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Governor Scott Announces \$1.4 million Investment for the Keystone ILC Terminal

Project will create/support an estimated 99 new direct/indirect jobs

JACKSONVILLE – Governor Rick Scott today announced that the \$4.5 million Keystone ILC Terminal project will receive a \$1.4 million grant from the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). The Keystone ILC is requesting funding to construct 2,100 LF of new rail, an on-site intermodal bulk transloading facility to transfer bulk and break-bulk commodities between ship, rail, and truck and will be transloading containers for express shipment via Jacksonville Port Authority (JAXPORT).

Governor Scott said, "I'm committed to ensuring that our transportation projects provide more job opportunities for Florida families. This \$1.4 million investment for the Keystone ILC Terminal project will enhance critical infrastructure and create more opportunities for Jacksonville families."

This \$1.4 million investment is among the first four grants for the Intermodal Logistics Center (ILC) Infrastructure Support Program. This program provides an annual allocation of \$5,000,000 with a 50 percent matching fund requirement from applicants.

ILCs play a significant role in expanding our trade and logistics infrastructure by enhancing the state's seaports, airports, railroads, and supporting intermodal highway connectors.

FDOT Secretary Ananth Prasad said, "The Intermodal Logistics Center (ILC) Infrastructure Support Program is an important part of the department's commitment to support freight growth in Florida. By enhancing our trade and logistics infrastructure we will create job opportunities and strengthen Florida's economy."

Keystone Properties Owner Tom Scholl said "Keystone Properties is proud to be one of the state's first beneficiaries of the ILC grant program. Our new rail and intermodal cargo transfer facility (ICTF) will provide Jacksonville access to new world markets and new job opportunities for Floridians. We applaud the state for their continued investment in the Florida Maritime Industry."

FDOT selected four projects to fund from a total of eight applications received in the FY 2012/2013 funding cycle. The other three selected projects include Port of Panama City Intermodal Distribution Center (Panama City), South Florida Logistics Center (Miami), and Port Manatee Commerce Center (Palmetto). All four selected projects support and create a total of 1,213 direct and indirect jobs

Please see the attached documents for additional information on the four projects and ILCs.

The 2014 funding cycle is now open. The department is accepting applications for the next \$5 million annual allocation:

<http://www.freightmovesflorida.com/intermodal-logistics-center/ilc-overview>

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