

Analyzing the Business and Residential Impacts of the potential Gratigny Parkway East Extension Project

A Study by the Center for Urban Transportation Research

Problem Statement

The Miami-Dade Expressway Authority is considering a unique solution to provide improved access and mobility to and from the major origins and destinations in northern Miami-Dade County.

Although the proposed investment will enhance mobility and reduce congestion, the local business community could be affected by potentially negative impacts generated by changes in traffic patterns.

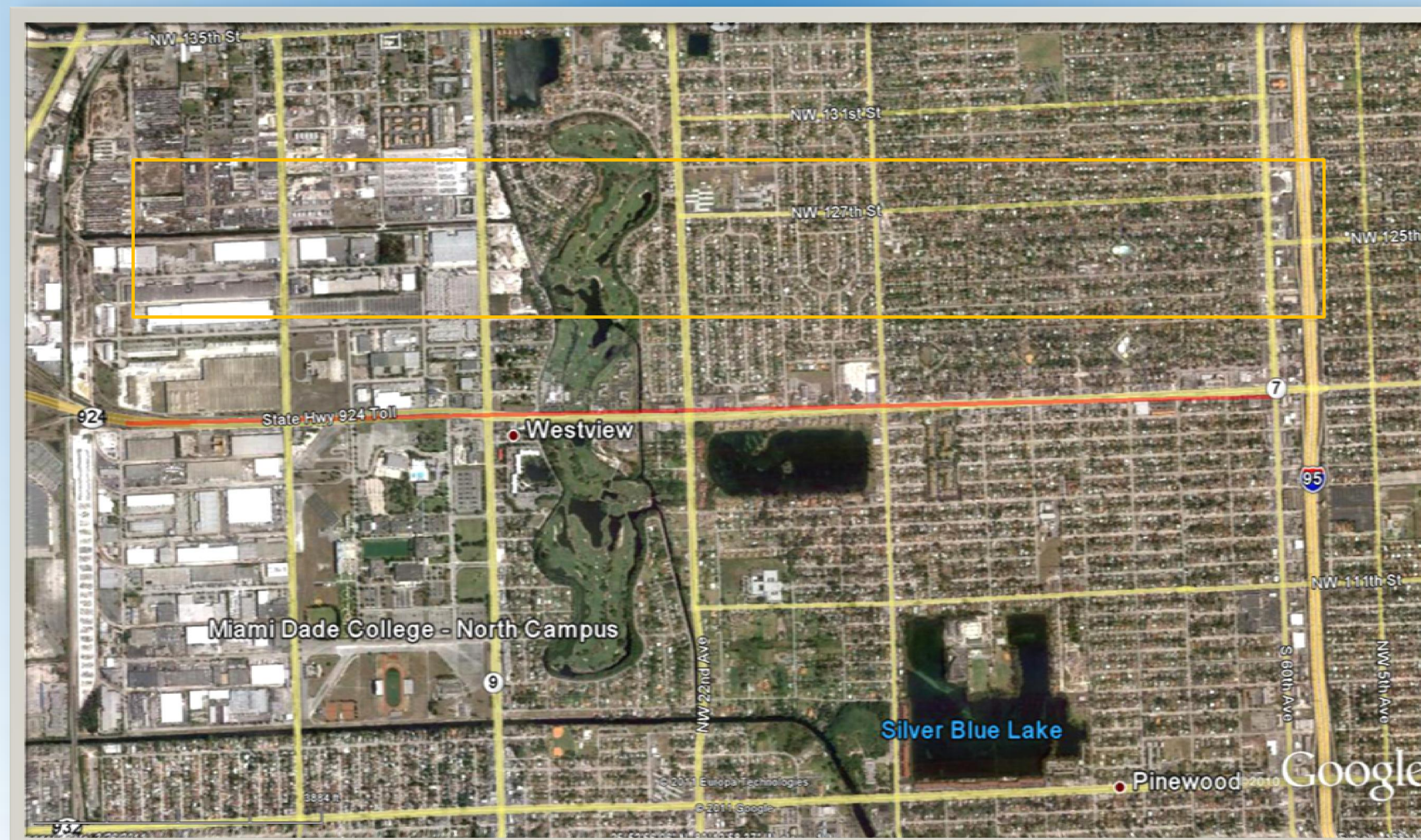
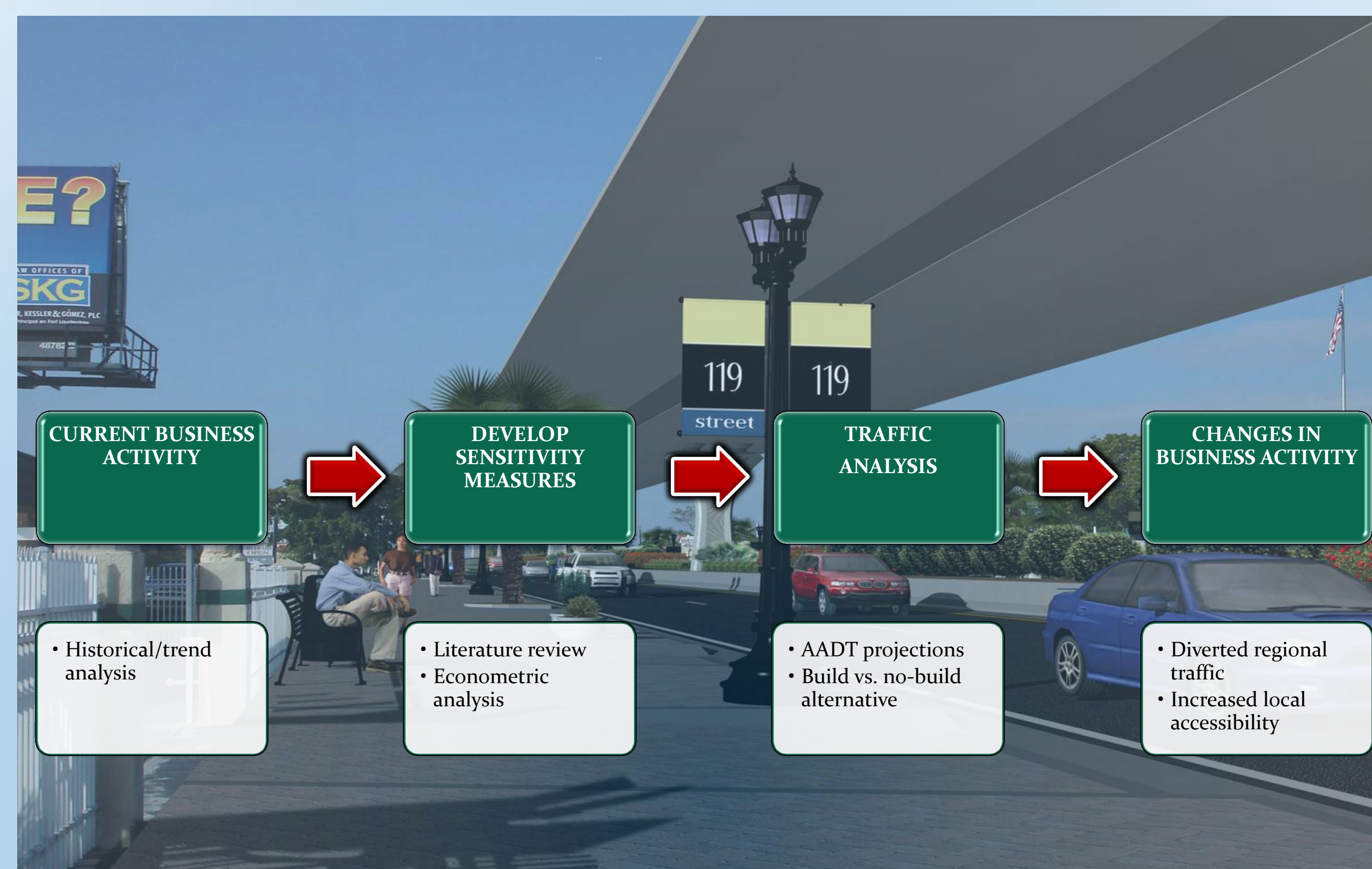
To make more informed decisions and to address the concerns of the local business community and residents, MDX commissioned a business impact study of the proposed project.

Study's Objectives

Estimate the economic impacts associated with the construction of elevated alternative:

- Assess the impact of changes in traffic patterns the connector will have on businesses located on NW 119th Street.
- Estimate the impact on adjacent business and residential property values.
- Estimate construction-related impacts.

Methodology



Approach

- Detailed study of businesses located along 119th Street and immediate surroundings.
- Review traffic forecasts that compare no-build with the proposed alternative.
- Analyze the relationship between the measures of economic activity and travel conditions.
- Estimate changes in economic activity brought about by changes in traffic conditions.
- Consider long-term business impacts of no-build.
- Study and report additional actions that might sustain local economic activity in the long run.

Findings

- CUTR will prepare final draft report to MDX.
 - ✓ To be delivered in September 2011.
- CUTR will present findings at MDX request.
 - ✓ To be announced.