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Broward Commuter Rail

City of Oakland Park
City Commission Meeting
February 5, 2025



A man and a woman are sitting at a table, looking at documents. The man is on the left, wearing a dark blue jacket, and the woman is on the right, wearing a mustard yellow jacket and a red headband. They are both looking down at the papers on the table. The background is a blurred indoor setting with a brick wall and some plants.

Agenda

- Meeting Purpose
- PREMO Overview
- Broward Commuter Rail (BCR) Corridor
- BCR South
- BCR North
- PD&E Study Process
- Next Steps



Meeting Purpose

- Update cities/communities and stakeholders on the status of Broward Commuter Rail (BCR) North
- Receive input/questions about the proposed project/service
- Reconfirm support from cities to move forward into the Project Development and Environmental (PD&E) Study



PREMO

Premium Mobility Plan

Broward County Transit

MODE	MILES
Commuter Rail South	11.5
Commuter Rail North	15.5
Light Rail Transit	23.3
Bus Rapid Transit	76
High Frequency Bus	100

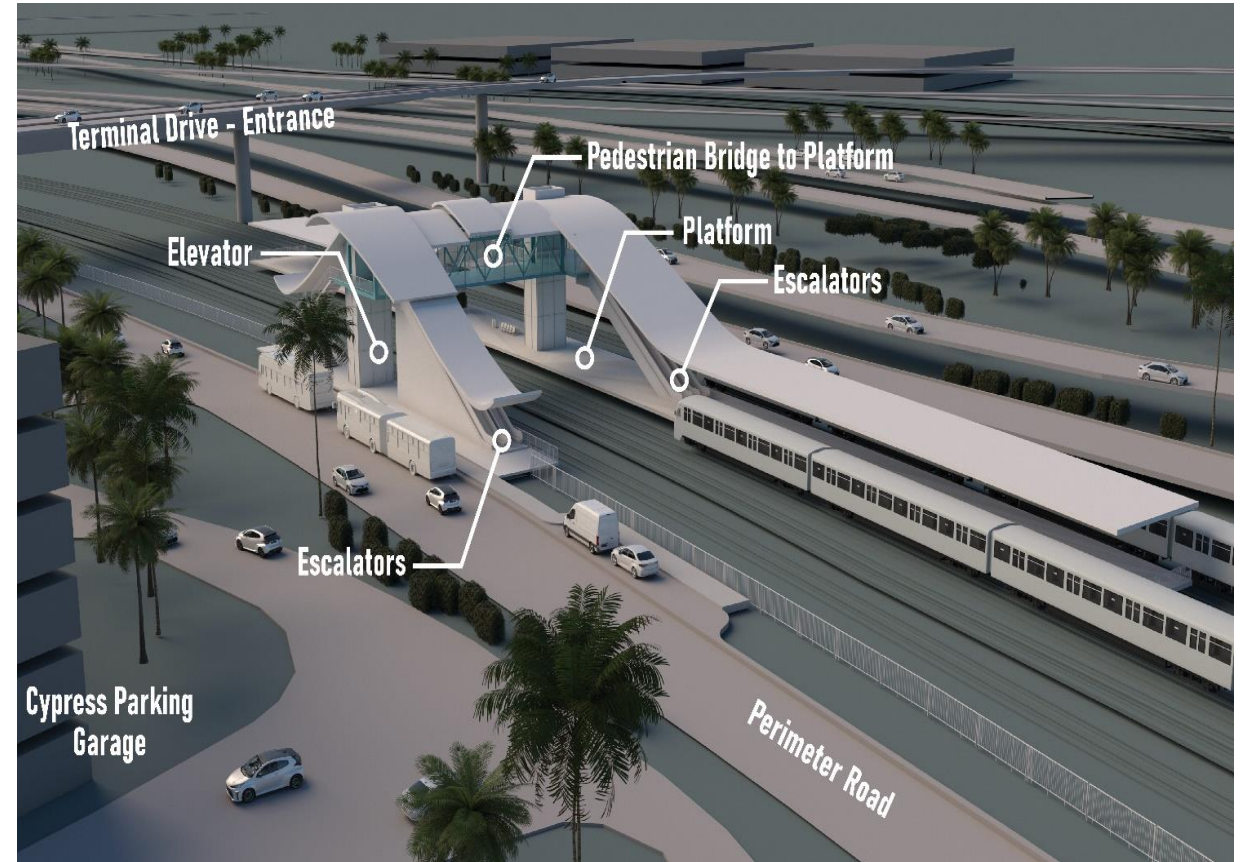
The BCR Corridor

- Aventura to Deerfield Beach (27 miles of the FEC corridor)
- Technical recommendations were made for six (6) general station locations in Broward County including Oakland Park.
- Coordination with Brightline, FECR, USCG, FTA, MPO, municipalities, Broward and Miami-Dade Counties
- Stakeholder meetings and workshop focused on the New River Crossing and stations
- Miami-Dade has advanced the NE Corridor Project from Aventura to Downtown Miami with Federal Transit Administration
- Per Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
 - FDOT led the initial environmental study and technical analysis
 - Broward County is responsible for the access fee, maintenance, operations, Finance Plan and Consensus Building



Broward Commuter Rail South

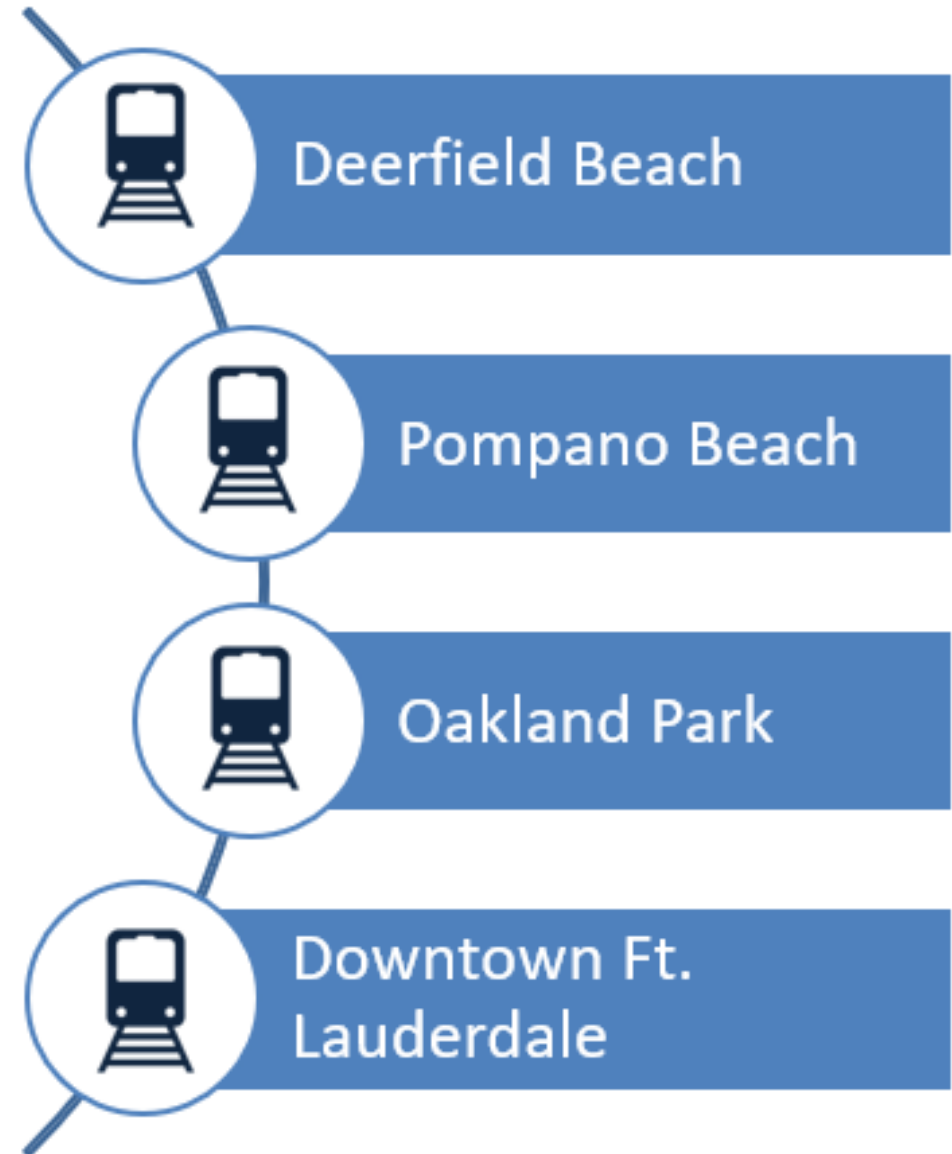
- Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) adopted in 2022
- Key Milestones Met
 - NEPA completed Sept. 2024
 - 30% Plans and Cost Estimates completed Nov. 2024
 - Accepted into New Starts Program Dec. 2024
- Ongoing grant application preparation
- Completing Project Development Dec. 2025



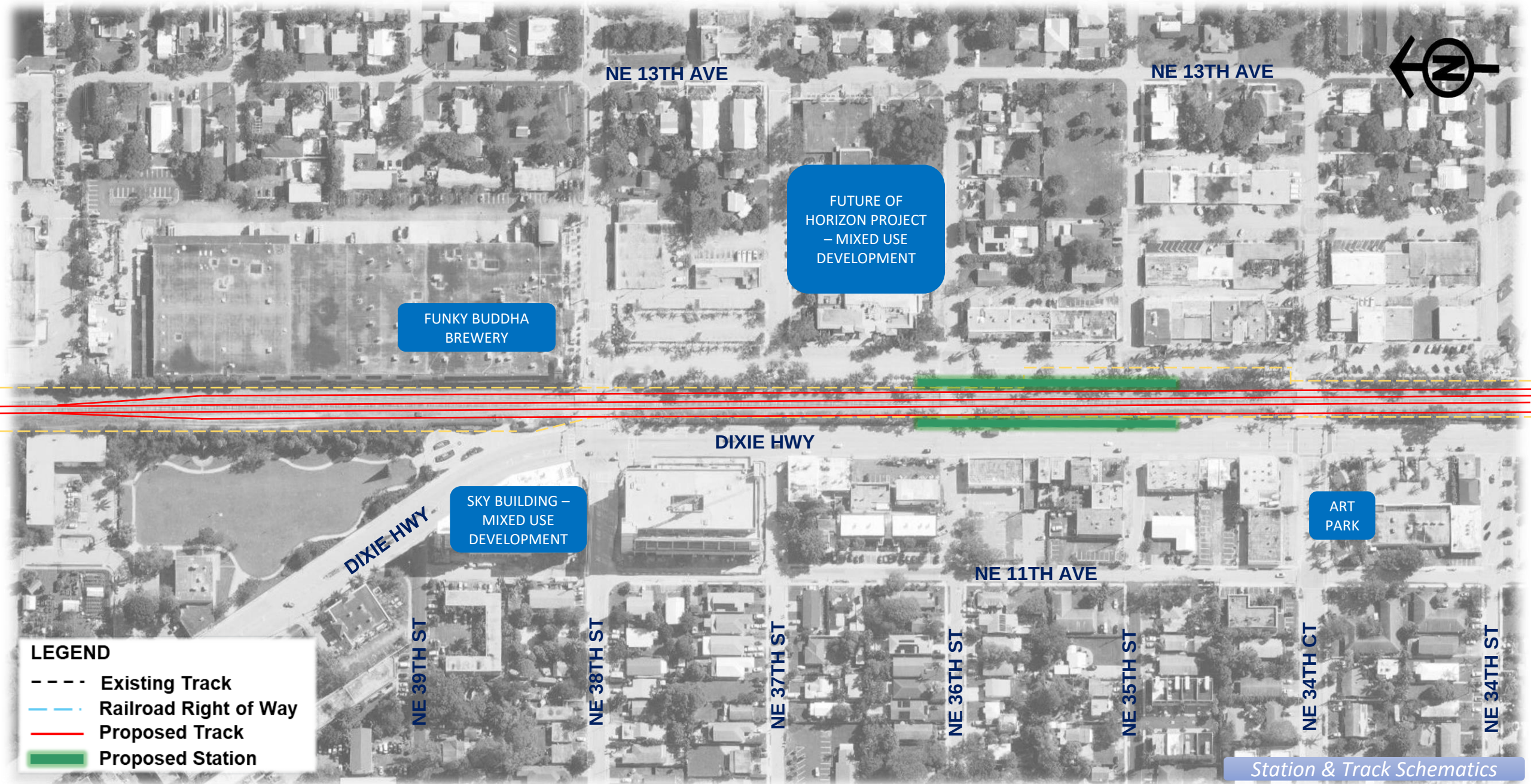
Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport
Conceptual Station

Broward Commuter Rail North

- Part of the original vision
- Local communities welcome new service
- Station location: Deerfield Beach, Pompano Beach, Oakland Park and Downtown Ft. Lauderdale
- Public engagement underway
- Next step: LPA and PD&E



— Oakland Park Station





New River Crossing

- The New River is quite narrow at this location
- Existing rail bridge is 4-feet high
- Prevents most boats from passing when down
- Coast Guard requires new crossing for more frequent trains
- Supports marine industry and promotes better mobility
- Multiple crossing options

Process

Phase 1 Planning

Phase 2 PD&E Study

Phase 3 Design

Phase 4 Right of Way Acquisition
(if required)

Phase 5 Construction

Phase 6 Operations and Maintenance

What is a PD&E?

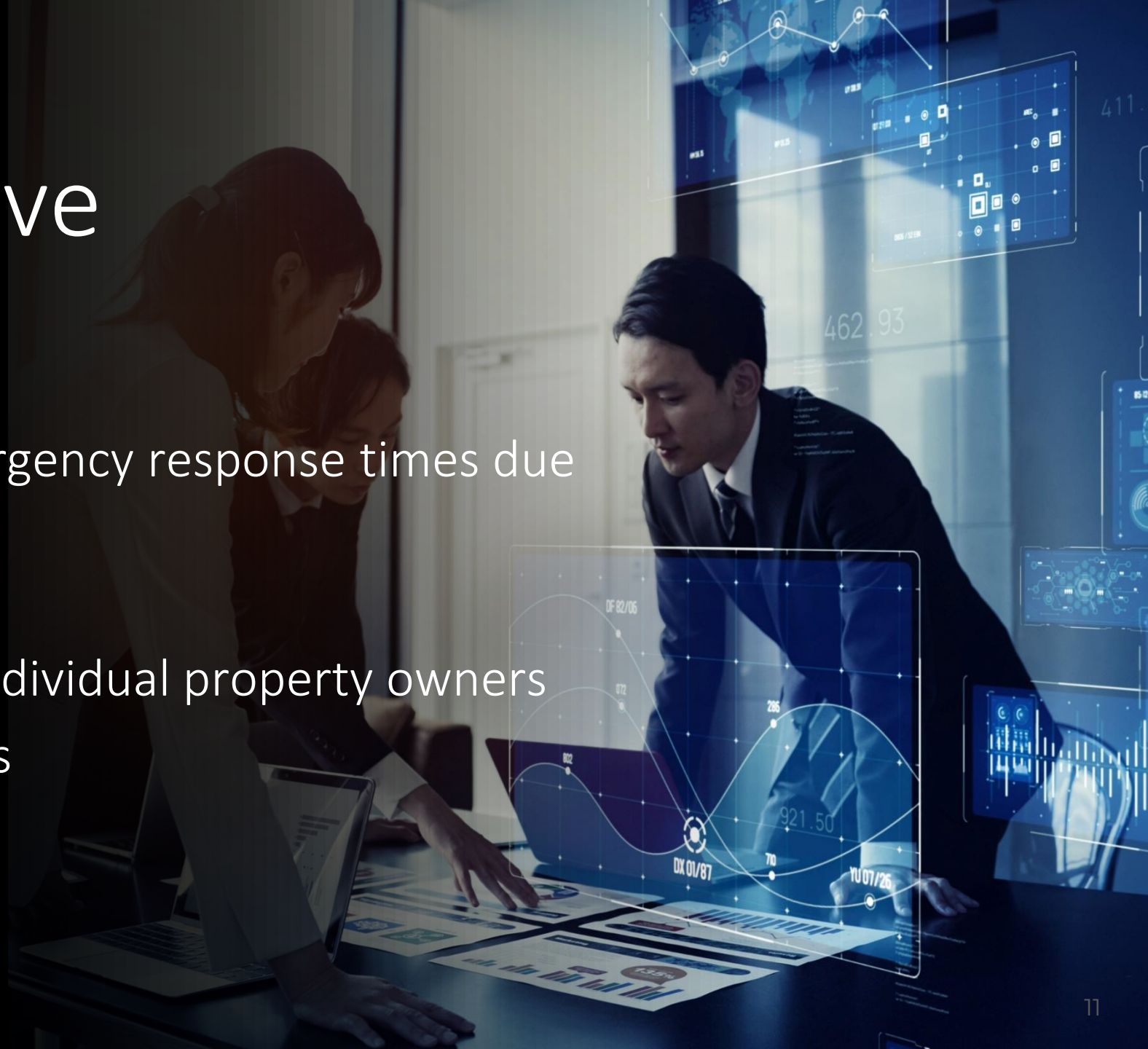
A Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study is FDOT's procedure for complying with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969 and associated federal and state laws and regulations

It involves:

- Conducting preliminary engineering
- Evaluating alternatives that meet the Purpose and Need while enhancing, avoiding, minimizing, or mitigating potential environmental impacts
- Coordinating with stakeholders, federal, state, and local agencies
- Engaging the public in evaluation of the alternatives (a key aspect throughout the life of a project)
- Select a Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) that will move forward with the Federal Transit Administration NEPA Process

Issues to Resolve During PD&E

- Traffic circulation and emergency response times due to additional trains
- Pedestrian circulation
- Interaction with affected individual property owners
- Noise and vibration analysis
- Station design and access





Next Steps

- Continue public engagement for BCR North
 - General Public Meeting, February 2025
- Adopt a locally preferred alternative for BCR North
- Begin the Project Development and Environmental Study for BCR North



Thank you

For more information on
Broward Commuter Rail (BCR) North
visit www.Broward.org/BCT/BCRNorth