

Florida Department of Transportation
PROJECT REEVALUATION

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I. GENERAL INFORMATION (originally approved document)

- a. Reevaluation Phase: Construction authorization.
- 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 49th Street to south of 126th Avenue; Financial Project Number: 257070 1, Federal Aid Project Number: 1469 005 U.
- f. Name of Analyst: Rick Adair

II. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

The above environmental document has been reevaluated as required by 23 CFR 771 or the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Manual of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), and it was determined that no substantial changes have occurred in the social, economic, or environmental effects of the proposed action that would significantly affect the quality of the human environment. Therefore, the original Administrative Action remains valid.

It is recommended that the project identified herein be advanced to the next phase of project development.

REVIEWER SIGNATURE BLOCK

Rick Adair
District Representative

7/29/05
Date

III. FHWA CONCURRENCE BLOCK

Marcus Williams
FHWA Urban Transportation Engineer

8/30/2005
Date

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IV. CHANGE IN IMPACT STATUS OR DOCUMENT COMPLIANCE

	YES/NO	COMMENTS
A. SOCIAL IMPACTS:		
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. CULTURAL IMPACTS:		
1. Section 4(f) Lands	() (X)	_____
2. Historic Sites/Districts	() (X)	_____
3. Archaeological Sites	() (X)	_____
4. Recreation Areas	() (X)	_____
5. Pedestrian/Bicycle Facilities	() (X)	_____
C. NATURAL ENVIRONMENT:		
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)	_____
D. PHYSICAL IMPACTS:		
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 the current five-year adopted work program (FY 2005-2009). This listing also includes projects that are currently under construction. 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. Financial Project 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 49th Street.
Current Status: Unfunded.
2. Financial Project Number: 257070 1
Federal Aid Project Number: 1469 005 U
Project Limits: S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of 49th Street to south of 126th Avenue; includes the 118th Avenue interchange.
Current Status: **This project is the subject of this reevaluation for advancement to construction.**
3. Financial Project 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 the CSX railroad crossing.
Current Status: Construction underway.
4. Financial Project 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: Advanced ROW acquisition.
5. Financial Project 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: Advanced ROW acquisition.

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6. Financial Project 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. Financial Project 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: Advanced ROW acquisition.
8. Financial Project 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. Financial Project Number: N/A
Federal Aid Project Number: N/A
Project Limits: S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) from north of C.R. 95 to north of Nebraska Avenue.
Current Status: Unfunded.
10. Financial Project 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. Financial Project 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.
12. Financial Project 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, right-of-way (ROW) Changes, Bridge to Box Culvert, and Drainage Requirements).

The segment of S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) being advanced in this reevaluation, from north of 49th Street to south of 126th Avenue, includes an overpass at 110th Avenue, which was not included in the approved FONSI. Additionally, access to and from S.R. 55 (U.S. 19) at 110th Avenue is via the slip ramps on the frontage roads. The project will also provide 14-foot wide outside lanes on the frontage roads to provide sufficient room to accommodate bicyclists.

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: The project segment being advanced will impact approximately 0.1 acres of wetlands. Mitigation will be handled through FS 373.4137 (Senate Bill 1986).

2. Due to the suitable habitat and potential for manatee involvement, the standard Manatee Watch mitigation measures 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, these types of measures are not included in the plans package.

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

Status: Adequate access to major traffic generators such as businesses and residences will be provided during construction.

4. Any hazardous waste site 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). No contaminated sites have been identified for the segment being advanced.

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, Bureau of Historic Sites and Properties.

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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 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.

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 (USACOE) for approval and monitoring of stormwater and dredge and fill activities.

Status: The FDOT has consulted with the SWFWMD and designed a stormwater system that meets state water quality standards. The status of the remaining permit requirements are discussed below.

Attachment A
S.R. 55 (U.S. 19)

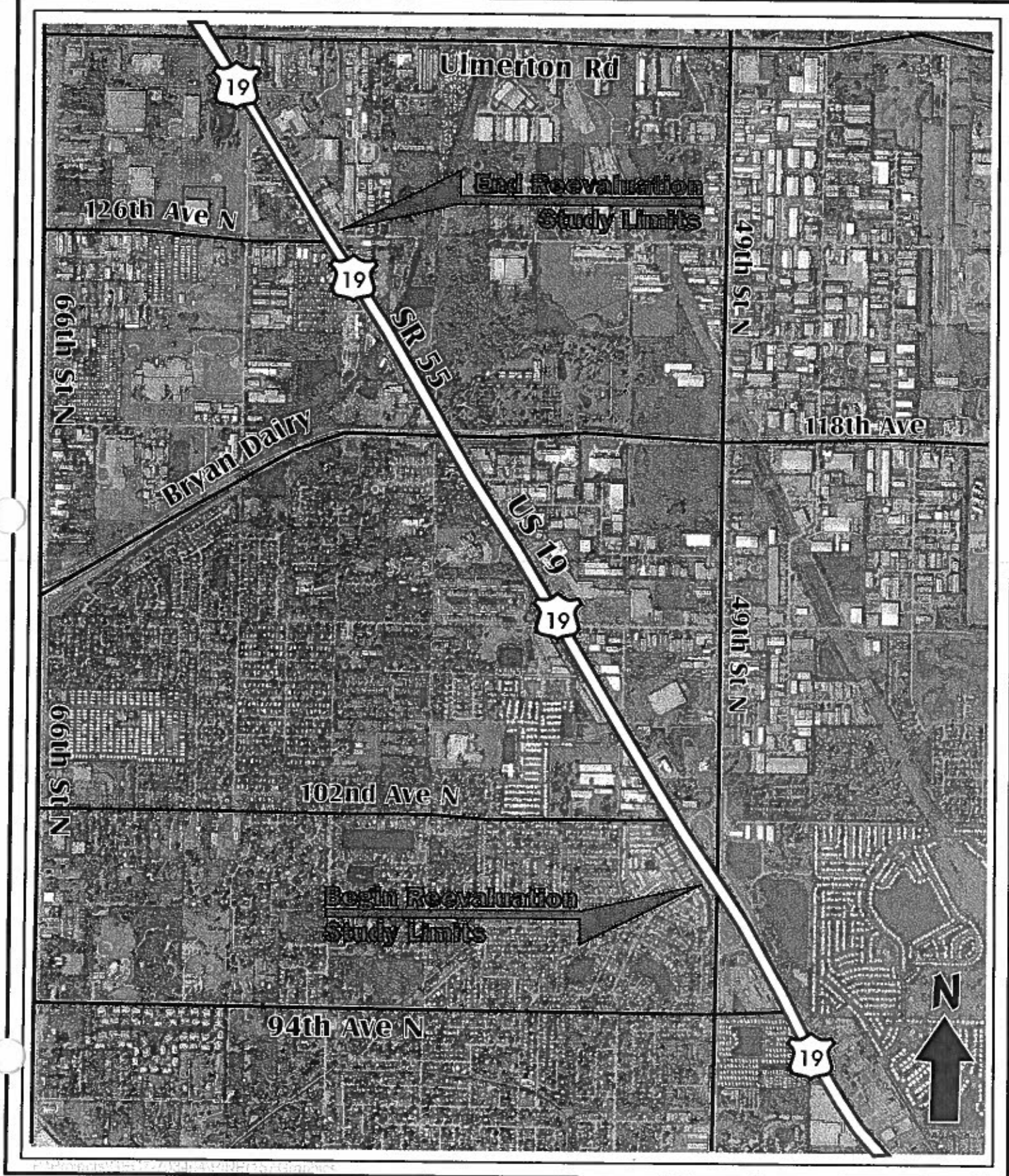
VII. PERMITS STATUS

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

<u>Agency</u>	<u>Type</u>	<u>Status</u>
USACOE	Individual 2002- SAJ-2002-6325	Issued: Jan 20, 2004 Expires: Jan 20, 2009
SWFWMD	ERP 44000188.003	Issued: Nov 14, 2003 Expires: Nov 14, 2008
FDEP	Stormwater Discharge from Large and Small Construction Activities.	Issued 48 hours prior to construction.

Reevaluation Segment Location Map

FPID#: 257070.1



Federal Highway Administration
Region Four

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT**

U.S. Department of Transportation
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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).

Date

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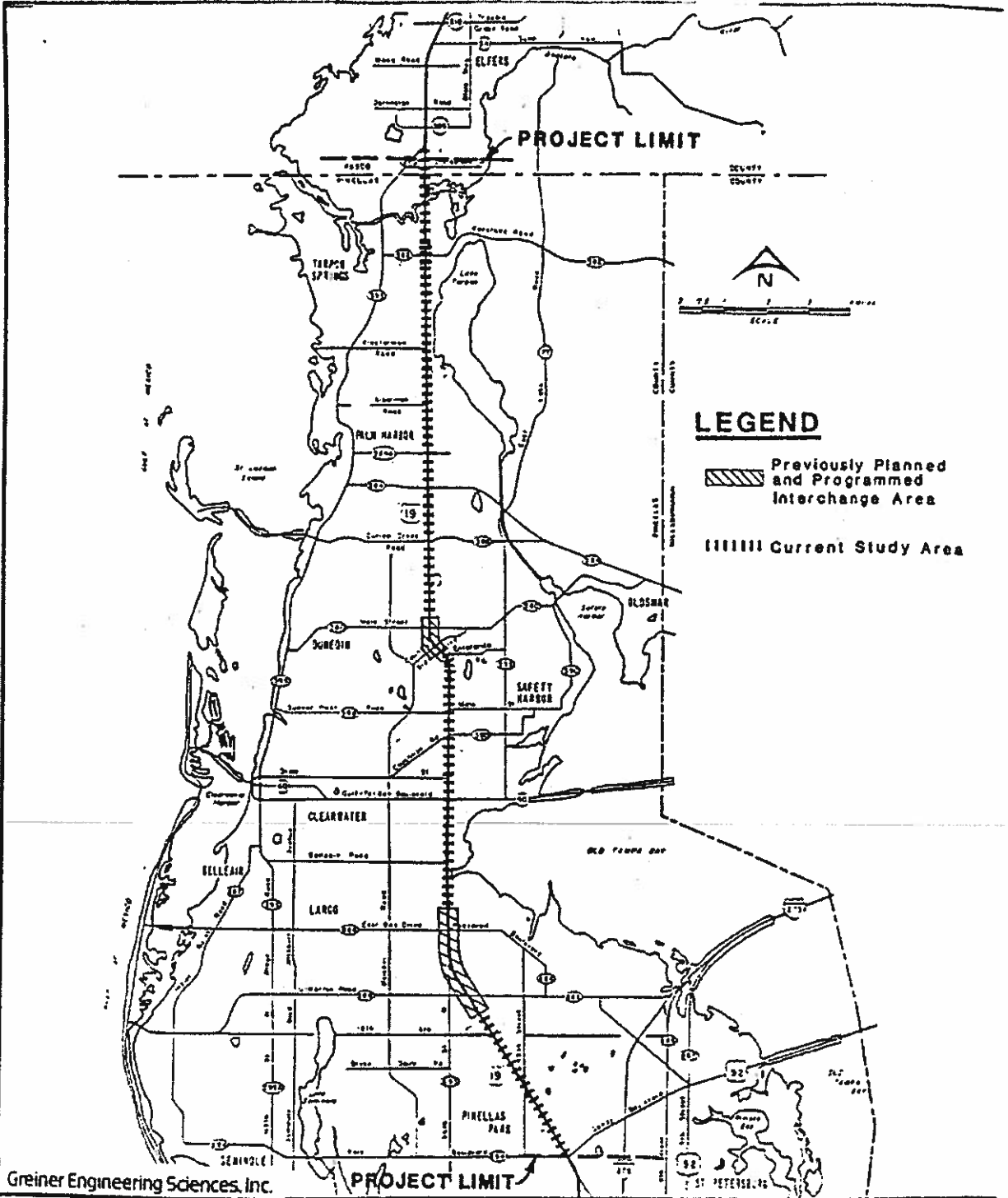
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Bohly W. Blackman
Division Administrator

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



Greiner Engineering Sciences, Inc.

PROJECT LIMIT

**U.S. 19 PROJECT DEVELOPMENT
AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**
Pinellas and Pasco Counties, Florida
STATE PROJECT NO. 15150-1585

U.S. 19 CORRIDOR STUDY AREA

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EXHIBIT