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May 4, 2016

Mr. James Christian, Division Administrator U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration Florida Division Office 3500 Financial Plaza, Suite 400 Tallahassee, FL 32312

Attention: Mr. Joseph Sullivan, Environmental Specialist

RE: Cultural Resources Section 106 Consultation Case Study Report Lake Wekiva Trail PD&E Study, Lake County Financial Management # 430975-1

Dear Mr. Christian,

Please find enclosed an unbound copy of the Cultural Resources Section 106 Consultation Case Study Report Lake Wekiva Trail PD&E Study, Lake County, and a CD containing an electronic version of this document. This project is federally funded and was conducted in accordance with Section 106 of the *National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) of 1966* (Public Law 89-655, as amended), as implemented by 36 CFR 800 (*Protection of Historic Properties* and Chapter 267, F.S.

The current document contains the evaluation of the proposed improvements and a determination regarding the significant resources that will be affected according to criteria established in Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. This Section 106 Evaluation and Determination of Effects documents the potential effects the proposed improvements may have on the National Register–eligible Seaboard Coast Line Railroad (8LA2957), Tremain Street Bridge (8LA4384), and Seaboard Coast Line Railroad Bridge over US 441 (8LA4481). At this time, due to the proposed improvements, it appears that there will be an adverse effect to the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad (8LA2957), and no adverse effect to the Tremain Street Bridge (8LA4384), and Seaboard Coast Line Railroad Bridge over US 441 (8LA4481).

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Throughout the Section 106 process, consultation with the agencies and affected parties has taken place in the form of Cultural Resources Committee (CRC) meetings. During the course of three meetings, which were held on January 27, 2015, October 5, 2015, and January 19, 2015, the significant resources, alternatives, and potential effects were discussed. Avoiding and minimizing the adverse effects to the historic bridges was accomplished through these meetings, and mitigation measures were also addressed. A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) will be prepared to memorialize mitigation measures that have been developed during the course of the Section 106 process.

At this time, we respectfully request your concurrence with the findings within this document. Should you concur, please indicate such in the signature box below and forward this letter along with the accompanying documentation to the Florida SHPO, for review and comment. If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact Catherine Owen, District Cultural Resource Coordinator, at (386) 943-5383 or me at (386) 943-5411.

Sincerely,

William G. Walsh

Environmental Manager

FDOT, District Five

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The FHWA finds the attached report complete and sufficient and $_$ xapproves / $_$ does not approve the above findings.
The FHWA requests the SHPO's opinion on the sufficiency of the attached report and the SHPO's opinion on the findings contained in this cover letter and in the comment block below.
FHWA Comments:
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For: James Christian Date
Division Administrator
Florida Division
Federal Highway Administration
The Florida State Historic Preservation Officer:
√ finds the attached report complete and sufficient and √ concurs/ does not concur with the findings contained in this cover letter and the enclosed report.
does not find the attached report complete and sufficient and requires additional
information in order to provide an opinion on the potential effects of the proposed project
on historic resources.
For: Timothy A. Parsons, Ph.D. Date
For: Timothy A. Parsons, Ph.D. Date
Director, Division of Historical Resources
& State Historic Preservation Officer
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