April 15, 2025



## **SUN TRAILS AGREEMENTS**

Type of ITEM: Consent

### **STATEMENT OF ISSUE**

This item seeks ratification of a resolution authorizing the CRTPA's executive director to sign grant agreements with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) associated with the CRTPA's recent award of Sun Trails funding for the Tallahassee to Havana Trail and the US 90 West Trail, as provided in **Attachment 1**.

A resolution adopting the adjustments was approved at the CRTPA's March 17 Executive Committee due to the time sensitive nature of the item.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Option 1:

Ratify Resolution No. 2025-03-4C authorizing the CRTPA executive director to sign grant agreements between the FDOT and the CRTPA associated with the receipt of Sun Trails funding for the Tallahassee to Havana Trail and the US 90 West Trail.

#### BACKGROUND

In late 2023, the CRTPA applied for Sun Trails funding for several multi-use trail projects in the region that are on the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Land Priorities Trail network. Among the regional trails for which funding was sought were the following two (2) CRTPA trail projects: the <u>Tallahassee to Havana Trail</u> and the US 90 West Trail.

In late 2024, the CRTPA was informed that funding was awarded for several of the projects for which Sun Trails funding was sought. Relatedly, at the <u>February 18 CRTPA meeting</u>, members approved a TIP amendment reflecting the CRTPA's recent receipt of Sun Trails funding for several multi-use trails, including the Tallahassee to Havana Trail and the US West 90 Trail (Gadsden/Jackson County Line to SR 12). Specially, funding for a project development & environment (PD&E) study for the Leon County portion of the Tallahassee to Havana Trail was awarded as was funding for a feasibility study associated with the US 90 West Trail.

Associated with the receipt of Sun Trails funding is a requirement to complete between the CRTPA and the FDOT allowing the CRTPA to proceed with the funded activities. The agreements include a related resolution authorizing the CRTPA executive director to execute the agreements.

The agreements, upon execution, will allow the CRPTA to move forward with the funded phases of these 2 regional trail projects.

## **O**PTIONS

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sign grant agreements between the FDOT and the CRTPA associated with the receipt of Sun Trails funding for the Tallahassee to Havana Trail and the US 90

West Trail.

(Recommended)

Option 2: CRTPA Board Discretion.

# **A**TTACHMENT

Attachment 1: Resolution for the Tallahassee to Havana Trail & US 90 West Feasibility Study

#### **ATTACHMENT 1**

### **CRTPA RESOLUTION 2025-03-4C**

# A RESOLUTION OF THE CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGENCY (CRTPA) AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF FLORIDA SHARED-USE NONMOTORIZED TRAIL NETWORK PROGRAM AGREEMENTS FOR THE TALLAHASSEE TO HAVANA TRAIL & US 90 WEST TRAIL

Whereas, the purpose of the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency is to "Create an integrated regional multimodal transportation network that provides the most options for moving people and goods economically, effectively and safely while protecting the environment, promoting economic development and maintaining a high quality of life with sustainable development patterns"; and

Whereas, the Tallahassee to Havana Trail & the US 90 West Trail are integral links in the Florida Department of Environmental Protection's Greenways & Trails System Plan and are a Priority Corridor on the SUN Trails Network; and

Whereas, the development of the Tallahassee to Havana Trail & the US 90 West Trail will continue the expansion of the regional trail system and provide safety and economic benefits; and

Whereas, the Tallahassee to Havana Trail & the US 90 Trail are priorities on the CRTPA's Regional Trail Priority Project List; and

Whereas, the CRTPA has received SUN Trails funding for the Project Development and Environment (PD&E Study) phase of the Leon County portion of the Tallahassee to Havana Trail and the feasibility study phase of the US 90 West Trail.

# NOW, THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED:

The CRTPA enters into Florida Shared-Use Nonmotorized Trail Network Program Agreements (FPN: 455411-1 (Tallahassee to Havana Trail) & FPN: 455418-1 (US 90 West Trail Feasibility Study)) with the Florida Department of Transportation and hereby authorizes Greg Slay, the CRTPA's Executive Director, to sign the agreements on its behalf.

Passed and duly adopted by the Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency on this 17th day of March 2025.

**Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency** 

Attest:

Dianne Williams-Cox, Chair

Greg Slay, Executive Director