
**Glades County Florida
Public Information Meeting**

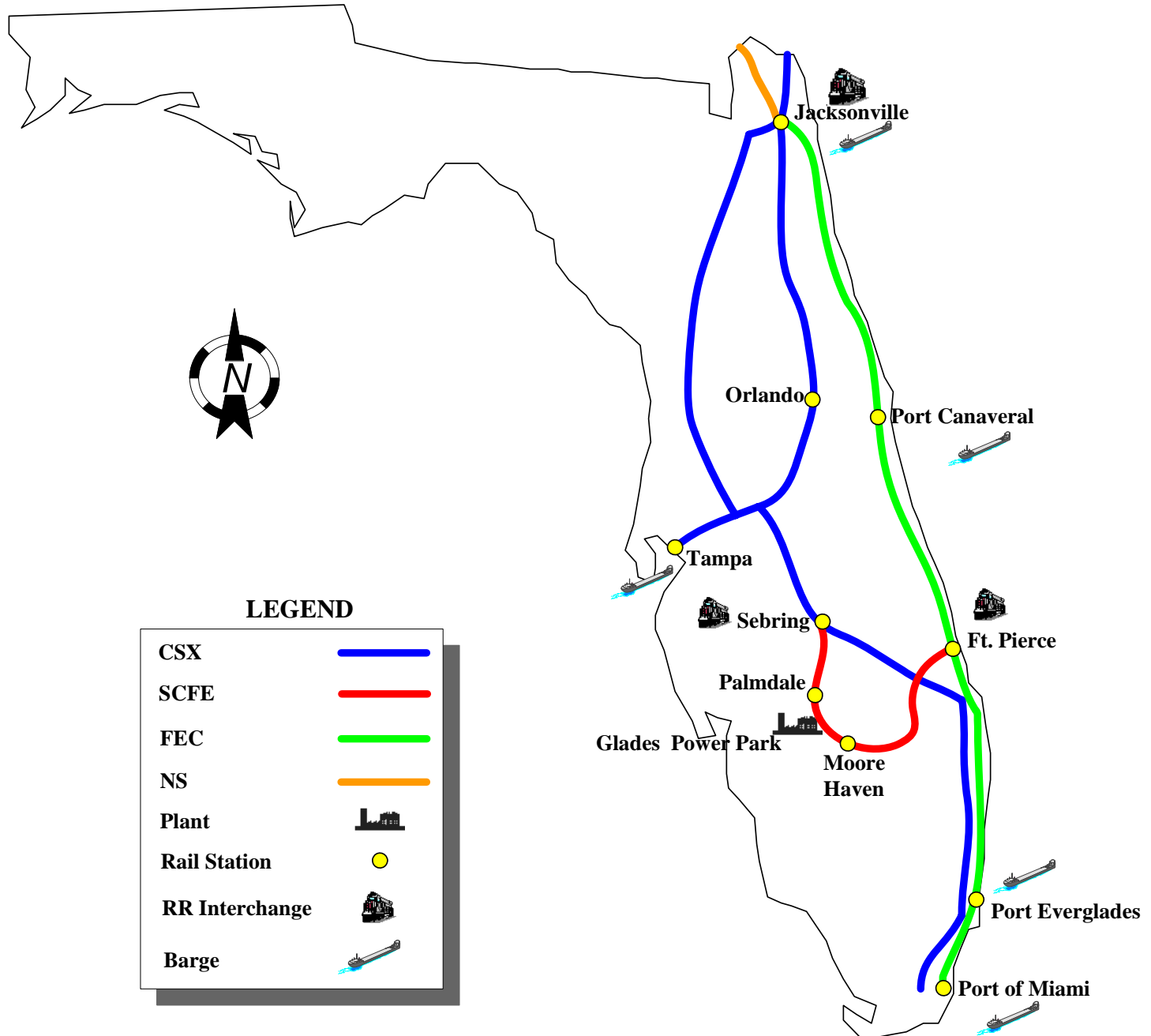
***Rail Service to
Florida Power & Light's
Glades Power Park***

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Rail Lines Serving FPL's Glades Power Park



Rail Service to FPL's Glades Power Park

- Unit Coal Train Service
 - Approximately 6.0 million tons of coal and coke per annually
 - The coal will originate at mines in Appalachia and South America
 - South American coal will move to Florida via ocean vessel, then to Glades Power Park by rail
- Trains from Appalachia are expected to be 95 cars in length
- Trains from the ports are expected to be 125 cars in length
- There will be a total of 1.3 loaded coal trains per day and 1.3 empty coal trains per day seven days per week
- Unit coal trains will operate at a minimum of 40 mph
- Unit coal trains will be operated on an expedited basis, stopping only to change crews and to interchange between railroads
- FPL's plant is designed to hold two complete unit trains on the site at any given time
- SCFE is building two additional sidings adjacent to the plant sufficient to accommodate two more unit trains
- In addition to coal the Glades Power Park will receive on 40 to 50 cars of limestone each week either in trainloads on a few cars each day in currently scheduled train service

Rail Service to Glades Power Park – Route of Movement

■ Appalachian coal

- CSX to SCFE at Sebring or
- NS to FEC at Jacksonville then to SCFE at Ft. Pierce

■ Offshore Coal and Coke

- The most likely port of entry is Tampa
- CSX from Tampa to SCFE at Sebring
- Other possible ports of entry
 - East Coast FEC to SCFE at Fort Pierce
 - Gulf Coast Ports CSX to SCFE at Sebring

Rail Service to FPL's Glades Power Park – SCFE Operation

- SCFE currently operates 150 miles of track from Fort Pierce to Sebring

- SCFE provides daily round trip train service from Clewiston to Fort Pierce and from Clewiston to Sebring
 - Daily switch service is also provided between Clewiston and Belle Glade
 - The daily trains stop frequently to set cars out and to pick cars up at industries along the route

- Due to existing track conditions operating speeds are restricted to 25 mph between Moore Haven and Sebring

- SCFE will be upgrading the line from Moore Haven to Sebring in 2007/2008, and in doing so will increase speed restrictions to at least 40 mph

- Unit Coal Trains on SCFE will be operated from interchange with FEC and CSX to the Glades Power Park on a priority non-stop basis, thereby minimizing and highway crossing delays.

Rail Service to FPL's Glades Power Park – SCFE Highway Crossings

■ Fort Pierce to Glades Power Park

- St. Lucie County 8 public crossings
- Martin County 3 public crossings
- Palm Beach County 30 public crossings
- Hendry County 9 public crossings
- Glades County 9 public crossings
- **Total Crossings 59 public crossings**

■ Sebring to Glades Power Park

- Glades County 4 public crossings
- Highland County 26 public crossings
- **Total Crossings 30 public crossings**

Rail Service to FPL's Glades Power Park – Delay Times at Crossings

■ A 125 car unit coal train is 1.3 miles in length

- At 40 mph this train will close a crossing for 2.3 minutes
- At 20 mph this train will close a crossing for 4.3 minutes
- At 15 mph this train will close a crossing for 6.3 minutes

■ A 95 car unit coal train is 1 mile in length

- At 40 mph this train will close a crossing for 1.8 minutes
- At 20 mph this train will close a crossing for 3.3 minutes
- At 15 mph this train will close a crossing for 4.8 minutes

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- **Questions?**