

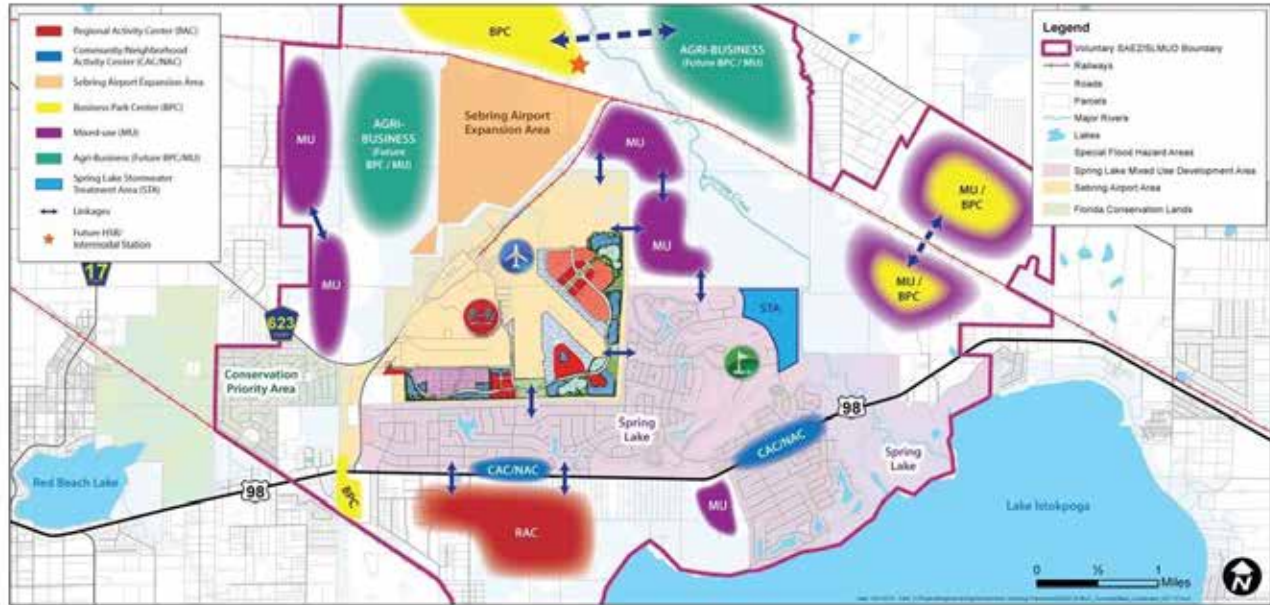
Executive Director's REPORT



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Airport Encouragement Zone/Spring Lake Mixed Use Development Overlay

County planning received two awards for the above-mentioned study. Florida Planning and Zoning Association 2017 Award of Merit and National Association of Development Organizations Innovation Award.

The awards were presented to the Commission at its meeting of August 15th, 2017. Mr. McDevitt represented the Authority.

About this project:

Sebring Airport Encouragement Zone (SAEZ)

A portion of the Sebring Airport and Commerce Park area is designated as the Rural Area of Opportunity (RAO) Catalyst Project for the Heartland Region. Due to its importance to the regional economy, the area and its ability to be developed or expanded in the near future, the area is also identified as a Key Project in the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for the Region.

The goal of the SAEZ/SLMUD Area Overlay is to promote development and redevelopment of this regional economic center, to conserve important environmental and natural resources and to offer a livable and walkable community. Through mixed use projects planned to develop in a balanced manner, a diversity of housing types and jobs will promote a resilient and vibrant community.

All development shall comply with the policies stated within this section in addition to all other policies within the Future

Land Use Element and other elements incorporated within the Highlands County Comprehensive Plan not in conflict with these policies.

Spring Lake Mixed Use Development Area (SLMUD)

Created in 1971 by the State Legislature (Laws of Florida 71-669), the Spring Lake development (Spring Lake) is administered by the Spring Lake Improvement District and consists of 3,359 acres. Spring Lake is an independent special district and is a unit of local government, similar to a municipality, with the exception that the District does not have authority over land use, zoning, police, or fire. The District maintains all canals and most water bodies within its boundaries. Spring Lake is a mixed use community with a variety of housing types as well as a golf course and other recreation facilities.

OTHER NEWS AND INFO.

Rail Spur Reconstruction

We have just received Joint Participation Agreement from FDOT to design the complete reconstruction of our two-mile rail spur. The design effort will take approximately 9-12 months with the first phase of construction beginning shortly thereafter.

Apron Project

We have just received Grant Agreement from FAA to design the complete reconstruction of our apron. The design effort will take approximately 9-12 months with the first phase of construction beginning shortly thereafter.

Concrete Building Products

At auction yesterday, all personal property and equipment was sold in bulk to Structural Plank Industries, Inc. The principle, Emilio Vega, plans to renovate the facility and reopen the plant. The facility will employ approximately 10-15 people.

Everglades

Everglades has purchased a building off Airport. They will be out of their current facility on or before the expiration of their lease (January 2018). We have placed the availability on our web based real-estate platform(LoopNet) and we have two interested companies. We will keep you posted.

Turf Care

Renews and consolidates leases. Adds land for truck staging and parking. On agenda for the August meeting.

Life Safety

We continue to work with the County on a fire apparatus for the Airport. Many thanks to Commissioner Handley for his hard work on this matter.

Webster Turn Reconstruction

We are beginning design of reconstruction work. After design is completed, the project will be turned over to the County for construction.

Airside Center Refresh

Its hard to believe we are working on our 18th year in the Airside Center. We are working with an interior designer to come up with a phased "master plan" for the renovations. We will keep you apprised as we pursue this effort.

Unmanned Systems Forum

Planning continues for forum that will take place sometime in September.



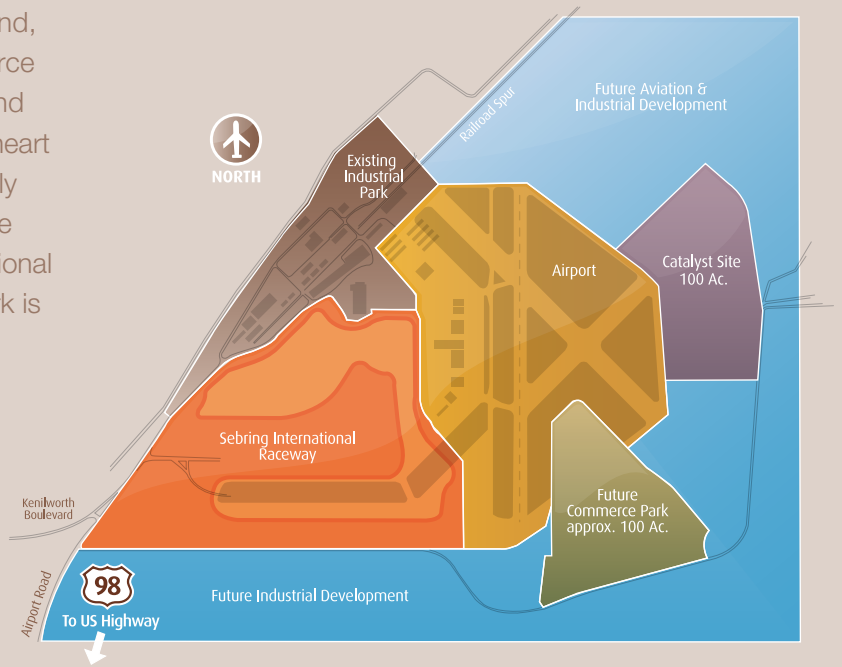


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SITE MAP

-  Future Development
-  Catalyst Site
-  Future Commerce Park
-  Existing Industrial Park
-  Airport
-  Sebring International Raceway



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