

# CSX East-West Rail Feasibility Study

**SAC Meeting # 3** 

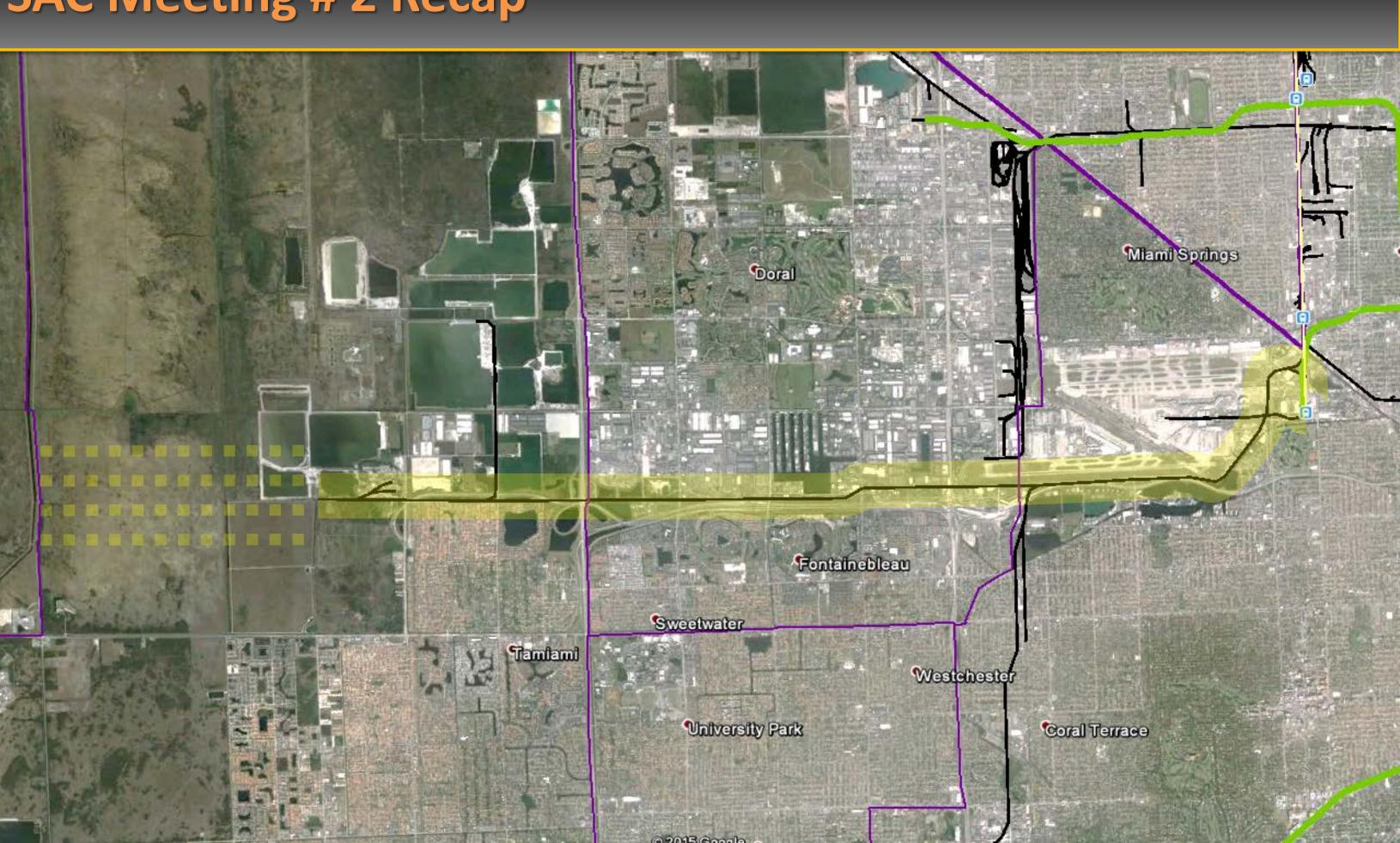
Tuesday August 25, 2015



### Agenda

- Introductions
- Recap of SAC Meeting # 2
- MIC to Dolphin Station Alternative
- MOS Recommendation Open Discussion
- Phase 2 Future Evolution of Initial MOS
- Phase 2 Development Open Discussion
- Next Steps
- October SAC Meeting

## **SAC Meeting # 2 Recap**



## **Study Phasing**

### Phase 1 - Focus on Evaluating Potential Start- Up Service

- Stations
- Operations
- Ridership
- Infrastructure Needs
- Costs

### Phase 2 – Expanded Services Building Off Start-Up Service

- FIU
- Krome Avenue
- Kendall
- Improvements to Start-up Service





### **Starter Service**

### **Service Parameters**

- Minimal lead time starter service
- Serve two key markets
  - Western commuters with destinations along Metrorail
  - Travelers to FIU and Doral
- 46 weekday trains
- 30/60 headways
- Starter service designed for future refinements
- 20-minute max. travel time from Dolphin Station to MIC
- Coordinated timed transfers with Metrorail



### **Starter Service Options**

## MIC to 137<sup>th</sup> Ave.





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### Attributes

- Allows for single track/passing siding operation
- Minimizes Rolling Stock Needs
- Takes advantage of SFRTA available rolling stock
- Matches existing Metrorail schedule at the MIC
- Serves western portion of the County well

### Challenges

- No cushion in operating plan
- On the edge of the Urban Development Boundary
- Greater infrastructure needs

### **Starter Service Options**

## MIC to 132nd Ave.





### MIC to 132nd Ave.

### Attributes

- Allows for single track/passing siding operation
- Minimizes Rolling Stock Needs  $\bullet$
- Takes advantage of SFRTA available rolling stock ightarrow
- Matches existing Metrorail schedule at the MIC ightarrow
- Serves Tamiami neighborhood with a station
- Provides for limited cushion in operating plan

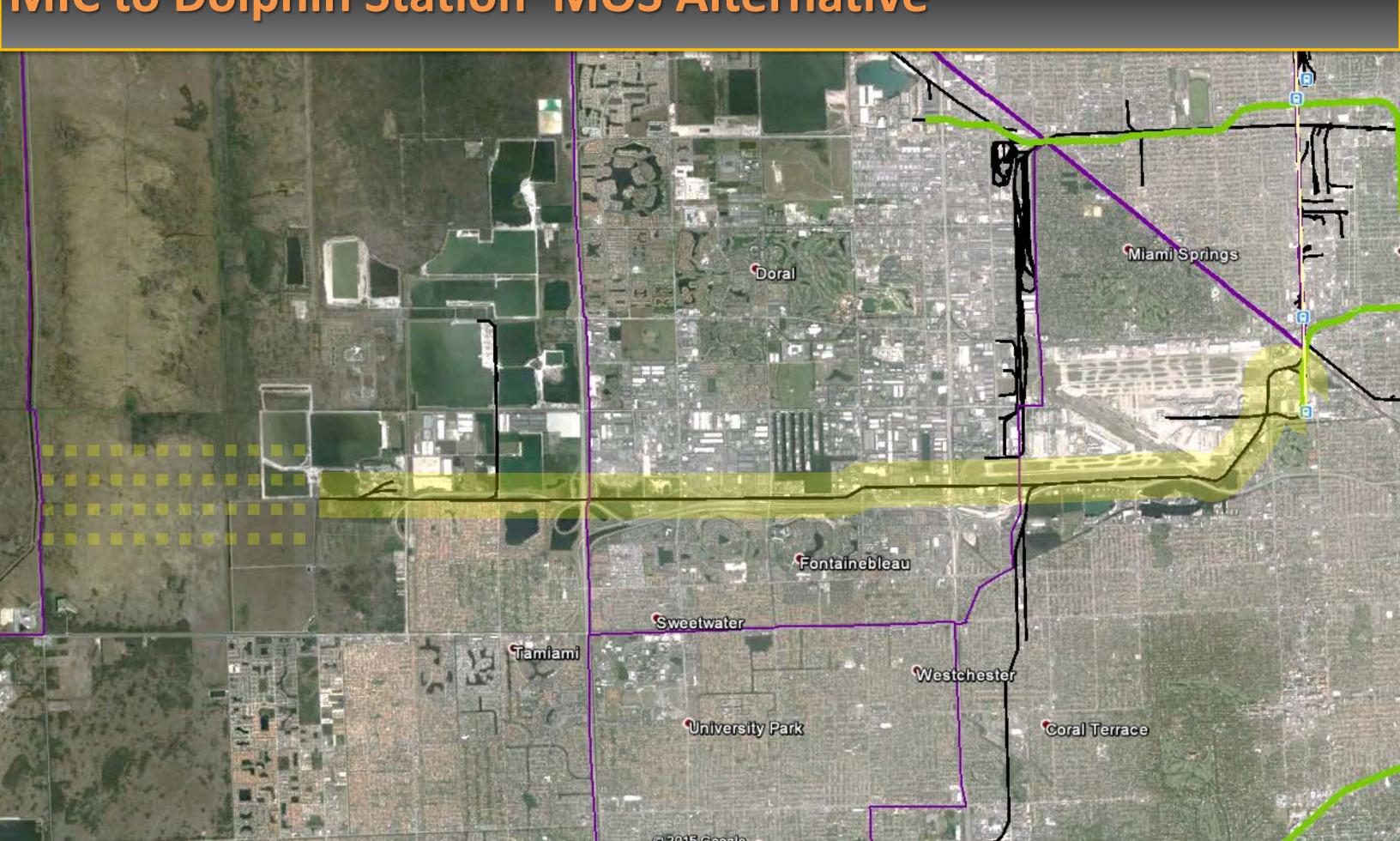
### Challenges

- Terminal station in residential area
- Additional infrastructure needs

### SAC Recommendations/Conclusions

- Eliminate station at 97<sup>th</sup> Avenue ightarrow
- Hold MIC-137<sup>th</sup> Avenue option for later phase, not as starter service ightarrow
- Analyze an option terminating at Dolphin Station

## MIC to Dolphin Station MOS Alternative



### **Starter Service Options**

### **Potential Service Option**

 MIC to Dolphin Station (122<sup>nd</sup> and Turnpike)





### **Starter Stations Preferences**

Dolphin Station 122nd Avenue - Turnpike		Park and Ride station available for local r commuters coming from the Turnpike (U provided by others)
107th Ave (SW Doral)		Primarily a destination station served by provided by the Malls and an FIU shuttle
82nd Avenue (SE Doral)		Walk/Bike and Park and Ride for Residen and to intense industrial and warehousir (assume 300 spaces)
Miami Intermodal Center	0.0	Transfer to Metrorail Orange Line

### residents but primarily for Up to 1000 parking spaces

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## **Capital Investment Differences**

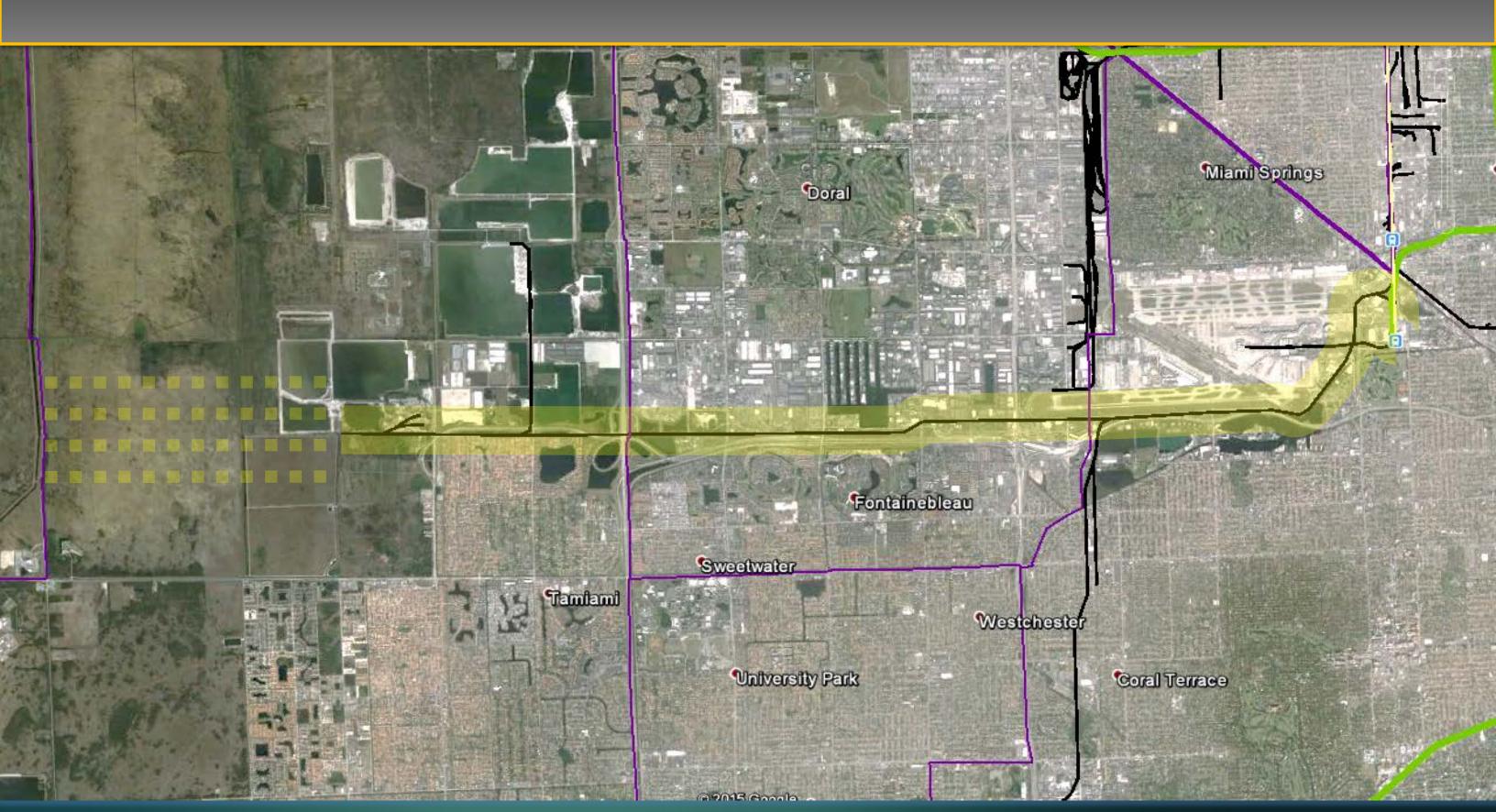
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Rehab Mainline Track (Miles)	10.5	
New Mainline Track (Miles)	2	
Passenger Stations	5	
Turnouts Replaced	11	
Grade Crossings	17	

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### **Dolphin Station Terminus**

- The reduction would save
  - 1.1 miles of track rehabilitation
  - Three grade crossings
  - One station

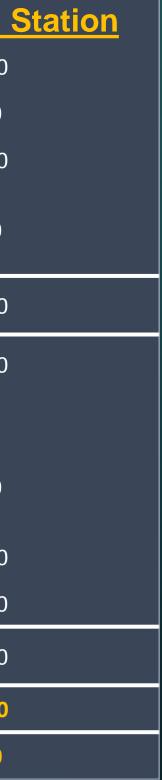
### **MOS Analysis and Recommendations**



## **Preliminary Cost Estimates**

	MIC to 132nd	MIC to Dolphin
Track and Switches	\$14,000,000	\$13,000,000
Signals & Communications	\$8,000,000	\$8,000,000
Stations	\$13,000,000	\$10,000,000
Sitework, Utilities, Environmental & Grade Crossings	\$6,000,000	\$5,000,000
Sub-total Construction Elements	\$41,000,000	\$37,000,000
Property Acquisition (Stations and Parking)	\$28,000,000	\$23,000,000
Vehicles	\$0	\$0
Special Conditions, Mobilization, Temporary Facilities	\$4,000,000	\$3,000,000
Professional Services	\$14,000,000	\$14,000,000
Contingency	\$13,000,000	\$11,000,000
Sub-total Non-Construction Elements	\$59,000,000	\$52,000,000
Total Capital Cost	\$100,000,000	\$88,000,000
Annual O&M Costs	\$7,900,000	\$7,600,000

ROW costs not included



### **Preliminary Capital Cost Estimates**

- Do NOT include:
  - Right of way from CSX
  - Parking at the proposed Dolphin Station
  - Rolling Stock: Will use Tri-Rail existing fleet

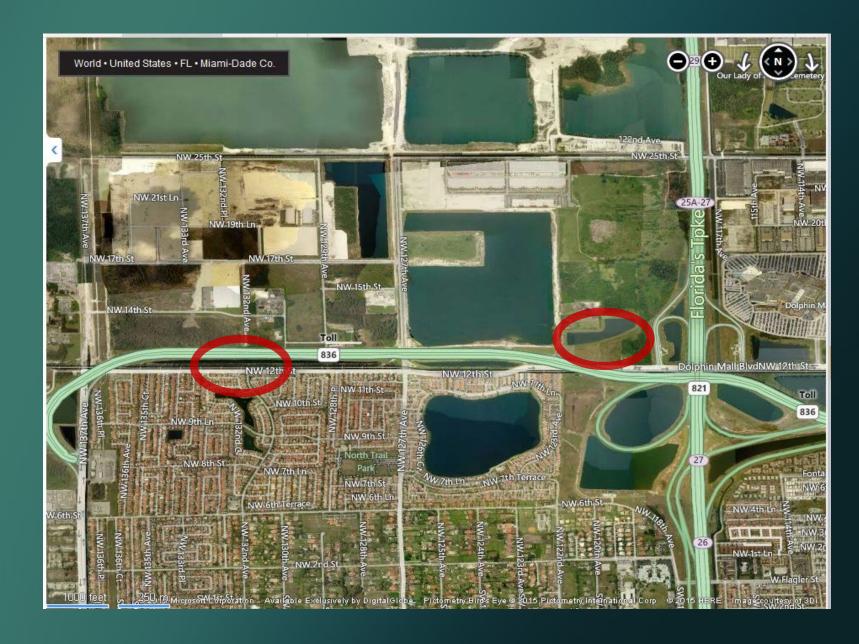
## Terminus Station - 132<sup>nd</sup> Ave. or Dolphin Station

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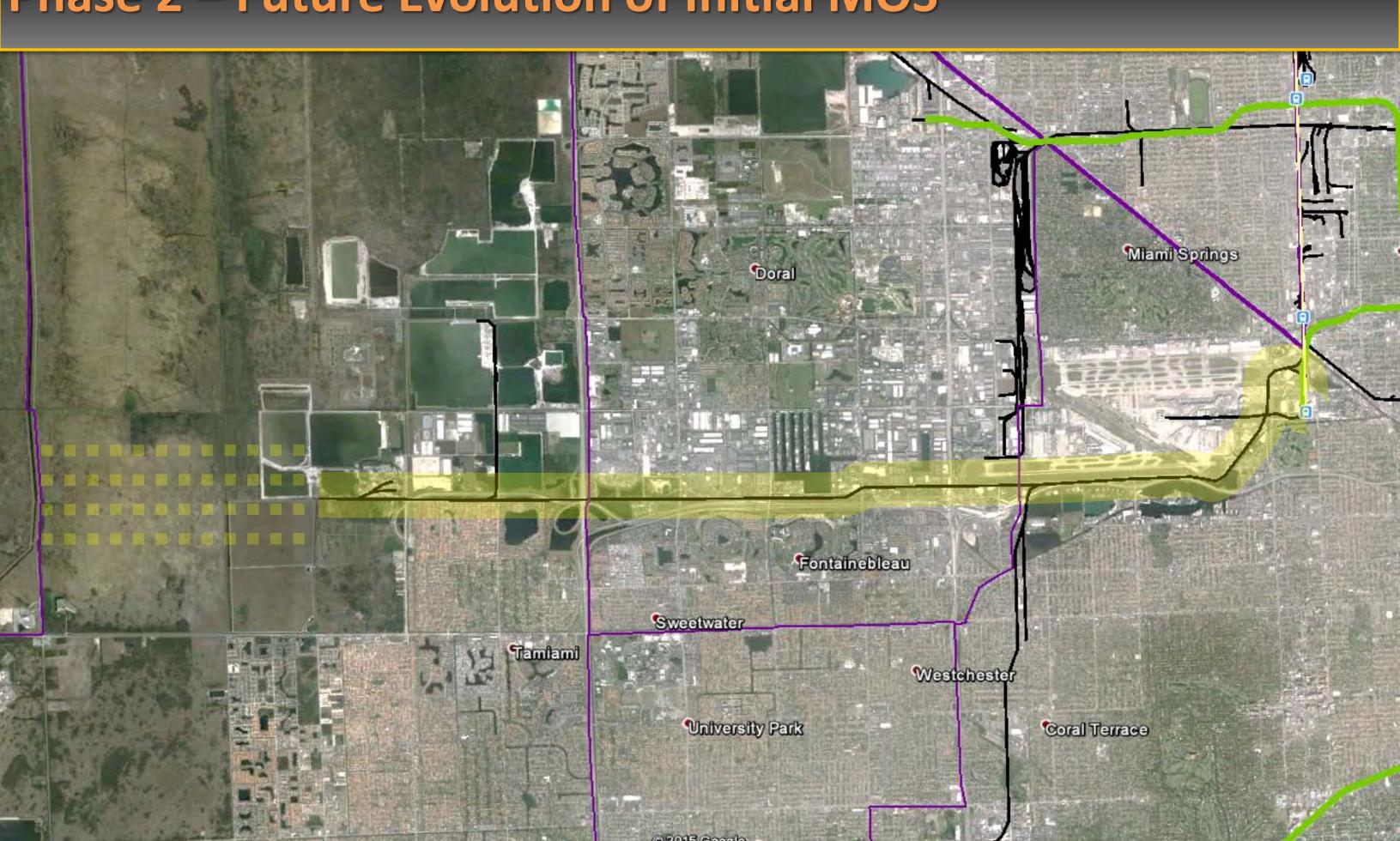
- Improved accessibility to Tamiami neighborhood
- Slightly higher capital cost
- Slightly higher O&M cost
- Operational objectives achieved

### **Dolphin Station**

- ✓ Greater operating plan cushion
- ✓ Less penetration into western neighborhoods
- ✓ Decision on western terminus at later date
- ✓ Good regional access
- $\checkmark$  Less than 10% reduction in ridership



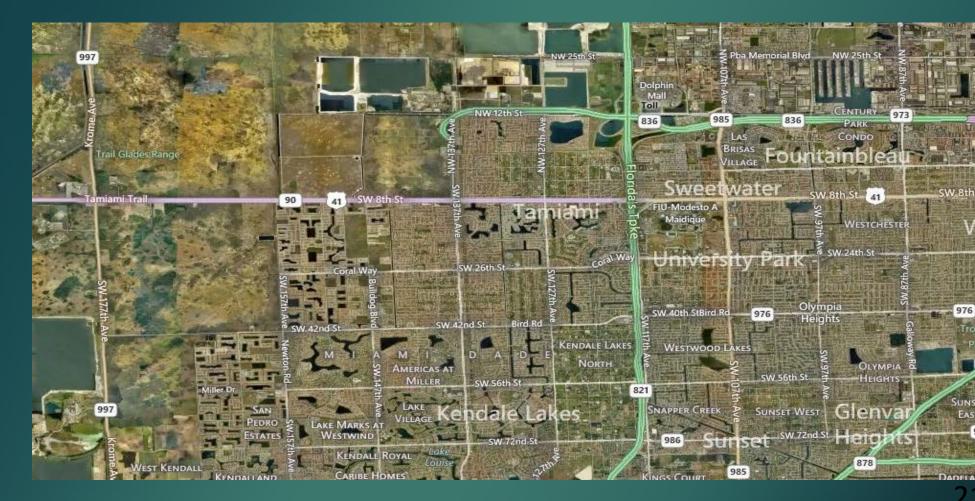
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## Phase 2 – Future Evolution of MOS

### **Potential Expansion Markets**

- FIU Connection
- Western (Krome Avenue) Extension





## Phase 2 – Future Evolution of MOS

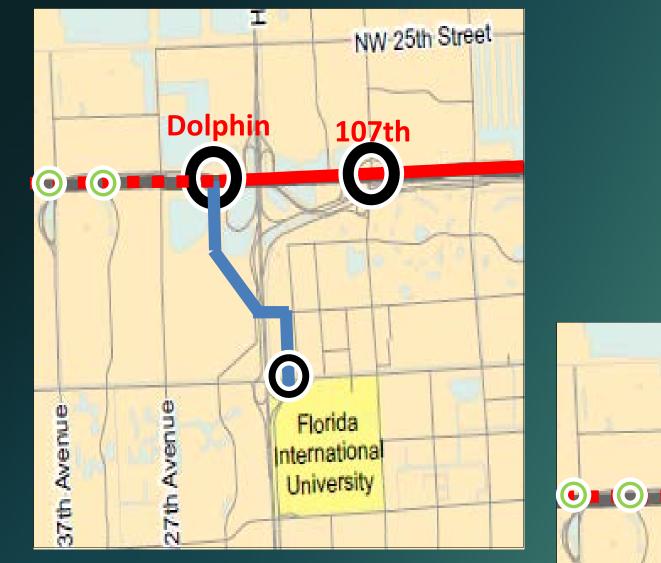
### **FIU Connection Considerations and Challenges**

- Vehicle technology ightarrow
- Availability of ROW ightarrow
- Long-term vision ightarrow
- How to best serve FIU Campus(s) igodol
- Sweetwater Station



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## Phase 2 – FIU Connection



via Turnpike / SW114th Ave



## Phase 2 – Future Evolution of MOS

### **Considerations and Challenges**

- Vehicle technology ightarrow
- Availability of ROW ightarrow
- Long-term vision ightarrow
- How to best serve FIU Campus(s) ightarrow
- Sweetwater Station



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## Phase 2 – Future Evolution of MOS

### **Technology Options**

**Diesel Light Rail Vehicle** ightarrow







## **Diesel Light Rail Service**

### **Attributes/Challenges:**

- More nimble vehicle allowing for additional stations igodot
- Increase service frequency
- Allows service to expand with demand
- 20 minute peak / 30 minute off-peak headways achievable
- Can be operated on MOS
- Allows for extensions to FIU
- Community/neighborhood compatibility
- Integration with freight
  - Separate track
  - Temporal separation



### Phase 2 – Future Evolution of MOS

### **Technology Options**

• Level Boarding







## Level Boarding

### Attributes/Challenges:

- Reduced dwell time at stations
- Accommodate additional stations
- Full ADA compliance
- Integration with freight
  - High and wide freight cars
  - Retractable edges





Open Discussion Phase 2 Development

### **Next Steps**

**Complete Phase 1 Final Report – Starter Service Recommendation** 

### Phase 2 – Fall 2015

- Develop and evaluate extension options
- Station Area Concept Plans
- Visualizations
- **Overall Recommendations** \_
- October 27<sup>th</sup> 2015 SAC Meeting # 4



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