB CIRCLE

City, State, Zip:

TAMPA FL 33607-5963

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mferragamo@aol.com

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One more comment is that I hope lighting is provided along the trail because of its 24-hour use

Name (Print):

ASW

Address:

1203 E. Powhatan Ave

City, State, Zip:

Tampa FL 33604

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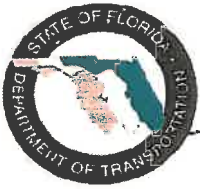
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I AM A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE TAMPA BAY CHAPTER OF THE SIERRA CLUB, AND THIS ORGANIZATION STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE PROPOSED TRAIL. WE ARE VERY IMPRESSED WITH THE WORK AND PLANNING THAT HAS GONE INTO THIS PROJECT SO FAR, AND IT IS CLEARLY WELL THOUGHT OUT. WE ARE ALSO ENCOURAGED BY THE PROPOSED CONNECTIONS TO OTHER MULTI-USE TRAILS ON BOTH SIDES OF THE BAY, AND STRONGLY SUPPORT THAT ASPECT, AS WELL. WE SEE THIS PROJECT AS A MAJOR ASSET AND TOURIST ATTRACTION, AS WELL AS HAVING WIDESPREAD USE BY AREA RESIDENTS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE START OF THE DESIGN AND BUILD PHASE.

Name (Print): RYAN BOSE

Address: 16128 ARMISTEAD LN

City, State, Zip: DESSA, FL 33556

If you would like to be added to the SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) notification e-mail list, please check this box and complete the email address section below.

Email: Ryan.bose@verizon.net

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SWFBUD (South West Florida Bicycle United Dealers) supports the SR60 trail project for several reasons:

- Provide safe access for more users, bicyclists, pods etc. to a valuable natural resource - Tampa Bay
- Increase tourism and business by drawing tourists to the causeway
- Offer a vital link in a regional paved trail network so that bicyclists from both sides of the Bay can ^{bike-}commute to jobs. Please build ASAP. Thank you.

Name (Print): Alan Snel

Address: 1203 E Powhatan Ave

City, State, Zip: Tampa, FL 33604

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Email: bikescott@tampabay.rr.com

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I AM A MEMBER OF THE FORMER TAMPA BAY FREE WHEELERS BICYCLE CLUB.

I LIVE WITHIN 3 MILES OF THE FORMER "FRIENDSHIP TRAIL" IN TAMPA. I USED THAT FACILITY TO WALK FOR EXERCISE & FOR LEADING A BIKE RIDE OF SLOW RIDERS, TO DOWNTOWN ST. PETE WHERE WE ENJOY THE WATERFRONT & A LATE BREAKFAST. I SUPPORT ALL THAT CAN BE DONE TO MAKE BICYCLING ALONG THE CAUSEWAY SAFER. WE STOPPED RIDING ON COURTNEY CAMPBELL BECAUSE OF FEAR OF THE AUTOTRAFFIC,

Name (Print): JAMES EDGAR "EDDIE" WALL

Address: 4209 W. BAY VISTA AVE

City, State, Zip: TAMPA, FL 33611-1231

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This project is fantastic, I can't wait for DOT to finished it.

Please consider putting in a portable toilet. It is too far to walk and have no facilities.

Name (Print): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

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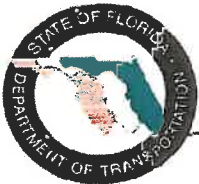
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Please forward a copy of the following documents for Clearwater Audubon Society (501(c)(3)) board review and comment.

1. Draft Contamination Screening Evaluation Report
2. Cultural Resource Assessment Study
3. Draft Wetland Assessment
4. Project Concept Summary Report

Hard Copy is preferred, but a link to .pdf files can be downloaded (A multi-hour process on dial up connection)

Name (Print): Sidney Crawford

Address: PO Box 576

City, State, Zip: Ozona, FL 34860

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I support the non-build alternative. This state cannot afford any project of this type.

Name (Print):

Mark Stubblefield

Address:

8225 116th Ave

City, State, Zip:

Largo, FL 33773

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Our state is broke and cannot afford this project. I support the non-build option.

Name (Print):

Shay Graham

Address:

8225 118th Ave

City, State, Zip:

Largo, FL 33773

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Email:

shayagraham@yahoo.com

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I support the ALTERNATIVE. We are broke. Stop the spending.

Name (Print):

MARCIA & CHARLES RAISCH

Address:

3390 Bandy Blvd N Lot 309

City, State, Zip:

Saint Petersburg, FL 33702

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Email:

RAISCH9360@aol.com

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Total waist! I choose the no build alternative with years of budget cuts how can you waist all this money?

Name (Print): Jessica Fleming
Address: 5475 105th St N
City, State, Zip: Seminole, FL 33772

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I am against the building of the Multi-Use Trail PD & E study -

I support the "No-Build" Alternative

I do not want this trail at all

Paula Dorzuk

Name (Print):

Paula Dorzuk

Address:

PO BOX 61213

City, State, Zip:

St. Petersburg, FL 33784

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I would feel "safer" with a bike path across Gandy, as it is so easy to get around on either side of the bay already. With the Courtney Campbell proposal, not only is it the big job of the bike bridge, but all the support connectors that have to be created in Tampa & Clearwater - in addition to the bike bridge.

I can see this project getting halfway done - like the bridge and then the other work not proceeding any reassurances? ? ?

Name (Print): _____

Address: Steve TRyon

City, State, Zip: 6605 Glencoe DR Temple Terrace 33617

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Email: sdt369@earthlink.net

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Stop this Wasteful project! The CCC is beautiful & multifunctional as is. I fail to see how this Trail Project would enhance or benefit residents & tourism of either County. Ben T. Davis beach is constantly plagued with Ecol bacteria & crime. There is little to nothing to draw the use needed to sustain construction & maintenance costs. There is nothing feasible about this Trail in this area! CLW sewage Treatment plant also makes this undirable. We have beautiful beaches on the coast that draws millions of visitors, yearly. Both County's have beautiful trail systems already!
* There is a No Build Alternative, That is a viable option, on the FDOT website. Our Federal Govt' is broke & printing fiat currency, Please Put A-Halt to useless waste of money. The CCC Trail Project IS a No Go For Residents & Tourism!

Name (Print):

Kim Cameron

Address:

3087 Huron Ave

City, State, Zip:

Oldsmar, FL 34677

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Email:

kcameron@tampabay.cc.com

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Comment letter accompanies.

Pump Bay Sierra Club

Support Build Alternative
Minimal environmental impact
No property purchase or destruction

Name (Print): Marcia Biggs

Address: 350 Bailey St

City, State, Zip: Safety Harbor FL 34695

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Email: marciabiggs@gmail.com

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We are in favor of the SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail

Owners of Unit 318 - Seaside Resort,
2506 Rocky Point Dr, Tampa, Fla

Name (Print): Sue A McGoev & Colin Buggenhagen

Address: 4410 Stratford Ter

City, State, Zip: Hamburg, NY 14075-2010

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This trail is a wonderful idea, it would bring many more tourists and this help our economy also, they should put more flowers and make the Causeway a scenic place were it brings people to admire this part of Florida.

also, Tampa needs to be more clean - the new roads around the airport look trashed, need more attention in the highways and the roads next to the highway. also we have the worse streets - holes and roads that need repairs also. Other Counties are better than Hillsborough.

Name (Print): _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

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I AM VERY MUCH IN FAVOR OF THIS PROJECT AND BELIEVE IT WILL BE A BENEFIT TO HILLSBOROUGH AND PINELLAS RESIDENTS. THE AREA ALONG THE RAILWAY IS BEAUTIFUL AND THE CONSTRUCTION OF A PEDESTRIAN BIKE AND WALKWAY WILL FURTHER OPEN THIS GREAT RESOURCE TO MANY PEOPLE. IT WILL ALSO HELP THE COMMUNITY WITH ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION EMPLOYMENT AND AID IN TOURISM AS THOSE TRAVELING INTO THE TAMPA AIRPORT MAY HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEE HOW GREAT TAMPA REALLY IS TO LIVE IN. PLEASE PROCEED WITH THIS BENEFICIAL PROJECT.

Name (Print): William J. Murphy
Address: 5205 Bay Club Circle
City, State, Zip: Tampa, FL

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Email: MURPHY@AHUSA.NET

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waist of money! with all the budget cuts how can you justify spending all this money.

Name (Print):

Kevin Fleming

Address:

5475 105th St NW

City, State, Zip:

Seminole FL 33772

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Need I say that I too hope for the future and am trying to put 1 foot in front of the other to that end, but now IS NOT the time to be spending ~~money~~ ~~for~~ recreation - the roads are in need of repair, parks cutting down on staff and I am sure many more county agencies need money - DO NOT VOTE for this trail at ~~this time~~. Please use some good sense - that's why you were elected.

Name (Print): Yvonne Kasper

Address: 17604 - 1st St, E

City, State, Zip: Redington Shores, FL 33708

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We don't need this trail. As a biker, I travel to various trails & we don't need another.

- Too Expensive AFTER GRANT

- Too little use of other trails in the case

- Not realistic as a way to ~~improve~~ commute.

Name (Print):

Bob Lima

Address:

10218 Thurston Corners Blvd

City, State, Zip:

Largo FL 33778

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In these economic times - this trail should NOT be built -

Name (Print):

Donna Beach

Address:

22410 New Circle Dr

City, State, Zip:

Pinellas PK, FL 33781

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THIS IS ANOTHER BOND OGGLE; 22 MILLION \$
FOR A BIKE PATH THAT HOW MANY PEOPLE
WILL USE? STOP SPENDING MONEY THAT
WE DO NOT HAVE.

NO BIKE PATH!!!

Name (Print): DAN JOHNSON

Address: 2236 BEACON POINT BLVD.

City, State, Zip: PALM HARBOR, FL. 34683

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I was at the planning committee in Clearwater (MPO)
This is a waste of money. The friendship trail was
a waste, because it was hot and I did not see anyone
there. They also want to stop fishing!! The people were
very cavalier about spending our tax money
I could just sit there at that meeting and
listen to these people. Please stop this trail we
have enough parks and the Pinellas trail to ride bikes
and roller blade. I do both and also fish. We cannot
spend any more foolish money on these projects.
They said they oppose fishing on the proposed trail, because
people who fish get drunk. Where does that logic come from.

Name (Print): Linda Skempris

Address: 8043 Causeway Blvd S

City, State, Zip: St. Petersburg FL

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PLEASE SUPPORT THE NO-BUILD OPTION.
I AS A TAXPAYER UNDERSTAND
WHAT "BROKE" MEANS. NO STUDIES
HAVE BEEN DONE THAT WOULD
SUPPORT THE VIABILITY OF THIS
NEW WALKWAY, AND THE TAXPAYERS
OF PINELLAS WILL BE STUCK
WITH THE BILL IN THE LONG TERM.

STOP SPENDING!

Name (Print): VICTORIA KIBURZ

Address: 6391 1ST AVE N

City, State, Zip: ST PETERSBURG FL 33710

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Dear FDOT,

The primary argument to build a pedestrian walk-way over the Courtney Campbell Causeway, per the Pinellas County Board of Commissioners is to offer this as an option for those who commute to and from Tampa/St. Petersburg - Commissioner Karen Seal. Are you kidding? In 100+ Florida heat, people are going to ① drive to Courtney Campbell Causeway, ② ride their bike to Tampa, ③ get on a bus to downtown Tampa, ④ ride their bike to their office, ⑤ change into work clothes!! No one will do this!! No one!! We do not want to spend \$20 million dollars for a "trail" "Ridiculous!!" Do NOT spend my tax dollars ON THIS!!

Name (Print):

KRIS Gionet

Address:

6385-13th Ave So

City, State, Zip:

Gulfport, FL 33707

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gion202@verizon.net

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THIS PROJECT IS UNNEEDED AND A COMPLETE WASTE OF MONEY AND THERE ARE TOO MANY UNANSWERED QUESTIONS ABOUT RELATED ~~COSTS~~ COSTS FOR MAINTENANCE AND OTHER OBLIGATIONS WHICH WILL ACCRUE TO TAXPAYERS INCLUDING ME AS A PROPERTY AND BUSINESS OWNER IN TAMPA.

NO!

Name (Print): JOHN M. MCNAMARA

Address: 725 83RD AVE NORTH # 104

City, State, Zip: ST. PETERSBURG, FL 33702

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No, no, no...!! Not now!

And these funds are coming from where??

Who will maintain this wild proposal?

Name (Print):

Liz Williams

Address:

1555 15th Ct W

City, State, Zip:

Largo FL 33270

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Email:

daisyLcrown@yahoo.com

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Sirs —

We do not need this - there is no money, no allocation for future repairs, etc.

NO - NO - NO - NO - NO

It's time to listen - you didn't 2 yrs ago and look at the mess we're in —

No more spending —

Name (Print):

VIRGINIA LOVISOLO

Address:

P.O. Box 3681

City, State, Zip:

Seminole FL 33775

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I am against this trail it is just more money we will end up paying out in maintenance, and liability will belong to who? Not the State Govt. it will be the counties and cities which will make my taxes go up. We already don't have enough money to sustain what we have now.

Name (Print): Kathryn S. Summersill

Address: 12917 123 rd Ave

City, State, Zip: LARGO, FL 33774

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Email: KTSUMMERSLL@AOL.COM

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I DO NOT AGREE WITH THE BUILDING OF A BIKE TRAIL. THIS MONEY THAT WILL BE USED TO BUILD THIS, NEEDS TO BE TURNED BACK TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO PAY DEBT.

THIS MONEY WILL HAVE TO BE PAID BACK AND PEOPLE WILL BE BURDENED WITH NEW TAXES TO REPAY. I AM NOT FOR THIS PROJECT.

STOP USING MONEY THAT ISN'T YOURS, JUST BECAUSE IT'S THERE DOESN'T MEAN YOU HAVE TO USE IT.
"WISE UP"

Name (Print): DANIEL ALLEN SUMMERS, II

Address: 12917 123RD AVE N.

City, State, Zip: LARGO FL 33774

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MY COMMENT IS SIMPLE:
NO TRAIL ON
COURTNEY
CAMPBELL
CAUSEWAY

Name (Print): BILL THOMAS

Address: PO BOX 4656

City, State, Zip: CLEARWATER FL 33758

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I THINK THIS IS A HUGE WASTE OF VALUABLE TAX REVENUE. I AM STRONGLY OPPOSED TO THIS PLAN AND DO NOT WANT TO SEE ONE MORE SECOND WASTED ON THIS PROJECT.

Name (Print):

CHRISTOPHER L. GIONET

Address:

6385 13TH AVENUE SOUTH

City, State, Zip:

GULFPORT, FL. 33707

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DO NOT BUILD THIS TRAIL

THERE IS NO REASON TO BUILD THIS
IMMENSE PROTECT FOR BIKES!

DON'T YOU THINK THAT "COMMUTERS" WILL
BE USING THIS "TRAIL/BRIDGE" AS A ROUTE
TO WORK = PLEASE!

CAN YOU IMAGINE TAKING OFF YOUR COAT -
RIDING YOUR BIKE IN 95° HEAT -

PARKING YOUR BIKE & WALKING INTO YOUR OFFICE
+ LOOKING NICE & FRESH - FOR YOUR FIRST
MEETING IN THE MORNING??

Name (Print):

DANIEL HADDON

Address:

10561 127th PL

City, State, Zip:

LARGO FL 33473

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Please DO NOT build this trail at this time. We simply cannot afford it. ~~We~~ We must be fiscally responsible. Let's get our budget and spending under control. This is A LUXURY we don't need.

Name (Print): Debra Benoit

Address: 10112 N. Highland Ave.

City, State, Zip: Tampa FL 33612

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How many bike trails does
Pinellas County need?

Please do not waste 2 million
\$ on this.

Florida is broke!!!

Name (Print):

Susan Susan Ball

Address:

6331 22nd AVE N.

City, State, Zip:

ST. PETE FL 33710

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We encourage and welcome your comments regarding the **SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail PD&E study** from Bayshore Boulevard to west of the Ben T. Davis Beach entrance in Pinellas & Hillsborough Counties, Florida

First, I appreciate all of the hard work that has been conducted to plan/study this project. Please consider the following input:

- The "No-Build Alternative" is the best option.
- Many hundreds of tourists and families use the access roads to picnic, relax, fish, and hike/bike already!
- If the trail is built, please do NOT build the railing between the trail and the water. Why limit the recreational options?
- Lighting and/or call boxes are needed. Maybe the money saved by eliminating the metal railing can be used to install these.

Name (Print):

Kelly Myer

Address:

3311 San Bernadino St.

City, State, Zip:

Clearwater, FL 33759

• Maintenance costs must be projected and discussed with City government, to

Thank you.

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Email:

Kelly_Myer@hotmail.com

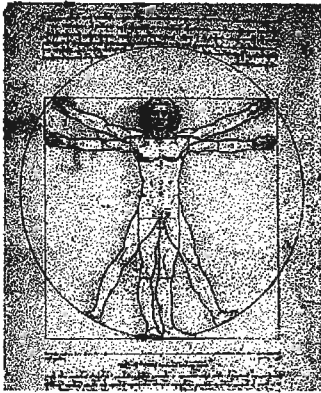
• I still have not heard back from Robin Rhinesmith regarding my questions. I emailed them on March 31, 2011.

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Robin

Nicholson Science

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March 26, 2011

Ming Gao
Intermodal Systems Development Manager
FDOT District 7
11201 N McKinley Dr MS7-500
Tampa, FL 33612-6456

Dear Intermodal Systems Development Manager Ming Gao,

Nicholson Science has long been the area's pre-eminent specialist for creative solutions to seemingly insolvable problems. The idea to expand oyster bed habitat along Bayshore Blvd was our idea. Tampa's yet to be built Floating Riverwalk was our idea. Mayor Iorio's Prius was our suggestion as was frequent fireworks during tourist season. The successful building illumination of Lights On Tampa! is an original creation of Nicholson Science. The recently funded Water Taxi was our idea, too. Finally, Florida's Bright Futures Program of college scholarships emulated our HOPE Scholarships proposal for Georgia, so if you were a college student in 23 states emulating the HOPE Scholarship Program, as Florida does, you are entirely welcome.

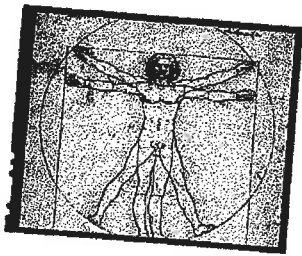
We supported keeping the old Gandy Bridge as a Friendship Trail Bridge and linking Tampa and St. Petersburg with a new bridge. Building any new bridge has long been among our quests, see: http://www.sptimes.com/2002/10/31/TampaBay/Another_Tampa_Bay_bri.shtml

May I suggest at least up to 1 meter width vehicles be allowed on the new trail? I have a velomobile (a bicycle car) and it is .785 meters wide. Golf carts might be nice, too.

The mangroves that line the Courtney Campbell, formerly the Davis, Causeway must be undisturbed, but there are few if any along the south side where you plan the proposed multi-use trail. You may consider improving the water near the Pinellas side of the bay with oyster habitat domes and by planting sea grass extensively in the area. The bay stinks there more than anywhere else, particularly in August.

May I suggest a good way to save most of the money you would spend on bridges? As you know, the turbulent waters where bridges carry cars between the islands and peninsulas of the causeway have taken many lives by drowning. May I suggest an alternative to an expensive fly-over structure?

You could build a floating bridge across these dangerous straights out of waterproof plastic foam, scrap 2 L bottles, track surface material, some wire, PVC pipe, and a few two by fours. Place a large sheet of plastic over your flat work area as a release surface. You could do this either on the shore (or you could truck the pieces of bridge in from your yard, or do both). Next lay the track surface material upside down over the plastic. Next build a framework out of treated wood and stainless steel wire that will accept 2 liter plastic soft drink bottles. Stack the bottles into the frame. Having tested liquid foam for resistance to UV, tackiness to the track surface, and knowing the volume, make your pour. Top and sides should then be fiberglassed. Turn it right side up and attach it all together in calm shallow water. Tow the entire bridge, or sections, to the site and attach to anchors on either shore and to the bottom with cables. You are the engineer, you ought to have fun with the details.



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Of course, you could make a 'lock' in the bridge for passing watercraft. There must be a thousand ways to provide watercraft locks for floating bridges. Here are a few I thought of: a sinking section (yes like a U-boat), a drawbridge (easier with this light weight floating construction—a garage door opener would work, think about it), a roundabout with locks cut in the foam/bottles/frame covered with track surface material to allow passing boats to move through the bridge while staying at normal sea level. Perhaps the easiest and cheapest would consist of a hinged door to open for watercraft, manual or automatic. You could make a section wing shaped so that it depresses with the tide flow one way, and opens with exactly the same tide flow the other way to allow shallow draft craft to pass. By simply attaching sections to the bottom, passing water craft could just nudge them out of the way, and once past, the sections would resume close proximity sufficient to get cyclists across again. These are all so cheap that multiple examples could be made on a very wide bridge. Yes, you can make this marvelous. The materials cost nothing, and there are all sorts of ways to spin and reconnect these things. Even velcro could work.

Alternatively, you might build a regular bridge over the deepest, tallest opening in the causeway and effectively close boat access on the remaining crossings with wide floating bridges. A floating bicycles-only bridge would be particularly handy in the area close to the Hillsborough shore since no boat traffic is involved there.

I suggest using very bright colors for everything. Bright colors are cheaper. Color code dangerous areas and to ease law enforcement concerns. Different color sections would enable better mapping, for lost cyclists, drivers, and swimmers.

These floating bicycle bridges would have the benefit of saving dozens of lives because distressed swimmers could easily climb up on them. Even if the sections broke loose in a hurricane, they act as life rafts for people

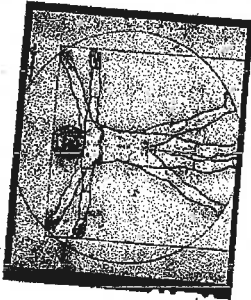
sucked out to sea.

Floating bicycle trail near shore would enable you to leave the current pavement structures standing, undisturbed. Floating bicycle trail next to the causeway also protect the growth of mangrove trees. Currently these healthful trees have trouble getting root because of the wakes of boats and ships disturb seedlings. The buffer of the floating bike trail would also reduce storm damage. You could route the floating bike path offshore at Ben T. Davis Beach to discourage dangerous swimming.

If you listen to me, you can save half of your bridge-building expense and use that money to build enhancements. Enhancements? A rinsing station on either end and midway across the causeway could allow cyclists to rinse the salt off themselves and their bicycles, too. (Such rinsing stations can be seen on Clearwater Beach.)

I would recommend landing cyclists on quiet streets at both ends of the causeway rather than dumping them onto a main thoroughfare (e.g. SR60). As you must know, SR60 is the most dangerous road for bicyclists in our state. If you begin and end it on SR60, you will be sponsoring a bloodbath. A floating bicycle-only bridge beneath Pinellas's Bayside Bridge would allow you to land the trail at South Bayview Ave. at Our Lady of Divine Providence. On the Hillsborough side, Bay Center Drive near the Microsoft offices would be very nice.

Do not forget to collect the portraits of all the men and women who work on the trail as well as progress photography. That will look great on the website. I suggest you organize a club of volunteers with very modest funding to maintain the trail, so the state won't have to. After a few seasons, such a club of volunteers would become so expert, you might employ them with materials to build similar cross-water floating bicycle trails all over Florida. Eventually, we should build a



floating bridge across Old Tampa Bay from Picnic Island Park to and across Weedon Island State
Preserve in like manner, or even to downtown St. Petersburg. Your work will be the model.

Sincerely yours,

Bubba Nicholson

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→ Robin

March 16, 2011

Ming Gao
Intermodal Systems Development Manager
FDOT-District 7
11201 N. McKinley Drive, MS 7-500
Tampa, FL 33612-6456

Dear Ming Gao,

I am writing to provide comment in support of the proposed new multi-use trail along State Road 60.

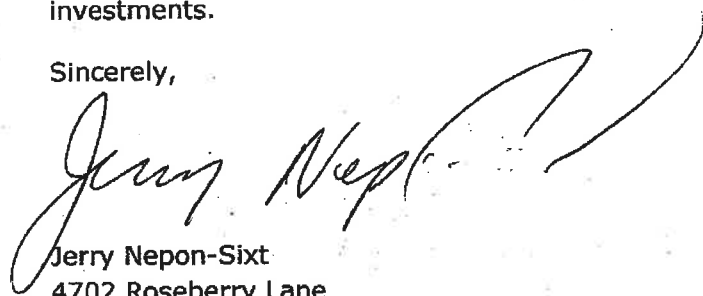
Since the loss of the Friendship Trail, there is no multi-use link between Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. There are no bicycle friendly routes south of Hillsborough Ave./Tampa Rd. and that route has lengths that present challenges to safe cycling.

I have ridden across the Courtney Campbell Causeway on my bicycle several times. While it is possible to ride much of the length of the Causeway on the existing paved frontage road on either side of State Road 60, there is no clear access onto that frontage road from either side of the bay. In addition, once you reach the bridge, one is forced to carry a bicycle from the frontage road over a guardrail onto State Road 60 and ride across the Causeway bridge on the paved shoulder.

The addition of a multi-use trail along State Road 60 will connect the bay area with a pedestrian and bicycle friendly pathway. With beaches, restaurants, shopping and cultural venues within a short distance of the Causeway, this is a trail that would get considerable daily use by commuters, vacationers, and people from our area who take advantage of our great climate to stay fit.

I would suggest that the approaches on the Hillsborough side of the trail be considered as part of this plan. It is currently difficult to connect to Highway 60 on a bicycle from the north. Even a suggested route to connect from the Upper Tampa Bay Trail to the trail that comes out of Skyway Park would be helpful, even without additional infrastructure investments.

Sincerely,



Jerry Nepon-Sixt
4702 Roseberry Lane
Tampa, FL 33624
813-334-3679

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The Country is bankrupt. ^{to} The State & County does not have "extra" money for maintenance. I will not pay for this project, or it's maintenance.

attached financial statement

Name: Print David Wamble

Address: 2046 Indigo Terrace

City, State, Zip: Dunedin, FL 34698

In the month of March, the U.S. government spent more than eight times its monthly tax receipts, when you include the money spent for maturing U.S. treasuries. The U.S. treasury netted \$128.18 billion in tax receipts during the month of March, but paid out a total of \$1.05 trillion, which included \$49.8 billion in Social Security benefits, \$47.4 billion in Medicare benefits, \$22.58 billion in Medicaid benefits, and \$37.9 billion in defense spending. However, by far, the U.S. paid out the most for maturing U.S. treasuries, which equaled \$705.3 billion.

In order for the U.S. government to stay afloat with only \$128.18 billion in tax receipts, it had to spend \$72.5 billion from its balance of cash, which ended the month at \$118.1 billion, and sell \$18 billion worth of TARP assets. But most importantly, the U.S. treasury had to sell \$786.5 billion in new treasury bonds.

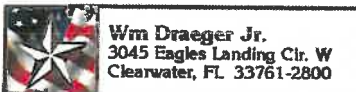
William C. Draeger, Jr.
PO Box 5167
Clearwater, Florida 33758

March 24, 2011

Sirs;

RE: Courtney Campbell Bike Trail

I really think \$20 million dollars could be better spent on education, housing, job assistance programs, food help programs and things of that nature.



Wm Draeger Jr.
727 797-3635

Alan M. Thomas
523 Ponce de Leon Blvd.
Belleair, FL 33756

Ming Gao, P.E.
Intermodal Systems Development Manager
Fla D.O.T.
11201 N. McKinley Dr.
Mail Station 7-500
Tampa, FL 33612-6456

April 7, 2011

Re: S.R. 60 Bike Trail/Bridge
Project # 422640-2
Pinellas – Hillsborough County

Dear Mr. Gao;

Please record my **Total Opposition** to this project ! The USA is broke and this project should be the Poster Child of irresponsible, wasteful, totally unnecessary spending of scarce tax dollars. If 20 people a day used this bridge every day for 5 years – which is a leap of reason – then the taxpayers would be subsidizing these few, white, mostly male hobbyists a total of \$ 597.00 per use!! Not including additional Maintenance, Insurance, Cost Overruns that are born by local citizens' taxes ! Let's not forget that half of those \$ 597. trips would be people walking and pushing their bikes because very few people can actually pedal a bike up a hill that long and high !!!

Sincerely,



Alan M. Thomas

cc Gov. Rick Scott
The Capitol
400 S. Monroe St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

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I AM OPPOSED TO THIS PROJECT!

WE CAN'T AFFORD EVEN THE MAINTENANCE ON THIS TRAIL!

DON'T YOU PEOPLE UNDERSTAND?

WE ARE BROKE!

Name (Print): KATHY HADDON

Address: 10561 127th PL. N.

City, State, Zip: LARGO FLORIDA 33773

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Courtney Campbell Causeway Multi-Use Trail Project # 422640-2

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is planning to build a multi-use trail along SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) from Bayshore Boulevard in Pinellas County to west of Ben T. Davis Beach entrance in Hillsborough County, a distance of 8 miles.

There is \$21.8M from the federal government to the FDOT for this project. Questions NOT answered include: Maintenance costs - Will they be split between Pinellas & Hillsborough? Liability - on which county/counties/Cities Clearwater/Tampa? Safety and security are issues as with the rest of the Pinellas Trail. What about Repair costs - If a hurricane takes it down, WE will have to replace it! Evacuation alone will destroy it. South-side fishing will no longer be possible with this project. Stop. Residents don't want it.

There is a no-build option.

From the FDOT website: "The No-Build Alternative assumes that the existing conditions would remain for SR 60 within the project limits and only routine maintenance activities would occur, meaning that no new trail would be built. The No-Build Alternative is considered to be a viable alternative and will remain so for the duration of the PD&E study process."

Name (Print): C. McCormick

Address: 577 Lake Cypress

City, State, Zip: Oldsmar FL 34677 4658

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presentation on this causeway trail project at a BPAC meeting this month.

On behalf of SWFBUD (South West Florida Bicycle United Dealers), I want to express my support for this important project, especially the new bridge element of the project on the Tampa side.

This project will make the causeway a big attraction for bicyclists and pedestrians and will serve as a major link in a regional trail system badly needed in the Tampa Bay area.

I already bike across the causeway, but this project will make my cycling much safer while also attracting many more bicyclists who otherwise would never dare to bike on the CCC.

I hope the Florida DOT can move as fast possible on this project so that more and more bicyclists and pedestrians can start using the causeway. The Bay is the region's signature geography and this trail will make this natural resource more accessible to local Tampa Bay residents, all Floridians and also many tourists.

Thank you for your time on this matter.

Sincerely,

Alan Snel
Director of SWFBUD -- South West Florida Bicycle United Dealers

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 8:59 AM
To: Niles, Shannon; Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Causeway Multi-Use Trail

For the record.

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From: Cheryl McDonald [mailto:cmcdonald@drmp.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 24, 2011 1:36 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Scorza, Marian
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Multi-Use Trail

Dear Ms Rhinesmith,

I am sending you this email as a concerned resident of Clearwater, a daily commuter using the Courtney Causeway and an occasional user of the frontage roads along the Causeway.

I am concerned that there has been no postings on the Causeway concerning the PD&E hearing sessions this evening. I only heard about this hearing as part of a presentation to the Tampa Bay Applications Group. (TBAG). Otherwise, I would be ignorant of this hearing. I am sure that many of the week end and week day users of the frontage roads along the Causeway that would be concerned about the proposed changes to this corridor. I think that it was shortsighted that no notifications were posted along this corridor. Since I was aware of this hearing, I looked for posted notices and did not view any on my travels back and forth across the Bay.

Regretfully,

Cheryl B. McDonald
Transportation Planner

DRMP, Inc.

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cmcdonald@drmp.com

3/25/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 8:57 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: courtney campbell bike path

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-----Original Message-----

From: copsall@tampabay.rr.com [mailto:copsall@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, March 25, 2011 8:56 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: courtney campbell bike path

Good morning Robin,

I want to show my support for the proposed bike trail.

While riding on the Upper Tampa Bay Trail and others, anyone can see how many people utilize and enjoy biking, jogging, walking etc. Our snow birds, who boost our economy, plan there stay here with the idea that they will be using our parks, greenways and trails. Not only are these trails a source of enjoyment but they are beneficial to the environment, our health and it is a great source of activity to keep people busy (less time to complain)! Additionally, more people are looking at access to parks, greenways and trails when deciding on where to live.

I hope all the proposed trails will be built, as I have no doubt they will be enjoyed and utilized by many.

Thank-you for your time,
Cathy

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 11:49 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: SR60 multi-use Trail Project Development & environment Study

For the record

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-----Original Message-----

From: Governor Rick Scott [mailto:Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Monday, March 28, 2011 4:53 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: SR60 multi-use Trail Project Development & environment Study

-----Original Message-----

From: Bob Noonan [mailto:rnoonan1@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, March 28, 2011 4:52 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: SR60 multi-use Trail Project Development & environment Study

From: Bob Noonan <rnoonan1@tampabay.rr.com>

Dear Gov. Scott, We recieved an invitation to a Public Hearing on the subject.

I'd love to send you the promotion sheet which in great detail shows a plans to add a lane to SR 60 over the Bay from Clearwater to Tampa. They want to add this never to be used Trail to the one over Route # 19 at the Enterprise intersection. What is wrong with these bureauctats, don't they understand our fiscal problems. We should never have spent the money on the study which i estimate is in the thousands at least. I trust you could easily direct more productive activity for this group Gov. keep up the good work we're with you all the way. Sincerely, Bob Noonan

From: Sharon Calvert [scalvert@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 6:20 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: NO TO \$22 MILLION FOR TRAIL - I SUPPORT NO BUILD ALTERNATIVE

Robin, Florida's economic and budgetary climate (with a \$3.75 BILLION shortfall) insists that the State fund "must do" NOT "nice to have" expenditures. Spending almost \$22 MILLION on a Trail over the Causeway is NOT a priority of the majority of Floridians or even those in the Tampa Bay Area. I am a biking enthusiast who loves to ride and I ride on existing trails today but today is NOT the time for this type of spending when our roads and highways are in need of much repair and improvement (and as we have seen our federal gas tax monies diverted AWAY from it's original intent to support roads and highways to supporting mass transit). There is a "NO BUILD ALTERNATIVE" Option in the Project and Environment Study. I Support the NO BUILD ALTERNATIVE! I will be contacting Governor Scott and my state legislator's office as well to request that they STOP this frivolous spending NOW!
Thank you.

Sharon Calvert
Lutz, FL

From: Bill Thomas [bthomas3777@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 10:33 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

Good evening,

I would like to go on record in OPPOSITION to building any type of trail on the Courtney Campbell Trail. The United States is \$14 trillion in debt and the spending has to STOP.

My address and phone is available up request.

Sincerely,
Bill Thomas

4/8/2011

From: Mark Hamilton [mlham67@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 7:32 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: COURTNEY CAMPBELL CAUSEWAY PROJECT

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SHERROD M HAMILTON

1416 S. MOODY AVE

Tampa, FL 33629

From: raisch9360@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 5:22 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: COURTNEY CAMPBELL-MULTI USE TRAIL PROJECT #422640-2

Hello,

We do not need this multi use trail, and we can't afford it. Fishing is going to be eliminated on the South side of the CCC if the new bike trail plans go through. These emails must be received by Friday at 3pm the latest. In the subject line put: Courtney Campbell – multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

THE RAISCH FAMILY

SAINT PETERSBURG, FL 33702

4/8/2011

From: MooreTrux@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 4:04 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Causeway Bike path

Robin,

I cannot understand why the DOT wants to spend 22 million for a bike path. There is currently one on the books to be torn down. The Gandy Bridge Bike Path is already there, perfectly suitable for biking, and the last I heard, over 10 million was going to be spent to tear it down! The way I see it, you could leave everything like it is, and save over 30 million dollars.

Illustrations like this demonstrate why we taxpayers are pulling our hair out when civil servants treat the treasury like so much Monopoly money.

Harold Moore
Tampa

4/8/2011

From: Karen Jaroch [kjaroch@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 2:56 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell – Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

I would like to register my opinion on the subject project. After reviewing the plan, I would vote that this trail not be built.

The trail would interrupt the access to the water that we all enjoy today. In today's economy, we can not afford to spend millions of dollars on projects that are "wants" of a few special interests while the "needs" of the masses go unmet.

I support the no-build alternative.

Thank you.

Karen Jaroch
16501 E Course Drive
Tampa, FL 33624

813-265-9005

4/8/2011

From: deerogers1@verizon.net
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 2:28 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell – Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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Dee Rogers-Finneran

12801 Longcrest Drive

Riverview, Fl. 33579

Dee Rogers "All that is required for evil to prevail is for good men to do nothing." Edmund Burke

4/8/2011

From: William Peterseim [wmpeterseim@me.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 1:35 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell-Multi-use Trail: Project # 422640-2

Dear Ms Rhinesmith:

Please insert my remarks as a part of the official Public Hearing record regarding the SR 60 Multi-Use PD&E study.

I support the no-build option. NO BUILD

I say this as an avid biker. I regularly take bike rides of 25 to 35 miles and am increasing. But, there are ample bike trails in both counties. It's too bad if bikers want new landscape. I'd say, by personal observation their numbers are darned low. Avid bikers, really serious types get out on long routes. If you ever observe them, they are totally focused. They aren't lollygagging around checking out the surf or anything else. They are focused on breathing, hitting their stride, and maintaining speed and control. Their focus is head-on and only a few yards in front. It's not all that much fun. It's work.

Fishermen come to enjoy that. Fishing. They usually don't even talk. They go to the shore or wade out. This foolishly eliminates considerable beach and fishing access, thus diminishing that availability to many people and it's been years since I have fished, but I can't see interfering with those who do.

In case you haven't read, this nation is in the worse fiscal crisis in history and purely of its own making with total disregard to paying one's way. There appears to be neither an end to the projects someone can come up with to spend the "free" Federal money; nor is there apparently any "learning curve" by Federal or many, apparently, LOCAL officials on the subject, so it's just spend spend spend.

The people of Miami, FL have finally awakened and done what I have urged on radio for 23 months: RECALL their irresponsible elected officials. I plan to lead other recalls. Another Florida county in which we own property has just raised our county taxes while our property values continue to decline. Why? 5 years ago they were sitting on more money than many Third World countries...over \$ 7 Billion and they managed to squander and blow it, so now come to the sucker taxpayers to pay them more so they don't have to have a bad day, while they continue to spend on non-essential projects.

I have been laid off for 23 months. Here's a suggestion: Hold a raffle and use the results to PERMANENTLY LAY OFF 30% of your Department's employees. Then cut the wages by 30% of all those who retain their jobs. Then require all those still holding jobs to pay at least 50% of their Health Care expenses. Then convert your Retirement Program to a 401k. You can credit 70% of what's been accumulated on each employee's behalf, for a ONE TIME employer contribution. From then on, NO employer match. Let your people act like they are in the Private Sector that pays their salaries, benefits, and retirement and which, in large part, is suffering to keep you spending fools having an uninterrupted great time.

In case you were in Tahiti enjoying yet another tax payer paid holiday with the Obama family, spending money we are temporarily still hoping to get from Communist China, before they lower the boom, Taxpayers sent a fairly clear message NOVEMBER 2ND. STOP THE SPENDING. FEDERAL MONEY IS NOT, NEVER WILL, AND NEVER HAS BEEN "FREE".

DON'T BUILD THE STUPID BIKE BRIDGE/PATH/BOONDOGGLE. Thank you.

Sincerely,

William and Linda Peterseim
1920 Rensselaer Dr.
Wesley Chapel, FL 33543 (soon to be moving to Hillsborough County)

From: Kim [kcameron@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 1:52 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: multi-use trail along SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway)

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is planning to build a multi-use trail along SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) from Bayshore Boulevard in Pinellas County to west of Ben T. Davis Beach entrance in Hillsborough County, a distance of 8 miles.

Stop this a wasteful project! The CCC (Courtney Campbell Causeway) is beautiful and multifunctional as is.

I fail to see how this trail project would enhance or benefit residents or tourism of Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties. The Trail ends at Ben T. Davis beach on the Hills. Co. side, which is constantly plagued with Ecoli bacteria. Not to mention that there is little to nothing at that end of the causeway to draw the use, needed to sustain the costs of construction and maintenance. There is nothing feasible about being a commuter trail in this area!

To Pinellas Co. residents it is useless as a desirable location, especially with the Clearwater Sewage Plant in the immediate area when we have beautiful beaches on the West Coast that draw millions of visitors each year. No one I know finds this area appropriate for beach use.

I have a thought how to better use the federal funding along the CCC; Enlarge the small bridge on the Pinellas Co. side of the CCC. This would allow for a better flushing of the Upper Tampa Bay waters. The water quality and water visibility is poor, the muck/silt on the bottom of the upper bay is two feet thick, making the upper bay a poor choice for boating and swimming.

Note; there is a no build Alternative, that is a viable option. From the FDOT website: The No-Build Alternative assumes that the existing conditions would remain for SR 60 within the project limits and only routine maintenance activities would occur, meaning that no new trail would be built. The No-Build Alternative is considered to be a viable alternative and will remain so for the duration of the PD&E study process.

The Federal Government is broke and printing fiat currency, please put a halt to this insanity. Stop the trail project, now!

Thank you, Kim Cameron

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 1:19 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Multi use trail

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From: Sheila Harris [mailto:sheilabroker@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 11:39 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Cc: sheilabroker@yahoo.com
Subject: Multi use trail

Mr. Smith: We do not need this multi use trail. We can't afford it. Fishing is going to be eliminated on the South side of the Courtney Campbell Causeway. If we have storms we will only have to rebuild it and which county pays for it?

Please do not build this CCC multi use trail - Project #422640-2

Respectfully, Sheila Harris, 14428 Pepperpine Dr., Tampa FL 33626

4/7/2011

From: Ken Roberts [phylken@aim.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 1:13 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell A- Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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With the Federal budget in deficit by \$1.65 Trillion and our country in debt by over \$14 Trillion and growing, it is unconscionable to spend money we do not have on things like this project - which we do not need.

Mr & Mrs Kenneth D Roberts
5235 Moon Shell Dr
Apollo Beach, FL 33572

4/7/2011

From: mitchmcconnell1@gmail.com on behalf of Mitchell McConnell [mitch@mitchellmcconnell.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 1:07 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell bike trail

Dear Ms. Rhinesmith,

As someone who is very concerned about the state's financial problems, I do not believe we need to find new ways to spend tax dollars.

There are many bike trails available to those who wish to use them.

I support the No-Build Alternative option.

--
Mitchell McConnell
6291 Bahia del Mar Cir.
Unit 112
St. Petersburg, FL 33715

4/7/2011

From: US 1 Custom Brokers [us1@mjmflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 1:03 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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We cannot at all times – give in to small or minor groups of people – due to a whim – for recreational purposes – spend money like it was growing on trees. There are many beautiful parks – Pinellas & Hillsborough Trails and beautiful scenery riding sidewalks that they can use right now – to upset the flow of traffic at a cost that is unforgiving at this point.

Let them use what is available now – if they don't like it, they can go to another area/state/country....

I vote NO – to spending my tax dollars in this wasteful fashion.

ANA PENICHET

6608 N LOIS AVE

TAMMPA FL 33614

From: Patricia Peterson [estuary852@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 10:29 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell – Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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Respectfully Yours,

Patricia Peterson
5980 80th St, N #311
St. Petersburg, Fl 33709

4/7/2011

From: ArtExpressed [artex@ix.netcom.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 10:27 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Cc: Rick Scott; jones.dennis.web@flsenate.gov
Subject: Courtney Campbell – Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

To: Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us

Subject Line: Courtney Campbell – Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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*As Florida faces unsustainable deficits, we can not afford to assume more for a bike trail that is used by such a small percentage of county residents. QUIT SPENDING MONEY! Spend only for repairs of existing infrastructure.

David Womble 2046 Indigo Terrace Dunedin FL. 34698

From: Molli Nickell [mollikatee@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 10:25 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Costly bike trail to nowhere

Dear Senator Rhinesmith,
DO NOT CREATE THE bike trail to nowhere along SR 60, a distance of 8 miles.

NO MORE wasteful spending that, while built with Federal dollars (our tax dollars) this project will force budget broke counties to foot the bills for insurance, repair, replacement in case of hurricane damage, etc.

We don't need this.

NOTE: there is a no-build Alternative, that is a viable option.

From the FDOT website: The No-Build Alternative assumes that the existing conditions would remain for SR 60 within the project limits and only routine maintenance activities would occur, meaning that no new trail would be built. The No-Build Alternative is considered to be a viable alternative and will remain so for the duration of the PD&E study process.

Bottom line here is that we don't need this trail to nowhere and we can't afford it.

Put your time and efforts into improving our schools and assisting in job creation for everybody in our beloved but declining state.

Thank you.

Molli Nickell
305 Woods Landing Trail
Oldsmar, FL 34677

From: Dorine McKinnon [dorine@intnet.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:51 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell – multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

This is simply another example of a bridge to nowhere, but this time for bikes and pedestrians. We already have the Pinellas trail for them which is completely adequate for their needs. Further, it is dangerous to implement a 'complete street' design on the Courtney Campbell Causeway in which pedestrians and bikers will be situated beside the flow of traffic, especially at the speeds that exist. Anyone who thinks that single white line is going to stop an automobile from entering the bike or pedestrian path is wearing their dunce cap too tight!

With a Florida budget shortfall of over 4 million dollars and a Federal deficit of over 16 Trillion, it would be advisable to STOP THE SPENDING! We reject ALL absolutely unnecessary programs, especially those with Federal strings attached for our state! The Federal government seems to have a spending problem, but we do not intend to enable them to force Florida into their wayward monetary policies, nor to mandate how we operate or maintain the Courtney Campbell Causeway.

Dorine McKinnon
St. Petersburg, FL

"But how is this legal plunder to be identified? Quite simply. See if the law takes from some persons what belongs to them, and gives it to other persons to whom it does not belong. See if the law benefits one citizen at the expense of another by doing what the citizen himself cannot do without committing a crime.

Then abolish this law without delay, for it is not only an evil itself, but also it is a fertile source for further evils because it invites reprisals. If such a law -- which may be an isolated case -- is not abolished immediately, it will spread, multiply, and develop into a system." -- The Law by Frederic Bastiat 1850, French economist, statesman and author... on 'legal plunder'.

Meetup: <http://www.meetup.com/S-Pinellas-9-12-Patriots>

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=368826930064&ref=ts>

From: Debbi Schaefer [debbis@ledtampa.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:36 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell - multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

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*“ And for the support of this Declaration,
with a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence,
we mutually pledge to each other our Lives,
our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.”*

Debbi Schaefer

4/7/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:43 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell - multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

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From: rick davis [mailto:genassis1@ij.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:42 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell - multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

Mr Robin Rhinesmith,

We do not need this mutli-use trail and we can not afford it. Maintain what we already have

Rick Davis
New Port Richey FL

4/7/2011

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Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:36 AM
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From: Godwin [mailto:jbgodwin5@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 7:24 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell - multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

Can we afford this project? I know the Federal Government cannot afford to give us the money! Please stop taking Federal dollars, we do not want the change! Thank You, B. Godwin- A concerned citizen!

4/7/2011

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Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:35 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
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From: Fred Kiehl [mailto:jfkiehl@ij.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 8:25 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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Fred Kiehl

14130 Rosemary Ln. Apt 6112

Largo, FL 33774

4/7/2011

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From: Carolyn Britton [mailto:carolynbrit@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 8:27 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell – multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

We do not need or want this trail. Stop the insane spending now.
Thank you,
Carolyn Britton

4/7/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:35 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2
Attachments: lazdins.vcf

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From: Peter Lazdins [mailto:lazdins@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 8:39 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell – Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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Peter Lazdins
10000 Hodson Place
Seminole, FL 33776

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-----Original Message-----

From: James Englert [mailto:james.englert@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:18 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: ourtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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Jim Englert

3121 Egret Ter

Safety Harbor, Florida 34695

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:34 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Bike Trail on Courtney Campbell

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From: philip tropea [mailto:ptropea@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:20 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Bike Trail on Courtney Campbell

Dear Sir, it would be nice if we were flush with money. But we aren't! How many of these projects do we have in process throughout the country, if stopped, would save our economy. Stop spending money like a drunken sailor when people are losing their jobs, their homes, their minds and their families. Haven't you noticed the increasing number of vacancies in the small malls? This is what Obama and his cohorts are blind to, while they give our tax dollars to The Big Three Auto Cos., the Banks, the Wall St. Cronies who have created our economic meltdown. Stop it damn it!

Phil Tropea Palm, FL

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 7:00 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

For the record....

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From: JAMES A. MASCOLA [mailto:jamascola@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 6:27 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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Your Name (JAMES A. MASCOLA)

Address (445 HARBOR DR. N.)

City, State, Zip (INDIAN ROCKS BEACH, FLORIDA, 33785)

4/7/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 6:40 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
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-----Original Message-----
From: slewis02@tampabay.rr.com [mailto:slewis02@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 5:10 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
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Sean Lewis
827 Southwest Blvd N
St Petersburg, FL 33703

From: Linda Nowicki [lnowicki1@earthlink.net]

Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 6:41 AM

To: Rhinesmith, Robin

Subject: Project #422640-2

I am writing to you to voice my opinion on the building of a multi-use trail on highway 60. I think this is a wonderful idea; however, not at this time. Our country is deeply in debt and we can not accept another 21.8 from the federal government. If Floridians really want this train then we need to come together and think of a way to raise the money ourselves. It can be done but not by borrowing.

Florida needs to set an example for the rest of the country and quit spending money that we don't have.

Thank you.

4/8/2011

From: R6jimmy2@aol.com
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 12:14 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: 22 million for CCC

Robin, I think our County Government has run off it's track! What can I do? I am against it 100%!

James A. Whitten, 10408 Reclinata Ln. Tampa 33618 Thanks

4/11/2011

From: Nancy Reily [nreily@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:10 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell – Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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Nancy Reily
3869 NE Skyline Drive
Jensen Beach, FL 34957



From: Bob Mc [mcwho@surfbest.net]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:12 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Not My Tax Money

The County and municipal Governments seem to think they have found a credit card they do not own. Its my Credit card, the Tax Payer, and NO I do not want You to run up charges that I will have to pay for with additional assessments.

Sure, I was here when Tropicana Field was renovated, where did my money go, I got a tax hit and never even got a free entrance to a game. Again, We bought Sunken Gardens, cause it was a good Idea, another TAX hit for me, and I have never nor will I ever go there.

What is this insane idea of continue spending money you do not have. Its NOT your money.

By the way, since we could NOT maintain the already built Freindship Bridge, why should we fund a new bridge. ?

Keeps your hands off my wallet.

Bob McWhorter

Saint Petersburg Resident

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From: Merry Simpson [merrysimpson@att.net]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:12 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Re: Courtney Campbell Multi-Use Trail Project #422640-2

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Merry Simpson
4459 SW 20th St.
Bell, FL 32619

4/11/2011

From: Larry Perry [seabeese7@yahoo.com]

Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:17 PM

To: Rhinesmith, Robin

Subject: Gas Tax

Please use gas tax on our roads, and not for any other projects.

Thank You

Larry Perry

4/11/2011

From: alan boleware [alan@completeairandheat.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:23 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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4/11/2011

From: U2LIVEDR@aol.com
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:04 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Multi-Use Trail Project #422640-2

To Whom It May Concern:

I was shocked to hear the DOT is considering a \$22 million dollar recreational project for the Courtney Campbell Causeway when the condition of our roads are appalling. Pinellas County roads are at gridlock during rush hour and someone thinks that a bike trail is the best use of taxpayer dollars.

If this project is completed it would eliminate fishing on the south side of the causeway. We already have plenty of bike trails. There is one right around the corner on Bayshore Blvd in Safety Harbor.

I support the No-Build Alternative option. Please do not waste our scarce resources on a frivolous project.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Grandich
2478 Coachwhip Terrace
Clearwater, FL 33765

4/11/2011

From: Patricia Rule [prule_fl_mi@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:07 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail Project # 422640-2

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Patricia P Rule
2197 Calusa Lakes Blvd
Nokomis, Fl 34275

4/11/2011

From: Dennis [lemonseed12@comcast.net]

Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:12 PM

To: Rhinesmith, Robin

Subject: no gas taxes for bike paths

Please: No gasoline tax money for bike paths. Dennis Nessel Venice Florida

4/11/2011

From: Ray Wishmeyer & B.J. Wegman [bjwrw@ij.net]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:20 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell – Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

Robin,

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Betty Jean Wegman
11324 Mc Mullen Loop
Riverview, FL 33569

4/11/2011

From: Denny Ohern [Dohern@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:23 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Gao, Ming
Cc: kathyndan1@aol.com
Subject: Comment on Courtney Campbell trail project.

Ms. Rhinesmith-

Please accept this as comment on the proposed trail project that will impact the Courtney Campbell Causeway area.

Florida law holds fishing as a right of its citizens. As such, I am informing the FL DOT and any other agency or department that is involved with the project that the Fishing Rights Alliance will oppose any infringement on our right to fish and the public's access to shore fishing areas.

One in four Florida residents is a recreational angler (over 4 million people). That ratio is even higher in the Tampa Bay Area. Any restrictions on fishing activity and access will be met with strong opposition, up to and including litigation.

We simply will not have our rights infringed upon. Loss of shore fishing is unacceptable. Figure out how to do a trail without taking away our fishing access.

Until fishing access is an integral part of the MULTI-USE plan, we support the no-build option.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis O'Hern

**Executive Director
Fishing Rights Alliance, Inc.**

4604 49th Street N #34
St. Petersburg, FL 33709

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4/11/2011

From: TRICIA [tricles@comcast.net]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:35 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell Trail

Hi Robin -

Not another outlay of taxpayers' money on unnecessary projects! We are broke and I cannot understand why you would want to use up precious resources to appease a couple of dozen bike riders.

I live in Nokomis and we have the Legacy Trail which cost millions to build, then they added traffic lights on Laurel Road (more millions) and now they have put two covered shelters with seats. I always check to see how many people use this trail - more often than not it is empty, especially now that the novelty has worn off.

In the last few weeks '41' has had hundreds of palms and flowering trees planted throughout Venice to Osprey. Very nice, but we cannot afford such niceties in the present economy.

Please think again before voting for this next White Elephant.

Sincerely,

Tricia Eales

4/11/2011

From: Marilynne Martin [mmartin59@comcast.net]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:41 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

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At all levels of our government we need to stop spending money on these types of projects until our deficits are paid down. Any monies spent should be to maintain or repair existing roadways.

Thank you.

Marilynne martin

420 Cerromar Ct Unit 162

Venice, FL 34293

4/11/2011

From: joseph gibbons [joegib@embarqmail.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:54 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: courtney czmpbell ncauseway

Sirs'

This is absurd !! With all the infrastructure improvements needed round this state to think about spending money on a bike pathj to benefit so few and deprive so many is really shortsighted thinking and a total lack of planning'

Joseph Gibbons

Sebring ,Fl.33872

4/11/2011

From: A FitzGerald [a_fitzgerald@rocketmail.com]

Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 11:50 PM

To: Rhinesmith, Robin

Subject: Courtney Campbell Trail Project

I am writing to urge your support of the proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail project. This is a good project that links Clearwater and Tampa for bicyclists. With our weather, Florida should be encouraging such recreation. Don't let's kill everything that's good for Floridians.

Thank you for your consideration.

Ari FitzGerald

4/11/2011

From: rob1954@verizon.net
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 6:56 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Multi use trail, Tampa and Pinellas

We do not need, can't afford, and its not a good time to be spending money on programs like this.

Thanks

Robert and Sharon Haske

Saint Petersburg, Fl

Sent on the Sprint® Now Network from my BlackBerry®

From: hportell@tampabay.rr.com
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 6:49 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Multi-use Trail

Ms. Rhinesmith

I support this vital trail project. Please move ahead with this project.

Thank you,
Harry Portellos
Tampa, FL

From: Alan Thomas [amthomas627@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 3:28 AM

To: Rhinesmith, Robin

Subject: S.R. 60 Bike Trail - Don't do it !!

Ms Rhinesmith - Pls pass along my **Total Opposition !!!** to the S.R. 60 bike trail. There is already a paved , limited access , trail on both sides of the causeway !!! Spending millions of dollars to add an elevated bridge is as bad a deal for the taxpayers as Alaska's "Bridge to Nowhere !! ". What are you people thinking !!! Sincerely Alan Thomas amthomas627@gmail.com

CC. Gov. Rick Scott

4/11/2011

From: BigW1937@aol.com
Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2011 1:50 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: A big mistake: The bike

A big mistake: DOT plans to build a bike path on the side of the Courtney Campbell Causeway at the cost of \$ 22b.

Keep calling your Senators today, toll free numbers include 1-877-851-6437 and 1-866-220-0044,

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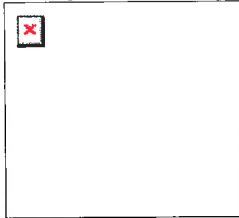
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George Washington said, "The power under the Constitution will always be in the people. It is entrusted for certain defined purposes, and for a certain limited period, to representatives of their own choosing; and whenever it is executed contrary to their interest, or not agreeable to their wished, their servants can, and undoubtedly will, be recalled."

4/11/2011

From: Mary Helen Duke [mhdduke@aol.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 10:24 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Fwd: Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

Mary Helen Duke, AICP, MCRP
CEO/President
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813-245-1846
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carolinavisions@verizon.net

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Helen Duke <mhdduke@aol.com>
To: Sent: Fri, Apr 8, 2011 10:16 pm
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

Robin -

I fully support completion of the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail connections between Clearwater and the Tampa Bay Hyatt. This is the critical regional link of significance with the recent closing of the Friendship Trail. Also, it's a potential link connection for the East Coast Greenway system along the eastern coast of the United States (there is a central Florida loop that connects to Tampa Bay....and hopefully one day to the Pinellas Trail. The CCC is also a scenic highway.

As the former City of Tampa Greenways and Trails Coordinator in the City Parks & Recreation Department, I did an analysis of trail gaps along the CCC and passed this information along to FDOT back in 2006/2007. I provided a photolog of missing gaps that needed critical attention on both sides of the bridge. Many of these gaps exist between Ben T. Davis Park and the recently opened Hyatt to Cypress Park trail link on the Tampa side of the bay. It's imperative that these missing gaps be to provide an east/west connection for pedestrians and bicyclists along this important section of SR 60. The connection needs to be made the whole way with complete connections between Pinellas County and Hillsborough County along this route.

Much planning work has been done with the West Tampa Greenway on the Tampa side to link downtown Tampa to Cypress Point Park and ultimately the Courtney Campbell Causeway. These plans are detailed in the City of Tampa Greenways & Trails Master Plan Update, as well as other pedestrian plans in the Westshore Pedestrian Plan.

The provision of multi-modal transportation options to the public, particularly in these recent dire economic times is crucial.

Mary Helen Duke, AICP, MCRP
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4/11/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 3:51 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW:

Robin Rhinesmith, Assistant Project Manager
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From: Doris Folio [mailto:dorisfolio@att.net]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 3:07 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject:

We have a need in Florida to cut back on unnecessary spending, this proposed bicycle path is an egregious waste of taxpayer money. Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties can fund there own improvements. We don't need to go looking for places to spend more money! I am sure they can study this for a couple of million and then run over projected budget a couple of million.. That is not my idea of helping the States economy...

Yours truly,
Mr. & Mrs Vincent Folio

From: tanja harmon [tanjarose26@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2011 8:16 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway trail

Courtney Campbell Causeway trail

I think that this is a great and need project! providing a safe place to bicyclists to get around with out fear.

Thanks

Tanja Vidovic

4/11/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 3:51 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW:

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From: Wyatt, Karla [mailto:Karla.Wyatt@southflorida.edu]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:25 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject:

\$22 million dollars for a bike trail to make a few happy!? It was my understanding that the state is supposed to be cutting the budget (joke, goes to big business while the citizens suffer). That money should be used for roads and bridges.

K Wyatt

4/11/2011

From: Dottie Jessup [djessup@chainwheeldrive.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 8:23 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Proposed Courtney Campbell Bike Trail

Dear Ms. Rhinesmith,

There are many reasons why I am in favor of this proposed bike path along the Courtney Campbell Causeway:

1. It's good for the economy. It will provide jobs and link two major metropolitan areas via another means of transportation
2. It's good for tourism (also means it's good for the economy). Tourists flock to Florida to bike especially in the winter. This gives a thrilling venue for cycling. I can see the photos now in Florida tourist info sent all over the US and the world. The Tampa Bay area would get major attention from this along with a corresponding influx of tourists.
3. Cyclists represent an upper middle class social economic group and therefore an innovative concept like the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail would attract people from all over the world. Cyclists in general have income for travel and they enjoy going to beautiful places where they can ride their bikes.
4. Cycling is a form of health and fitness which fights obesity. Anything that fights obesity is good for our health and therefore saves dollars spent on health care and medical insurance.
5. It's good for our environment. Cycling cuts down on pollution from autos and other forms of mass transit. Many cyclists would use this Trail back and forth if given an opportunity.
6. The basic structure of road and bridge are already in place. Adding a bike trail would not be a major task because there is infrastructure already built.

I support this important project and urge you to do so too.

Sincerely,
Dorothy Jessup, Co-Owner

Chainwheel Drive
1770 Drew Street
Clearwater, FL 33755
727-441-2444

4/11/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 3:50 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: New bike trail

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From: leslie mccormack [mailto:lm93211@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:05 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: New bike trail

I'm an avid bike rider. While I like the idea that the FDOT is looking to build a new bike trail along the Courtney Campbell Causeway - and I would enjoy biking along this route - now is NOT the time! These monies should be spent on major road repairs which will be much more beneficial to Floridians.

Please do NOT spend taxpayer dollars on this project at this time!

Sincerely,
Leslie McCormack
Tampa FL

4/11/2011

From: Jennifer Willman [willmanjen@hotmail.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 7:58 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: In support of the Courtney Campbell Causeway trail

Dear Ms. Rhinesmith,

I am writing to express my support of the proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway trail. It is a great multimodal project that is needed to improve our travel options and make an important regional connection.

Thank you!

Jennifer Willman, President
Palmetto Beach Community Association
Tampa, FL
(813) 545-9616
www.palmettobeach.info

4/11/2011

Have you been able to obtain answers on any of my questions listed below? Thank you!

Best regards,

Kelly

From: kelly_myer@hotmail.com
To: pogie2u1957@yahoo.com
Subject: FW: Proposed SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail
Date: Tue, 5 Apr 2011 19:29:08 -0400

Hi Jay,

Attached is the info pamphlet I received at the Courtney Campbell trail public hearing last week. I am also forwarding the email that I just sent to Shelley to distribute to the CNC membership.

I emailed these questions to FDOT's project manager, Robin Rhinesmith, last Thursday but haven't heard back yet. . .

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Thanks for your time,

Kelly

From: kelly_myer@hotmail.com
To: shelley.kuroghlian@tampabay.rr.com
CC: smills40@tampabay.rr.com; lucilecasey@gmail.com; jb2145@att.com; djroby@knology.net; raschwartz@aol.com; cknighon@smithandassociates.com; petsagree7820@yahoo.com; rleroy48@yahoo.com; 3151dougherty@gmail.com; al.galbraith@gmail.com; hahnml@msn.com; llmorgan@tampabay.rr.com; joem@jmpics.com; vickienmikesail@tampabay.rr.com; scottd@eckerd.edu; ryanstanley1@gmail.com; drtstanley@hotmail.com
Subject: Proposed SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail
Date: Tue, 5 Apr 2011 19:24:06 -0400

Shelley,

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Best regards,

Kelly
Del Oro Groves

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Kelly Myer

From: bill.jonson@usa.net
To: kelly_myer@hotmail.com
CC: jessica@tbrpc.org; lori.snively@dot.state.fl.us; shelley.kuroghlian@tampabay.rr.com;
diane.manni@myclearwater.com
Subject: FW: Proposed SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail
Date: Wed, 6 Apr 2011 09:38:57 -0400

Dear Ms. Myer,

Shelley Kuroghlian forwarded your comments to me. I am in turn forwarding them to FDOT in order to ensure that they are included in the public record of the project.

I believe I saw you at the end of the public hearing at the Tampa Westin and encouraged you to submit comments to FDOT. Perhaps you already did that.

Unfortunately, I was unable to attend the Coalition Meeting on Monday. If the Coalition would like to have a presentation on the proposed project I would be happy to arrange that.

Thank you for your comments.

Bill Jonson
Clearwater City Council
Chair, Courtney Campbell Scenic Highway Corridor Advisory Committee

From: Shelley Kuroghlian [mailto:shelley.kuroghlian@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 8:37 PM
To: Barbara Green; 'Barbara Shepard'; Bill Jonson; Bill Murray; 'Bill Sturtevant'; Carl S; Chris Schlueter; Christine Knighton - Del Oro Groves; 'Cynthia Remley'; Dave Muzio; djw@gte.net; Duke Tieman; Ed / Lee Hooper; Gina McPherson; Greg / Cheryl Mathis; 'Groveswood'; 'Howard Warshauer'; Isay Gulley; Jay Polglaze; 'Jim Halvorsen'; Joanna Siskin; Jonathan Wade; jtohioflorida@tampabay.rr.com; 'Karen Wallace'; 'kelly Myer'; 'Kip Corriveau'; Larry Floyd; Marilyn Kagan; 'Merry Donovan'; 'Mike Moench'; 'Norman Troutman'; RJ ORT; Ron Delp; Ron Wright; Russ Gabel; Scott Axford; 'Shelley Kuroghlian'; 'Tim Trager'; 'Walter Johnson'; 'Wendy Bruce'
Subject: FW: Proposed SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail

Attached is the information that we agreed to pass along to our members.

Shelley

From: Kelly Myer [mailto:kelly_myer@hotmail.com]

Sent: Tuesday, April 05, 2011 7:24 PM

To: shelley.kuroghlian@tampabay.rr.com

Cc: Sharon Mills; Lucile Casey; John & Cathy Breen; Jo Anne Roby; Robert & Britt Schwartz; Christine Knighton; Jerry and Katy Baker; Bob Booth; Jesse Dougherty; Al Galbraith; Marsha Hahn; ilmorgan@tampabay.rr.com; joem@jmpics.com; Vickie Santulo; Del Scott; ryanstanley1@gmail.com; Denee Stanley

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Kelly
Del Oro Groves

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 3:49 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW:

Robin Rhinesmith, Assistant Project Manager
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fax: (813) 975-6451

From: Wilbur Corbitt [mailto:wcorbitt1@aol.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:40 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject:

Do not build the trail across the Courtney Campbell Causeway. The money can be better used on roads, highways and bridges.

Wilbur G. Corbitt
US Army (Major) Retired
US DOJ/DEA Investigator Retired
Tea Party Patriot

4/11/2011

From: D Spitler [dspitler@rocketmail.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 7:34 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Cc: alansnel@yahoo.com; james_pinchbeck@yahoo.com
Subject: Bicycle supporter for Courtney Camp. cswy

Robin,

Please continue to support cyclists in the Tampa Bay area, and move forward with the proposed bicycle trail across the Courtney Campbell causeway. This will represent a significant step in making the Bay area safer and more bike friendly for ALL citizens.

Thank you again for your support.

Downs C Spitler, III

4/11/2011

From: Jeb Bjorn [jbjorn@mail.usf.edu]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 6:23 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Cortney Campbell Causeway trail

Please do this trail it would be great for the area people need a way to cross the bay.

Thank you for the project and hope to see it finished soon

Jeb Bjorn

4/11/2011

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Monday, April 04, 2011 3:54 PM
To: rnoonan1@tampabay.rr.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-use Trail Project

Bob Noonan

Dear Mr. Noonan:

Governor Scott received your e-mail dated March 28, 2011, regarding the S.R. 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-use Trail project and asked me to respond.

The S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail is a transportation enhancement project that provides a regional trail connection between Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties. Funding for the project is coming from that part of the federal program which must be used for enhancement type projects (e.g. trails, landscaping, aesthetics, etc.). It has been identified as part of a regional trail system by the Tampa Bay region's cooperative transportation planning entity, the West Central Florida Chairs Coordinating Committee (CCC). It also has been overwhelmingly supported by both Pinellas and Hillsborough Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). Both MPOs have conducted extensive outreach in the community regarding inclusion of multi-use trails in the long range transportation plans. Their recent updates show this trail as a priority connection between the two counties.

Before programming construction funding on this project, the department conducted a study in 2008 to evaluate the feasibility of a regional multi-use trail. As part of the evaluation, a transportation demand analysis was conducted to determine the amount of future trail users. Two demand models were used for the analysis based on 2000 Census data. Results show an estimated 27,000 bicycle trips will be made each year. It is anticipated that use will actually be higher because the trail will connect Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties. This S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail will serve as an alternative to motorized vehicle travel and provide residents and visitors a unique recreational opportunity to enjoy the Tampa Bay area.

Please note the department has held two public meetings to allow the public the opportunity to comment on the proposed project. All comments will be reviewed and considered during the study evaluation phase. We invite you to meet with the department's project manager, Ms. Robin Rhinesmith, to discuss the project in detail and review any documents related to this project. Ms. Rhinesmith can be contacted at 813/975-6496 or e-mail at robin.rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Skelton, P.E.
District Seven Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation

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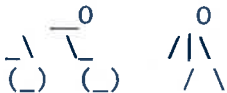
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 7:20 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Construction of a bicycle/pedestrian bridge across Tampa Bay on the Courtney Campbell Causeway

Thanks and have a great day,

Lori V. Snively

Florida Department of Transportation, District Seven
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Scenic Highway Coordinator



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From: Celia Nichols [mailto:celia@nichols-la.com]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 3:04 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Construction of a bicycle/pedestrian bridge across Tampa Bay on the Courtney Campbell Causeway

Dear Ming,

I hope I'm not too late, but I would like to give my support for the above referenced project. I am a big proponent for bicycle and pedestrian facilities for improving our way of life, not only from a positive health standpoint, but from a transportation linkage, facility design, and safety aspect. This is also critical in the long term planning and community design aspect, as it provided for critical linkages for our master trail system. Courtney Campbell would be a great addition.

In my business, profession, I actually worked on the Phase One, conceptual design for the extension of the Friendship Trail project, which of course will not move forward. But from working on this, I understand the need for this connection across the Bay, and how important this linkage and facility is important to our communities. .

Thank you for your consideration of my opinion.

Sincerely,

4/18/2011

Celia R. Nichols, RLA, ASLA
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From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 11:22 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Causeway pedestrian/bike trail

For the record

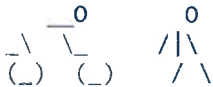
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From: Snively, Lori
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 11:09 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Causeway pedestrian/bike trail

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Lori V. Snively

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From: Rob Heath [mailto:rgheathjr@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:02 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway pedestrian/bike trail

Dear Friends,

I strongly support the Greenway Trail project along the Courtney Campbell Causeway. As an avid cyclist, I know I will be a regular user, just as I am with the existing Upper Tampa Bay Trail and Pinellas Trail Greenways. We need more of these facilities in the Tampa Bay area. Thank you for your good work.

Robert Heath
11102 Winn Road
Riverview, FL 33569

4/15/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 10:57 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Proposed c cambell trail

For the record.....

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-----Original Message-----

From: tlschuler1 [mailto:tlschuler1@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 7:24 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Proposed c cambell trail

We need this trail.

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 10:27 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: supporting the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

For the record,

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From: Gao, Ming
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 10:08 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: FW: supporting the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

From: Tom Dyer [mailto:floralcitytd@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 9:22 AM
To: Gao, Ming
Subject: supporting the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

I support the creation of the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail.
Tom Dyer
3363 Hickorywood Way
Tarpon Springs, Florida 34688

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From: nicelawn@gmail.com on behalf of Sam Morgan [sam@morganhort.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 8:21 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Subject: Bike riding

I am in favor of any new trails or places yo ride. I do not understand any negative attitude towards safe bike riding. They closed Handy bridge even though it will still be standing in 50 years.
THANK YOU!

4/15/2011

From: Larry Weatherby [lweather@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 8:57 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway mulit-use trail project

I want to express my strong support for this proposed project. I was unable to attend the recent public hearing, but I was already familiar with the proposal. I think it would be a great asset to the Tampa Bay area and help compliment the scenic highway designation of the causeway. It will provide a fantastic recreational resource, especially for the hotels and residents located near the east end of the causeway. It will also provide an import link in our regional multi-use trail network. Please let this project advance to construction as soon as possible.

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Larry Weatherby
lweather@tampabay.rr.com
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Work: 813-615-4561
Cell: 813.927.0324

From: Stephanie May [reception@streamlineenv.com]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 9:01 AM
To: Gao, Ming; Snively, Lori
Cc: Maria Sanchez
Subject: Bicycle/pedestrian bridge across TB on CCC

Good Morning,

I understand that a feasibility study for the construction of a bicycle/pedestrian bridge across Tampa Bay on the Courtney Campbell Causeway is underway.

We live in one of the most beautiful states w/ the best weather conditions for outdoor activities pretty much all year around!
Our city also has a lot to offer on both sides of the bay. Tampa, St. Pete and Clearwater are often promoted as the "Tampa Bay Area" because in actuality they are not that far apart. Wouldn't it be nice if you could ride your bike or even jog across the bridge to an event on one side or the other? With that said we also live in a City that has one of the highest mortality rates for bikers and pedestrians.

Don't even get me started on the obesity statistics...

Today is a beautiful day and I truly hope that you take time to consider allowing more people to get out and enjoy beautiful days like this on their bike and/or walking!

Thank you,

Stephanie May

 *Please consider the Environment before printing this email!*

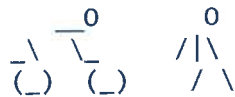
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:54 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW:

Thanks and have a great day,

Lori V. Snively

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From: david germain [mailto:dgermainfl@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:53 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject:

Dear Ming Gao:

Please continue work on Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail. The Tampa Bay area is one of the worst in the nation in reagrds to number of pedestrian versus auto accidents. Please continue with this project which will provide not only a wonderful venue for excercise which our national expanding waistlines need, but also a safe venue.

Thank You

David Germain M.D.

From: Pat Fenda [bigboss@strictlyentertainment.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:23 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Subject: CCC trail

Mr.. Ming Gao

Please continue to support the Courtney Campbell Causeway pedestrian trail and bridge in Hillsborough, that will link to the West Tampa Greenway and eventually connect via on-street bike lanes to the Upper Tampa Bay Trail, which hooks up with the Suncoast Parkway Trail to Pasco and Hernando counties.

Thank you for your support.

Have a strictly entertaining day,
Pat

Pat Fenda
"Big Boss"
bigboss@strictlyentertainment.net

813-872-0300 ext. 4

4/15/2011

From: Habgood [habgood@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:55 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Subject: Courtney Campbell bike/ped bridge

I wanted to express my support for this project. It serves as a recreational facility as well as a transportation link. I hope I get the chance to use it! :)

Thank you,
Katie Habgood

4/15/2011

From: Kelly Myer [kelly_myer@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:43 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Cc: bill.jonson@usa.net; Gao, Ming; Snively, Lori; pogie2u1957@yahoo.com; Bogen, Kirk; shelley.kuroghlian@tampabay.rr.com; smiller@co.pinellas.fl.us
Subject: RE: Proposed SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail

Robin,

Thank you for your responses. Can I access the electronic study documents/booklets online? If not, would you be able to email them to me? Thank you.

Best regards,

Kelly

From: smiller@co.pinellas.fl.us
To: Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us
CC: bill.jonson@usa.net; Ming.Gao@dot.state.fl.us; lori.snively@dot.state.fl.us; pogie2u1957@yahoo.com; Kirk.Bogen@dot.state.fl.us; shelley.kuroghlian@tampabay.rr.com; kelly_myer@hotmail.com
Date: Thu, 14 Apr 2011 11:01:01 -0400
Subject: RE: Proposed SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail

Thank you!

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [mailto:Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 10:20 AM
To: kelly_myer@hotmail.com
Cc: Miller, Susan J; bill.jonson@usa.net; Gao, Ming; Snively.Lori; pogie2u1957@yahoo.com; Bogen, Kirk; shelley.kuroghlian@tampabay.rr.com
Subject: RE: Proposed SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail

Ms. Myer,

We received the following comments from you in an email and a response to each is noted in green:

-How many feet tall is the proposed railing between the trail and the sea wall? **FDOT design standards for a bike/ped handrail is 42".**

-Will fishing still be allowed along the south shore of the causeway? **Intermittent access will be provided along the south side of the causeway in certain areas along the seawall. Fishing conditions will remain the same on the north side of the causeway including continued access to the boat ramps and other parking opportunities that exist today.**

-What will happen to the beach currently located on the western end of the causeway near Bayshore Blvd.? **The beach will remain the same.**

-Are the study documents/booklets available in electronic format? **Yes**

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-Is the funding for this proposed trail from the President's economic stimulus package? No, Funding for the project is coming from that part of the federal program which must be used for enhancement type projects (e.g. trails, landscaping, aesthetics, etc.).

-What are the estimated future maintenance costs for this proposed trail? Maintenance of the right of way and landscaping along the SR 60 corridor is currently shared between the City of Clearwater, the City of Tampa, and the Florida Department of Transportation. Future agreements once the trail is in place has not been negotiated.

Thank you,

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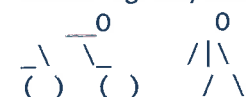
From: Snively, Lori
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 8:38 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Cc: Miller, Susan J
Subject: FW: Proposed SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail

Robin can you please forward (if you can) to Susan Miller with the Pinellas MPO

Thanks and have a great day,

Lori V. Snively

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From: Miller, Susan J [mailto:smiller@co.pinellas.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 8:34 AM
To: Snively, Lori
Subject: RE: Proposed SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail

Hi Lori – Could you possibly forward the answers to Kelly's questions? Thanks!!
- sue

From: Snively.Lori
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 8:14 AM
To: Miller, Susan J

From: rd@spectrumsoftware.org
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 4:45 PM
To: Gao, Ming; Rhinesmith, Robin; Snively, Lori
Subject: RE: Please support the Courtney Campbell Causeway multi-use bike/pedestrian trail

Hello,

I went biking today and found I could not get across the Courtney-Campbell Causeway to go to Clearwater. The sidewalk just ends.

I would very much support some way for a pedestrian or bicyclist like myself to be able to get to Clearwater.

Thank you for your consideration.

Don Meuse
Spectrum Software
Tampa, Florida

4/15/2011

From: chris blauvelt [cp.blauvelt@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 5:32 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell Trail

Hi,

I'm emailing to show my support for the proposed trail along the Courtney Campbell causeway. As cyclists living in Pinellas county, my wife and I would be very excited to use it. Thanks for the consideration.

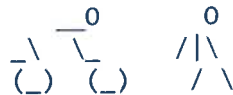
Christopher Blauvelt

From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:25 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Support of CCC Multi-use Trail
Importance: High

Thanks and have a great day,

Lori V. Snively

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Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 4:39 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Support of CCC Multi-use Trail
Importance: High

As an active citizen of the City of Tampa and employee who works along the Courtney Campbell Causeway, I utilize the current, yet very dangerous, facilities along the Causeway 2 to 3 times a week. A designated multi-use trail, in my opinion, is a benefit to the greater community and would in no way present an adverse impact to any of the other users of the facility.

It is my understanding that this is my opportunity to offer my comments to the FDOT PD&E process to satisfy the requirements of NEPA given the use of Federal Scenic Highway funds.

Due to the specific nature and criteria related to this project's funding, not moving forward to construction would allow for the grant funding to be reapplied to another scenic highway project elsewhere and therefore provide another community benefits and jobs. It is critical to the greater Tampa Bay community that this project move forward.

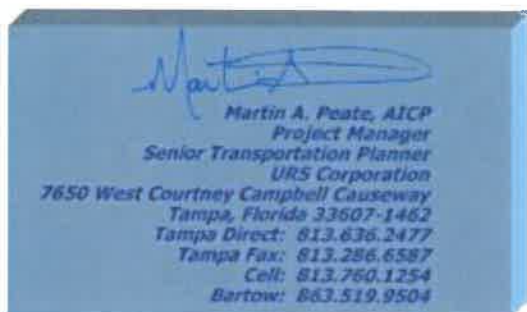
I am confident that the Department will take all public comment into consideration and render a reasonable decision based on a thorough evaluation of potential impacts, benefits and cost as per 23 CFR 771, 40 CFR 1500-1508, and FDOT PD&E Manual Parts 1 and 2.

4/15/2011

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Martin A. Peate, AICP
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Tampa, Florida 33611



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From: Rob Shaw [shaw@tampabay.rr.com]

Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 9:53 PM

To: Rhinesmith, Robin

Subject: Courtney Campbell bike trail

Hello. I am a resident of Belleair, FL and an avid cyclist. I am writing to simply express my support for the proposed Courtney Campbell bike trail. I cycle throughout the Tampa Bay Area, and when visiting friends in Hillsborough county am forced to ride well north and out of my way in order to cross the Bay. This new trail would provide a much more direct route, not to mention a far safer and more scenic one.

Regards,

Rob Shaw

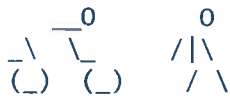
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:21 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: The Courtney Campbell Project

Thanks and have a great day,

Lori V. Snively

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From: Myron Griffin [mailto:plantdesigner@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:18 AM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: The Courtney Campbell Project

To whom it may concern,

The Courtney Campbell Causeway Bridge is the most inspiring project in the bay area that I have heard of in decades.

Yes, this project should be started asap. I have often walked my dog along the causeway at dawn and sunset just to recharge my soul. It is so easy to appreciate where we live when we are able to walk along side the dolphins alongside and seabirds o'plenty.

I have taken friends, family, visitors and pets along this scenic strip, and since the friendship trail has closed, the proposed bridge would make this one of the most scenic trails in the state.

I am co-chair of the Green Artery in Tampa and support this initiative to the fullest. I will trust that those who are in position to move this project along at lightning speed will do so with the support of the deserving citizens on the entire bay area.

Respectfully,
Myron A. Griffin

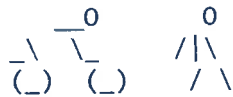
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:21 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: feasibility study for the construction of a bicycle/pedestrian bridge

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From: angela campisi [mailto:angelacampisi@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 11:09 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: feasibility study for the construction of a bicycle/pedestrian bridge

I support the proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway trail and pedestrian bridge. It would be terrific to bridge Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties together this way.

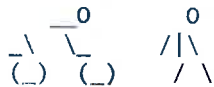
Thank you,
Angela Campisi

From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:21 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: The Courtney Campbell Causeway's Trail

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From: Bob Carroll [mailto:robert950@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 5:14 AM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: The Courtney Campbell Causeway's Trail

Dear Ming Gao:

I am a recently retired civil trial lawyer. Multiple times during my career I undertook the representation of families who had lost a loved one who was trying to walk, run or ride a bicycle in the busy streets of Tampa Bay. It became obvious to me that safe trails and corridors for outdoor exercise were needed.

We have come a long way over the last 30 years in providing a wonderful network of trails for our citizens and visitors. The planning and construction of each new segment shows that our community understands the benefits for everyone of an integrated greenway system.

The Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail is a vital part of a continuous greenway system that spans the entire Tampa Bay region. We must assure that it is completed.

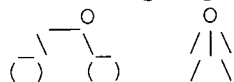
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Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:22 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Trail

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From: James Fogarty [mailto:jamesgfogarty@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 10:27 PM
To: Gao, Ming; Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Trail

Ming,

Regarding the PD&E study for the pedestrian bridge project connecting Clearwater and Tampa, this project is one of the most regionally significant transportation and connectivity projects throughout district 7. After the closing of the Friendship Trail Bridge, a safe crossing of Tampa Bay for Bicycle and Pedestrian users is sorely needed, as there is no safe alternative. Additionally, the project will allow pedestrians to safely access this scenic corridor and will provide a new asset for both sides of the bay, and will enhance the ability of this area to attract runners and races from around the world.

The main bridge connecting each end of the causeway is the critical component of this project, and its construction should take priority.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

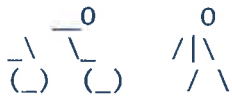
James Fogarty, E.I.
128 Nina Way
Oldsmar, FL 34677

From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:23 AM
To: Bogen, Kirk; Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Causeway bike/ped bridge

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From: Karla Price [mailto:joeandkarla@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 9:53 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway bike/ped bridge

Mr. Gao – As a resident of Hillsborough County I fully support the construction of a bicycle/pedestrian bridge on the Courtney Campbell Causeway! What a contribution this would make to creating a multi-modal community! I commend FDOT for their efforts to create this connection and look forward to the project moving forward in 2012.
Karla Price
Tamp, FL

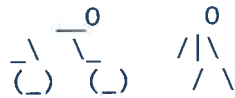
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:24 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Trail

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From: Brad Tippin [mailto:tippin@mindspring.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 7:43 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Trail

As a cyclist and Hillsborough County Taxpayer I'd love to see a safe bicycle route between Hillsborough and Pinellas County, especially if it is fully funded by the federal government. A multi-use trail would be ideal. However, the other trail connections mentioned in the article linked below are not yet completed though some were slated to be completed several years ago. I feel they should be completed in conjunction with a new cross bay bridge trail. This is the only way a bicycle plan for Tampa and Hillsborough County can be reasonably effective. But I do support this plan even if it must stand alone without completion of the other improvements.

<http://www.tampabay.com/news/transportation/miss-the-friendship-trail-courtney-campbell-is-getting-a-bicycle-path/1158995>

Sincerely,

Brad Tippin

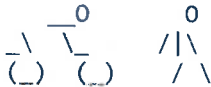
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:25 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Bicycle Pedestrian trail

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From: jeanne coleman [mailto:jcolemansq@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 5:54 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Bicycle Pedestrian trail

As an avid cyclist who is in search of safe paths to ride on in the Tampa Bay area, I support the bicycle pedestrian bridge on Courtney Campbell causeway. More bike paths will allow us to commute safely whether it be for recreation or for work. Please assist in making this path happen.

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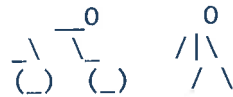
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:25 AM
To: Bogen, Kirk; Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: FW: Bicycle/pedestrian bridge across Tampa Bay on the Courtney Campbell Causeway

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From: Kristen Horgen [mailto:Kristen.Horgen@pdri.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 4:40 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Bicycle/pedestrian bridge across Tampa Bay on the Courtney Campbell Causeway

Please support the project to create a bicycle/pedestrian bridge on the Causeway. The Tampa area is in desperate need of safe outdoor walkways and bike trails and this is such a beautiful area.

This would be a huge asset for the residents of Tampa Bay and also a draw for tourists that would like to experience a beautiful area of our community.

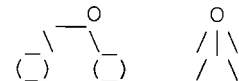
Thank you,
Kristen Horgen

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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 8:17 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Trail

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From: ccarroll@injuryboard.com [mailto:ccarroll@injuryboard.com] On Behalf Of Courtney Carroll
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 11:23 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Trail

I wanted to express that I am in favor of the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail's completion. I believe in this type of greenway system. I feel that it can provide a safe area for outdoor exercise and would draw more people to our community. I really feel that this would be a wonderful addition to the the Tampa Bay area.

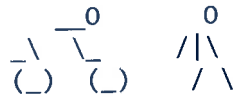
Courtney Carroll
ccarroll74@gmail.com

From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:25 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Please support the Courtney Campbell Causeway multi-use bike/pedestrian trail

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From: rd@spectrumsoftware.org [mailto:rd@spectrumsoftware.org]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 4:44 PM
To: Gao, Ming; Rhinesmith, Robin; Snively, Lori
Subject: RE: Please support the Courtney Campbell Causeway multi-use bike/pedestrian trail

Hello,

I went biking today and found I could not get across the Courtney-Campbell Causeway to go to Clearwater. The sidewalk just ends.

I would very much support some way for a pedestrian or bicyclist like myself to be able to get to Clearwater.

Thank you for your consideration.

Don Meuse
Spectrum Software
Tampa, Florida

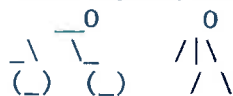
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 8:12 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Cswy Multi-use Trail project!!

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From: Vickie_Scott@URSCorp.com [mailto:Vickie_Scott@URSCorp.com]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 7:41 AM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Cswy Multi-use Trail project!!

I was upset when I heard that there was so much opposition to the proposed bicycle/pedestrian bridge across Tampa Bay on the Courtney Campbell Causeway. I work on Rocky Point and I think that the multi-use trail would be a great asset. I know people who would bike to work if this connection was available. Since the Friendship Trail is gone, we are missing that bicycle/pedestrian connection between Hillsborough and Pinellas County. Please approve and construct this valuable asset to the community. Thanks.

Vickie A. Scott, AICP
Senior Transportation Planner
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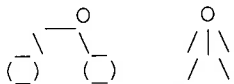
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 8:17 AM
To: Bogen, Kirk; Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: FW: OM Gosh....Please

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From: Waldbart Richard [mailto:waldbart@me.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 4:35 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: OM Gosh....Please

Please plan to complete the trail across Tampa Bay, we need it so badly!

I'm a professional man, biker all my life and take my life *in my own hands* biking across Gandy bridge.

Please join me for a ride to see how badly we need this.

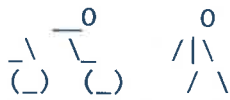
Rick Waldbart

From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 8:22 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Pedestrian/bike bridge and trail across Tampa Bay

Thanks and have a great day,

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From: Edward Hoffman [mailto:ehoffman@hoffmanarchitects.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 7:33 PM
To: Snively, Lori
Subject: FW: Pedestrian/bike bridge and trail across Tampa Bay

From: Edward Hoffman [mailto:ehoffman@hoffmanarchitects.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 7:32 PM
To: 'ming.gao@dot.state.fl.us'
Cc: Barbara Hoffman (bhoffman@hoffmanarchitects.net)
Subject: Pedestrian/bike bridge and trail across Tampa Bay

Dear DOT friend,

I think it would be **fantastic** to have a trail and bridge following HWY 60 across Tampa Bay! I think it would be greatly used and greatly enjoyed by people from the entire area. I also think it is a wise use of tax payer's money! **Please** proceed with the plans to move forward.

Thank you,

Ed Hoffman

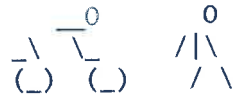
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To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Bicycle/pedestrian bridge across Tampa Bay on the Courtney Campbell Causeway

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From: Maria Sanchez [mailto:hackers@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 4:20 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Bicycle/pedestrian bridge across Tampa Bay on the Courtney Campbell Causeway

As a mother of two boys who love to ride their bikes, I implore you to fund the Bicycle bridge across the Courtney Cambell. We love to go on long rides but I am always apprehensive due to the dangers of riding in Tampa. We have far to few bikes lanes as it is. This bridge would create a fun and safe avenue for my boys and I to ride our bikes. I also have a boyfriend who is an avid rider and his safety is important to me. If you have any questions for me or would like to discuss this further, I may be contacted at the number below.

Thank you for your consideration.

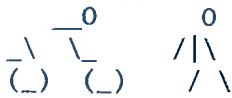
Maria Sanchez
813-363-7804

From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:54 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

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From: Steven St. John [mailto:sstjohn@canariis.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:51 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

I am emailing you in support of the Courtney Campbell Trail for biking and pedestrians. At this time, there is a lack of adequate greenspace/trails in our community. I think the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail would be a big step in the right direction.

Sincerely,
Steven St. John

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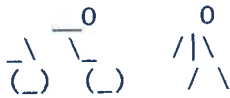
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:06 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Tampa Causeway Greenway Support

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From: Fletcher Davidson [mailto:fgdavidson@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:56 PM
To: Gao, Ming; Snively, Lori
Subject: Tampa Causeway Greenway Support

Dear Ming Gao:

The Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail's completion is essential to creating a continuous greenway system that encompasses the entire Tampa Bay region. Such a system provides a safe venue for outdoor exercise and promotes a healthier lifestyle for all of us living and working in the area. In addition, there is the direct economic impact that robust greenway systems have had in other metropolitan areas by attracting businesses and families.

We have the opportunity to take a huge step in creating a modern Tampa that our children and future generations will enjoy for decades. Let's not miss it.

Sincerely,
Fletcher Davidson
Tampa, Fl

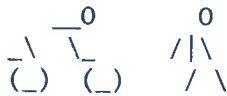
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:09 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Causeway Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail Feasibility Study - Support

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From: Stralow, Neale [mailto:Neale.Stralow@stantec.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:07 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Bicycle/Pedestrian Trail Feasibility Study - Support

Dear Mr. Gao:

Please include my support for this important improvement project within the District's current feasibility study process.

I am a resident of Clearwater and have been employed in Tampa for the last 22 years. I have spent the majority of my commuting time during this period on the Courtney Campbell Causeway. I have seen an increase in bicycle and pedestrian use along the causeway from several sources. The residential uses occurring at Rocky Point provide a high level of use in the early PM time period, as does local training groups (e.g. private clubs, high school and college team users) use along the west end. For the majority of its length more users have been seen parking and completing looped segments, primarily along the southern side of the facility.

As both a Registered Landscape Architect and Certified Planner, but more importantly as an outdoor enthusiast I strongly support improving bicycle and pedestrian use along this corridor and the active use it will encourage in our region.

Thank you.

Neale Stralow, RLA, ASLA, AICP
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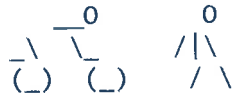
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:15 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

Thanks and have a great day,

Lori V. Snively

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From: Angus Hinson [mailto:ahinson@injuryboard.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:10 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

Dear Ming Gao,

I would like to write in support of the completion of The Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail. Greenways are important to the Bay Area, and they provide safe places for families to enjoy the outdoors and get some exercise as well. Greenways like the CCCT are essential to the progress of both Hillsborough and Pinellas counties, and I hope the CCCT is completed for current and future area residents to enjoy.

Best regards,

Angus Hinson
Tampa

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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:15 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Support for Courtney Campbell Trail

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From: Gall, Michael W [mailto:michael_gall@uhc.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 3:13 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Support for Courtney Campbell Trail

Please accept my support of this project to be completed in 2014. What a great asset this would be for our community!

Thanks!

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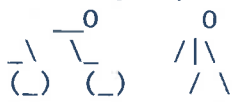
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Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:41 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: In Support of the proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway trail and pedestrian bridge

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From: nicole [mailto:nicole@elawgrrl.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:33 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: In Support of the proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway trail and pedestrian bridge

Dear Mr.Gao,

I am writing to express my support of the proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway trail and pedestrian bridge. This trail is included in the City of Tampa Greenways and Trails Master Plan that was adopted by City Council in 2001. It is also an important connection in a regional trail that would link Hillsborough and Pinellas Counties.

Sincerely, Nicole Kibert

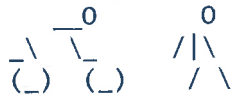
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:41 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Support for the Causeway Trail

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From: ncarroll@injuryboard.com [mailto:ncarroll@injuryboard.com] **On Behalf Of** Nick Carroll
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:38 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori; Karla Price
Subject: Support for the Causeway Trail

Dear Ming Gao:

The Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail's completion is essential to creating a continuous greenway system that encompasses the entire Tampa Bay region. Such a system provides a safe venue for outdoor exercise and promotes a healthier lifestyle for all of us living and working in the area. In addition, there is the direct economic impact that robust greenway systems have had in other metropolitan areas by attracting businesses and families.

We have the opportunity to take a huge step in creating a modern Tampa that our children and future generations will enjoy for decades. Let's not miss it.

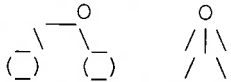
Nick Carroll
Tampa, FL

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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:42 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail project

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From: svlaurel@rockisland.com [mailto:svlaurel@rockisland.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 3:33 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin; Snively, Lori; smiller@co.pinellas.fl.us;
sales@bicycleoutfitters.net; bikesnel@tampabay.rr.com; alansnel@yahoo.com
Subject: the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail project

Dear Ming Gao and Robin Rhinesmith, as a follow up to my email yesterday, I would like to submit the article attached below. It is the word for word presentation, before Congress, by John Burke, CEO of TREK Bicycle Corporation.

You can take what you will from the article, but there are two things I would like to point out.

The first is that, if anything, the pendulum favoring bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure improvement should be swinging our way. Everything about non-motorized transportation is a plus-better health, documented economic benefits, less wear and tear on the roads we already have, less reliance on foreign oil and much less expensive infrastructure development and maintenance costs.

The second is the example of Portland, Oregon. Here is a city that is split right down its' heart by the Willamette River and stays connected by five bridges. (Additionally, there are two interstate bridges) These are OLD BRIDGES and I'm sure took some significant engineering to accommodate cyclists and pedestrians, but the thing that caught my eye was that Portland has spent, over the last TWENTY YEARS, the equivalent cost of ONE MILE of urban, four lane highway. ONE MILE!!!! And bicycle ridership has sky-rocketed!

I know you have a tough job and a lot of folks are weighing in on all sides, but now is NOT the time to waiver on this issue-now is the time to step forward boldly and take the step that will be a legacy to our grandchildren!

The Greater Tampa Bay area needs the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail and

I urge you, once again to press forward with its' implementation and completion.

Thank you for you time,

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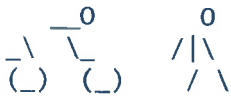
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:43 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Bike Way

Thanks and have a great day,

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From: Ellen Pierson [mailto:rellenpierson@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 11:41 AM
To: Gao, Ming; Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Bike Way

Hello, I am a resident of Tampa, FL, 45 year resident of the state of Fla, federal law enforcement officer, and avid cyclist.

I participate in a bike ride from Jacksonville, FL to Wash DC every year to honor police officers killed in the line of duty. Since the closure of the Gandy/Friendship Trail, I now have to drive to other areas in the Tampa Bay Community to find a place to ride safely to train for this event.

I often train novice cyclists so they prefer to ride on trails for safety.

I am often forced to drive further than I ride my bike to find a safe area. Its ridiculous.

I have ridden across the Gandy Bridge with traffic but a lot of novice cyclists will not ride there. Please fund a safe way to ride on the Courtney Campbell Parkway.

Please also follow established guidelines for the building of new roads with room for cyclists. Florida needs to NOT BE number one in the category for deaths on our roads.

Thank you for all your work in this matter.

Ellen Pierson

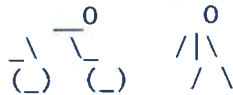
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 1:58 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Causeway - Bike Trails

Thanks and have a great day,

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From: Ariel Baltazar [mailto:connectionsllc@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 11:31 AM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway - Bike Trails

Hello,

Please do not stop the completion of the bike trails in tampa bay. The number of bicyclists in the area is growing exponentially and it is imperative to have safe bicycle routes. It is turning into a war between drivers and bicycles... and the bicycles are losing this with REAL live casualties.

Please act accordingly, Thank you!

Cheers,

Ariel Baltazar

Founder

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Comments

We encourage and welcome your comments regarding the SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail PD&E study from Bayshore Boulevard to west of the Ben T. Davis Beach entrance in Pinellas & Hillsborough Counties, Florida

With the economic times and considerations, a more prudent scenario is to use the funds to complete the interconnectivity between Pinellas and Hillsborough trails. The existing frontage roads currently exist as multi-use facilities. Adding the structure to connect sections of the existing facilities; complete the connection between the Courtney Causeway and the trail on the eastern end (add signage to facilitate usage), complete the connection between Bayshore Blvd and McMullen Beach and the Causeway facility, add signage to the Progress Energy Trail; Connection to existing trails.

Name (Print): Cheryl B. McDonald

Address: 834 Willowbranch Ave

City, State, Zip: CLEARWATER, FL

If you would like to be added to the SR 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) notification e-mail list, please check this box and complete the email address section below.

Email: csmcdonald@drmp.com

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The Westin Tampa Bay

Please complete and place in the "Comments" box or submit via mail to the address on the back of this form. Comments must be postmarked by April 8, 2011 to become part of the official Public Hearing record. Public Participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status.

Jacqueline M. Williams
210 Harbor View Lane
Largo, Florida 33770

April 9, 2001

Dear Ms. Gao,

It has been brought to my attention at our last Clearwater Audubon Society that a side path is being considered for the south side of the Courtney Campbell Causeway. That is where all the shore birds congregate. Is there any possibility of putting the side path on the north side of the Causeway? That would be so much better for the shore birds.

Please let me know.

Sincerely,

Jacqueline Williams

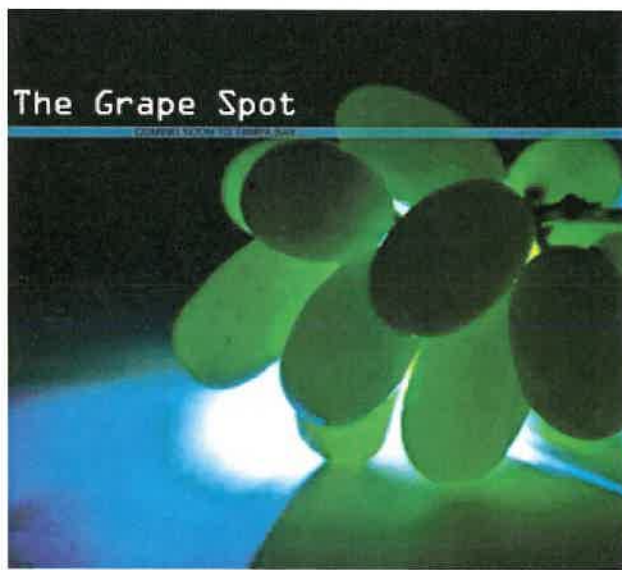
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From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 8:09 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: supporting the proposed bicycle trail on the Courtney Campbell Causeway

For the record...

Robin Rhinesmith, Assistant Project Manager
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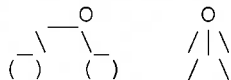
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From: Snively, Lori
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 7:44 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: supporting the proposed bicycle trail on the Courtney Campbell Causeway

FYI

Thanks and have a great day,

Lori V. Snively
Florida Department of Transportation, District Seven
Bicycle/Pedestrian/Public Involvement Coordinator
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-----Original Message-----

From: Ed Hillsman [mailto:ehillsman@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 9:28 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Subject: supporting the proposed bicycle trail on the Courtney Campbell Causeway

Dear sir,

I am writing in support of the proposed project to add a bicycle trail to the Courtney Campbell Causeway (Florida State Route 60). A trail like this would be an asset to the community. It would provide a safe way to bicycle across Tampa Bay, and it would connect with other existing and planned trails. into a larger network.

Something like this could benefit tourism in the area. It is the kind of thing that I could write my cycling friends up north and out west about and say "You guys really need to come down here and spend a couple of days riding around this area." Right now, all I can tell them is that there are a few trails but that for the most part, Tampa is not a very safe place to ride a bicycle. They're not going to come here for beaches if they can't also ride their bikes. So instead of them visiting me and spending money here, I visit them and spend money up north. I'd like to be able to tell them there is a network of interesting and safe places to ride. A trail on the Causeway would be an essential link in such a network.

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 6:51 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Support for Courtney Campbell Causeway Bike/Pedestrian Trail

For the record...

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From: taylor ralph [mailto:a.taylor.ralph@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 12:33 AM
To: Gao, Ming; Rhinesmith, Robin; Snively, Lori
Subject: Support for Courtney Campbell Causeway Bike/Pedestrian Trail

This is what Tampa Bay needs more of! I am a young professional born and raised in Tampa--left Tampa for 5 years to live in some of the greatest cities in the US, and the world--and am back looking to help make Tampa Bay a great spot on the map.

This is a decision that will pay dividends, and attract other young/healthy/educated and active people to our area. Please vote in favor.

--

Taylor Ralph
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From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 1:22 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Trail

For the record...

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From: Gao, Ming
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 1:03 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Cc: Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Trail

From: Beth Alden [mailto:minnehahaha@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 12:35 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori; James Shirk
Subject: Courtney Campbell Trail

Dear Mr. Gao,

I'm writing in support of the proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail. As a resident of South Tampa, it was tremendously disappointing to have to give up the Friendship Trailbridge, which my son and I used to cycle across, enjoying the fresh air and the wonderful views of the water, and experiencing Tampa Bay in a way that was completely different from driving across it or fishing in it. My son has learned to value and enjoy exercise and staying fit from experiences like this.

Now we have a tremendous opportunity to make a new connection across Tampa Bay. One of my first impressions of Tampa, moving here nearly 13 years ago, was of driving into town across the Courtney Campbell Causeway. At the time, the Causeway struck me as both a fabulous scenic highway (as it was later designated) and also as a strange missed opportunity. The recreational facilities in this beautiful spot seemed to have a lot of gaps and "missing teeth" if you will. Building a trail here will be a great step in the right direction and fill a need which was obvious even to a tourist. I'm so looking forward to enjoying it with my family.

Sincerely,
Beth Alden

4/14/2011

Ming, please accept this email in support of building the bike trail across the Courtney Campbell causeway. What a great asset that would be! It has the potential to link a number of regional trails which is a great step forward for recreation enthusiasts as well as serve as an alternative forms of transportation in the Tampa Bay area. Since federal funding was secured, the project should definitely move forward.
Thank you.

Peg Bors
Landscape Architect III
Parks and Recreation Dept.
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3402 West Columbus Drive
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I only have one request relative to the proposed design and typical section proposed in the PD&E study power point show I saw at the Hillsborough Co. MPO BPAC meeting (presented by FDOT's project manager). The bike railing proposed along the sea wall should have intermittent breaks to allow pedestrians to access the water for fishing, swimming and other activities that are currently occurring along the length of the service roads along the CCC/SR 60. Forcing all of these activities to be placed at the ends of the bridge abutments is not favorable because it limits access and available space for many users of this facility. I have used the frontage service roads as a bank fishing location for many years. For many people with or without boats, this is a recreational resource to be protected and the design should maintain as much connectivity to the water's edge as possible in strategic, select locations. Balancing the safety needs of bikers/walkers with the needs of the fishing fans and netters, swimmers, etc. will make this project more widely accepted by all user groups, which should result in a successful project. This will aide in consensus building, which may result in the project being looked upon as a model regional recreational and alternative transportation facility. Also, and proposed bridge structures, piers, walls, railings, fencing, barriers and lighting should be aesthetically treated, and coordinated with designers, similar to the recently completed Tampa Airport Interchange and Courtney Campbell Interchange with SR60/Memorial hwy. That is an example of a beautiful project and I hope the same could be applied to the CCC multi-use trail project.

Please let me know if you have any questions or comments. I look forward to seeing these projects get funding.

Sincerely,

David W. Crawley, RLA, ASLA

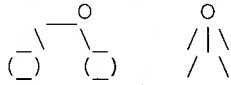
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David Crawley

From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 2:00 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: I support the FDOT's proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway-Multiuse Trail project

Thanks and have a great day,

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From: David W. Crawley [mailto:dscrawley@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 1:37 PM
To: Snively, Lori
Subject: Fw: I support the FDOT's proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway-Multiuse Trail project

Lori,

FYI-see below.

Thanks!

David Crawley, RLA, ASLA

David Crawley

-----Original Message-----

From: "David W. Crawley" <dscrawley@verizon.net>
Date: Thu, 14 Apr 2011 17:35:45
To: <ming.gao@dot.state.fl.us>
Reply-To: dscrawley@verizon.net
Cc: Crawley David<crawdagator@yahoo.com>
Subject: I support the FDOT's proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway-Multiuse Trail project

Dear Sir;

I am writing to let you know I fully support the FDOT's PD&E study and proposed work plan for design segments and construction plans for this vitally important pedestrian and bicycle facility that will link Pinellas and Hillsborough County. I hope the FDOT is able to fund the design and construction of the facility.

As a Hillsborough County resident (Riverview), a biker/walker, and as an employee of a company who's office location is located in the Courtney Campbell/Rocky Point Drive area, I am 100% behind this project.

Subject Courtney Campbell Trail

I wish to express my support of the proposed bicycle/pedestrian trail & bridge across Tampa Bay on the Courtney Campbell Causeway. It would be a great mistake to miss the opportunity to provide this form of multi-modal transportation for the Tampa Bay area. As the danger of riding on heavily used roadways increases and more pedestrians and cyclist are killed each year it is even more important to provide off-road multi-use trails for transportation and recreation.

**Sincerely,
Shirley Pearsall**

Shirley Pearsall, RLA, AICP, ISA
Senior Landscape Architect/Project Manager
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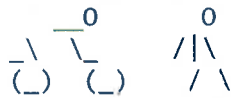
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From: Shirley_Pearsall@URSCorp.com [mailto:Shirley_Pearsall@URSCorp.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 1:33 PM
To: Snively, Lori
Subject: Fw: Courtney Campbell Trail

Lori,
See below, I messed up your email the first go around.

Shirley Pearsall, RLA, AICP, ISA
Senior Landscape Architect/Project Manager
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cc lori.snively@dot.state.fl.us Karta Price

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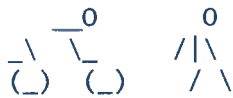
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From: Snively, Lori [Lori.Snively@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 1:59 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Bike Path

Thanks and have a great day,

Lori V. Snively

Florida Department of Transportation, District Seven
Bicycle/Pedestrian/Public Involvement Coordinator
Scenic Highway Coordinator



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From: Del Tosto, Lea [mailto:Lea.DelTosto@stantec.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 1:31 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Bike Path

Dear Mr. Gao,

I am voicing my support for the bike path. It is an important regional connector for our community. Alternative forms of transportation are increasingly more important for today's lifestyle. Please help this project move forward on schedule.

Sincerely,

Lea Del Tosto
Senior Project Manager, Landscape Architecture
WilsonMiller Stantec
2205 North 20th Street
Tampa FL 33605
Ph: (813) 223-9500 Ext. 352
Fx: (813) 223-0009
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It's a great project. Please do it. It's something I'm willing to pay my taxes for.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

Edward L. Hillsman
13564 Cypress Glen Lane, Unit 301
Tampa, FL 33637-1117

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 10:21 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: TAMPA BAY Bike Ped trail

For the record....

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From: Kelby Roberts [mailto:kelbyroberts@gmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 9:45 AM
To: Gao, Ming; Rhinesmith, Robin; Snively, Lori
Subject: TAMPA BAY Bike Ped trail

Florida DOT
Ref: Bike trail system on Courtney Cambell Causeway

Please look at the positive impact a Bike / Pedestrian trail using the existing access lanes on the Courtney Cambell Causeway in Tampa.
This Causeway links Tampa to Clearwater, which already has a fantastic trail through the city and links into the Pinellas Trail which travels 40+ miles north of Pinellas county. That said a cyclist could ride safely from Tampa to Crystal River SAFELY a ride that would take All DAY some 80+miles.
This trail system would only need to be linked together, using 80% of existing trails.
IT'S A NO BRAINER.
Please take a hard look at this project , there have been over 15 deaths in Tampa Bay area in recent months due to vehicle v bicycle crashes.
There really needs to be some safe alternatives for cyclist in Tampa Bay.

Thanks for your time

Kelby Roberts
20+years cycling in tampa bay

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From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 10:34 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

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From: hportell@tampabay.rr.com [mailto:hportell@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 14, 2011 10:30 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Gao, Ming; Snively, Lori
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

Dear Ming Gao and Robin Rhinesmith,

When the old Gandy bridge was deemed unsafe and it was decided not repair it, the Tampabay Region lost a great asset. By building a safe route to cross Tampa Bay it would fill the missing link for a continuous bike/ped path around the our whole region. This would attract families and business to the area as it has done in other metropolitan areas.

The Greater Tampa Bay area needs the Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail!

I urge you, to press forward with its' implementation and completion.

Thank you for you time and consideration in this important matter.

Harry Portellos
Tampa, FL



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As a taxpayer and citizen of the United States of America and the State of Florida, I am voicing my opposition to the ridiculous waste of my money that this bike trail is. As a nation and as a state - we are BROKE - and you want to build a bike trail? You've got to be kidding! Unfortunately, I know that you are not. Well, neither am I.

Name (Print): Rita Holt
Address: 8444 Foxwood Dr.
City, State, Zip: Tampa, FL 33615
Email: rita.book@verizon.net

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From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 2:03 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Trail Project

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From: Jerome Mullarkey [mailto:jemullar@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 2:00 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell Trail Project

Greetings,

I am a Pinellas County retiree and an avid biker. Over the past 10 years I have enjoyed using most of the trails in Pinellas and Hillsborough counties. The former Freedom Trail provided a link across the bay until it was closed several years ago. I am excited that a new link is being planned along the Courtney Campbell causeway.

Please add my name to your list of enthusiastic supporters of the planned trail.

Jerome (Jerry) Mullarkey
1874 Oakdale Lane North
Clearwater FL 33764
727-538-4685

4/13/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 1:44 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: extention of bike trail via 60 pinellas -hillsborough cty/courtney Campbell

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From: Gao, Ming
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 11:27 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Cc: Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: extention of bike trail via 60 pinellas -hillsborough cty/courtney Campbell

From: Cathy Kamhi [mailto:cfkamhi@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 10:54 AM
To: Gao, Ming
Subject: extention of bike trail via 60 pinellas -hillsborough cty/courtney Campbell

I was given your email contact through a friend / cyclist. I am a resident of Pinellas county and happen to be an avid cyclist both for recreational and commuting purposes.

The idea of having a safe direct way to get to Tampa from Clearwater without having to depend on a car (Courtney Campbell Trail) is fantastic.

Making this a reality demonstrates the very positive forward thinking attitude of the transportation departments of both Pinellas and Hillsborough County.

This action will benefit many, many people. It shows true thinking and support from our local government in further promoting alternative transportation, promotion of health / wellness in individuals, and an admiration for the big beautiful outdoors.

I am so happy to see my tax dollars go to a really worthy cause which will serve not just myself but future generations of fellow cyclists, pedestrians and overall outdoor enthusiasts.

Thank you for making this happen.

Regards;

Cathy F. Kamhi

cfkamhi@yahoo.com

727-504-0344

4/13/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Wednesday, April 13, 2011 9:58 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: I support the Courtney Campbell bike trail!

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-----Original Message-----

From: T Rob [mailto:trobins017@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 12, 2011 6:33 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: I support the Courtney Campbell bike trail!

With all due respect,

As a taxpayer and local cyclist I fully support the Courtney Campbell Trail project. This is a much needed asset not only to cyclists but to other sport enthusiasts who need off-street ways to enjoy their activities. I, for one, and many other cyclists I know would use this trail daily for recreation and exercise.

Please do what is necessary to make this trail a reality!

Tim Robinson
St. Petersburg, FL

From: svlaurel@rockisland.com
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 9:33 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail

Dear M. Gao and R. Rhinesmith,

I spoke in favor of the proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway Trail at the Clearwater hearing a few weeks ago. It has now come to my attention that there is some concern at the Florida Department of Transportation regarding implementation of this project.

This trail is a VITAL LINK for pedestrians and cyclists who want to move between two major metropolitan areas. This trail is a crucial piece of the puzzle for connecting these urban areas.

I urge you, in the strongest terms possible, to proceed with the trail, as planned. Failure to complete this project because of perceived monetary issues would be tantamount to returning all of the federal governments' matching funds for our roads.

Most pedestrians and bicyclists DO own cars and DO pay highway taxes. Because we choose to travel by foot or bicycle at times is our healthy choice option. Please do not penalize one segment of the population to satisfy the wishes of a different segment. We are all equal and deserve equal facilities and opportunities.

Thank you for your time, Sincerely, Glen A. Gullickson 11800 Park Blvd,
#205 Seminole Florida 33772

From: armandeus@juno.com
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 10:58 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Multi-Use Trail

Dear Mr. Gao,

I would like to offer my support of the Courtney Campbell Causeway Multi-Use Trail on SR 60. A trail is a great idea to connect both counties, both cities, and offer alternative ways to travel the Bay. With the Friendship Trailbridge no longer available, this trail connection is very much needed.

Thank you for all the work that FDOT has done so far. Keep it going!!! Lets get across the Bay!! Two thumbs up!

- Susan Miller

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From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 2:48 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Yes to Courtney Campbell Trail project

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From: Dale Niemann [mailto:dalesails@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 2:47 PM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Yes to Courtney Campbell Trail project

I am writing to support the Courtney Campbell Trail project. With the Gandy bridge trail going away we really need a connection to Hillsboro County from Pinellas.

A trail like proposed for the Courtney Campbell would be a great safe place for people to ride. It would also appeal to tourists.

Thank you,

Dale Niemann

177 Devon Drive

Clearwater, FL 33767

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From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 2:18 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: In Support of the Courtney Campbell Bicycle Trail

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From: James Shirk [mailto:shirkje@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 9:48 AM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin; alansnel@yahoo.com; Julie Bond
Subject: In Support of the Courtney Campbell Bicycle Trail

Mr. Ming

I am the current chair of the Hillsborough County Bicycle Pedestrian Advisory Committee, a part of the MPO and I'm writing to support the proposed bicycle trail over the Courtney Campbell. Yesterday's hit and run murder of a bicyclist in Pasco County underscores the need for separate bike facilities parallel to high speed roadways. The best present alternative for a cyclist traveling from downtown Tampa to Clearwater is around the airport, then across Hillsborough, then down Bayshore. A trail across the Courtney Campbell would be safer and faster. Who knows, maybe it'd save someone's life.

James E. Shirk, P.E.

4/11/2011

From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 1:42 PM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Bike Trail

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From: Chip Haynes [mailto:chip.haynes@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 12:42 PM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell Bike Trail

I understand the State is looking into the idea of building a bike trail on the Courtney Campbell Causeway, linking Clearwater to Tampa across Tampa Bay. I think this is a wonderful idea, and exactly what is needed to provide a safe way for cyclists to get across Tampa Bay.

I'm looking forward to riding it!

Sincerely,

Chip Haynes
Clearwaer, Florida

4/11/2011

From: Cheryl Stacks [cheryl.stacks@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 9:57 AM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Multi- use Trail

Dear Mr. Gao,

Thank you for conducting the current Project Development and Environment Study for the proposed Courtney Campbell Causeway Multi-use Trail along SR 60. This trail, once completed, will be a great facility to link the trails in Pinellas County with those in Hillsborough. Since the Friendship Trailbridge closed, there hasn't been a good way for recreational cyclists and families to make that connection. Please consider my family in strong support of this project!

Thanks again!
Cheryl Stacks

4/11/2011

From: becky afonso [beckersa@yahoo.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 9:23 AM
To: Gao, Ming
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Courtney Campbell Trail

To Whom it may concern,

I am a Pinellas county resident and in support of the Courtney Campbell Trail project.

Becky Afonso
250 Strathmore Ave
Oldsmar, FL 34677

4/11/2011

From: Chris & Karen [kress_loy@hotmail.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 10:20 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Gao, Ming
Subject: Courtney Campbell Trail strong support!

I am writing in support of the proposed trail project. Although I was suprised about the cost, I understand that the money is meant for regional projects and will just be spent elsewhere if not in District 7.

Thank you,

Karen Kress

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From: Rhinesmith, Robin [Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 7:56 AM
To: Novotny, Jeffrey S.
Cc: Niles, Shannon
Subject: FW: Multi-Use Trail citizen comments

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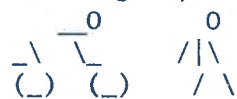
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From: Snively, Lori
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 7:39 AM
To: Rhinesmith, Robin; Bogen, Kirk
Subject: FW: Multi-Use Trail citizen comments

Thanks and have a great day,

Lori V. Snively

Florida Department of Transportation, District Seven
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From: Jessica Lunsford [mailto:jessica@tbrpc.org]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 7:31 AM
To: Snively, Lori
Subject: Multi-Use Trail citizen comments

Lori:

Please forward the email below to the appropriate person at FDOT.

Jessica L. Lunsford
Sr. Planner
Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council

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4000 Gateway Centre Blvd., Suite 100
Pinellas Park, FL 33782
Phone: 727/570-5151 ext. 38
Fax: 727/570-5118

From: Joel Julian [mailto:jdj.jnj@verizon.net]
Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2011 11:44 AM
To: Jessica Lunsford
Subject: Causeway Expansion

Are there any plans to widen the the road to 3 lanes? If not it certainly should be. I travel that stretch at least 10 times a week and the traffic is horrible especially when spring break and/or Ben T Davis beach is full. I do support the need for the bike and pedestrian path across and to connect the two counties ultimately but the need for a safer road is more important at this time.

Joel



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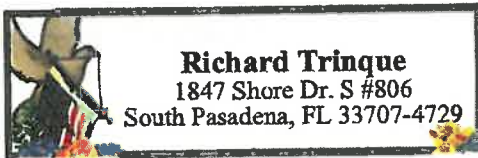
In times like these, we cannot afford the upkeep and security of this so-called 'grant' gift. We are broke! Face it! Stop spending except where critically needed!

And don't be 'suckered' into these 'Gifts' from the Federal Government either. Federal money is also the local citizen's money too. Stop spending OUR money!

The borrowing and spending are going to destroy the DOLLAR! Then we will all suffer dearly. Our nation will take a great fall. Literally, our free Republic is in danger!

- Richard L. Tringue

Name (Print):



Address:

City, State, Zip:

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Stop taking gifts that will cost us more money! We are broke!!!

Name (Print):



DALIA TRINQUE
1847 Shore Dr. S. Apt. 806
S. Pasadena, FL 33707-4729

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Address:

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I OPT FOR THE NO BUILD
OPTION

MY FAMILY HAS TO CONSERVE
\$ SO SHOULD OUR GOVERNMENT

2011 APR 11 PM 3:54

Name (Print):

APRIL KUBIAK

Address:

12308 ELDON DRIVE

City, State, Zip:

LAKELAND FL 33714

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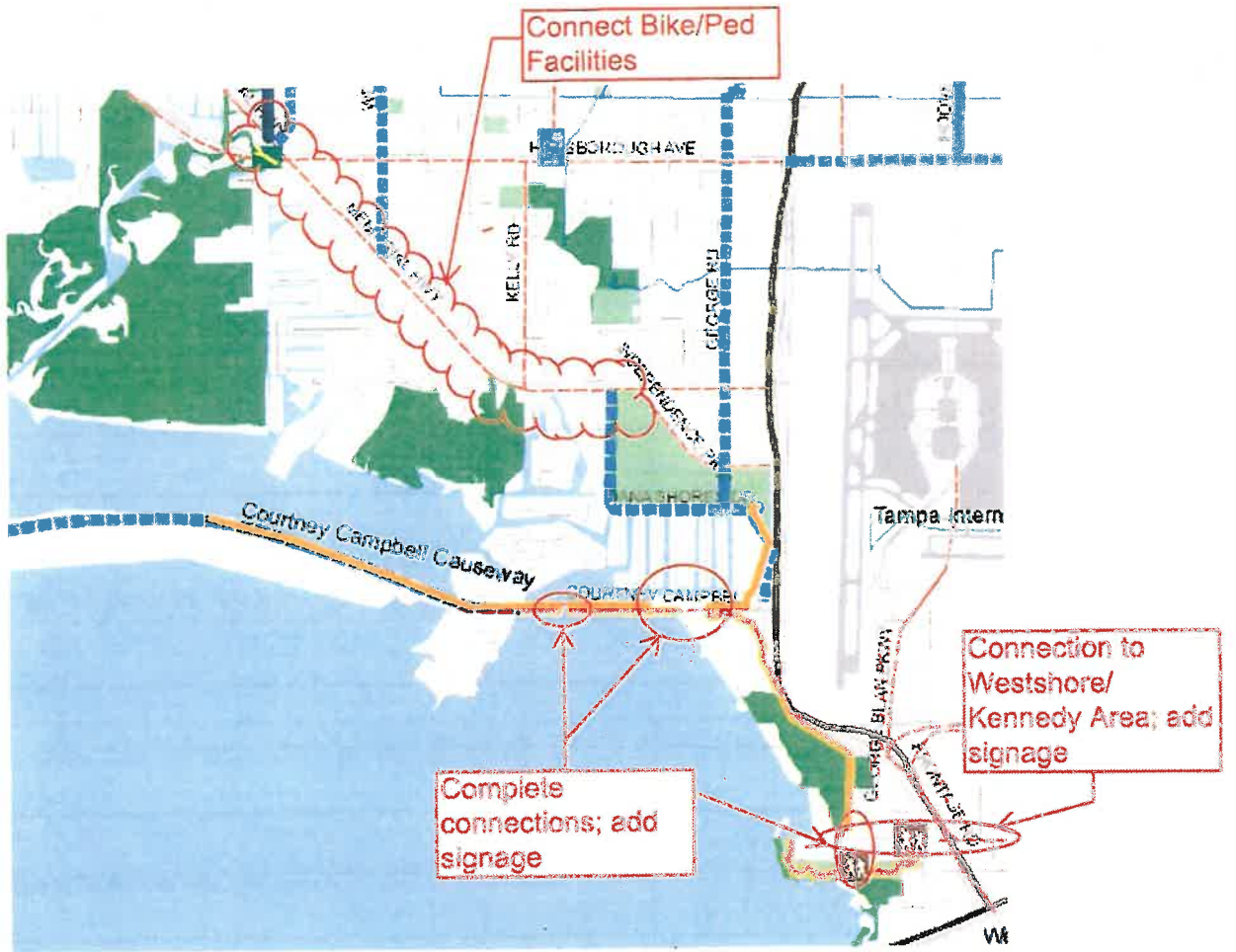
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Complete connections to existing trails; add signage

Bridges to complete Bike/Ped connections



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I FISH ON ACC AND I OPPOSE
THE BUILDING OF THIS TRAIL

PLEASE EXERCISE THE NO BUILD ALTERNATIVE

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Name (Print): KRISTINE LOUIS

Address: 1555 ELMWOOD ST

City, State, Zip: CLEARWATER FL 33755

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I Do not agree with the construction of this project. Please do NOT proceed with THIS. LOOK AT THE DEFICIT FLORIDA & PINELLAS COUNTY HAS

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Name (Print):

MARIE FOX MORROW

Address:

3151 CHARTER CLUB DR 302 A

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TARPOW SPRINGS FL 34688

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I am a fisherman that uses the causeway,
I support the NO BUILD ALTERNATIVE
for this wasteful project

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Name (Print): Kris Haddon

Address: 10561 127th PLACE

City, State, Zip: LARGO, FL 33773

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LET THE BIKERS PAY FOR THEIR OWN TRAIL & BRIDGE

MAKE THEM HAVE TO GET LICENSE PLATES FOR THEIR BIKES

TO FUND IT. LET THEM PAY 1.00 EXCISE TAX ON A BIKE

TIRE

I SUPPORT THE "NO BULLD ALTERNATIVE"

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Name (Print): SAVE KUBLAK

Address: 12308 ELDON DR

City, State, Zip: LARGO FL 33774

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22 MILLION DOLLARS !!

Please USE the NO BUILD Alternative

Name (Print):

DOUNA J EASTEN

Address:

11351 130th Ave

City, State, Zip:

Largo FLA 33778

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PLEASE USE the NO build ALternative
FLORIDA IS BROKE!

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Name (Print): Robert EASTEN

Address: 11351 130th Ave

City, State, Zip: Largo FL 33778

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PLEASE MAKE THE BIKERIDERS
RAISE MONEY FOR THEIR OWN
BIKE PATHS

NO BUILD ALTERNATIVE !!

Name (Print):

George McCornick

Address:

1612 20th ave East

City, State, Zip:

Palmetto FL 34221

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Please veto and DO NOT

Construct CCC multi-use trail

Project # 422640

We are broke - we cannot afford this now and in the future. Hurricane will destroy it and we don't appear to rebuild it. Respectfully,
Sheila Harris

Name (Print):

SHEILA HARRIS

Address:

14428 PEPPER PINE DR.

City, State, Zip:

TAMPA FL 33626

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Email:

sheila.broker@yahoo.com

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Please insert my remarks as a part of the official Public Hearing record regarding the SR 60 Multi-Use PD&E study.

I support the no-build option. NO BUILD

I say this as an avid biker. I regularly take bike rides of 25 to 35 miles and am increasing. But, there are ample bike trails in both counties. It's too bad if bikers want new landscape. I'd say, by personal observation their numbers are darned low. Avid bikers, really serious types get out on long routes. If you ever observe them, they are totally focused. They aren't lollygagging around checking out the surf or anything else. They are focused on breathing, hitting their stride, and maintaining speed and control. Their focus is head-on and only a few yards in front. It's not all that much fun. It's work.

Fishermen come to enjoy that. Fishing. They usually don't even talk. They go to the shore or wade out. This foolishly eliminates considerable beach and fishing access, thus diminishing that availability to many people and it's been years since I have fished, but I can't see interfering with those who do.

In case you haven't read, this nation is in the worse fiscal crisis in history and purely of its own making with total disregard to paying one's way. There appears to be neither an end to the projects someone can come up with to spend the "free" Federal money; nor is there apparently any "learning curve" by Federal or many, apparently, LOCAL officials on the subject, so it's just spend spend spend.

The people of Miami, FL have finally awakened and done what I have urged on radio for 23 months: RECALL their irresponsible elected officials. I plan to lead other recalls. Another Florida county in which we own property has just raised our county taxes while our property values continue to decline. Why? 5 years ago they were sitting on more money than many Third World countries...over \$ 7 Billion and they managed to squander and blow it, so now come to the sucker taxpayers to pay them more so they don't have to have a bad day, while they continue to spend on non-essential projects.

I have been laid off for 23 months. Here's a suggestion: Hold a raffle and use the results to PERMANENTLY LAY OFF 30% of your Department's employees. Then cut the wages by 30% of all those who retain their jobs. Then require all those still holding jobs to pay at least 50% of their Health Care expenses. Then convert your Retirement Program to a 401k. You can credit 70% of what's been accumulated on each employee's behalf, for a ONE TIME employer contribution. From then on, NO employer match. Let your people act like they are in the Private Sector that pays their salaries, benefits, and retirement and which, in large part, is suffering to keep you spending fools having an uninterrupted great time.

April 6, 2011

Ming Gao
Intermodal Systems Development Manager
FDOT District 7
11201 N. McKinley Drive
MS 7-500
Tampa, FL 33612-6456

Re: Courtney Campbell Causeway
Pedestrian and Bicycle Trail

Dear Mr. Gao:

With regard to the pedestrian and bicycle trail being planned for the Courtney Campbell Causeway, I would request that you consider constructing the trail on the north side of the causeway, as there is a bird habitat on the south side.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



Debbie Leppla
2011 Arbor Drive
Clearwater, FL 33760

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Please Do Not Build this Trail - Florida is Broken

2011 MAR 11 PM 3:38

Name (Print): MIK HUDSON

Address: 917 BUNKER MEW DRIVE

City, State, Zip: APOLLO BEACH, FLORIDA 33572

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:51 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: Marilynne Martin [<mailto:mmartin59@comcast.net>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:46 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

From: Marilynne Martin <mmartin59@comcast.net>

Dear Governor Scott,

On February 9, 2011 you were quoted at <http://www.nwfdailynews.com/opinion/scott-37402-gov-different.html> as saying "I do things different." As a citizen of Florida, I say thank you and it's about time we have a governor with courage.

On February 15, 2011 you returned 2.4 billion dollars to the federal government. I was so proud of your actions. The Florida Department of Transportation is proposing a multi-use trail between Clearwater and Tampa on the Courtney Campbell Causeway.

This is a 21.8 million dollar "gift" from the federal government. The trail may be nice but not needed. There are probably many other projects being planned for Florida with federal money that may be nice but not needed. I ask you to return the money for all these projects.

Considering our current national debt and deficits, I would like to challenge you to continue returning federal money. I have faith in the people of Florida that we would accept more responsibility knowing that what is being done is being handled by the citizens of Florida. As you know people have more pride in something they worked for than for something given.

By continuing to return federal money, the sovereignty of Florida will be strengthened by not having to accept the strings that are attached to that money. By doing things different this will be an example to the rest of the states to do likewise.

Governor Scott, I realize this is asking a lot and there are consequences of doing this but I'm sure there are many people who would back your decision to reject federal funds to help save America from financial destruction.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 6:41 PM
To: mmartin59@comcast.net
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Marilynn Martin

Dear Ms. Martin:

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Rhinesmith, Robin

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Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:41 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: OPPOSE FDOT 22 MILLION DOLLAR SIDEWALK ACROSS TAMPA BAY

-----Original Message-----

From: Patricia P Rule [mailto:prule fl mi@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:27 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: OPPOSE FDOT 22 MILLION DOLLAR SIDEWALK ACROSS TAMPA BAY

From: Patricia P Rule <prule fl mi@yahoo.com>

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Patricia Rule

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 6:49 PM
To: prule_fl_mi@yahoo.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Patricia Rule

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 8:54 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Bike Path on Hillsborough Bridge

-----Original Message-----

From: Joe Pehoushek [<mailto:joe@pehoushek.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 8:47 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Bike Path on Hillsborough Bridge

From: Joe Pehoushek <joe@pehoushek.com>

If bicyclists want a bike path across the causeway, tell them to raise their own money and not spend taxpayer's money.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 6:34 PM
To: joe@pehoushek.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Joe Pehoushek

Dear Mr. Pehoushek:

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 9:04 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: NO to the walk over the bay & ALL other money-pissing scams.

-----Original Message-----

From: John Jacksonne [<mailto:jacksonne@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:18 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: NO to the walk over the bay & ALL other money-pissing scams.

From: John Jacksonne <jacksonne@yahoo.com>

Risk,

NO to the walk over the bay and ALL other money-pissing scams. If ANYTHING is worth doing, PRIVATE ENTERPRISE will to it.

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: John Jackson [jacksonne@yahoo.com]
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 11:47 PM
To: Skelton, Donald
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: Re: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Donald,

I am also a P.E., and you're fired! We the People are sick and tired of having our tax money pissed away. What is it you don't understand about STOP PISSING AWAY MY/OUR MONEY— NOW—PERIOD. No more boardwalks, sidewalks, streetlights, bike lanes/paths/trails and any other pissing away of my/our tax money. In case you skipped school that day, cars have had headlights for about 100 years so we can put county streetlights and wiring for sale to the highest bidder on Ebay. I'm typing this slowly because I know you don't understand too fast—STOP PISSING MY/OUR MONEY— NOW—PERIOD. We the people DO NOT CARE WHERE OR FROM WHOM you are stealing the taxpayer's money from, just STOP PISSING AND MY/OUR MONEY— NOW—PERIOD.

Remember November,

J.

From: "Skelton, Donald" <Donald.Skelton@dot.state.fl.us>
To: "jacksonne@yahoo.com" <jacksonne@yahoo.com>
Cc: "Rhinesmith, Robin" <Robin.Rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us>
Sent: Tue, April 26, 2011 6:25:20 PM
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

John Jacksoone

Dear Mr. Jacksoone:

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Sincerely,

Donald J. Skelton, P.E.
District Seven Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 8:59 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: FDOT

-----Original Message-----

From: Tony and Deb Caso [<mailto:debra@tonycasodesigns.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 10:23 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: FDOT

From: Tony and Deb Caso <debra@tonycasodesigns.com>

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Thank You,
Tony and Deb Caso

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 6:19 PM
To: debra@tonycasodesigns.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
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Tony and Deb Caso

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 9:52 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Bike Trail

-----Original Message-----

From: PHIL GROOMS [<mailto:hcanephil@gmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 8:16 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Courtney Campbell Bike Trail

From: PHIL GROOMS <hcanephil@gmail.com>

Let's get to work and stop wasting our money for "feelgood" projects like this \$22M waste .

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 6:14 PM
To: hcanephil@gmail.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Phil Grooms

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Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 9:52 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: sidewalk across Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: michael landis [mailto:m_landis1@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 8:38 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: sidewalk across Tampa Bay

From: michael landis <m_landis1@yahoo.com>

NO NO NO!!!

This project is just another example of tax dollar waste. Dollars we don't have.

It is just pure folly.

Thank you.

Michael Landis

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 6:05 PM
To: landis1@yahoo.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Michael Landis

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 10:03 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Subject Line: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: Erin Lantz [<mailto:elantz@tampabay.rr.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 9:58 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Subject Line: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

From: Erin Lantz <elantz@tampabay.rr.com>

Dear Governor Scott,

Thank you for supporting Floridians by bringing back some financial sanity to our state.

The proposed FDOT 22 Million dollar sidewalk across Tampa Bay is another example of Government gone wild. We must reign in all unnecessary spending in order to strengthen our State sovereignty and keep us solvent.

Please support the noBuild option.

Keep up the good work.

Erin Lantz
4918 Ebensburg Dr
Tampa, Fl 33647

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 6:01 PM
To: elantz@tampabay.rr.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Erin Lantz

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 12:24 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: \$22,000,000 for a bike path on the Courtney Campbell Causeway????

-----Original Message-----

From: James A. Whitten [<mailto:R6jimmy2@aol.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 12:21 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: \$22,000,000 for a bike path on the Courtney Campbell Causeway????

From: James A. Whitten <R6jimmy2@aol.com>

Governor Scott, I supported your campaign and the important cuts you are implementing. CCC is a frivolous waste of our public dollars!!!!
Please try to stop this waste of our TAX Dollars! Sincerely, Mr.& Mrs.
James A. Whitten

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 5:56 PM
To: R6jimmy2@aol.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

James Whitten

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Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:34 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Bike trail on CCC

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From: Jean Muehlendyck [<mailto:flbjean@verizon.net>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:24 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Bike trail on CCC

From: Jean Muehlendyck <flbjean@verizon.net>

Please help these people understand our state doesn't have any money for all these extra ways to keep spending spending do they not understand we are BROKE!!!! Thanks for all you are trying to do I will support you all I can,my group was there to say thanks for sending back the stimulus money.

we like what you are doing Thanks Thanks!!!!

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 5:49 PM
To: flbjean@verizon.net
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Jean Muehlendyck

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:35 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Courtney campbell Trail Project

-----Original Message-----

From: Shay Graham [mailto:shayagraham@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 12:35 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Courtney campbell Trail Project

From: Shay Graham <shayagraham@yahoo.com>

Dear Governor Scott,

I first want to say thank you for all of your great work so far! Thank you for standing strong on these tough issues and doing what is right for our state. Myself and all Tea Party and 912 groups are behind you 100 percent.

Next, I am writing to say that I support the no-build alternative for the Courtney campbell (SR60) Trail Project. I believe that this state is too far in debt, and I'm sure you agree. We cannot afford this project and already have sufficient bike trails available in both Hillsborough and Pinellas County. Furthermore, the Courtney campbell is beautiful and multifunctional as is. Also, the multi-use trail will in no way contribute to commuter options. Commute-to-work trips have always been drastically lower than anticipated on all the trails already in place.

As Florida faces unsustainable deficits, we cannot afford to assume more for bike trail that is used by such a small percentage of county residents. Please help to stop this project from wasting our tax dollars.

Sincerely,
Shay Graham
8225 118th Ave
Largo, FL 33773

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 5:44 PM
To: shayagraham@yahoo.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Shay Graham

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:42 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: alan boleware [<mailto:alan@completeairandheat.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:28 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

From: alan boleware <alan@completeairandheat.com>

Dear Governor Scott,

To start we would like to thank you for working so hard as our Governor to do the right thing. Our groups attended a FDOT (district 7) meeting at Clearwater Christian Thursday, March 24, 2011 regarding the 2 million dollar initial costs for a proposed bike bridge along the Courtney Campbell Causeway bridge. This money is another example of a bike bridge to nowhere. This is an unnecessary, redundant expense due to another program called, "Pennies for Pinellas".. This program which taxpayers approved, lasted for ten years and collected funds of over 15 million dollars. Here is information regarding the one Pinellas trail that already exists.

End Points: St. Petersburg to Tarpon Springs

Mileage: 35.5 miles, includes eight overpasses at busy intersections.

Surface: Paved asphalt, 15'

Location: Pinellas County; the northern terminus for the trail is in Tarpon Springs at Keystone Road; the southern terminus is in St.

Petersburg at Demens Landing.

Nearby Points of Interest: Tarpon Springs, Dunedin, Honeymoon Island State Park, Clearwater Beaches, Salvador Dali Museum, St. Petersburg, FL.

We are now broke and this new proposed bike bridge by FDOT is another example. The Fed's cannot seem to stop spending. Furthermore, the taxpayers voted on the Pennies for Pinellas program unlike this new proposal. We reject ALL absolutely unnecessary programs regarding our state! The Federal government seems to have a spending problem like an addict who always needs more. Their appetite for spending will never stop on their own. Please help us to change their minds. Our goal must be to remove ourselves from the grips of unsustainable deficits that seek to enslave us as a state and a nation. We are asking you to please help release us from Federal spending addiction! Floridians are ready now more than ever to get this great state in fiscal health so that we may be an example to the nation. Thank you for your continued support.

Keep up the good work. you have earned my VOTE

alan boleware

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 5:39 PM
To: alan@completeairandheat.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Alan Boleware

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To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: Merry Simpson [<mailto:merrysimpson@att.net>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:17 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Re: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

From: Merry Simpson <merrysimpson@att.net>

Dear Governor Scott,

To start we would like to thank you for working so hard as our Governor to do the right thing. Our groups attended a FDOT (district 7) meeting at Clearwater Christian Thursday, March 24, 2011 regarding the 2 million dollar initial costs for a proposed bike bridge along the Courtney Campbell Causeway bridge. This money is another example of a bike bridge to nowhere. This is an unnecessary, redundant expense due to another program called, "Pennies for Pinellas". This program which taxpayers approved, lasted for ten years and collected funds of over 15 million dollars. Here is information regarding the one Pinellas trail that already exists.

End Points: St. Petersburg to Tarpon Springs
Mileage: 35.5 miles, includes eight overpasses at busy intersections.
Surface: Paved asphalt, 15'
Location: Pinellas County; the northern terminus for the trail is in Tarpon Springs at Keystone Road; the southern terminus is in St. Petersburg at Demens Landing.
Nearby Points of Interest: Tarpon Springs, Dunedin, Honeymoon Island State Park, Clearwater Beaches, Salvador Dali Museum, St. Petersburg, FL.

We are now broke and this new proposed bike bridge by FDOT is another example. The Fed's cannot seem to stop spending. Furthermore, the taxpayers voted on the Pennies for Pinellas program unlike this new proposal. We reject ALL absolutely unnecessary programs regarding our state! The Federal government seems to have a spending problem like an addict who always needs more. Their appetite for spending will never stop on their own. Please help us to change their minds. Our goal must be to remove ourselves from the grips of unsustainable deficits that seek to enslave us as a state and a nation. We are asking you to please help release us from Federal spending addiction! Floridians are ready now more than ever to get this great state in fiscal health so that we may be an example to the nation. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,
Merry Simpson

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 5:29 PM
To: merrysimpson@att.net
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Merry Simpson

Dear Ms. Simpson:

Governor Scott received your e-mail dated April 08, 2011, regarding the S.R. 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-use Trail project and asked me to respond.

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:44 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Thank you and over spending

-----Original Message-----

From: Pat Bedard [<mailto:paty2k@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:32 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Thank you and over spending

From: Pat Bedard <paty2k@hotmail.com>

Dear Governor Scott,

Thank you for rejecting the \$2.4 B for HSR

PLEASE YOU must help stop the spending - this is an unnecessary expenditure of our scarce tax dollars

This is an egregious example of how our fed gas tax monies (40%) have been diverted from their original intent to support our roads and highways to build bike paths, pedestrian walkways, support rail and mass transit and pork barrel earmarks. Today, our roads, highways and bridges are in much need of repair and improvement and the FDOT thinks that building a trail across the Courtney Campbell Causeway is a priority? Spending \$22 million of federal debt dollars to benefit so few must be stopped. We don't have it and YOU have NO right to this money.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 5:24 PM
To: paty2k@hotmail.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Pat Bedard

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 10:58 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Causeway Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: Joan Garcia [mailto:CCgarcia3321@msn.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 10:39 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Courtney Campbell Causeway Tampa Bay

From: Joan Garcia <CCgarcia3321@msn.com>

Dear Governor Scott,

First, thank you for working so hard as our Governor to do the right thing. Though "the media" keeps stating your popularity is slipping, please know we are still support you and all you are doing to get our State on the right track.

This morning I read the Tampa Tribune article about Our groups attended a proposed bike bridge along the Courtney Campbell Causeway bridge. This money is another example of a bike bridge to nowhere. Why would the State even give this 2 seconds of consideration during these times? We don't have the money and shouldn't use any of it for something that would impact such a small group of people and hurt another group by prohibiting fishing in the area. Simply put stop the spending!

We are now broke and this new proposed bike bridge by FDOT is another example. The Fed's cannot seem to stop spending. We reject ALL absolutely unnecessary programs regarding our state!

Please stop this unnecessary project. We thank you for your courage on the behalf of The Great State of Florida!

Joan and Al Garcia

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 5:13 PM
To: ccgarcia3321@msn.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Joan Garcia

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 4:24 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Consturction

-----Original Message-----

From: Peter Finneran [<mailto:peterfinneran@live.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 4:19 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Courtney Campbell Consturction

From: Peter Finneran <peterfinneran@live.com>

Please dissapprove this legislation it would ruin an excellent fishing recreation.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 3:51 PM
To: peterfinneran@live.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Peter Finneran

Dear Mr. Finneran:

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 11:39 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Plans for a TRAIL to Nowhere

-----Original Message-----

From: Kelly Myer [mailto:kelly_myer@hotmail.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2011 5:49 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Plans for a TRAIL to Nowhere

From: Kelly Myer <kelly_myer@hotmail.com>

Dear Governor Scott:

First, thank you for all that you are doing to get spending under control. It took a lot of courage to stand your ground regarding the "Train to Nowhere" and I thank you for doing so. I am writing regarding another costly project that is in the planning stages - a Trail to Nowhere.

You may be familiar with the Courtney Campbell Causeway which stretches across Tampa Bay. It's a beautiful stretch of roadway, actually a Florida Scenic Highway, and is used by many tourists and residents. I am a resident of Clearwater in Pinellas County and attended a FDOT Public Hearing on Tuesday, March 29th regarding a proposed SR-60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-Use Trail. I wanted to let you know what I learned at the public hearing. . .

-This trail project will cost \$21.8 million.

-There is no funding to construct connector trails that would link this project to the existing trail systems in Pinellas and Hillsborough counties anyhow.

-FDOT has not even estimated/studied future maintenance costs for the trail. I was told that these costs could fall upon the State of Florida or the cities of Clearwater and Tampa. Why would we build something with no plans to maintain it?

-A tall metal fence/railing will be constructed along the causeway between the trail and Tampa Bay, eliminating water access and fishing for hundreds of families, many of whom are minorities. This is the point that is weighing heaviest on my heart. It's just not right!

The Courtney Campbell Causeway is fine the way it is - there is already an access roadway that we can use for biking, hiking, picnicking, etc. Frankly, this proposed trail is only catering to the hardcore cycling folks. Who, by the way, often ride on the STREETS instead of the trails anyhow. No family with young children or 'mommy with her baby buggy' (as depicted in FDOT's poster at the hearing) is going to trek 20 miles roundtrip just to cross Tampa Bay. Don't even get me started on the topic of people using the trail to commute across the Bay to work - yeah right! There's no shade when it's hot, it gets dark early when the weather is cool, and storms can be treacherous over the Bay.

Just because federal money is available doesn't mean we have to use it.
I know that you agree!

Thank you for your time.

Best regards,
Kelly Myer

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 1:28 PM
To: kelly_myer@hotmail.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Kelly Myer

Dear Kelly Myer:

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Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:43 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Subject Line: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: Linda K Parlato [<mailto:lkparlato@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 1:11 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Subject Line: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

From: Linda K Parlato <lkparlato@hotmail.com>

Please stop this wastful spending our our precious tax dollars.
Sidewalks should be funded by the people who want them...with privately raised funds! Please bring this us at the meetings! The same goes for nature walks, bike trails etc, etc!

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 5:20 PM
To: lkparlato@hotmail.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Linda Parlato

Dear Ms. Parlato:

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 4:38 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: 200 HUNDRED MILLION!

-----Original Message-----

From: Helena [mailto:mikaela3154@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 4:31 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: 200 HUNDRED MILLION!

From: Helena <mikaela3154@yahoo.com>

This is the very thing that get us OUTRAGED! We cannot afford more spending, and there it is, trying 2 get us even deeper in debt by buildin an UNECESSARY BRIDGE Along the CAUSE WAY for bcycle riders, what a bunch of IGNORANTS! Especially when we don't have that kind of \$\$\$\$ 2 dash out in STUPIDITY! mr. Rick Scott I hope & PRAY that U would TOTALLY DESAGREE W/THIS ABSURDITY! respectfully, helena

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 7:03 PM
To: mikaela3154@yahoo.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Helena

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 9:39 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

-----Original Message-----

From: Lester Lob [<mailto:lal1934@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Sunday, April 10, 2011 6:40 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Courtney Campbell - Multi-Use Trail - Project #422640-2

From: Lester Lob <lal1934@yahoo.com>

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 4:17 PM
To: lal1934@yahoo.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Project Trail

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 9:36 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: bike trail over the Courtney Campbel

-----Original Message-----

From: Mike Blethen [<mailto:mikeb1001@aol.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 10:42 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: bike trail over the Courtney Campbel

From: Mike Blethen <mikeb1001@aol.com>

You can stop the money to be spent on this bike walk trail.

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There are many city roads that need to be replace and enhanced for safely not for wishful thinking or pork barrel to the area of a few.
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I live off the Van Fleet trail and yes I think the trail is good. I have been around Tanpa bay and there are too many bridges and eye sore sports.

Use the money on roads.

Thank you

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 4:12 PM
To: mikeb1001@aol.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
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Mike Blethen

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Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 4:44 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: cortney campbell sidewalk

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From: Robert White [mailto:bobcat112@tampabay.rr.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 4:42 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
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From: Robert White <bobcat112@tampabay.rr.com>

Dear Governor; Here is another example of spending that we don't need or want. Please do what you can to stop this project.

Robert White

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 3:58 PM
To: bobcat112@tampabay.rr.com
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Robert White

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Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 10:22 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

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From: Jim Englert [<mailto:james.englert@verizon.net>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:22 AM
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From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 3:32 PM
To: james.englert@verizon.net
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
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From: JAMES A. MASCOLA [<mailto:jamascola@verizon.net>]
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Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 3:07 PM
To: jamascola@verizon.net
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
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James Moscola

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:22 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: oppose FDOT 22 million dollar sidewalk across Tampa Bay

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-----Original Message-----

From: cheryl echert [<mailto:cechert@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 11:44 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: oppose FDOT 22 million dollar sidewalk across Tampa Bay

From: cheryl echert <cechert@hotmail.com>

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 2:47 PM
To: cechert@hotmail.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Cheryl Echert

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Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:22 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

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-----Original Message-----

From: Patricia Peterson [<mailto:estuary852@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 10:42 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

From: Patricia Peterson <estuary852@yahoo.com>

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Respectfully Yours,

Patricia Peterson
St. Petersburg, Fl. 33709

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 2:27 PM
To: estuary852@yahoo.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Patricia Peterson

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Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 11:21 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: edward forer [<mailto:jeforer@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Sunday, April 10, 2011 11:47 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
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Ed Forer
Miami, Fla.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 4:33 PM
To: jeforer@hotmail.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Edward Forer

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 10:03 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: y_zonana@yahoo.com

-----Original Message-----

From: Yvonne Zonana [mailto:y_zonana@yahoo.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 6:36 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: y_zonana@yahoo.com

From: Yvonne Zonana <y_zonana@yahoo.com>

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From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 4:22 PM
To: y_zonana@yahoo.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

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Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:38 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Multi-use Trail Proposal for the Courtney Campbell Causeway - Clearwater to Tampa

-----Original Message-----

From: SharonMills [<mailto:smills40@tampabay.rr.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 10:41 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Multi-use Trail Proposal for the Courtney Campbell Causeway - Clearwater to Tampa

From: SharonMills <smills40@tampabay.rr.com>

Dear Governor Scott:

As a native Floridian who has enjoyed our beaches and parks for 60 years, I have been disheartened over the years to see the changes brought on by construction and development which has drastically reduced the availability of these areas to families and nature. Our Homeowners Assn.

(HOA) have attended meetings by FlaDOT regarding changes in the Courtney Campbell Causeway which would further limit family picnicking and fishing for sport and livelihood. Our HOA Members have questioned these plans (stated to expand the East-West Trail - primarily to accommodate

bicyclists) but we have not had solid answers to our questions. Can you help us get truthful answers to our questions: who is going to pay for the project after the initial funding is gone; what plans are in place to protect public recreation, wildlife and nesting areas; and finally, how can a small community of homeowners halt this (apparent) big government sponsored plan? Thank you very much for your attention to this matter. Sharon Mills

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 1:04 PM
To: smills40@tampabay.rr.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Sharon Mills

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 4:24 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell Consturction

-----Original Message-----

From: Peter Finneran [<mailto:peterfinneran@live.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 4:19 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Courtney Campbell Consturction

From: Peter Finneran <peterfinneran@live.com>

Please dissaprove this legislation it would ruin an excellent fishing recreation.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 3:51 PM
To: peterfinneran@live.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 11:46 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: proposal for a new bike trail on the Courtney Cambell causeway

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From: Tom Schuler [<mailto:tschuler1@aol.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 11:15 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: proposal for a new bike trail on the Courtney Cambell causeway

Sir:

Florida citizens need to become healthier and cycling is a great way to get back into condition. This trail is what governments should be spending our funds on. We need your help.

Thankyou

Tom Schuler

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Monday, April 25, 2011 2:09 PM
To: tischuler1@ao.lcom
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-Use Trail Project

Tom Schuler

Dear Mr. Schuler:

Governor Scott received your e-mail dated April 15, 2011, supporting the S.R. 60 (Courtney Campbell Causeway) Multi-use Trail project and asked me to respond.

This project will provide a needed regional trail connection between Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties. It has been identified as part of a regional trail system by the Tampa Bay region's cooperative transportation planning entity, the West Central Florida Chairs Coordinating Committee (CCC). It also has been overwhelmingly supported by both Pinellas and Hillsborough Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs).

Florida continues to have a high rate of pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities compared to other states. This project will provide a safe way to travel regionally by bicycle.

Thank you for your comments. If you have any questions or would like more information on this project, please contact the department's project manager, Ms. Robin Rhinesmith at 813/975-6496 or robin.rhinesmith@dot.state.fl.us.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Skelton, P.E.
District Seven Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 10:24 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Return all frderal funding

-----Original Message-----

From: michael hendry [<mailto:mhendry567@gmail.com>]
Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2011 2:04 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Return all frderal funding

From: michael hendry <mhendry567@gmail.com>

With the frderal government broke(no money) the FDOT wants to take federal money to build a bike path across Tampa Bay.Which the whole state of florida will have to pay for. You gave the funds for the HSR back to the frderal government.Now give the bike trail money back, it is another project we do not want to fund with our tax dollars.Taking the federal money for anything amounts to selling our state of Florida to the federal government!State sovereignty will be lost. When you lose the sovereignty it will be forever! Thank you for listening.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 4:48 PM
To: mhendry567@gmail.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. Multi-use Trail Project

Michael Hendry

Dear Mr. Hendry:

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:55 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Courney Cambell Project

-----Original Message-----

From: Phil Maitino [<mailto:pmaitino@tampabay.rr.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 2:53 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Courney Cambell Project

From: Phil Maitino <pmaitino@tampabay.rr.com>

Gov Scott I believe you are doing a fantastic job of saving us money and fully expect you will look into this waste of 20 Million of our tax dollars on this project which will only benefit a few.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 7:08 PM
To: pmaitino@tampabay.rr.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Phil Maitino

Dear Mr. Maitino:

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Monday, April 11, 2011 9:36 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: bike path on Courtney Campbell Causway

-----Original Message-----

From: ANN HUKE [<mailto:ahuker@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Saturday, April 09, 2011 9:45 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: bike path on Courtney Campbell Causway

From: ANN HUKE <ahuker@yahoo.com>

Please fight to stop the spending of our tax dollars on the bike path on the Courtney Campbell causeway. It is a waste of our taxes. Will benefit few. We need our roads and streets repaired. not addition money pits. Who will pay to maintain these paths in the future. Let private funds pay for these projects if they are so important.

Thank you for your work,

Ann Huke, Unfortunate Resident and Voter in Polk City, Fl.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 4:04 PM
To: ahuker@hahoo.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Ann Huke

Dear Ms. Huke:

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 10:22 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

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-----Original Message-----

From: Fred Kiehl [mailto:jfkiehl@ij.net]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 8:41 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

From: Fred Kiehl <jfkiehl@ij.net>

Dear Governor Scott,

On February 9, 2011 you were quoted at <http://www.nwfdailynews.com/opinion/scott-37402-gov-different.html> as saying "I do things different." As a citizen of Florida, I say thank you and it's about time we have a governor with courage.

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 3:14 PM
To: jfkiehl@jj.net
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. to Multi-use Trail Project

Fred Kiehl

Dear Mr. Kiehl:

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 8:55 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Bridge to Nowhere

-----Original Message-----

From: Fenton Gentry [<mailto:fgentry@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 8:49 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Bridge to Nowhere

From: Fenton Gentry <fgentry@yahoo.com>

Dear Governor Scott,

To start we would like to thank you for working so hard as our Governor to do the right thing. Our groups attended a FDOT (district 7) meeting at Clearwater Christian Thursday, March 24, 2011 regarding the 2 million dollar initial costs for a proposed bike bridge along the Courtney Campbell Causeway bridge. This money is another example of a bike bridge to nowhere. This is an unnecessary, redundant expense due to another program called, "Pennies for Pinellas". This program which taxpayers approved, lasted for ten years and collected funds of over 15 million dollars. Here is information regarding the one Pinellas trail that already exists.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 6:30 PM
To: fgentry@yahoo.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Fenton Gentry

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 11:15 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: Lori Dozark [<mailto:loridozark@gmail.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 08, 2011 11:12 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

From: Lori Dozark <loridozark@gmail.com>

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Thank you -

Lori Dozark

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 5:07 PM
To: lridoark@gmail.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Lori Dozark

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Monday, April 18, 2011 8:52 AM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Please reject \$21.8 Million Federal "Gift" for "Trail" between Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties

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-----Original Message-----

From: Barbara Tyndall [<mailto:btyndall@tampabay.rr.com>]
Sent: Friday, April 15, 2011 4:51 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Please reject \$21.8 Million Federal "Gift" for "Trail" between Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties

From: Barbara Tyndall <btyndall@tampabay.rr.com>

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I'm sure this is asking a lot and there are consequences of doing this but I'm also sure there are many people who would back your decision to reject federal funds to help save America from financial destruction.

This is not only a Pinellas or Hillsborough County issue. The FDOT has plans to do this everywhere. If we stop it now we can stop it for everyone.

Respectfully,

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Wednesday, April 27, 2011 10:39 AM
To: btyndall@tampabay.rr.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Barbara Tyndall

Dear Ms. Tyndall:

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 3:45 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Oppose FDOT 22 Million Dollar Sidewalk Across Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: Dee Rogers [<mailto:deerogers1@verizon.net>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 3:41 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
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Sir, you have done what you were elected so far, we could not be more proud of your actions, not just words. I really feel together we can solve these problems, we are here, just please use your conscience as your guide, and your good business sense we will be ok.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 2:16 PM
To: deerogers1@verizon.net
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Dee Rogers

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To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Some foolish state level spending to stop. Let the locals do it. (Keep up the good work Gov. Scott)

-----Original Message-----

From: Keith Eshelman [mailto:Keith_L_Eshelman@juno.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 2:48 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Some foolish state level spending to stop. Let the locals do it. (Keep up the good work Gov. Scott)

From: Keith Eshelman <Keith_L_Eshelman@juno.com>

Dear Robin, Florida DOT, Governor Scott,

It is outrageous that with our state's financial condition we are even considering such endeavors.

I support the No-Build Alternative option.

*There are sufficient bike trails available in both counties There are also neighborhoods to ride in.

*The Courtney Campbell Causeway is beautiful and multifunctional as is.

*This Multi-Use Trail will in NO way contribute to commuter options.
This is a really ridiculous idea.

*As Florida faces unsustainable deficits, we can not afford to assume more for a bike trail that is used by such a small percentage of county residents.

Keith Eshelman

110 4th Ave. NW

Lutz, Florida 33548

PS: Where are we on the US-DOT IntelliDrive initiative? This is long over due.

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 2:07 PM
To: Keith_L_Eshelman@juno.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin; atkate.hartman@dot.gov
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Keith Eshelman

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Ms. Kate Hartman, U.S. DOT Program Manager. She can be contacted at (202) 366-2742 or e-mail atkate.hartman@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

Donald J. Skelton, P.E.
District Seven Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:17 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: The Florida DOT has Federal Startup Money for a Proposed "Bike Bridge" along the Courtney Campbell Causeway

-----Original Message-----

From: c mccormick [mailto:artseeker___@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 4:21 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: The Florida DOT has Federal Startup Money for a Proposed "Bike Bridge" along the Courtney Campbell Causeway

From: c mccormick <artseeker___@msn.com>

Multi-Use Trail Project # 422640-2

Dear Governor Scott:

Our country no longer has public debate on issues, development or major capital projects. Pinellas County residents who take the initiative cannot get our elected representatives to address our questions in a public forum where we can get the facts, analyze them, and have genuine input.

We are allowed 3 minutes to talk to the tops of their heads while Commissioners look down at their desks and shuffle paper. We cannot ask questions of anyone and we get no substantive answers to inquiries.

If they believe in something, why don't they stand up for it like we do? They comply with the letter of the law to advertise public meetings, but only a handful of residents show up. That is not a consensus of constituents. There is a consensus, however. They listen to conflict of interest from their appointed regional and local planners and advisory seat-holders who have a stake in the process and the outcome.

There is no public demand for the above subject project, just like rail. We have a very satisfactory trail across the Causeway and the north-south loop, with no money for more. There isn't even money to make the completed part of the Pinellas Trail safe from currently reported "crime and intimidation" of Trail users.

Unlike you, our Commissioners don't reject federal or special interest funds for unwanted projects. Unlike you, they ignore our will at referendums. They are so hungry for federal money and programs while being pressured by special interests that they constantly talk about having to move quickly or lose their place in line for money. Mistakes are made when government moves too fast. An example is Trail security. Separate from this project, they must now find a way to invest in more equipment to tie-in to diverse technologies already in place but not coordinated as a network, in order to share video and/or imagery with law enforcement under pressure of possible law suits and subpoenaed camera records or be held accountable legally for not protecting Trail users. There are also complaints about maintenance of the Trail already.

Adequate security and maintenance should have been addressed when the Trail was originally planned and paid for with Pennies4Pinellas, as approved by voters, and should have been updated before Trail expansion, but the order of business these days is to follow the sustainable development plan with its mandates before someone else gets the money. Commissioners go along with stakeholder consensus and sustainability promoters as if it were a proven methodology with public consensus.

Sir, with all due respect, a minority of noisy environmentalists got the Trail built and now taxpayers must support it. This is what always happens.

While the County goes forward with the expensive, federally funded sustainability, there are residents in need of DART, CHOICE, and bus service because they have health and physical limitations making it impossible to obtain transportation otherwise. Yet those programs are suffering for adequate funding while PSTA, TBARTA, TBRPC, PBCC, et al, continue to lobby DC and Tallahassee for rail funds.

There is no emergency. What is the rush? The rush is to prove that the sustainable development experiment in Pinellas is fully implemented and a proven success for others to follow despite the current political environment for dismantling sustainable development at the State level (e.g., DCA) and federal level (e.g., H.R. 1).

The federal government and some in the State never stop waving borrowed money in front of our Commissioners which they seem unable to refuse. They agree to do anything mandated by grants in order to get the money and spend it as told. We, Floridians, have nothing to say about it.

Meantime, the State wants to give the County even more flexibility to use funds otherwise designated to be used as they choose by a by a 2/3rds vote (SB 1432). The bill has vague wording about a limited time frame under qualifying economic conditions. It permits the County to lower the millage rate but places no limits on the use of the funds. What are reserves for? I sent questions about this to the State and the County without response.

Governor Scott, what can you do to help us again? Can you order the FDOT to return the federal funds? At a minimum we need to be heard, and the State can legislate that our local representatives must listen or suffer penalties just like we do when we disobey the law. We need representation backed by rule of law.

I've told you before; I think you are doing an excellent job.
Thank you. I voted for you and I vote in support of you in every internet poll I hear about.

Rhinesmith, Robin

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Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 12:16 PM
To: artseeker__@msn.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
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C. McCormick

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:21 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Courtney Campbell - multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

-----Original Message-----

From: Adrian Holton [<mailto:adrianholton@hotmail.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 7:40 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Courtney Campbell - multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

From: Adrian Holton <adrianholton@hotmail.com>

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This is not only a Pinellas or Hillsboro County issue. The FDOT has plans to do this everywhere. If we stop it now we can stop it for everyone.

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Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 12:21 PM
To: adrianholton@hotmail.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
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Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 2:02 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Proposed FDOT Bike/Multi-Used trail across the CCC (Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: John M. Fletcher [<mailto:legends34@verizon.net>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 2:00 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Proposed FDOT Bike/Multi-Used trail across the CCC (Tampa Bay

From: John M. Fletcher <legends34@verizon.net>

Gov. Scott

Please see that this project is not funded at this time.
It is a nice idea, but not sensible in the current economic climate.

I have seen many of these "great ideas" become a white elephant with few users and ongoing maintenance costs.

I love parks, bike trails, green spaces etc as much as anyone, but I also know that many are under utilized.

Best regards,
John M. Fletcher

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From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 1:49 PM
To: legends34@verizon.net
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
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Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 1:55 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: My opposition to FDOT 22 million dollar sidewalk across Tampa Bay

-----Original Message-----

From: William Peterseim [<mailto:wmpeterseim@me.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 1:52 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
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From: William Peterseim <wmpeterseim@me.com>

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I am into physical fitness and do bike rides of 25-35 miles presently. However, as I personally experience and have observed, most avid bikers are totally focused on the road ahead...immediately ahead as in the next few yards. We are gawking about taking in the surf...as is proposed here. And, there are plenty of good existing trails and areas in which to bike without having to go to the communist Chinese for more "free money"...choke. (Never was, isn't, and never WILL be "free" but try getting THAT across to these state and local officials who stay up nights trying to figure new ways to spend other people's money.

I stay up nights a lot more since I've been laid off in the Private Sector for 23 months. (Sadly, due to other commitments at the time, I was unable to apply for your Transition Team, something I have good experience in and love for. I have attempted to apply to your Administration since, but unable to locate the right source to which to send my extensive resume'. Perhaps you could have someone guide me in that.)

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 1:35 PM
To: wmpeterseim@me.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

William Peterseim

Dear Mr. Peterseim

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:47 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Please Take Appropriate Action on the FDOT federal money

-----Original Message-----

From: Kathy Haddon [<mailto:kathyndan1@aol.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:19 PM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Please Take Appropriate Action on the FDOT federal money

From: Kathy Haddon <kathyndan1@aol.com>

Dear Governor Scott,

Please...help stop the FDOT funding of the Courtney Campbell Multi-Use Trail. This 22 Million dollar bike trail is NOT needed. The federal money is NOT wanted. Please do what you can do to stop this.

Although the money came down from DC in prior years, just recently the FDOT received federal money to complete this trail for the Hillsborough side. That means the Hillsborough monies can be rejected.

As you said "NO" to the federal High Speed rail money, please say no to this!

Your efforts to "Put Florida First" are courageous! Trust me, our group of 490 fiscally responsible patriots are very aware of your struggles and stand behind you!

In Liberty!

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 1:18 PM
To: kathyndan1@aol.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Kathy Haddon

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:36 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Federal Crack "Money"

-----Original Message-----

From: David Womble [<mailto:artex@ix.netcom.com>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 10:32 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Federal Crack "Money"

From: David Womble <artex@ix.netcom.com>

Dear Governor Scott,

On February 9, 2011 you were quoted at <http://www.nwfdailynews.com/opinion/scott-37402-gov-different.html> as saying "I do things different." As a citizen of Florida, I say thank you and it's about time we have a governor with courage.

On February 15, 2011 you returned 2.4 billion dollars to the federal government. I was so proud of your actions. Tonight I went to a presentation by Florida Department of Transportation for a multi-use trail between Clearwater and Tampa on the Courtney Campbell Causeway.

This is a 21.8 million dollar "gift" from the federal government. The trail may be nice but not needed. There are probably many other projects being planned for Florida with federal money that may be nice but not needed. I ask you to return the money for all these projects.

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Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 1:10 PM
To: artex@ix.netcom.com
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
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David Womble

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Rhinesmith, Robin

From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:29 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: We Say NO to FDOT (Federal spending)!

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary McCarthy [<mailto:merlin1@Ij.net>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:36 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: We Say NO to FDOT (Federal spending)!

From: Mary McCarthy <merlin1@Ij.net>

Dear Governor Scott,

To start we would like to thank you for working so hard as our Governor to do the right thing. Our groups attended a FDOT (district 7) meeting at Clearwater Christian Thursday, March 24, 2011 regarding the 2 million dollar initial costs for a proposed bike bridge along the Courtney Campbell Causeway bridge. This money is another example of a bike bridge to nowhere. This is an unnecessary, redundant expense due to another program called, "Pennies for Pinellas". This program which taxpayers approved, lasted for ten years and collected funds of over 15 million dollars. Here is information regarding the one Pinellas trail that already exists.

End Points: St. Petersburg to Tarpon Springs

Mileage: 35.5 miles, includes eight overpasses at busy intersections.

Surface: Paved asphalt, 15'

Location: Pinellas County; the northern terminus for the trail is in Tarpon Springs at Keystone Road; the southern terminus is in St.

Petersburg at Demens Landing.

Nearby Points of Interest: Tarpon Springs, Dunedin, Honeymoon Island State Park, Clearwater Beaches, Salvador Dali Museum, St. Petersburg, FL.

Do we really need a 2 million dollar Bike Bridge? This is an outrage!

We are now broke and this new proposed bike bridge by FDOT is another example. The Fed's cannot seem to stop spending. Furthermore, the taxpayers voted on the Pennies for Pinellas program unlike this new proposal. We reject ALL absolutely unnecessary programs regarding our state! The Federal government seems to have a spending problem like an addict who always needs more. Their appetite for spending will never stop on their own. Please help us to change their minds. Our goal must be to remove ourselves from the grips of unsustainable deficits that seek to enslave us as a state and a nation. We are asking you to please help release us from Federal spending addiction! Floridians are ready now more than ever to get this great state in fiscal health so that we may be an example to the nation. Thank you for your continued support and assisting the taxpayers in stopping Waste!

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 12:37 PM
To: merlin1@lj.net
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
Subject: S.R. 60 Multi-use Trail Project

Mary McCarthy

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From: Governor Rick Scott [Rick.Scott@eog.myflorida.com]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 12:31 PM
To: O'Rourke, Gerard
Subject: FW: Stop FDOT Courtney Campbell - multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

-----Original Message-----

From: Dorine McKinnon [<mailto:dorine@intnet.net>]
Sent: Thursday, April 07, 2011 9:56 AM
To: Governor Rick Scott
Subject: Stop FDOT Courtney Campbell - multi use trail-Project # 422640-2

From: Dorine McKinnon <dorine@intnet.net>

This is simply another example of a bridge to nowhere, but this time for bikes and pedestrians. We already have the Pinellas trail for them, which is completely adequate for their needs. Further, it is dangerous to implement a 'complete street' design on the Courtney Campbell Causeway in which pedestrians and bikers will be situated beside the flow of traffic, especially at the speeds that exist. Anyone who thinks that single white line is going to stop an automobile from entering the bike or pedestrian path is wearing their dunce cap too tight!

With a Florida budget shortfall of over 4 million dollars and a Federal deficit of over 16 Trillion, it would be advisable to STOP THE SPENDING!
We reject ALL absolutely unnecessary programs, especially those with Federal strings attached for our state! The Federal government seems to have a spending problem, but we do not intend to enable them to force Florida into their wayward monetary policies, nor to mandate how we operate or maintain the Courtney Campbell Causeway.

Thank you Governor and please keep up the EXCELLENT JOB that you're doing.

Dorine McKinnon, Asst. Organizer
S-Pinellas 912 Patriots
St. Petersburg, FL

Rhinesmith, Robin

From: McDonald, Donna on behalf of Skelton, Donald
Sent: Tuesday, April 26, 2011 12:29 PM
To: dorine@intnet.net
Cc: Rhinesmith, Robin
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