



Florida Department of Transportation

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POLICY

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TITLE VI / NONDISCRIMINATION PROGRAM

The Florida Department of Transportation will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, handicap/ disability or income status. No person may be treated unfavorably, excluded from participating in or denied the benefits of any Department program or activity because of their race, color, national origin, age, sex, handicap/ disability or income status. The Department will not retaliate against any person who complains of discrimination or who participates in an investigation of discrimination. Department grant recipients and contractors must comply with this policy.

Department civil rights and program area specialists must work closely to implement their mutual nondiscrimination program responsibilities. Each Assistant Secretary, District Secretary, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Executive Director, Director, Manager, and Section Head of the Department's major program areas (Planning, Project Development/Environmental, Design, Right-of-Way, Construction, Maintenance, Public Transportation, and Research), and each Department grant recipient and contractor, is responsible for preventing discrimination and ensuring nondiscrimination in all of their programs and activities, whether those programs and activities are federally assisted or not.

The Department's Equal Opportunity Office Manager is delegated the authority to develop, maintain, implement, and monitor this policy as required by **23 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 200 and 49 CFR Part 21**.

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Secretary