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Mr. Richard Butgereit, GIS Administrator
Florida Statewide GIS Coordination Committee
Florida Division of Emergency Management
2555 Shumard Oak Boulevard
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Dear Mr. Butgereit and Florida Statewide GIS Coordination Steering Committee Members:

After review of "Florida's Strategic Plan for Statewide Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Coordination," I wish to offer the Florida Department of Transportation's support and endorsement of the strategic plan.

Almost every major business process within the Florida Department of Transportation requires the use of GIS data. The Department has invested significantly in GIS technologies through the creation and maintenance of geospatial data.

The Department recognizes this strategic plan presents the vision and goals that will successfully improve statewide coordination and sharing of geospatial resources for the State of Florida. With the recent creation of our own GIS Strategic Plan we realize the amount of time and effort that is put into the development of a strategic plan such as this and we commend your efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin J. Thibault".

Kevin J. Thibault, P.E.
Assistant Secretary for
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