Transportation Mobility

& Land Use

EAR WORKSHOP FOR PALM BEACH COUNTY
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Why Should I Care about Transportation & Land Use?





52 extra hours per year are spent stuck in traffic by the average S. Fla. Commuter

(up from 30 hours in 1990)





South Florida's congestion costs, based on wasted time and fuel, was approximately \$3 Billion in 2007

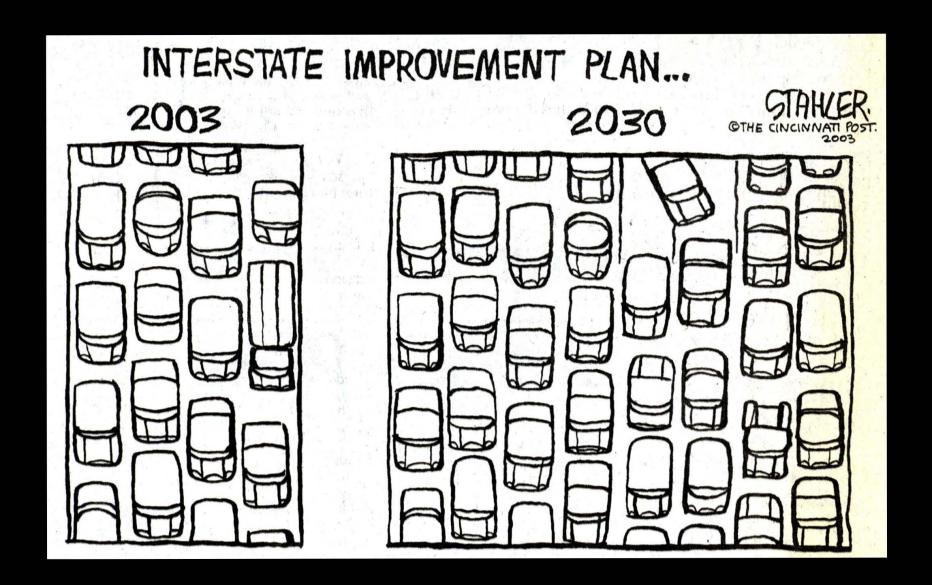
Texas Trans. Inst., 2007 Urban Mobility Study





Predictability?







A Paradigm Shift



The days where we're just building sprawl forever, those days are over. I think that Republicans, Democrats, everybody... recognizes that's not a smart way to design communities. So we should be using this money to help spur this sort of innovative thinking when it comes to transportation.

(President Barack Obama, Fort Myers, FL Feb 10, 2009)

Awesome Threesome: EPA Joins USDOT and HUD Strengthening Interagency Partnership for Sustainable Communities

POLITICO

Obama plots huge railroad expansion

By DAVID ROGERS | 2/17/09 4:29 AM EST





Railroads made Chicago, and now a Chicago-rich White House wants to return the favor: remaking rail with a huge new federal investment in high-speed passenger trains.

The \$787.2 billion economic recovery bill — to be signed by President Barack Obama on Tuesday — dedicates \$8 billion to high-speed rail, most of which was added in the final closeddoor bargaining at the instigation of White House chief of staff Rahm Emanuel.



The International Council of Shopping Centers estimates that chain store closings could exceed 3,100 in just the first half of the year ... as many as 14,000 stores will close in 2009.

CNN Money.com December 31, 2008



What will happen to these settings?



They will have to change.



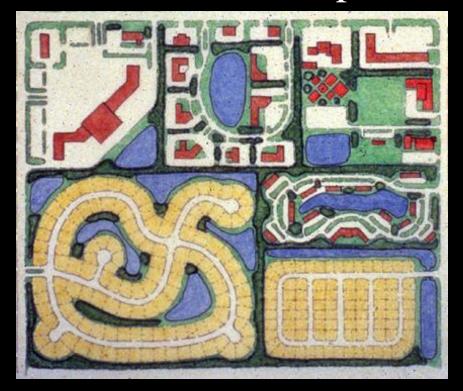
Redeveloping Urban Areas Are Becoming Increasingly Attractive Alternatives

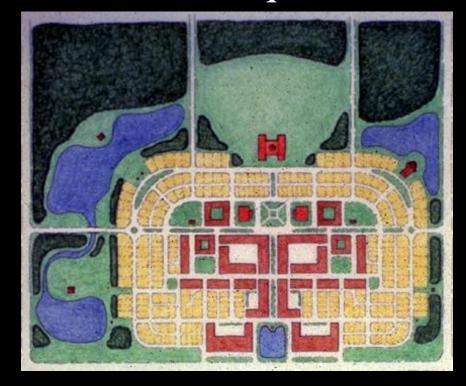


Many Cities See 15%-25% Higher Premiums Paid for Retail and Residential Space "In Town"

So ... How Does This Relate to Land Use?

All Development Is Not Created Equal





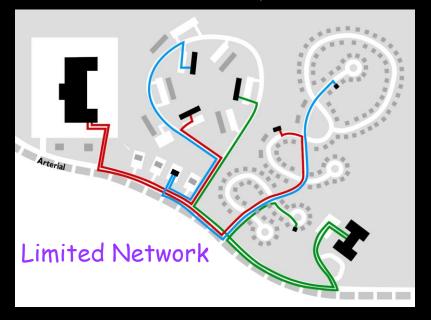
- 30% more energy used
- 2 to 4 times poorer water quality
- 25% to 50 % more time in our cars
- 30% to 40% more land used
- Public transportation is not an option
- 20% to 25% of your income spent on cars
- Kids won't be able to walk to school

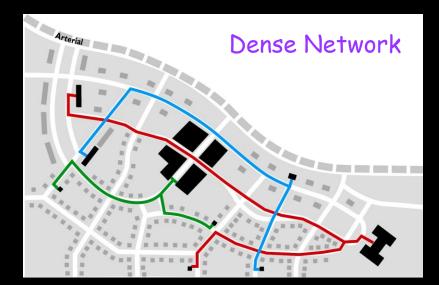
- •Sprawl housing products under perform comparable New Urbanism products on sales price and absorption
- Road building will take priority over the arts, culture, care of the elderly, water quality and education of your children
- •Additional fiscal impacts of \$606 million through 2025
- Additional capital costs of \$4.19 billion through 2025

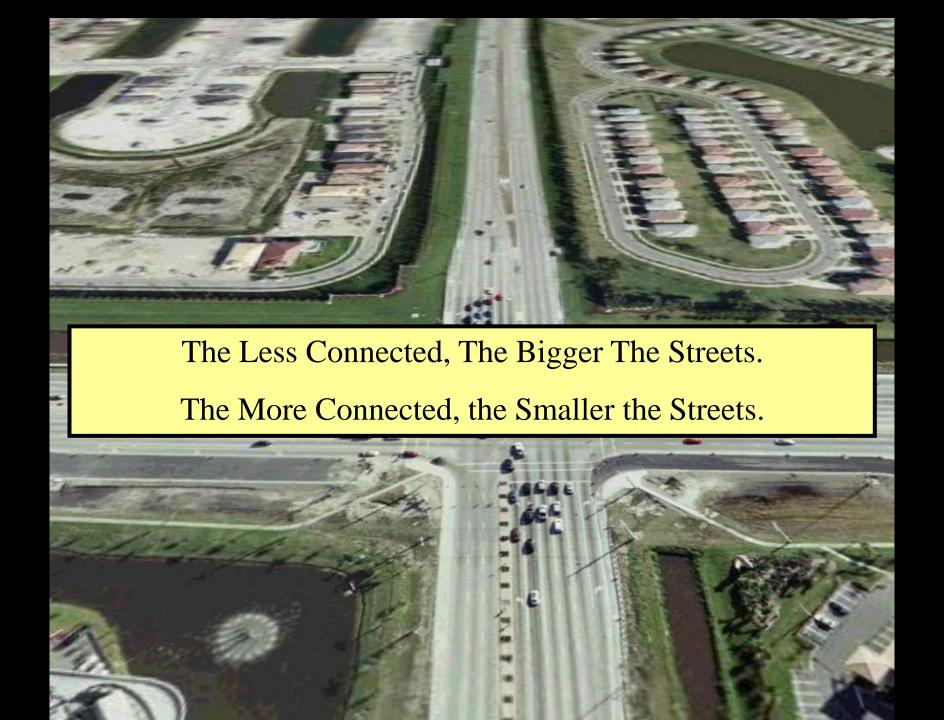
Land Use and Connectivity

Trip Assignments in Two Patterns of Development







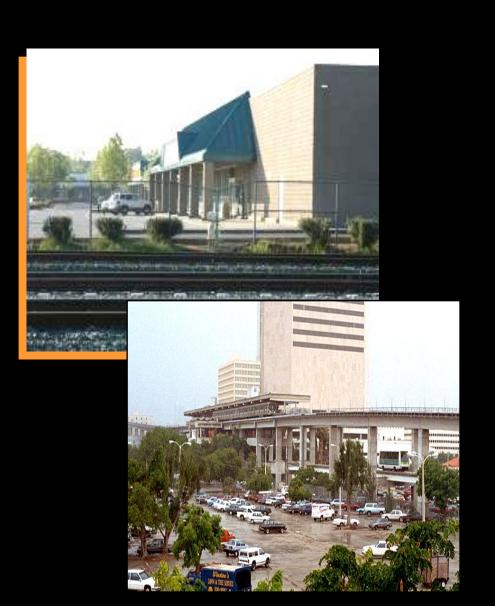


What is TOD ... Transit Oriented Development

- Walkable "villages" located at & around transit stations in a 1/4 to 1/2 mile ring
- Contains broad mix of uses (such as residential, office, retail, entertainment, civic/cultural)
- Tie-into local transit (Palm-Tran, trolleys)
- Densities appropriate to context
- More compact than surrounding areas
- Built around civic plazas & community spaces
- Appropriate treatment of parking (shared, reduced & structured)



TOD vs. TAD



 Transit <u>Oriented</u> Development

VS.

- Transit Adjacent Development
 - Auto-oriented uses
 - Large surface parking lots
 - Suburban office campuses
 - Big-box format retail
 - Pedestrian unfriendly

TOD Typology



City Center



Town Center



Local Park-n-Ride



Regional Park-n-Ride

TOD Typology



Special Event Venue



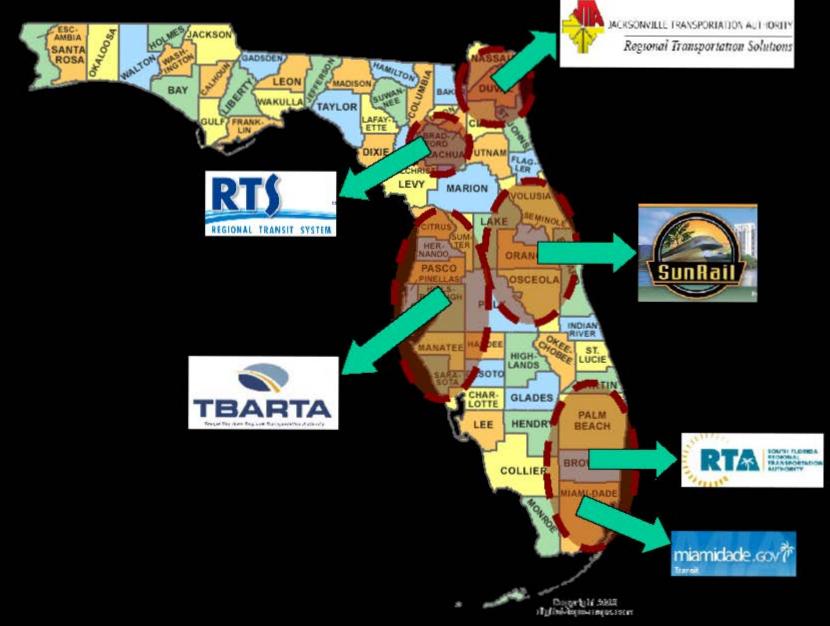
Airport / Seaport



Employment Center Station



Neighborhood Station



A Sampling of Pending Transit/TOD ...

Is Green on the Agenda?



Taking Transit to Work is the Best Way to Reduce Household Carbon Footprint

Science Applications International Corporation (2007)

Florida Department of Transportation transit oriented development

DOCUMENTATION

WORKSHOPS

WELCOME

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), in partnership with the Florida Department of Community Affairs (DCA), is developing Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Design Guidelines to promote and implement 'transit ready' development patterns in Florida. TODs are moderate to high density, mixed-use, and walkable developments designed to facilitate transit and accommodate multiple modes of transportation.

Benefits of TOD go beyond maximizing transit ridership potential. TODs by design are pedestrian friendly, less land consumptive and increase accessibility through proximity.











AND



http://www.floridatod.com/

Why is TOD Important for Florida?

Ridership & System Viability

• Increases potential riders — especially "choice riders" around stations

Allows transit to replace auto trips

• System becomes safer & more attractive with "natural surveillance"



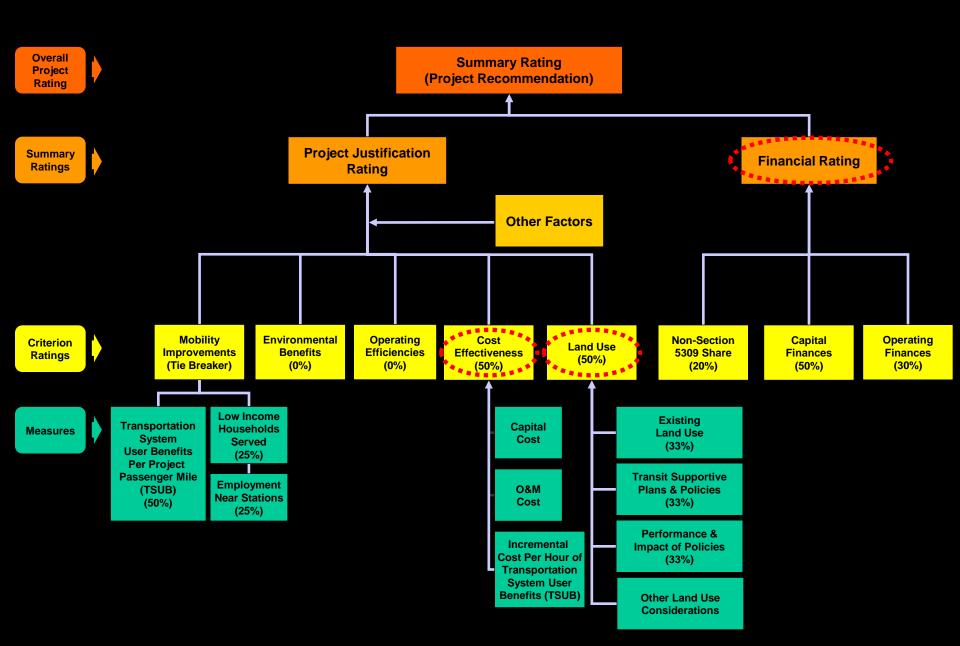
Money & FTA Ratings

- Increases potential (FTA* rating points) for funding system expansion
- Increases FTA land use rating
 - Since 1997, the FTA has reviewed land use when evaluating new funding applications.
 - Regions compete with each other for funding.

*FTA = Federal Transit Administration



FTA New Starts Evaluation & Rating Framework

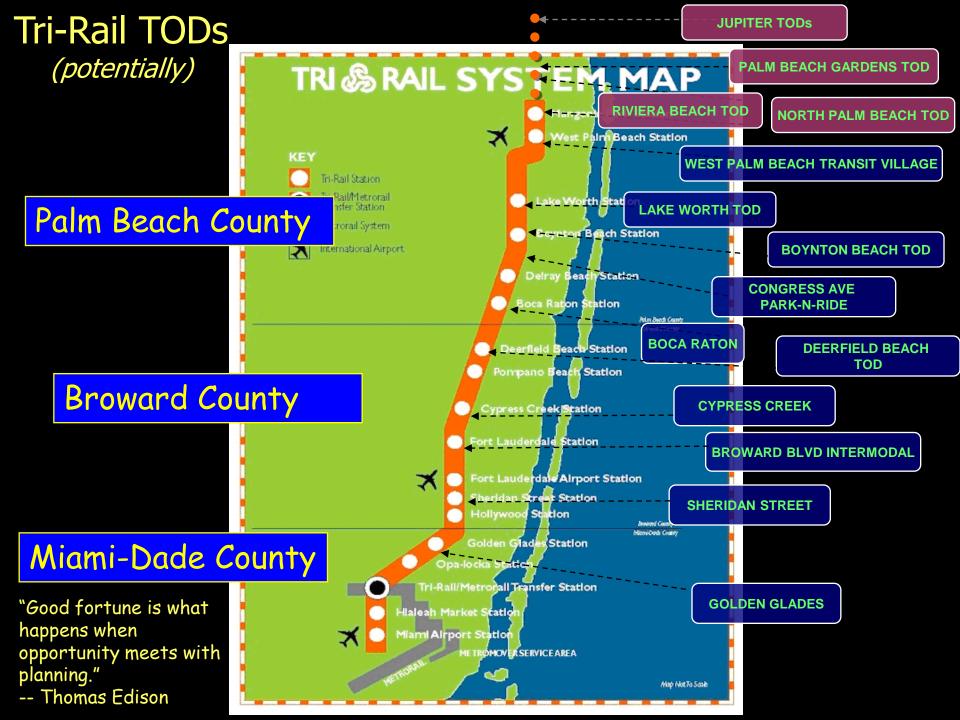




Southeast Florida

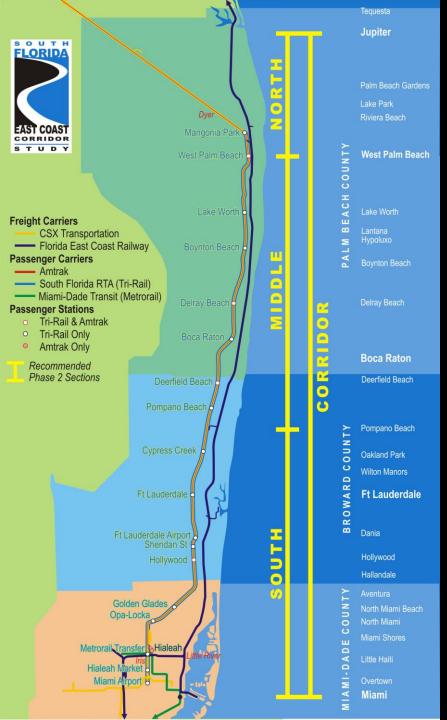
The Tri-Rail System





South Florida East Coast Corridor Study



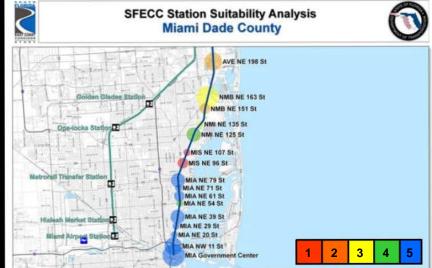


SFECC Overview

- Focus on NORTH-SOUTH mobility issues
- •85-mile study area centered on the FEC Alignment
 - Encompasses Tri-Rail and future
 FEC alternatives
 - Addresses EAST-WEST and other feeder connections
 - An integrated network







Lake Worth TOD Charrette

- Collaborative Inter-Agency Effort (June 2008)
- Evaluated Tri-Rail Station for infill TOD
- Recommended 2 (of 4) Future FEC Station Locations







Local Park and Ride

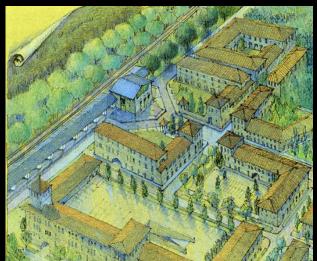


Parking Structure with Ground-Floor Liner

Town of Jupiter TOD Charrette

- Inter-Agency Collaborative Effort (Jan 2008)
- Evaluated 5 Station Area Locations
- Recommended 3 (of 5) for Future Stations







Neighborhood Station/Employment Center







New Haven (adjacent Abacoa neighborhood)

- ~ 70 Townhouse Units
- ~ 3-5,000 SF Community Commercial

Town Center Station



Toney Penna Drive / Redevelopment District

Toney Penna Drive ~ Central Station







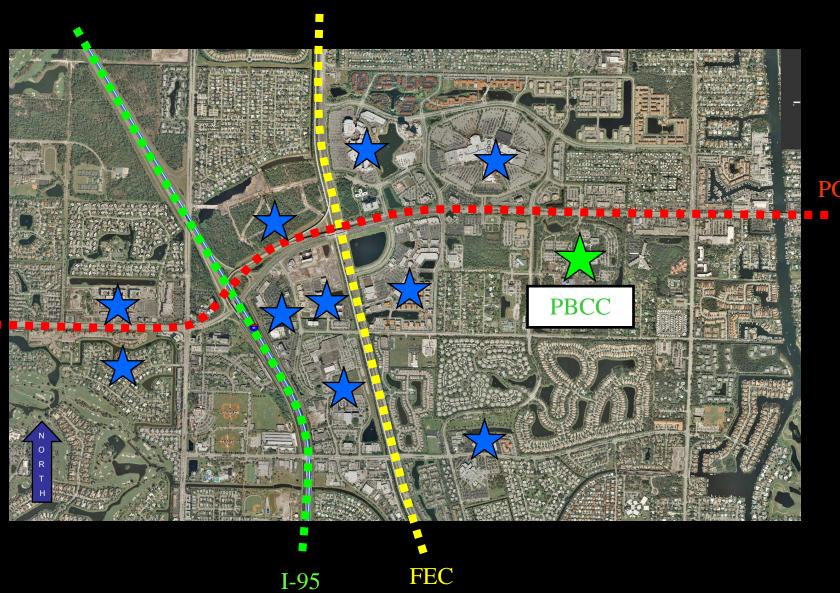
Palm Beach Gardens TOD Charrette

- Inter-Agency Collaborative Effort (Mar 2008)
- Evaluated 5 Station Area Locations
- Recommended 1 as Regional Park-and-Ride with Intermodal Transfer
- Developed Infill Plan for PGA Corridor



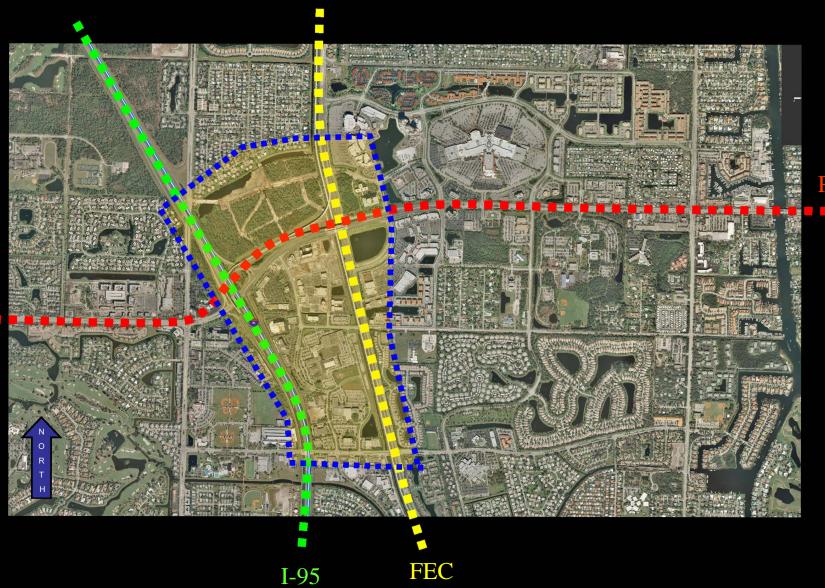


Study Area

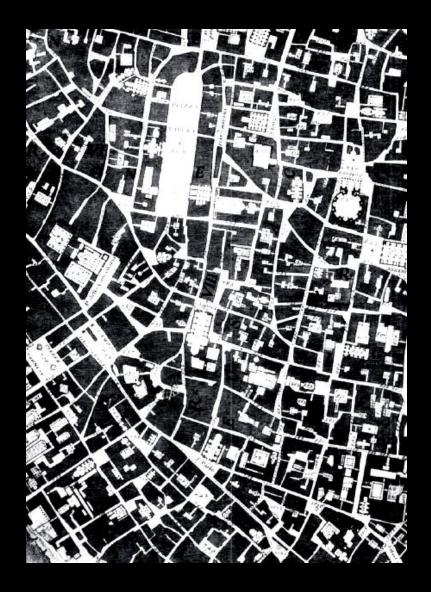


PGA

Study Area



PGA



The Nolli Plan



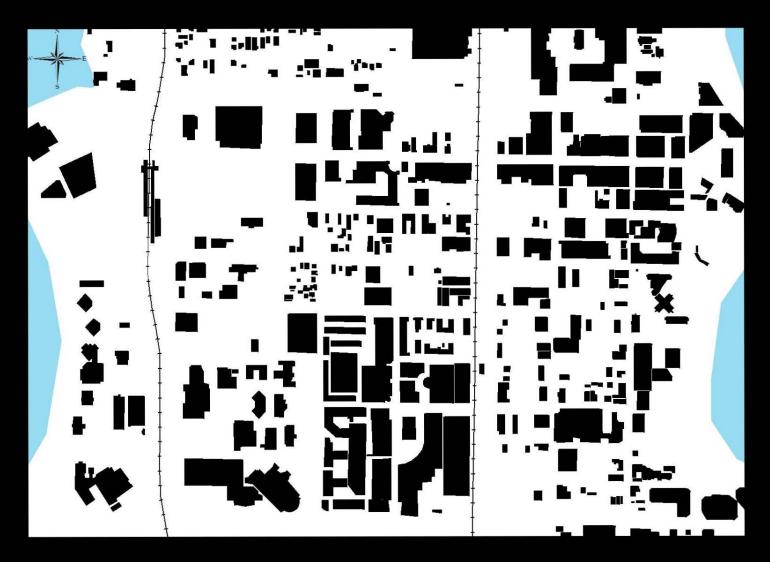
Giambattista Nolli 1701-1756

Rome

Urban Fabric

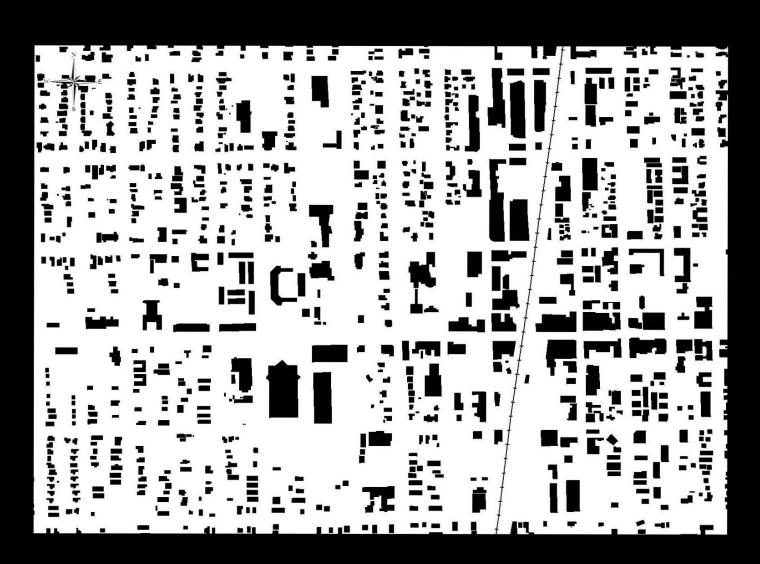


Urban Fabric



West Palm Beach

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Delray Beach



Palm Beach Gardens

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Palm Beach Gardens TOD Master Plan



Palm Beach Gardens
Regional Park & Ride
Station
Central Site
(The Wedge & A1A)





