

Control Cities



Control City Presentation

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Purpose of a Control City

- To provide the best orientation to the motorist who is traveling an Interstate route
- To show major destinations and population centers located on or near that Interstate

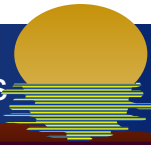
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***Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, a federal manual adopted through Rule 14-15.010, F.A.C.*



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What is the Intent of a Control City?

- To provide continuity in distance signs with destination names and consistency with map.
- The control city should remain the same on all successive distance signs throughout the length of the route until that city is reached.

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What is the Intent of Florida's Control Cities?

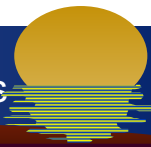
- Major cities at the beginning and end of an Interstate
- Crossing of two interstates
- Capital city

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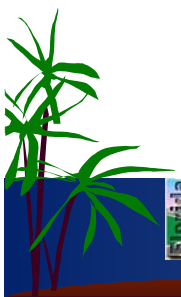
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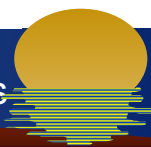
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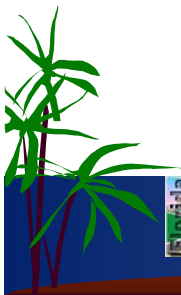


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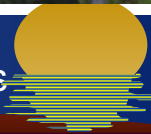


Post Interchange Signs

- Route sign with direction
- Speed Limit sign
- Distance sign



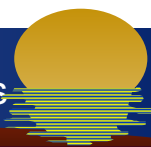
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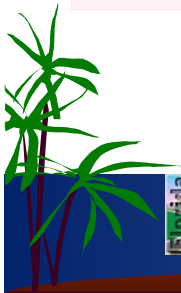
Example of Tampa as a Control City on I-75



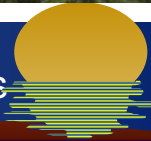
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After Tampa comes Naples as a Control City on I-75



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Who can change the List of Control Cities?

- AASHTO Control Cities Task Force to study the issue
- AASHTO Subcommittee on Traffic Engineering vote to approve or disapprove
- AASHTO Standing Committee on Highways has the final vote

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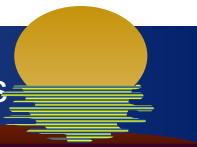
FDOT's Recommendation

- Retain existing control city list because it provides consistent and uniform statewide criteria.

**Decision of FDOT Executive Committee on 9/18/02*



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What the FDOT can do

- When space is available, use the second line of the supplemental sign to indicate distance to cities that have major significance (population, distance, historical significance, etc.)

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