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POLICY

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DATA GOVERNANCE

Data governance is an evolving process that ensures vital data assets are formally managed within the Florida Department of Transportation (Department). This policy is intended to establish data governance as a priority for the agency. It shall be the Department's policy to promote the value of managed data through the Data Governance Initiative.

Institutionalized data is a strategic asset for the Department. Governance for the effective use of that data is critical to improve data integrity, simplify data access, and enhance data security. The objectives of the Data Governance Initiative include:

- Defining, approving, and communicating strategies, standards, procedures, and metrics, to increase the value of the data utilized by stakeholders.
- Providing consistent, integrated, and predictive information to drive the business and improve decision making.
- Oversight of the delivery of data management services.
- Resolution and management of data related issues.
- Establish guidelines for managing the Department's data as an asset.
- Communicating strategies for the effective management of sensitive, confidential and exempt data.

The Data Governance Executive Team (DGET) consists of data governance stakeholders who are responsible for championing data quality, accessibility and other related improvements. Team members work collaboratively with federal, state and local governments, and other professional bodies to establish artifacts such as data catalogs, data dictionaries, common standards, and other guidance.

Enterprise Data Stewards (EDS) are statewide business experts responsible for leading assigned functional work groups comprised of Data Stewards (DS) and Data Custodians (DC), reporting to the DGET, and ensuring data governance compliance throughout the Department. EDS' serve as advocates for data quality and project prioritization with the understanding that each EDS is responsible for data and systems usage, not control.

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DS and DC are functional area data experts that are responsible for overseeing the capture, maintenance, and dissemination of data for their assigned work groups. In addition, DS and DC ensure that the requirements of the data governance policy and any related procedures are followed in Central Office, the Districts, and Florida's Turnpike.

The governance leadership team, consisting of the DGET and EDS, establish and abide by approved charters. Administration and support for the Data Governance Initiative is the responsibility of Transportation Technology.

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