



# Funding the Future

Board of County Commissioners | 2/24/26

# Agenda

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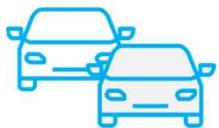
# Introduction



- Current revenues cannot keep pace with infrastructure needs
- Understanding the sources of existing revenue funding is essential for long-term transportation planning
- Opportunities exist to leverage potential future local revenue to maximize state and federal funding options



Brevard County





## From the SCTPO Board Strategic Plan

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Expand and leverage regional and sustainable funding sources to increase priority project implementation

**Problem:** The current gas tax revenue is not a sustainable long term transportation funding source

**Performance Measure:** Governing Board members took an active role on the local, state, and federal level to expand and leverage transportation funding



# Major Accomplishments – Last 25 Years



Widening Projects	New Interchanges	Intersection Improvements	New Trail Facilities
I-95 6-Laning	I-95 @ SJHP	Babcock St. @ Malabar Rd.	Brevard Zoo Linear Trail
US 1 6-Laning	I-95 @ Ellis Rd.	Babcock St. @ US 192	East Central Florida Regional Rail Trail
Palm Bay Rd. 6-Laning	I-95 @ Viera Blvd.	US 192 @ Wickham Rd. / Minton Rd. & Hollywood Blvd.	Space Coast Trail
Barnes Blvd. 4-Laning	I-95 @ Port St. John Parkway	Wickham Rd. @ NASA Blvd./Ellis Rd.	
Ellis Rd. 4-Laning (Upcoming)	I-95 @ Pineda Causeway	SR A1A @ SR 520	



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Design/PD&E Projects	Bridge Projects	Misc. Projects
SR 524 4-Laning Design	Pineda Causeway Bridge over FEC	SJHP New Alignment from Malabar Rd. to US 192
Clearlake Rd. 4-Laning Design	SR 528 WB Bridge Replacement (New EB Bridge)	Apollo Blvd. Extension
Malabar Rd. 4-Laning Design	Max Brewer Bridge	Annual County ITS O&M Support & TMC (Upcoming)
Babcock St. PD&E	NASA Causeway Bridge (partnership w/USDOT)	Intermodal Rail Station Support (Potential Future Project)



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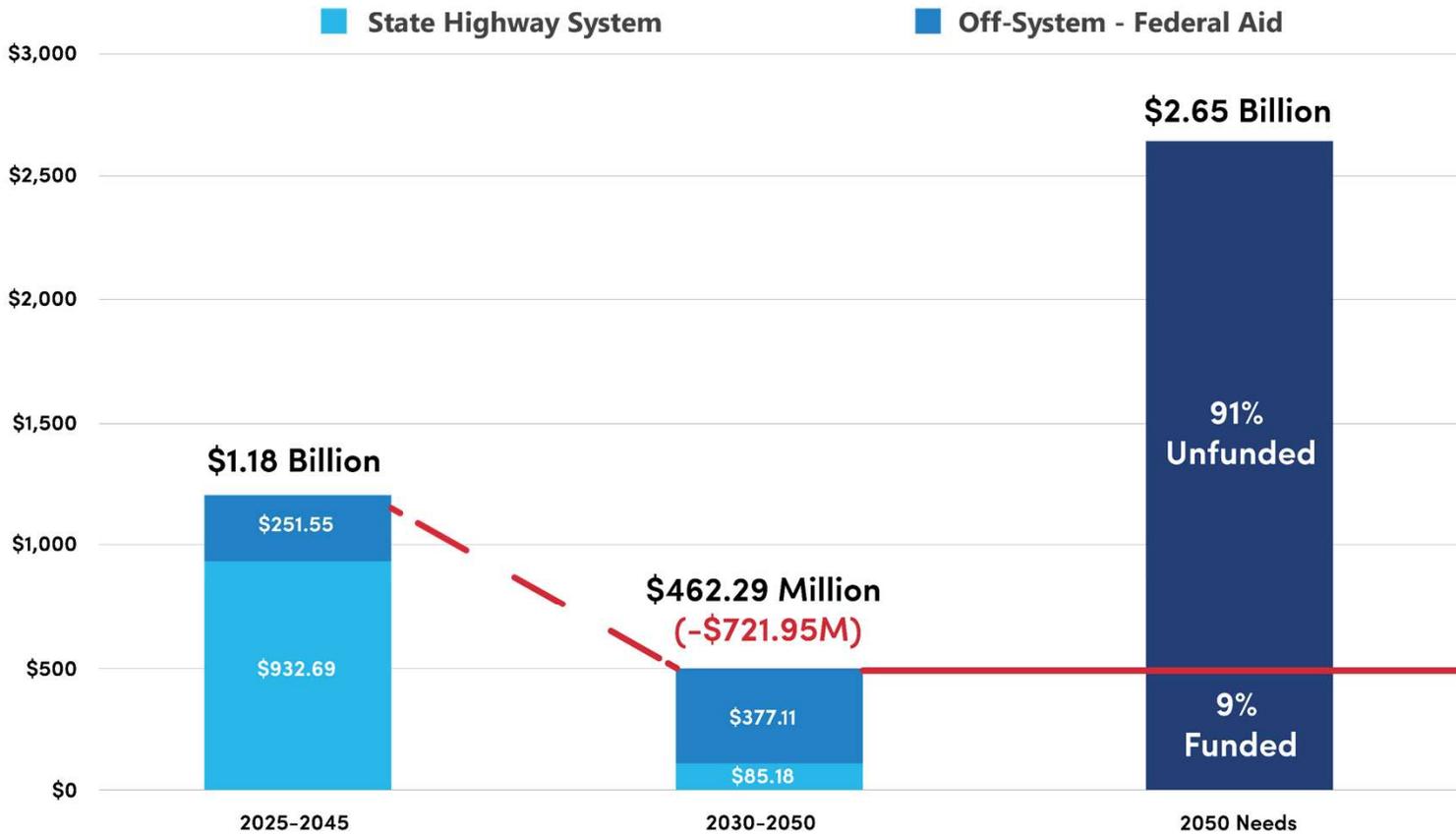
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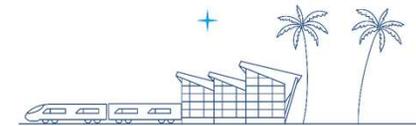
# Measuring Unfunded Need



(MILLIONS - YEAR OF EXPENDITURE DOLLARS)



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# Transportation Funding Sources



*Approved in SCTPO's LRTP & TIP*

## FEDERAL FUNDS

- Federal Fuel Taxes
- Vehicle Sales
- Heavy Vehicle Use
- Tire Taxes



### PROJECT TYPES:

Regional Roads | Technology | Safety | Sidewalks, Trails, & Complete Streets | Transit

## STATE FUNDS

- State Fuel Taxes
- Documentary Stamps
- Motor Vehicle Fees & Rental Car Surcharges



### PROJECT TYPES:

State Roads | Transit | Regional Roads | Maintenance & Resurfacing | Technology | Safety | Sidewalks, Trails, & Complete Streets

## LOCAL FUNDS

- Local Fuel Taxes
- Road Impact Fees

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### PROJECT TYPES:

Local Roads | Regional Roads | Safety | Maintenance & Resurfacing | Technology | Transit | Sidewalk, Trails, & Complete Streets

**Focus of Today's Presentation**



# Current Local Revenue Sources

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# Constitutional Gas Tax (2-Cent)



## 20% Portion

### Summary

<b>Amount</b>	<b>0.4 Cents/Gallon</b>
<b>Description</b>	Collected Statewide. Distributed to each county based on population
<b>Authorization</b>	Constitution
<b>Revenue Generated (FY25-26)</b>	<b>\$1.5M</b>

## 80% Portion

### Summary

<b>Amount</b>	<b>1.6 Cents/Gallon</b>
<b>Description</b>	Repays transportation bonds issued through FDOT
<b>Authorization</b>	Constitution
<b>Revenue Generated (FY25-26)</b>	<b>\$6.9M</b>



# Fuel Taxes



## Local Option Gas Tax (6-Cent)

Summary	
<b>Amount</b>	<b>6 Cents/Gallon</b>
<b>Description</b>	Collected within Brevard County. Distributed to the County and municipalities based on interlocal agreement.
<b>Authorization</b>	Statute
<b>Revenue Generated (FY25-26)</b>	<b>\$13.2M</b>

## Local Option Gas Tax (9<sup>th</sup>-Cent)

Summary	
<b>Amount</b>	<b>1 Cent/Gallon</b>
<b>Description</b>	Diesel portion collected statewide. Distributed to each county based on population.
<b>Authorization</b>	Statute
<b>Revenue Generated (FY25-26)</b>	<b>\$2.2M (diesel only revenue)</b>

## County Motor Fuel Tax

Summary	
<b>Amount</b>	<b>1 Cent/Gallon</b>
<b>Description</b>	Collected within Brevard County. Distributed entirely to Brevard County.
<b>Authorization</b>	Statute
<b>Revenue Generated (FY25-26)</b>	<b>\$3.4M</b>

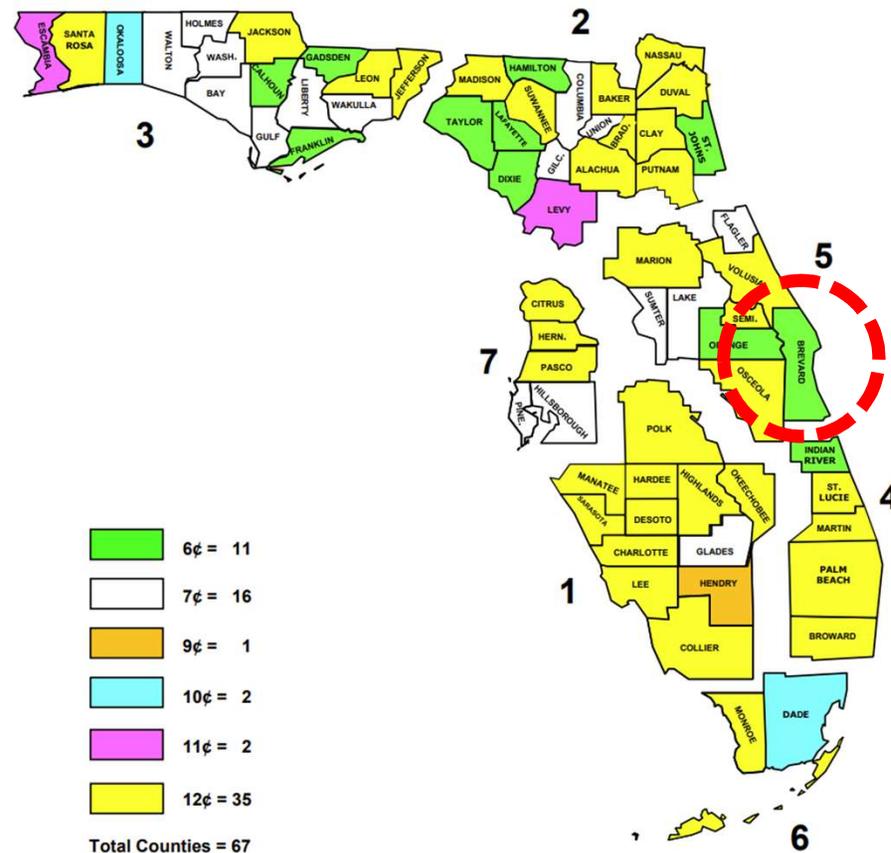


# Locally Imposed Motor Fuel Taxes



Tax Rates (¢/gal) as of January 1, 2026

- **35 counties** leveraging the max **12 cents** of fuel taxes
- Brevard is **one of 11 counties** only leveraging the minimum of **6 cents**

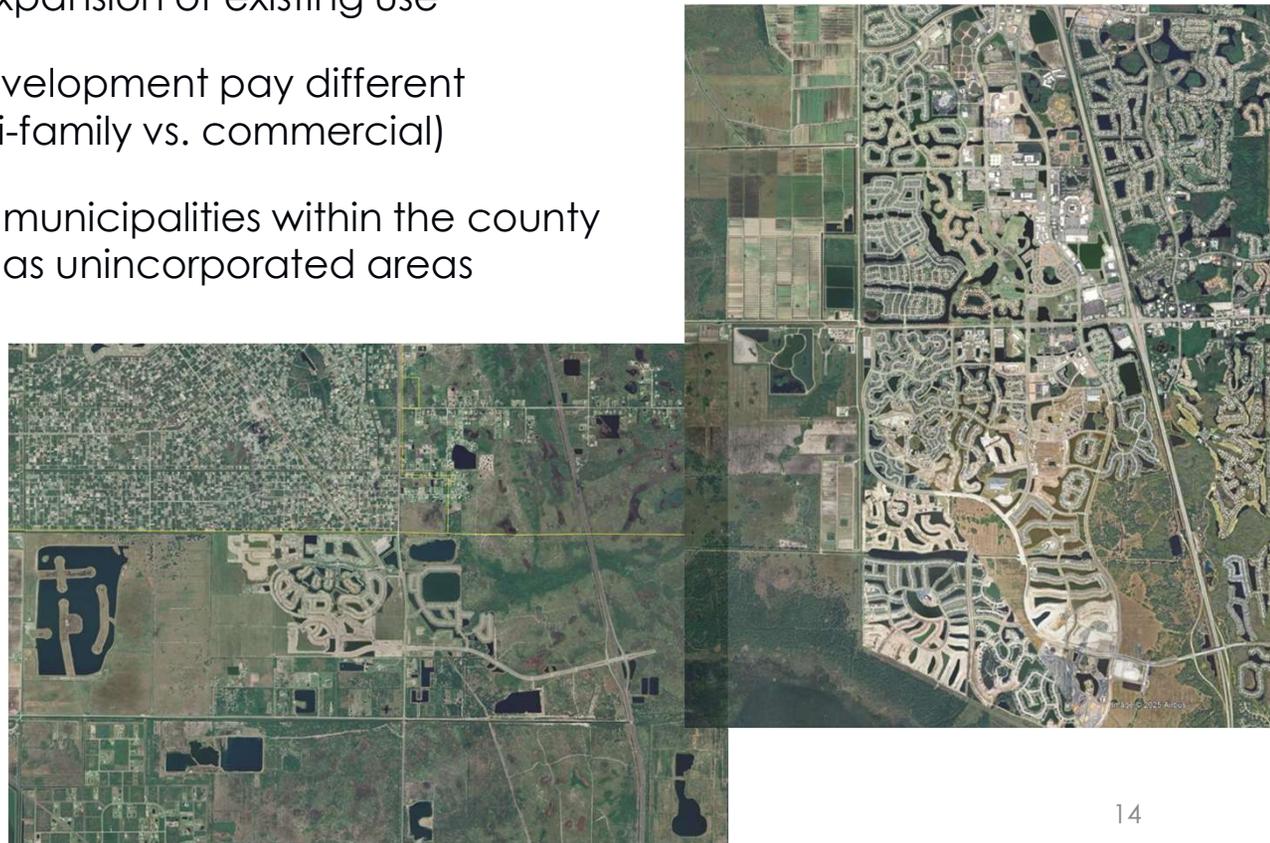




# Transportation Impact Fees



- Assessed at new development or expansion of existing use
- By land use, so different types of development pay different amounts (e.g., single-family vs. multi-family vs. commercial)
- Impact fees are collected for all 16 municipalities within the county (via inter-local agreements) as well as unincorporated areas
- \$10.5M average annual revenue; FY24 balance: \$15.9M
- Last adjusted for County in 2001
- Cities review and adjust their own





# Additional Revenue Options

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# Discretionary Sales Surtaxes



- **Charter County and Regional Transportation System Surtax** – Florida statute permits a sales surtax of up to 1.0%
  - Simple majority of Commissioners required for a referendum to be held at a general election
  - Can generate \$25.1M – \$100M (County Share) and \$34.4M – \$137.6M total
- **Local Government Infrastructure Surtax** – Florida statute permits a sales surtax of either 0.5% or 1.0%
  - Counties are only permitted one referendum
  - The Save Our Indian River Lagoon (SOIRL) Program (Lagoon Tax) currently levies 0.5%; scheduled to expire December 31, 2026. If the Lagoon Tax is renewed:
    - 0.5% still available to collect – would require modifying the above referendum
    - Can generate \$37.1M (County Share) and \$68.8M total



# Local Option Gas Tax



- Up To 5-Cents/Gallon on Both Gas and Diesel (Orange Highlight) –
  - Can be adopted in addition to the 6-Cent LOGT by BOCC super majority or referendum
  - Requirement to distribute to cities based on 5-year transportation expenditure formula
  - Revenues can only be spent on capital improvements, not operations or maintenance
  - Can generate \$6.4M (County Share) annually
- 9<sup>th</sup>-Cent (1 Cent/Gallon) on Gasoline (Red Highlight) –
  - Counties can levy by local ordinance to support transportation expenditures
  - No requirement to distribute to Cities
  - Can generate \$2.7M annually

Cent	Levied for Gasoline	Levied for Diesel
1-6	Y	Y
7 <sup>th</sup>	N	N
8 <sup>th</sup>	N	N
9 <sup>th</sup>	N	Y
10 <sup>th</sup>	N	N
11 <sup>th</sup>	N	N
12 <sup>th</sup>	N	N



# Other Revenue Sources



- Mobility Fees –
  - Alternative to traditional impact fees
  - Require a local mobility plan that identifies multimodal networks and priority projects across all travel modes
  - Provide greater flexibility to fund sidewalks, trails, transit, and complete streets projects
  - If implemented, a mobility fee would replace transportation impact fees; they cannot be charged together
- Public Services Tax –
  - 1–10% tax levied by counties and municipalities on purchase of electricity, natural gas, etc.
  - Provides long-term, reliable revenue source, as most residents pay utility bills
  - Revenue is deposited into the General Fund, but can be restricted for transportation projects if designated
  - Can generate \$3.3M to \$33.4M annually, depending on the adopted rate



# Additional Revenue Projections



## From 2045 Long Range Transportation – Projections for New Revenue Sources

Funding Source	2026-2030	2031-2035	2036-2040	2041-2045	Total
	Projected Revenues <sup>1</sup>				
(Theoretical) Half Cent Sales Surtax <sup>2</sup>	\$177.8	\$219.5	\$269.8	\$330.5	\$997.6
(Theoretical) One Cent Sales Surtax <sup>2</sup>	\$355.5	\$439.0	\$539.6	\$660.9	\$1,995.0
(Theoretical) 1 to 5 Cent LOFT <sup>3</sup>	\$36.0	\$41.5	\$47.7	\$54.6	\$179.8
(Theoretical) Ninth-Cent Fuel Tax (on non-diesel fuel)	\$16.3	\$18.9	\$21.7	\$24.8	\$81.7
<b>Total (Half Cent Surtax)</b>	<b>\$230.0</b>	<b>\$279.9</b>	<b>\$339.2</b>	<b>\$409.9</b>	<b>\$1,259.0</b>
<b>Total (One Cent Surtax)</b>	<b>\$407.8</b>	<b>\$499.4</b>	<b>\$609.0</b>	<b>\$740.4</b>	<b>\$2,256.6</b>

(1) Dollar values are in Millions, inflated for Year of Expenditure

(2) Sales surtax based on distribution to County (not municipal) of current half cent distributed to all counties in Florida. The revenue currently distributed to Brevard County is not reflected in actual revenue estimates, as it is not committed to transportation expenditures.

(3) 1 to 5 cent LOFT reflects County share (net of municipal share).

Totals may not sum perfectly due to rounding.

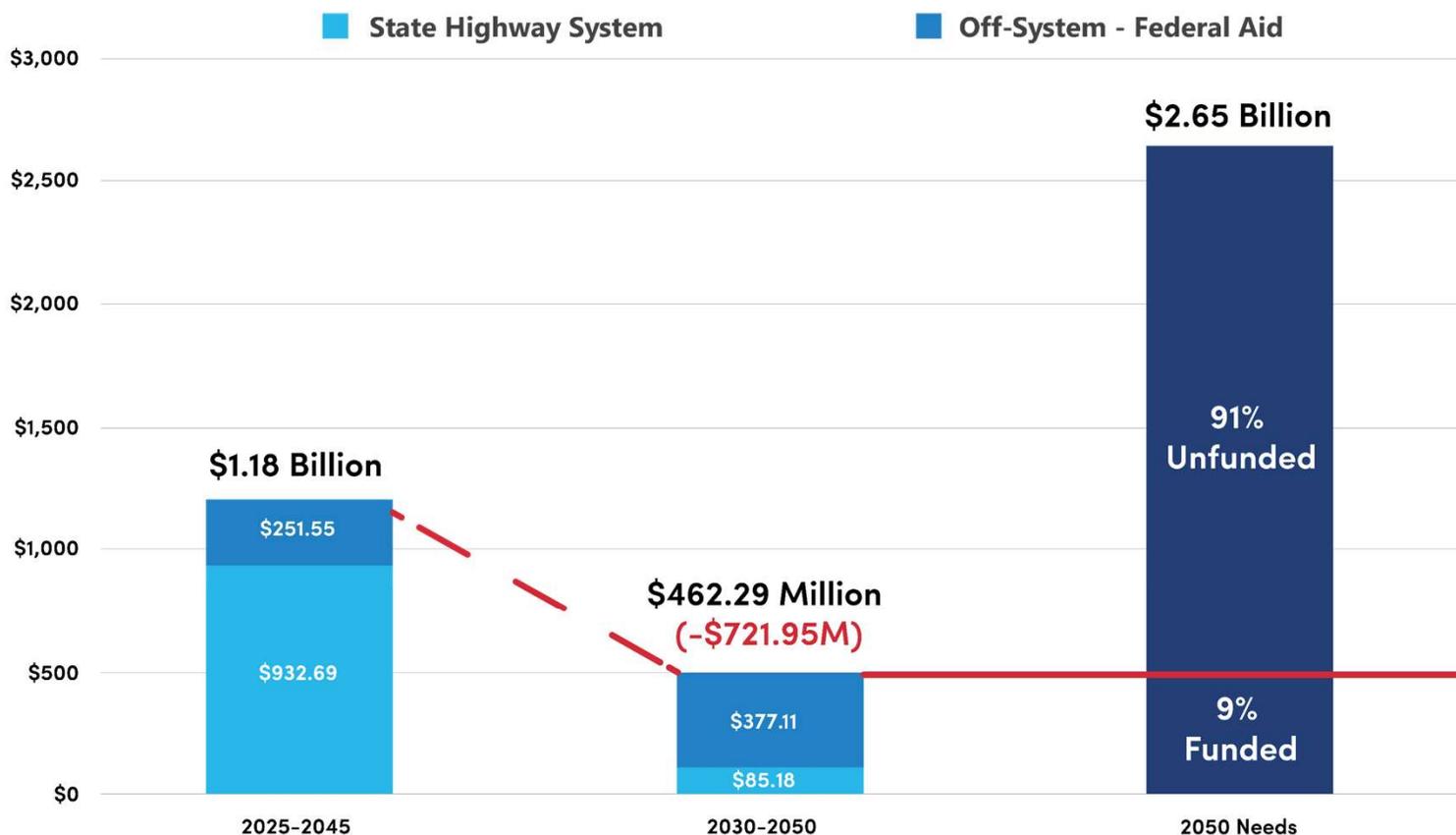
Note: Projected revenues do not include Mobility Fees or Public Services Tax. Half Cent or One Cent sales surtax could apply to either the Charter County and Regional Transportation System Surtax or the Local Government Infrastructure Surtax.



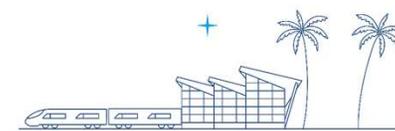
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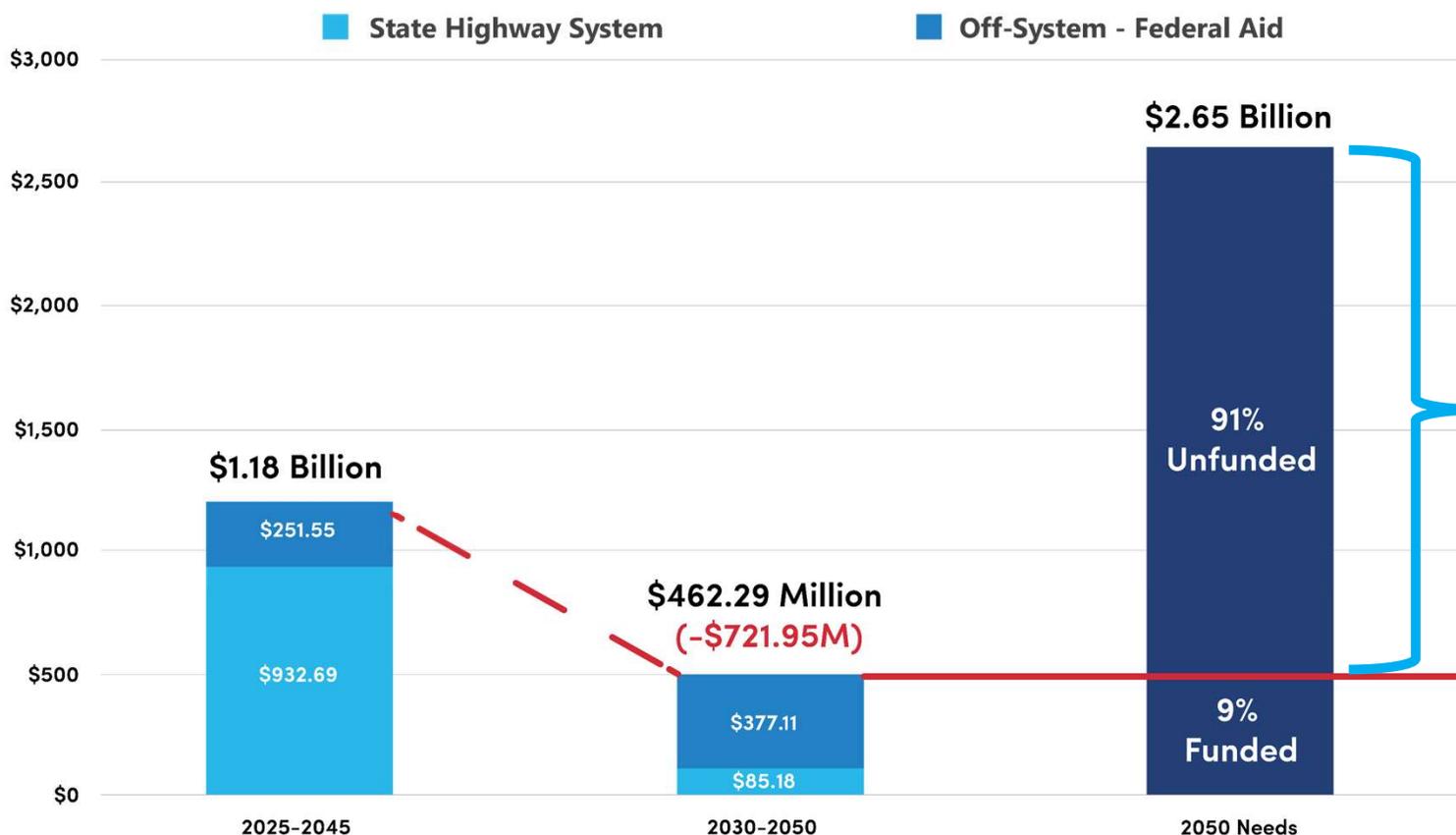




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**\$2.3B** funding gap could be closed with the additional **\$1.3B-\$2.3B** from other revenue sources



# The Cost of Inaction



- **SR 524 Widening**
  - London Boulevard to Industry Road in the 2036 – 2040 time band is the only segment fully funded in the 2050 LRTP
  - With inflation construction is estimated to be \$4M more
- **A1A Cape Canaveral Complete Street**
  - Not funded until 2046 – 2050 time band
  - With inflation construction is estimated to be \$26M more
- **Hollywood Boulevard Widening** (unfunded need only)
- **Minton Road Intersection Improvements**
  - Not funded until 2046 – 2050 time band
  - With inflation construction is estimated to be \$11M more
- **Malabar Road Widening**
  - Construction is not funded in 2050 LRTP
- **S. Babcock Street Widening**
  - Convoir Street SE to Malabar Road SE is the only segment fully funded in the 2050 LRTP
- **Micco Road Widening** (unfunded need only)



**Thank You!**

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