

Criteria	Effect (-3 impact to +3 enhance)	Weight (1,2 or 3)	Weighted Effect
Environmental			
1. Floodplains	_____ X	_____ 1 _____	=
<p><i>The hydraulic capacity is the issue considered here. Floodplains are the areas adjacent to surface waters (lakes and rivers) that provide the storage during high water events to prevent flooding of upland properties. The impact and mitigation of that area and volume of flood storage affected is considered. The wetland, habitat and vegetation values of floodplains are evaluated under those respective criteria.</i></p>			
<p><i>Floodplains are regulated and impacts to floodplains must be compensated for, which will result in no net loss of floodplain. Since all alternatives will result in no loss of floodplain capacity, the lowest weighting is appropriate.</i></p>			
2. Surface Water Protection	_____ X	_____ 3 _____	=
<p><i>Surface waters are the open waters within the study area. These include the lakes and open water streams, e.g. Lake Bradford, Bradford Brook, Munson Slough. Protection of these water bodies is a primary objective from Blueprint 2000 and stated as highly important at nearly every district forum and the concept charrette. This is one of the most important criterion, therefore the highest weight is appropriate.</i></p>			
3. Vegetation and Wildlife	_____ X	_____ 3 _____	=
<p><i>This criterion includes individual species of protected plants and animals as well as the habitat that supports their survival and it also includes the natural areas that provide open green space and an ecosystem that supports natural plant and animal communities. These areas can be associated with floodplains, wetlands and recreational areas. There is a high level of protection provided to regulated plants and wildlife and with the public's perception of importance of green areas and open space, a high weighting is appropriate.</i></p>			

4. Wetlands

The areas that are defined by plant species and hydric soils. These areas vary in quality and ecological value. Of primary importance is their ability to provide natural water quality treatment and serve as a nursery area for many animal species. They can be associated with floodplain areas, swamps and artificially created areas associated with stormwater management. Wetlands are protected by local, state and federal regulations and are an issue of noted community concern, therefore a high weighting is appropriate.

_____ X 3 =

5. Stormwater Management

The process of providing treatment and improvement to the quality of stormwater discharged into receiving water bodies such as lakes and streams. Also, the management of the quantity of stormwater being discharged to prevent flooding, primarily caused by increases of impervious areas which diminish natural overland flow treatment and increase volume by reducing percolation. Stormwater management is a primary objective of Blueprint 2000 and mentioned numerous times at the district forums and the concepts charrette. Stormwater management has a regional as well as project specific importance, therefore a high weighting is appropriate.

_____ X 3 =

Economic

6. Cost

The monetary value to complete the proposed project. The assessment will consider actual construction cost, including consideration of value and benefits provided. Cost was mentioned at nearly all the district forums and concepts charrette, but should not be the major determinate of a preferred project alternative. A moderate weighting is appropriate.

_____ X 2 =

<p>7. Access & Mobility <i>Accesss was stated as a Blueprint 2000 objective to improve access to the airport, Innovation Park, Tallahassee Museum and undeveloped properties within the study area. Mobility is the ability of the project to support alternate modes of transportation such as mass transit, bicycles and pedestrians. These were mentioned at the district forums and concepts charrette as moderately important.</i></p>	<hr style="width: 100px; border: 0.5px solid black;"/>	<p>X</p>	<hr style="width: 100px; border: 0.5px solid black;"/> <p>2</p>	<p>=</p>
<p>8. Economic Development <i>A Blueprint objective was to locate major transportation infrastructure in a manner that would stimulate economic development. This is reflected in the access and location as well as the design of the facility. Has an importance both locally and regionally with individual benefits from expanding the job market. A moderate weighting is appropriate.</i></p>	<hr style="width: 100px; border: 0.5px solid black;"/>	<p>X</p>	<hr style="width: 100px; border: 0.5px solid black;"/> <p>2</p>	<p>=</p>
<p>Social</p>				
<p>9. Historical and Archaeological Sites <i>These are the areas that are of historical and archaeological significance. They are regulated and administered by the Department of State, Historic Preservation Office for the determination of their significance and inclusion on the National Register. Due to the low expectation of involvement a low weighting is appropriate.</i></p>	<hr style="width: 100px; border: 0.5px solid black;"/>	<p>X</p>	<hr style="width: 100px; border: 0.5px solid black;"/> <p>1</p>	<p>=</p>
<p>10. Mixed Housing <i>A Blueprint objective was to locate major infrastructure in a manner that would stimulate and provide for a mix of housing opportunities. Mixed housing is defined as a variety of housing types such as single family and multi-family with a diversity of price. This was not a topic of notable concern at the district forums or concept charrette and a low weighting is appropriate.</i></p>	<hr style="width: 100px; border: 0.5px solid black;"/>	<p>X</p>	<hr style="width: 100px; border: 0.5px solid black;"/> <p>1</p>	<p>=</p>

11. Recreation/Open Space/Greenways

A Blueprint objective was to incorporate greenways and landscaping into the project. These can be areas created as a result of the facility, areas made available in association with other aspects of the project such as stormwater management areas, or natural areas acquired with right-of-way purchases. The types of areas can be parks, trails or connections to trails and conservation/preservation property. Recreation and open space was mentioned at nearly every district forum and the concept charrette. A moderate weighting is appropriate.

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12. Residential Neighborhoods

The existing housing units within the project area, which can consist of a neighborhood or an individual home. This criterion is focused on the properties affected by acquisition and relocation. The protection of neighborhoods is an objective of Blueprint 2000 and was stated as being very important at the district forums and concept charrette. A high weighting is appropriate.

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13. Business Community

The existing business, commercial or industrial units within the project area. This criterion is focused on the properties affected by acquisition and relocation. The general consensus during the district forums and concept charrette was that while they were important, they were not as important as residential and environmental criteria. Therefore, a low weighting is appropriate.

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