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PROJECT REEVALUATION

I. GENERAL INFORMATION (originally approved document)

- a. Reevaluation Phase: Fedcrally Funded Right of Way (ROW) Acquisition.
- b. Document Type and Date of Approval: Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), May 7, 1990 (see attached FONSI cover and location map).
- c. Project Numbers:      15150-1565      FFD-185-1(46)      256774 1  
   State Project      Federal Aid      Financial Project
- d. Project Local Name, Location, and Limits: State Road (S.R.) 55 (U.S. 19) from S.R. 694 (Gandy Boulevard) in Pinellas County to S.R. 595 (Alternate U.S. 19) in Pasco County, Florida.
- e. Segment of Highway Being Advanced: S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of Sunset Point Road to south of Countryside Boulevard, including interchange with Enterprise Road; Work Program Item (WPI) Segment Number: 256890 1; Federal Aid Project Number: FL63 007 R.
- f. Name of Analyst: Rick Adair

II. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

The above environmental document has been r the Project Development and Environment (PD Transportation (FDOT), and it was determined in the social, economic, or environmental efi significantly affect the quality of the human Administrative Action remains valid.

It is recommended that the project identified 1 project dcvelopment.

REVIEWER SIGNATURE BLOCK

Rick Adair  
District Representative

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Date

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III. FHWA CONCURRENCE BLOCK

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FHWA Urban Transportation Engineer

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IV. CHANGE IN IMPACT STATUS OR DOCUMENT COMPLIANCE

	YES/NO	COMMENTS
<b>A. SOCIAL IMPACTS:</b>		
1. Land Use Changes	( ) (X)	_____
2. Community Cohesion	( ) (X)	_____
3. Relocation Potential	( ) (X)	_____
4. Churches & Schools	( ) (X)	_____
5. Title VI Considerations	( ) (X)	_____
6. Controversy Potential	( ) (X)	_____
7. Utilities and Railroads	( ) (X)	_____

<b>B. CULTURAL IMPACTS:</b>		
1. Section 4(f) Lands	( ) (X)	_____
2. Historic Sites/Districts	( ) (X)	_____
3. Archaeological Sites	( ) (X)	_____
4. Recreation Areas	( ) (X)	_____
5. Pedestrian/Bicycle Facilities	( ) (X)	_____

<b>C. NATURAL ENVIRONMENT:</b>		
1. Wetlands	( ) (X)	_____
2. Aquatic Preserves	( ) (X)	_____
3. Water Quality	( ) (X)	_____
4. Outstanding Florida Waters	( ) (X)	_____
5. Wild and Scenic Rivers	( ) (X)	_____
6. Floodplains	( ) (X)	_____
7. Coastal Zone Consistency	( ) (X)	_____
8. Coastal Barrier Islands	( ) (X)	_____
9. Wildlife and Habitat	( ) (X)	_____
10. Farmland	( ) (X)	_____
11. Visual/Aesthetic	( ) (X)	_____

<b>D. PHYSICAL IMPACTS:</b>		
1. Noise	( ) (X)	_____
2. Air	( ) (X)	_____
3. Construction	( ) (X)	_____
4. Contamination	( ) (X)	_____
5. Navigation	( ) (X)	_____

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### CORRIDOR PROJECTS STATUS UPDATE

The information presented below is based on FDOT District Seven's long-term goal of reconstructing and rehabilitating S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) within the limits of the approved FONSI. The project sections listed below are meant to complement those sections within the FONSI limits that have previously been constructed and opened to traffic.

1.    Work Program Item Segment Number:    N/A  
      Federal Aid Project Number:            N/A  
      Project Limits:                         S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of Gandy  
  Boulevard to south of 49<sup>th</sup> Street.  
  
      Current Status:                         Unfunded.
  
2.    Work Program Item Segment Number:    257070 1  
      Federal Aid Project Number:            1469 005 U  
      Project Limits:                         S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of 49<sup>th</sup> Street to  
  south of 126<sup>th</sup> Avenue; includes 118<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
  interchange.  
  
      Current Status:                         Right of way (ROW) acquisition.
  
3.    Work Program Item Segment Number:    256957 1  
      Federal Aid Project Number:            N/A  
      Project Limits:                         S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) at Drew Street; from north of  
  S.R. 60 to CSX railroad crossing.  
  
      Current Status:                         Construction underway.
  
4.    Work Program Item Segment Number:    256881 1  
      Federal Aid Project Number:            1851 113 P  
      Project Limits:                         S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of Whitney Road  
  to south of Seville Drive.  
  
      Current Status:                         Early ROW acquisition.
  
5.    Work Program Item Segment Number:    256881 2  
      Federal Aid Project Number:            FL63 009 R  
      Project Limits:                         S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from south of Seville Drive to  
  north of S.R. 60.  
  
      Current Status:                         Early ROW acquisition.

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6. Work Program Item Segment Number: 256888 1  
Federal Aid Project Number: N/A  
Project Limits: S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from south of NE Coachman Road to north of Sunset Point Road.  
  
Current Status: Construction underway.
7. Work Program Item Segment Number: 256890 1  
Federal Aid Project Number: FL63 007 R  
Project Limits: S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of Sunset Point Road to south of Countryside Boulevard; includes Enterprise interchange.  
  
Current Status: **This project is the subject of this reevaluation for advancement to ROW acquisition.**
8. Work Program Item Segment Number: N/A  
Federal Aid Project Number: N/A  
Project Limits: S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of S.R. 580 to north of C.R. 95.  
  
Current Status: Unfunded.
9. Work Program Item Segment Number: N/A  
Federal Aid Project Number: N/A  
Project Limits: S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of C.R. 95 to the north of Nebraska Avenue.  
  
Current Status: Unfunded.
10. Work Program Item Segment Number: N/A  
Federal Aid Project Number: N/A  
Project Limits: S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of Nebraska Avenue to south of Timberland Road.  
  
Current Status: Unfunded.
11. Work Program Item Segment Number: N/A  
Federal Aid Project Number: N/A  
Project Limits: S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from south of Timberland Road to south of Lake Street.  
  
Current Status: Unfunded.

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- 12. Work Program Item Segment Number: N/A  
Federal Aid Project Number: N/A  
Project Limits: S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from south of Lake Street to the Pinellas Trail.  
  
Current Status: Unfunded.

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V. **EVALUATION OF MAJOR DESIGN CHANGES** (e.g., Typical Section Changes, Alignment Shifts, ROW Changes, Bridge to Box Culvert, and Drainage Requirements).

A review of the Phase II design plans indicates minor changes from the 1990 FONSI. The minor changes result in less ROW taking; therefore, there is no change in status.

VI. **MITIGATION STATUS AND COMMITMENT COMPLIANCE**

1. The bottomland hardwood forest and cypress wetland communities are anticipated to provide flood control and habitat for a variety of wildlife including marsh birds and mammals. Valuable habitats are limited along the corridor due to the urban nature of the existing facility. Some of these wetlands are dominated by invader species along the edges, (i.e., willow, shrub, and saltbush).

These communities are anticipated to require less mitigation than the more valuable wetlands. All mitigation is proposed at a 1:1 ratio for a total of 4.10 acres. The existing communities have been impacted by previous road construction, and the minimal acreage required for the proposed improvements is not anticipated to significantly impact these wetlands.

Status: According to FDOT Permits staff, the project segment being advanced will not impact wetlands. Therefore, no mitigation for this design segment is required and there is no change in status.

2. Due to the suitable habitat and potential for manatee involvement, a mitigation plan, in accordance with the Florida Manatee Act will be implemented as a part of the recommended action.

Status: There is no suitable manatee habitat located within the segment being advanced with this reevaluation. Therefore, no manatee protection measures are included.

3. Maintenance of traffic throughout the project will be given special consideration. Access to major traffic generators such as businesses and residences will be provided.

Status: Traffic control plans have been included in the Phase II design plans, which include adequate access to major traffic generators, such as businesses and residences.

4. Any hazardous waste sites discovered during design or construction will be investigated by the State of Florida Department of Environmental Regulation (FDER) and appropriate clean up measures will be taken prior to continuation of work in the area.

Status: FDER is now the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). According to FDOT Hazardous Materials staff, an evaluation of this segment will be conducted in the next few months. Any contamination found in this segment will be investigated and clean up measures will be taken prior to construction.

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5. Any historic or archaeological remains encountered will cause stoppage of contractors until the proper action is taken by the State Division of Archives, History and Records Management, and the Bureau of Historic Sites and Properties.

Status: No sites listed, or eligible for listing, in the National Register of Historic Places are located within the segment being advanced with this reevaluation. If historic or archaeological remains are encountered during construction, the contractor will cease operations until the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO) takes the proper action.

6. Construction noise will be controlled as specified in Section 4.0 (of the approved FONSI).

Status: During the construction phase of the project, short-term noise may be generated by stationary and mobile construction equipment. The construction noise will be temporary at any location and will be controlled by adherence to the most recent edition of the FDOT Standard Specifications for Road and Bridge Construction. Due to the existing commercial status of this segment, construction noise impacts are not expected.

7. The development of a stormwater management plan will be a major element of the final design of this project. The plan will be developed during the preliminary engineering stage of the final design contracts and provided to the FDER and to the Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) for conceptual approval. Permits will be obtained from the SWFWMD, FDER, and the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for approval and monitoring of stormwater and dredge and fill activities.

Status: The FDOT has designed a stormwater system that meets state water quality standards and will consult with the SWFWMD during the permitting process.

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## VII. PERMITS STATUS

The following provides for the status of environmental permits by each regulatory agency for the segment being advanced. The agencies are SWFWMD and FDEP.

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Status</u>
SWFWMD	Environmental Resource Permit*	Permit #4411760.013 Approved: July 25, 2002
SWFWMD	Environmental Resource Permit	To be submitted: February, 2004
FDEP	Stormwater Discharge from Large and Small Construction Activities (Replaces NPDES)	Issued 48 hours prior to construction

\*A portion of this segment has already been permitted with WPI Segment No. 256888 1.



Federal Highway Administration  
Region Four

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION  
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

U.S. Department of Transportation  
Federal Highway Administration

and

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State Project Number: 15150-1565  
Federal Project Number: FFD-185-1(46)  
Work Program Number: 7116860

U.S. Highway 19 (State Road 55) from Gandy Boulevard (State Road 694) in Pinellas County to Alternate U.S. 19 (State Road 595) in Pasco County, Florida.

This project consists of upgrading 24.6 miles of U.S. 19 from a 4- and 6-lane at-grade arterial to a 6- and 8-lane controlled access expressway. There are 12 major interchanges, 13 overpasses/minor interchanges, and 6 grade separations planned in this section of U.S. 19.

Submitted pursuant to 42 U.S.C.4332 (2)(c).

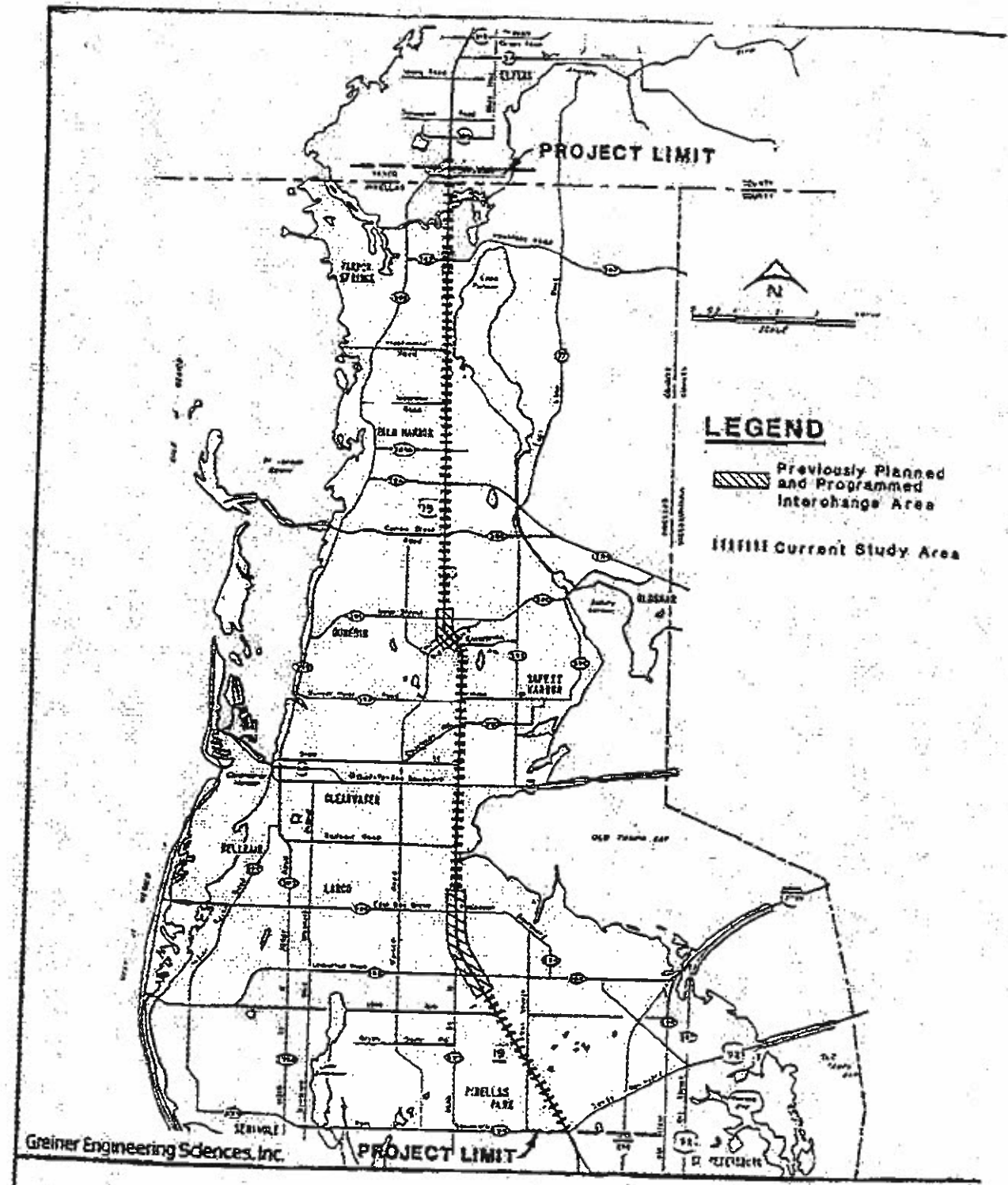
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Bobby J. Clark  
Division Administrator  
Federal Highway Administration

FHWA has determined that this project will not have any significant impact on the human environment. This Finding Of No Significant Impact is based on the attached Summary of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement which has been independently evaluated by FHWA and determined to adequately and accurately discuss the environmental issues and impacts of the proposed project. It provides sufficient evidence and analysis for determining that an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. The FHWA takes full responsibility for the accuracy, scope, and contents of the attached Summary of the Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

U.S. Highway 19 is the only continuous north-south general land service highway serving the populous west coast of the Pinellas/Pasco County area. The Florida Department of Transportation proposes to improve U.S. 19 (SR 55) from Gandy

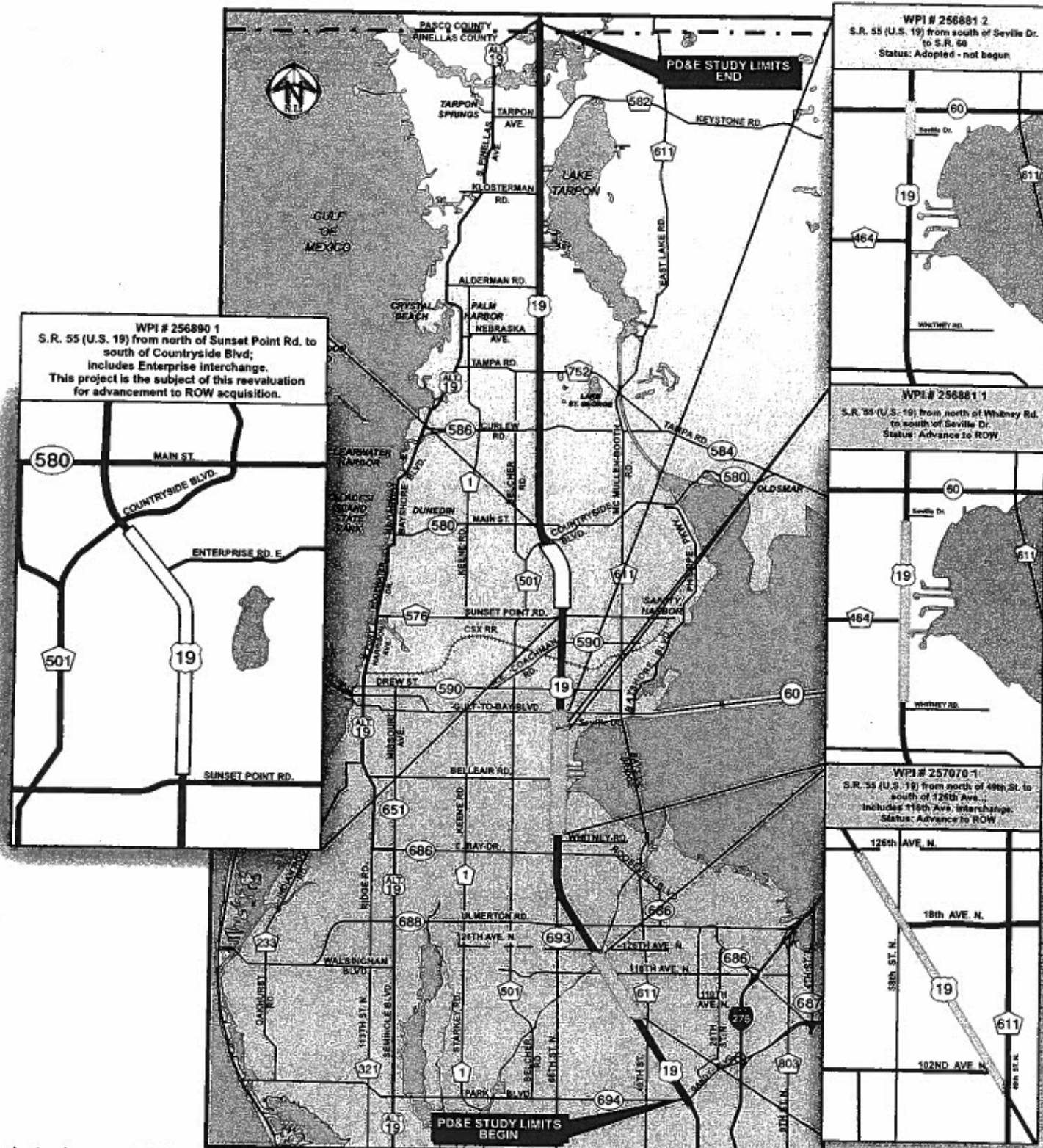


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**U.S. 19 PROJECT DEVELOPMENT  
AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**  
Pinellas and Pasco Counties, Florida  
STATE PROJECT NO. 16150-1585

**U.S. 19 CORRIDOR STUDY AREA**

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EXHIBIT



**WPI # 256890 1**  
 S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of Sunset Point Rd. to south of Countryside Blvd;  
 Includes Enterprise interchange.  
 This project is the subject of this reevaluation for advancement to ROW acquisition.

**WPI # 256881 2**  
 S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from south of Seville Dr. to S.R. 52  
 Status: Adopted - not begun

**WPI # 256881 1**  
 S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of Whitney Rd. to south of Seville Dr.  
 Status: Advance to ROW

**WPI # 257078 1**  
 S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of 49th St. to south of 126th Ave.  
 Includes 116th Ave. interchange.  
 Status: Advance to ROW

\* Projects shown on this location map are based on current listing in the existing five-year adopted work program (2004-2008).

# PROJECT LOCATION MAP



## Florida Department of Transportation US 19 RIGHT OF WAY REEVALUATION

S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from North of Sunset Point Road to South of Countryside Boulevard

Pinellas County, Florida



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