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COMMITTEE AGENDA ITEM 5 B
**SR 267/BLOXHAM CUTOFF TRAIL
FEASIBILITY STUDY**

TYPE OF ITEM: Presentation/Discussion/Action

STATEMENT OF ISSUE

This item provides an update related to the development of a feasibility study evaluating a connection between Wakulla Springs State Park and the St. Marks Trail.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Option 1: For Committee Information.

BACKGROUND

Initiated in the summer of 2022, the SR 267/Bloxham Cutoff Trail Feasibility Study is evaluating a multi-use trail connection from the Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park Entrance to the St. Marks Trail (a distance of 4.78 miles). This trail connection is identified in the CRTPA's Capital City-to-the-Sea Trails Plan and Wakulla County's Bicycle, Pedestrian and Blueways Master Plan.

Development of a multi-use trail connection between Wakulla Springs State Park and the St. Marks Trail will enhance regional trail connectivity between the popular state park and the St. Marks Trail as well as the US 98 Coastal Trail. Efforts associated with the study include the development of an existing conditions assessment that includes the identification of environmental and manmade constraints along the corridor. The existing conditions assessment will include an evaluation of possible trail alternatives within the study's limits.

To date, coordination and public involvement efforts have been limited to stakeholders including the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services (Florida Forest Service), and the Friends of Edward Ball Wakulla Springs State Park.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment 1: Draft Presentation