MPOAC Governing Board Meeting

Date:  Tuesday, July 30, 2019
Time:  3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Location:  Orlando Airport Marriott Lakeside
7499 Augusta National Drive, Orlando, FL 32822

Commissioner Nick Maddox, Presiding

1. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

2. Approval of Minutes: April 30, 2019 Meeting

3. Public Comments (non-agenda items)

4. Executive Director's Report
   A. UPWP Report
   B. MPOAC Weekend Institute Overview

5. Agency Reports
   A. Florida Department of Transportation
   B. Federal Highway Administration

6. Business Items & Presentations
   A. State Legislative Policy Positions
   B. Federal Policy Positions
   C. Florida DOT Statewide Survey Results and Community of Practice
   D. FDOT Planning presentation
   E. Formation of a Training Committee

7. Communications

8. Member Comments

9. Adjournment
Any person who desires or decides to appeal any decision made by this Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings. For such purposes, such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made which record includes testimony and evidence upon which appeal is to be based.

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Item Number 1

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

DISCUSSION:

The Chair will open the meeting and a quorum will be determined. All are asked to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance.

REQUESTED ACTION:

None

ATTACHMENT:

None
Item Number 2

Approval of Minutes: April 30, 2019

DISCUSSION:

Review and comments from members.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Approval of Meeting Minutes from the April 30, 2019 meeting of the MPOAC Governing Board Meeting.

ATTACHMENT:

April 30, 2019 MPOAC Governing Board Meeting Minutes.
Florida MPO Advisory Council
Meeting of the Governing Board
April 30, 2019
Orlando, Florida
Draft Meeting Minutes

Governing Board Members in Attendance:

Chair, Commissioner Nick Maddox, Capital Region TPA
Vice Chair, Councilmember Bryan Caletka, Broward MPO
Commissioner Bill Dozier, Bay County TPO
Commissioner Christopher Constance, Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO
Councilmember Reg Buxton, Collier MPO
Commissioner Dave Piech, Florida-Alabama TPO
Commissioner Dave Eggers, Forward Pinellas
Commissioner Vinny Barile, Martin MPO
Commissioner Cheryl Grieb, MetroPlan Orlando
Mayor Oliver Gilbert, Miami-Dade TPO
Commissioner David Moore, Ocala/Marion County TPO
Mayor Dick Rynearson, Okaloosa-Walton TPO
Commissioner Robert Weinroth, Palm Beach TPA
Mayor Nat Birdsong, Polk TPO
Commissioner Rob Gilliland, River to Sea TPO
Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO
Mayor Kathy Meehan, Space Coast TPO
Ms. Kathryn Hensley, St. Lucie TPO

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:
Carl Mikyska, MPOAC
Brigitte Messina, MPOAC
Paul Gougelman, MPOAC General Counsel
Jeff Kramer, Center for Urban Transportation Research, USF
Christen Miller, Center for Urban Transportation Research, USF
Cathy Kendall, Florida Division, Federal Highway Administration
Amanda Carpenter, Florida Department of Transportation
Rusty Ennemoser, Florida Department of Transportation
Mark Reichert, Florida Department of Transportation
Carl Scott, Florida Department of Transportation
Secretary Kevin Thibault, Florida Department of Transportation
Erika Thompson, Florida Department of Transportation
Commissioner Nick Maddox, Chair, Capital Region TPA, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The Chair welcomed those in attendance. All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance and self-introductions were made.

Mr. Carl Mikyska, MPOAC Executive Director, recognized the 50th anniversary of the North Central Florida Regional Planning Commission.
Mayor Oliver Gilbert, Miami-Dade TPO, made a motion to move item 6A after public comment. Councilmember Reg Buxton, Collier MPO, seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

• APPROVAL OF MINUTES: JANUARY 30, 2019 MEETING

Mayor Kathy Meehan, Space Coast TPO, moved to approve the minutes of the January 30, 2019 MPOAC Governing Board meeting. Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO, seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

• PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

• EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

A. UPWP REPORT

Mr. Carl Mikyska, MPOAC Executive Director, presented the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) report showing expenditures and budget for the third quarter of state fiscal year 2019, as well as a list of activities and accomplishments of the MPOAC from January through April 2019. The MPOAC is on track to finish the year on budget.

Mr. Mikyska mentioned the exceptional interest in the MPOAC Weekend Institute for Elected Officials. The Tampa Institute has hit the cap of 25 members with 5 people on the waiting list.

The Freight Committee and the Noteworthy Practices Working Group met prior to the Staff Directors’ Advisory Committee meeting. A Training Working Group will launch in Fall 2019.

B. 2019 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The Florida Legislative Session officially began on March 05, 2019 and is scheduled to conclude on May 03, 2019. The MPOAC has been tracking a number of bills and publishing a weekly newsletter for the membership.

An overview of transportation related bills important to the MPOAC were presented:

- HB 107 – Texting and Driving – Passed (SB 76)
- HB 453 – Scooter Bill (SB 542)
- HB 905 – Department of Transportation (SB 1044)
SB 7068 – Transportation and Infrastructure (HB 7113)

A discussion took place about the language of HB 107 related to texting and driving. Commissioner Nick Maddox, Chair, Capital Region TPA, expressed apprehension about the potential for racial profiling and requested to write a letter of concern to the Governor about the bill’s language and policy.

Commissioner Cheryl Grieb, MetroPlan Orlando, made a motion to send a letter of concern to the Governor. Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO, seconded. Motion carried.

AGENCY REPORTS

A. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Mr. Mark Reichert, Administrator for Metropolitan Planning, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Office of Policy Planning, updated the members on FDOT activities as follows:

- FDOT leadership update:
  - Secretary Kevin Thibault has been selected as Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).
  - Two new assistant secretaries have been selected: Courtney Drummond, Engineering and Operations, and Stacy Miller, Finance and Administration.
  - Positions still open include Chief Planner and Office of Policy Planning Director.
  - New staff to the Office of Policy Planning includes Erika Thompson, Statewide MPO Coordinator, and Scott Philips, Statewide MPO Analyst.
- MPO Program Management Handbook: Released April, 2019. There have been major revisions to the performance management chapter. FDOT is planning to update the handbook quarterly going forward to avoid having such large changes posted all at once.
- The MPO portal document upload process has been revised and simplified. This should make it easier for MPOs to submit documents for review and approval.
- Car allowance for MPO Executive Directors:
  - Three Recommended Approaches:
    1. Include a provision in the Executive Director’s contract that allows the Executive Director to receive a monthly car allowance that is added to the monthly salary, but paid with local funds.
2. Instead of a monthly car allowance, increase the Executive Director’s monthly salary by the same amount.

3. Reimburse the Executive Director for personal vehicle travel expenses at the state mileage allowance rate of 44.5 cents per mile.
   - If the MPO wants to provide the Executive Director with a car allowance in a manner that requires reimbursement using federal or state funds, records MUST be maintained showing personal vs. business use of the vehicle.

- Consolidated federal planning grant agreement: In this approach for providing federal planning funds, as is currently under discussion for use in Florida, support for both highway and transit planning activities is consolidated into a single grant. MPOs are able to focus on the planning process and deliverables rather than the type of money that needs to be tracked since the funds are consolidated. FDOT has conducted research on how this has worked in other states, a summary of which was provided in the agenda package (Item 6B).

- Transportation Performance Management (TPM) update:
   - Consensus Planning Document was updated March 2019: It incorporates comments from the MPOAC, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and is ready for inclusion in MPO Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) or other MPO board action.
   - Methodology and Data Sources report was updated April 2019: It includes transit asset management measures and expands details on justification for statewide targets.
   - TPM factsheets were updated April 2019: They include updated data/targets, where applicable, and emphasize current tasks/deadlines.
   - Model template for LRTP System Performance Report is being updated and will address FHWA/FTA comments and cover all measures.

   - FDOT completed its first evaluation on November 23, 2018 for National Highway System (NHS) roads and highways that required permanent repairs (2 or more occurrences) and NHS bridges that required permanent repairs (1-time occurrence).
   - Beginning on November 23, 2020, FDOT must prepare an evaluation for all other roads, highways, and bridges prior to including any projects on repeatedly damaged facilities in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). FDOT will work cooperatively with MPOs and facility owners to carry out the evaluations. FDOT must consider the results of the evaluations in project planning, PD&E and design.
   - FDOT and MPOs are encouraged to consider this information when developing transportation plans and programs and during environmental review.
o FDOT will incorporate evaluation results into the Transportation Asset Management Plan (TAMP).
o FDOT will update the evaluations after every emergency event, as well as on the regular 4-year cycle.

- Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) update:
o FTP update will start in May 2019.
o 2019 Steering Committee Meetings:
  ▪ May 8, Jacksonville, in conjunction with Long Range Visioning Session.
  ▪ July 9-10, Bonita Springs, in conjunction with Floridians for Better Transportation.
  ▪ October/November, location TBD.
o Vision Element will be completed by December 2019.
o Policy Element will be completed by December 2020.
o SIS Policy Plan will be completed by 2021.

- Proposed Multi-Use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance (M-CORES) Program:
o SB 7068/HB 7113 proposed in the 2019 Florida Legislative session would create the M-CORES Program.
o Program purpose: revitalize rural communities, encourage job creation, and provide regional connectivity while leveraging technology, enhancing quality of life and public safety, and protecting the environment and natural resources.
o Program objective: advance the construction of regional corridors that are intended to accommodate multiple modes of transportation and multiple types of infrastructure.
o Three identified corridors:
  1. Southwest-Central Florida Connector, extending from Collier County to Polk County
  2. Suncoast Connector, extending from Citrus County to Jefferson County
  3. Northern Turnpike Connector, extending from the northern terminus of the Florida Turnpike northwest to the Suncoast Parkway
o Program task forces will be appointed by the Secretary by August 01, 2019 and will include MPO representation. Task force reports will be due by October 01, 2020.

B. FLORIDA DIVISION OF FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Cathy Kendall, Federal Highway Administration, Florida Division, brought forward information on the following topics:
New Planning and Environmental Linkages Resource:

New Environmental Justice State of the Practice Resource:

Temporary District 1 contact – Stacie Blizzard and Cathy Kendall, District 3 Contact – Luis Lopez and Cathy Kendall.

James (Jim) Martin is the new planner located in the Orlando office as of April 15, 2019 and the District 5 contact.

U.S. Senate confirmed Nicole Nason to be the next FHWA Administrator.

National Roadway Safety Awards Program application deadline is May 31, 2019.

Free National Highway Institute (NHI) training course on Introduction to Financial Planning for Transportation Asset Management (TAM). The course explores common terms, background information, and the context of financial plans for TAM.

Future Probe Analytics Data training for National Performance Management Research Data Set (NPMRDS).
  - Course link: [https://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/course_search?tab=0&sf=0&course_no=136002A](https://www.nhi.fhwa.dot.gov/course_search?tab=0&sf=0&course_no=136002A)

Funding Opportunities:
  - AMR application period closed 4/22/19.
  - FHWA Division planner awareness of grant applications.

Ms. Kendall continued by presenting the Transportation Performance Measurement (TPM) updates. Recent milestones include:

- **Oct 01, 2019** - STIP and TIP amendments can be processed if the MPO has an adopted TAM (Transit Asset Management) Targets, TAM Plans and Transit Related PBPP metrics. FHWA will be looking for these with the submittal of the first Amendment request from each MPO – including copies of relevant TIP pages referencing the TAM Targets.
- **Feb 27, 2019** - MPOs will set 2019 Safety Targets.

Vice Chair, Councilmember Bryan Caletka, Broward MPO, asked about issues of tracking the use of federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program-Urban Allocation (SU) funds for planning purposes. Ms. Kendall said that they are working on a better way of tracking SU funds and will inform the MPOAC membership when there is more information.
A. PRESENTATION BY FLORIDA DOT SECRETARY KEVIN THIBAULT

(Note: Item 6A was moved to after public comment.)

Mr. Carl Mikyska, MPOAC Executive Director, introduced Kevin Thibault who was named Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation by Governor Ron DeSantis on January 18, 2019. Secretary Thibault most recently served as the Southeast Regional Senior Vice President of TranSystems Corporation and has extensive experience in state government having previously served in senior leadership positions with the Florida Department of Transportation for more than 16 years.

Secretary Thibault shared Governor’s DeSantis’ vision as it relates to infrastructure and transportation, and discussed the value of partnerships in the successful delivery of transportation solutions to move people and goods safely and efficiently.

Secretary Thibault stressed the importance of partnership and creating relationships between different sectors across the state. While serving as Secretary, he will focus primarily on safety, congestion relief and connected technology.

Commissioner Nick Maddox, Chair, Capital Region TPA, asked about future funding. Secretary Thibault replied that the majority of funding currently comes from the motor fuels tax which is now becoming outdated. New technology has introduced alternative vehicles that are not consuming as much fuel or do not run on gas at all. He stated that tolls are a potential solution. He said he is continuing to have discussions about the evolution of all potential funding resources.

B. APPROVAL OF CONSENSUS DOCUMENT FOR TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Federal law requires MPOs, state DOTs, and transit providers to enter into an agreement which defines each participant’s role and responsibilities in the planning for, and implementation of, transportation performance measures (TPMs). Rather than try to formulate twenty-seven individual agreements, Florida is accomplishing this collectively through the MPOAC and a statewide agreement that individual MPOs can adopt.

The TPM requirements found in 23 CFR 490 also necessitates that MPOs report their progress toward meeting their targets to the state DOT annually. At the Florida Metropolitan Planning Partnership (FMPP) meeting in Orlando, FL in 2018, the required
agreement (referred to as the Transportation Performance Measures Consensus Planning Document) was discussed. In attendance were MPO staff directors and other key staff from Florida MPOs, FDOT District planning liaisons and central office staff, as well as MPOAC and FHWA representatives. Direction was provided at the FMPP to keep the content of this document simple and to avoid complications. FHWA Florida Division office also directed that the document does not need to be complicated. MPOAC, FDOT, and FHWA have worked closely together to create the TPM Consensus Document (Item 6B of the meeting agenda package).

The TPM consensus document will be the basis for meeting the federal requirement that MPOs and state DOTs agree to a set of roles and responsibilities in carrying out the requirements of the transportation performance measurement process.

Councilmember Reg Buxton, Collier MPO, moved to approve Transportation Performance Measures Consensus Planning Document. Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO, seconded. The motion carried.

C. CONSOLIDATED PLANNING GRANT

At the MPOAC Leadership meeting (held in Tallahassee on April 23rd and 24th, 2018) the topic of a Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) was discussed by FDOT and MPOAC leadership. The leadership expressed an interest in pursuing the CPG because it would offer an easing of administrative burdens on both the MPO and FDOT staff. At the August 2018 meetings of the MPOAC Staff Directors’ Advisory Committee and the MPOAC Governing Board, this topic was presented on the agenda and both bodies expressed interest in advancing the CPG. It is anticipated that the CPG would not alter the burden on Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and would ease the administrative burden on the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). There would be no negative financial impact to Florida’s MPOs if the CPG approach were adopted. If Florida chooses to pursue the CPG, it would be effective with the next round of MPO Unified Planning Work Programs (UPWPs) covering state fiscal years 2020/2021 and 2021/2022.

The Staff Directors’ Advisory Committee voted to recommend that the Governing Board have FDOT staff and MPOAC staff pursue the implementation of a Consolidated Planning Grant for Florida’s MPOs with the provision that it only moves forward if there will be no loss of funds to the MPOs; specifically, no loss to the 10% match that is currently provided by the state for what would formally be known as FTA transit planning funds.

Commissioner Christopher Constance, Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO, moved to approve the implementation of a Consolidated Planning Grant for Florida’s MPOs with the
condition that there will be no loss of funds to the MPOs. Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO, seconded. The motion carried.

D. MPOAC FREIGHT COMMITTEE PROJECT PRIORITIES LIST

Over the past few years, the MPOAC Freight Committee worked with the 27 Florida MPOs to develop a process whereby MPOs can submit their highest priority freight-related transportation projects to the MPOAC who in turn assembles a statewide MPO priority list. The list is shared with FDOT to use when programming National Highway Freight Program funds. The process was updated based on lessons learned from the previous year and a new priority list was developed for programming during 2019. All projects on the 2019 list were screened by the Freight Committee to ensure that projects collectively support the agreed upon intent of the program.

Councilmember Reg Buxton, Collier MPO, moved to approve the list of 2019 MPOAC Freight Priority Projects for transmittal to FDOT. Mayor Oliver Gilbert, Miami-Dade TPO, seconded. The motion carried.

E. MPOAC EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PERFORMANCE REVIEW

The MPOAC bylaws require an annual performance evaluation of the Executive Director be conducted by the MPOAC Executive Committee. The Executive Committee consists of the Chair, Vice-Chair and one at-large member of the Governing Board as well as the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Staff Directors’ Advisory Committee.

The Executive Committee met on April 01, 2019 and reviewed Mr. Mikyska’s performance for the past two years. Using an evaluation tool, the committee ranked his performance as a 3.8 out of a 4.0 scale. A summary of the evaluation was included in the agenda packet (Item 6E).

F. FLORIDA DOT PRESENTATION OF ROUNDBOOUTS

Ms. Rusty Ennemoser, PhD, Statewide Public Involvement/Community Resources Coordinator, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Office of Policy Planning, presented on the topic of roundabouts. At the November 2018 meeting of the MPOAC Governing Board there was a discussion of roundabouts and several members expressed concern about their use in Florida.

A roundabout is a one-way, circular intersection that uses signs to guide motorists around them. The basic operating principle of the roundabout is that traffic travels
counterclockwise around a central island in the middle of the intersection and entering
traffic must yield to the circulating traffic already within the roundabout. FDOT has created
a special training for project managers on how to engage and educate the public about
roundabouts and a website that offers instructional resources to staff and the public.

FDOT is actively promoting the installation of modern roundabouts throughout the state
highway system due to their proven safety and operational benefits. Currently, there are
approximately 20 roundabouts operating on the state highway system and over 300
roundabouts on local roads throughout the state. For many people, roundabouts are a new
concept. This requires a tailored public involvement approach and a combined education
and communications strategy.

Commissioner David Eggers, Forward Pinellas, asked about pedestrian crosswalks at a
roundabout. Michael Garau, Kimley Horn, said that pedestrians use marked crosswalks. All
roundabouts have splitter islands that separate the approach and exit lanes. This splitter
island is used as a pedestrian refuge for crosswalks requiring pedestrians to only cross a
single direction of traffic at a time.

• COMMUNICATIONS

1. Latest MPOAC Legislative Newsletter.
2. MPOAC letter to Florida Senate President Galvano about innovative approaches to enhancing
   and funding Florida’s infrastructure.
3. Article about electronic scooters and their dangers.

• MEMBER COMMENTS

None.

• ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m. The next meeting of the MPOAC Governing Board will
be held at 3:00 p.m. on July 30, 2019 at the Orlando Airport Marriott Lakeside Hotel, 7499
Augusta National Drive, Orlando, FL 32822. The MPOAC has arranged for a room block at a rate
of $125 per night. A meeting notice will be sent out prior to the meeting date.
Item Number 3

Public Comments (non-agenda items)

DISCUSSION:
Recommendations or comments by the public.

REQUESTED ACTION:
As may be desired.

ATTACHMENT:
None
DISCUSSION:

Mr. Carl Mikyska, MPOAC Executive Director, will be presenting the UPWP Report showing expenditures and budget through the end of state fiscal year 2019 as well as a list of activities and accomplishments of the MPOAC from May through July 2019.

REQUESTED ACTION:

None requested. For discussion and action as may be desired.

ATTACHMENTS:

Task 1.1 – Administration

- Ongoing task, payment of invoices, requisitions, travel vouchers and expenses of MPOAC – occurring quarterly.
- Quarterly reports are on track.
- Met with the FHWA Planning Team Leader multiple times.
- Coordinating with CUTR, developed July MPOAC meeting content and materials.
- Prepared meeting minutes of the April MPOAC Governing Board and Staff Director's Committee Meetings.
- CUTR represented MPOAC at the April quarterly meeting of the MPOAC Governing Board and Staff Director’s Committee Meetings.
- Participated in the Florida Greenways and Trails Foundation Meetings.
- Attended, and reported at, the quarterly meeting of the Florida Public Transportation Association.
- Worked with FDOT personnel about pursuing a Consolidated Planning Grant program for the Florida MPOs.
- Attended and presented at the Tampa Bay TMA Leadership Committee in St. Petersburg, FL.
- Attended the River to Sea TPO Federal Quadrennial Certification Review.
- Held a meeting of the MPOAC Leadership Committee in Tallahassee, met with Secretary Thibault and Assistant Secretaries Bryon and Miller.
- Hosted the April 30, 2018 meetings of the MPOAC Staff Director's Committee and the MPOAC Governing Board meetings.
- Produced the agenda packages for the July 30, 2019 MPOAC Freight Committee, Noteworthy Practices Working Group, Staff Director’s Committee and Governing Board meetings.
- Developed and held one-time meetings for small and medium sized MPOs to discuss staffing resources as well as large MPOs to discuss the status of premium transit services in Florida.
- Maintained and updated as necessary the MPOAC.org website.

Task 2.1 – MPOAC Policy Positions

- Presented transportation issues on two separate occasions to the Florida League of Cities Transportation and Intergovernmental Committee.
- Coordinated with NARC Staff on policy issues and a recent article in the Reason Foundation publication.
- Coordinated with AMPO Policy Committee members about the upcoming federal transportation bill.
- Held a meeting of the MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee where we formulated draft legislative policy positions for both state and federal issues.
- Published the weekly MPOAC Legislative Newsletter each Saturday.
Task 2.2 – MPOAC Institute Training Activities
- Held the Tampa based MPOAC Weekend Institute for Elected Officials.
- Performed the post session reviews and analysis of participant feedback

Task 3.1 – Assessment of Documents, Regulations, Policies and Legislation
- Coordinated with NARC Staff on policy issues and a recent article in the Reason Foundation publication.
- Coordinated with AMPO Policy Committee members about the upcoming federal transportation bill.
- Held a meeting of the MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee where we formulated draft legislative policy positions for both state and federal issues.
- Have regularly met with, and coordinated with, the Florida DOT Forecasting and Trends Office regarding MPO customized performance measures.
- Met with staff from Florida League of Cities on multiple occasions.

Task 3.2 – Statewide Plans, Programs, and Performance Measures Implementation
- Attended, and participated in, FTP/SIS Implementation Committee Meeting at Florida DOT.
- Met multiple times with Florida DOT staff and contractors to work on transportation mobility measures and transportation performance measures for Florida’s MPOs.

Task 3.3 – Public Transportation, Environment & Community Planning
- Attended, and participated in, the Florida Greenways and Trails Foundation quarterly meeting and Executive Committee meeting. Met with the Treasurer and Executive Director several times.
- Attended and participated in the quarterly meeting of the Florida Public Transportation Association.

Task 3.4 – Safety, Operations and Management
- Coordinated with Florida DOT to plan and shape the upcoming Florida Metropolitan Planning Partnership meeting.
- Attended the Florida Transportation Plan meeting hosted by FDOT in Bonita Springs.
- Coordinated with FDOT staff on the use of transportation performance data for MPOs.

Task 3.5 – MPOAC Strategic Plan and Implementation
- Produced the agenda and meeting materials for the July 30, 2019 meeting of the Noteworthy Practices Committee.
- Launching the Training Working Group.
- Presented twice to the Florida League of Cities Transportation and Intergovernmental Committee.
- Held meetings of the small to medium-sized MPOs to workshop staffing needs and a meeting of the large MPOs to discuss premium transit in Florida.
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* FBT, FPTA
Executive Director’s Report
MPOAC Weekend Institute Overview

DISCUSSION:

This year’s two sessions of the MPOAC Weekend Institute for Elected Officials took place in Orlando and Tampa. The sessions were well received by the attendees and this presentation will give an overview of the sessions as well as the scoring by the attendees.

REQUESTED ACTION:

None requested. For discussion and action as may be desired.

ATTACHMENT:

Power Point presentation slides.
MPOAC Weekend Institute for Elected Officials
MPOAC Weekend Institute Overview

■ The Institute provides MPO Board members with an opportunity to enhance their leadership skills and their understanding of transportation decision-making

■ The Institute topics include:
  – Basic Concepts in Transportation Planning
  – Sources of Transportation Funding
  – Laws and Regulations Affecting MPOs
  – MPO Board Responsibilities and Authority
  – MPO Products and Processes
  – Critical Funding Issues
  – Origins of MPOs
  – Transportation Jargon & Acronyms
Institute Trainers

Hal Beardall
Assistant Director
FCRC Consensus Center at FSU

Kristine Williams
Program Director
CUTR at USF

Jeff Kramer
Senior Research Associate
CUTR at USF

Scott Paine
Director of Leadership Development and Education
Florida League of Cities
MPOAC Weekend Institute Overview

- 24 Institutes since 2007
- 367 attendees for MPOAC Funded Institutes
- Held in 6 different locations since 2007
- 14 overall average of attendees sent by each MPO
- 49% of attendees still on MPO Board
- 4.78 overall Average Evaluation score out of 5

MPOAC Weekend Institute
MPO Board Members Attending MPOAC Institute Training

- Total Still On Board: 181 (49%)
- Total No Longer on Board: 186 (51%)
- Total Attendees: 367 (100%)
Attendance by Jurisdiction:

- **County**: 124 (34%)
- **Municipality**: 225 (61%)
- **Other**: 18 (5%)
Municipality Attendance:

- Mayor: 15.56%
- Vice Mayor: 6.67%
- Councilmember/Commissioner: 77.33%
MPOAC Weekend Institute Evaluation Results from 2007 to 2019

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*Question changed May 2019: “Fast & Furious: MPO Edition was effective and useful reinforcement”*
MPOAC Institute Attendance based on Location

MPOAC Institute Attendance

- Other Locations
- Tampa

Attendance

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DISCUSSION:

Mr. Mark Reichert, Administrator for Metropolitan Planning, Office of Policy Planning will update the members on the activities of Florida DOT and bring forward information of importance to the membership about Florida DOT efforts.

Topics will include:

- FDOT/MPO Consensus Document Status
- Consolidated Planning Grant Update
- Joint Certification Risk Assessment Revision
- MPO Executive Director Timesheets Tech Memo
- Florida Federal Planning Finding Review
- Document Portal Update

REQUESTED ACTION:

None requested. For discussion and action as may be desired.

ATTACHMENT:

None.
Item Number 5B

Agency Reports – Florida Division of Federal Highway Administration

DISCUSSION:

Ms. Cathy Kendall, Team Leader of the Planning Team and Ms. Karen Brunelle, Director of Program Development of FHWA will share with the membership general announcements.

REQUESTED ACTION:

None requested. For discussion and action as may be desired.

ATTACHMENTS:

None.
DISCUSSION:

The 2020 Florida legislative session will start in January of 2020. Legislative committees will begin meeting in early October of 2019. So that MPOAC may have adopted policy positions available for distribution prior to the start of legislative committee meetings, the MPOAC Governing Board will need to formally adopt a platform of positions at the July 30, 2019 meeting.

The MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee reviewed the 2019 policy positions and considered new policy positions for the 2020 legislative session.

The Executive Director will present the policy positions recommended by the MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee and reviewed by the MPOAC Staff Directors’ Committee. The Staff Directors’ Committee may recommend revisions which will be presented.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

Adoption of the policy positions as presented in the attachment and with revisions, if any, by the Staff Directors’ Committee.

ATTACHMENT:

Draft 2020 MPOAC Legislative Policy Positions.
2019 Legislative Policy Position:
1. Implements the recommendations from the MPOAC transportation revenue study and other options for expanding transportation revenue sources.

Key Recommendations:

- Expand the Charter County and Regional Transportation System Surtax to allow municipalities over 150,000 in population (or the largest municipality in a county) and all counties located in MPO areas to enact up to a one cent local option surtax by referendum.
- Index local option fuel taxes to the consumer price index in a manner similar to the current indexing of state fuel taxes.
- Identify potential revenue replacement sources for the current motor fuels tax which is no longer able to fully support the current or future needs of the transportation system.
- Charge alternatively fueled vehicles a fee equal to the fuel tax paid by gasoline or diesel fueled vehicles.
- Utilize the existing the MPO and local planning processes to select projects rather than ban legislative appropriations for individual transportation projects (commonly referred to as earmarks). As an alternative, create a competitive grant program that benefits local projects.
- Post and pre-disaster funding, planning for funding

MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee Recommendations for 2020:
Staff Recommendations removing references to the revenue study which is getting older (2012) and instead focus on the issue of revenues not keeping pace with the needs of our transportation system.

MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee Recommended Language for 2020: The MPOAC supports state legislation that will expand transportation revenue sources and stabilize transportation funding levels.

Keep the 5 bullet points, modify the last bullet point to be more positive.
2019 Legislative Policy Position:
2. Regulates distracted driving as a primary offense by prohibiting the use of two-way electronic wireless communications devices and other similar distracting devices while operating a motor vehicle.

The 2013 Florida legislature enacted the “Florida Ban on Texting While Driving Law.” The law prohibits operation of a moving motor vehicle while manually typing, sending or reading interpersonal communication (texting, e-mailing, instant messaging, etc.) using a wireless communications device, with certain exceptions. The law provides for enforcement of the ban as a secondary offense, meaning a driver would have to be pulled over for some other violation to get a ticket for violating the ban on texting. The 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017 Florida Legislatures underscored the severity of distracted driving by considering bills that would have substantially increased the penalty for distracted driving. This legislative proposal would seek to strengthen the enforcement mechanism for the texting while driving ban by making it a primary offense.

Discussion points:
The 2019 legislature approved texting while driving as a primary offense. In addition, the law provided a ban of handheld devices in school and work zones. The Senate bill sponsor was Wilton Simpson who stated that he wanted a full ban on handheld electronic devices while driving. Senator Simpson is slated to be the next Senate President and it is likely that he will be interested in passing a ban on handheld electronic devices while driving and would appreciate support from the transportation community.

MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee recommendation for 2020:
Rewrite to reflect the action taken by the 2019 Legislature related to texting while driving and build on their ban of handheld devices in work and school zones:

MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee Recommended Language for 2020: Regulates distracted driving by prohibiting the use of handheld electronic wireless communications devices and other similar distracting handheld devices while operating a motor vehicle on any roadway.
2019 Legislative Policy Position:

3. Restores funding to 2007 levels for the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP). The TRIP leverages state documentary stamp tax proceeds to promote regional planning and project development by providing state matching funds for improvements to regionally significant transportation facilities identified and prioritized by regional partners. This proposal seeks to restore TRIP funding by reducing diversions of documentary stamp proceeds for non-transportation purposes.

MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee Recommendation for 2020: No change other than to update the table below with the latest year of TRIP funding information. Consider moving to Additional Policy Positions and moving up Policy Position number 4.
2019 Legislative Policy Position:

4. Allows Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) funds to be used on roads and other transportation facilities not designated on the SIS if the improvement will enhance mobility or support freight transportation on the SIS.

Current state law does not permit SIS funds to be spent on roads or other transportation facilities that are not part of the SIS, even if proposed improvements would directly benefit users of SIS facilities by enhancing mobility options or supporting freight movement in a SIS corridor. This legislative proposal would broaden the State’s ability to improve passenger and freight mobility on SIS corridors by making eligible the expenditure of SIS funds on non SIS roads and other transportation facilities where the benefit to users of SIS facilities can be demonstrated.

MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee Recommendation for 2020:
Move to Priority Policy Positions, keep the language with the addition of a reference to TPM and be clear that transit is to be included in this policy position.

MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee Recommended Language for 2020: Allows Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) funds to be used on roads, transit and other transportation facilities not designated on the SIS if the improvement will enhance mobility or support freight transportation on the SIS. The newly created Federal Transportation Performance Measures (TPM) apply to more than just the SIS facilities and it is appropriate to direct funding to all transit and these roadway “gap” facilities that are not part of the SIS but are part of the TPM system. (Make it clear that transit is part of this policy position).
2019 Legislative Policy Position:

5. Establishes flexible and predictable funding for transit projects (capital and operating) identified through the metropolitan transportation planning process by removing various funding limitations for the State Transportation Trust Fund (STTF).

Current state law limits the amount of funding that can be made available from the STTF for transit projects for both capital and operating expenses. These limitations, which are not in place for roadway funding, makes transit funding from the STTF less predictable for the purposes of planning and project implementation and artificially limits the ability of MPOs to implement priority transit projects. This proposal recognizes the critical role transit plays in moving people and goods within and between Florida’s metropolitan areas by removing the distinction between transit and highway projects for the purpose of spending funds from the STTF.

MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee Recommendation for 2020: No Change.
2019 Legislative Policy Position:

6. Recognizes that federal metropolitan transportation planning funds shall not be regarded as state funds for purposes of expenditure.

The United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) provides funding to metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) to carry out their federally required duties. Those federal funds are given to states who in turn distribute them to MPOs based upon a formula agreed upon by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and the Florida MPOs and then approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The Florida Department of Financial Services (DFS) has determined that the expenditure of federal funds by MPOs shall be subject to all state requirements, laws and regulations even where such laws conflict with federal laws, regulations and requirements. This limits the ability of the Florida MPOs to use federal funds for their intended purpose and impinges on their ability to carry out their responsibilities as outlined in federal rule. This proposal would clarify that federal monies passed through the State of Florida to MPOs and the Florida MPO Advisory Council (MPOAC) shall not be regarded as state funds for purposes of expenditure.

MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee Recommendation for 2020: No Change.
2019 Legislative Policy Position:

7. Supports the advancement of innovative transportation mobility solutions and policies that make Florida the national leader in creative approaches to addressing transportation needs, while simultaneously protecting citizens from malicious tampering with such technologies by making tampering a punishable offense.

Transportation technologies have undergone a revolutionary leap forward over the past several years. A variety of transportation technologies are under development including autonomous vehicles and the hyperloop. It is the responsibility of the Florida legislature to ensure that state laws and funding mechanisms support the development and implementation of these technological advances in the way people and freight will move in and between our metropolitan areas. At the same time, it is incumbent upon the Florida legislature to ensure that the health and welfare of Florida’s citizens and visitors are protected from possible harm presented by these new technologies, including the malicious and intentional interference of the proper functioning of transportation vehicles and systems. This proposal supports legislative efforts to implement innovative mobility solutions and polices while protecting the health and welfare of Florida’s citizens and visitors.

MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee Recommendation for 2020: No Change.
DISCUSSION:

In 2017 MPOAC adopted a set of federal policy positions in anticipation of a possible infrastructure package. The federal policy positions also served as a set of talking points for a new federal transportation bill which at the time was still about three years away. We are now about one year away from the expiration of the existing federal transportation bill and can expect that discussions will begin taking place to shape a new transportation bill. The transportation and political landscape has changed some since 2017 and it is appropriate to update our transportation policy positions to reflect these changes. It is also very important that Florida speak with a unified voice about our transportation needs. This document will be made available to the membership and all partners to use in guiding discussions with colleagues and decision-makers. An updated federal policy positions document has been developed and reviewed by the MPOAC Policy and Technical Committee and reviewed by the MPOAC Staff Directors’ Committee. The Staff Directors’ Committee may recommend revisions which will be presented.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

Adoption of the updated federal policy positions as presented in the attachment and with revisions, if any, by the Staff Directors’ Committee.

ATTACHMENTS:

Updated federal policy positions document.
The Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) represents the twenty-seven MPOs in the State of Florida. These policy positions are intended to serve as guidance to the United States Congress, the Florida Legislature, the United States Department of Transportation, the Florida Department of Transportation, and the MPOAC’s partner organizations.

**MPO ADMINISTRATION AND FUNDING**

- The MPOAC supports distributing federal planning (PL) funds to states using the most recently available annual decennial census data.

- The MPOAC supports policies that streamline the federal-aid process by directly allocating and increasing Federal Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funds to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Transportation Management Areas (TMAs) for planning, programming and implementation purposes.

- The MPOAC supports policies which recognize that federal metropolitan transportation planning funds are not to be regarded as state funds for purposes of expenditure, whereby the federal government guarantees membership on an MPO Governing Board for local units of government and transportation providers; and requires that federal planning funds shall be limited to only the restrictions placed upon them by the federal government.

**ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND PROGRAMS**

- The MPOAC supports the continued development of a multi-modal National Freight Network funded, in part, by a dedicated stream of fees and taxes on freight shipments and freight vehicles.

- The MPOAC supports toll projects and public/private partnerships that are consistent with the federally established metropolitan transportation planning process.

- The MPOAC supports policies that reward states for attaining federally mandated performance measures and targets, and do not redistribute funding among the states based on poor performance.

- The MPOAC supports policies that direct revenues generated from new tolls instituted on federal-aid facilities toward transportation improvements within that metropolitan area.

- The MPOAC supports maintaining the federal, state and MPO roles in transportation policy and funding, and allocating funding in an amount that supports these roles.
• The MPOAC supports allowing Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to express metropolitan transportation plan (MTP) project costs in either current year dollars or year of expenditure dollars.

• The MPOAC supports maintaining the 5-year update cycle for metropolitan transportation plans (MTPs).

• Align the Transportation Performance Management Reporting dates for DOTs and MPOs. (New)

TRANSPORTATION PROJECT FINANCE AND FUNDING

• The MPOAC supports indexing existing and all future federal transportation revenue streams (such as Vehicle Miles Traveled, User Fees, etc.) to the Consumer Price Index (CPI) in order to keep pace with inflation.

• The MPOAC supports addressing future transportation funding needs through new and innovative mechanisms (such as Vehicle Miles Traveled, User Fees, etc.).

• The MPOAC supports the continuation of the federal Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER) discretionary grant program.

• The MPOAC supports the Transit Capital Grant program (e.g., New Starts, Small Starts and Core Capacity) and ask that these programs be expanded for metropolitan areas.

• The MPOAC supports greater funding for non-motorized projects and programs which reduce GHG emissions and improve safety. With expanded funding of the Transportation Alternatives Program and fully sub-allocating these funds to MPOs transportation can better address the non-motorized needs while reducing emissions and safety concerns.

• MPOAC supports establishing performance measures and targets on GHG emissions.
DISCUSSION:

Mr. Frank Collins, Manager of the Systems Forecasting and Trends Office with Florida Department of Transportation will present the work of his office and team. The Systems Forecasting and Trends Office has been providing to Florida MPOs the data used in Transportation Performance Measures as well as additional data that provides a more complete picture of the Florida transportation system for each MPO. They have been providing the data in tabular format as well as in an infographic for each MPO.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

None requested. For discussion and action as may be desired.

ATTACHMENT:

None.
Item Number 6D

Business Items & Presentations
CAV Impacts to Transportation Revenue

DISCUSSION:

Mr. Mark Reichert, State Policy Programming Coordinator with the Florida Department of Transportation will present the results of efforts by the department to better understand the impacts to transportation revenue as connected and automated vehicles become a part of the overall vehicle fleet.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

None requested. For discussion and action as may be desired.

ATTACHMENT:

Power Point presentation slides.
AV/EV Impacts to Transportation Revenue: The Fuel Tax

presented to
MPOAC Staff
Directors/
Governing Board
Meetings

presented by
Mark Reichert, FDOT
Office of Policy Planning,
Administrator for
Metropolitan Planning

FDOT
Office of Policy Planning
July 30, 2019
Today’s Objective

Overview of transportation funding in Florida

Future Funding Trends

Help get the message out
State Transportation Trust Fund Receipts by Category

FY 18/19 Receipts* ($ in Millions)

- **State Fuel Taxes**: $2,413.7 (31.7%)
- **Federal Fuel Taxes**: $2,330.6 (30.6%)
- **Motor Vehicle Fees**: $1,212.0 (15.9%)
- **Rental Car Surcharge**: $142.4 (1.9%)
- **Documentary Stamps**: $315.8 (4.1%)
- **Reimbursements**: $563.1 (7.4%)
- **Miscellaneous Revenue**: $191.3 (2.5%)
- **Bond Proceeds**: $393.1 (5.2%)
- **Interest**: $10.5 (0.1%)

*This chart does not include approximately $1.4 billion in Constitutional, County, Municipal, and Local Option fuel taxes which are distributed directly to local governments nor $1.3 billion in Toll Revenue receipts.*
CALENDAR YEAR 2019 FUEL TAX RATES (cents per gallon)

2019 FUEL TAX RATES

Federal Gas 18.4 cents/Gal.
Federal Diesel Added 6 cents/Gal.
States Sales 14.1 cents/Gal.
SCETS 7.8 cents/Gal.
Local Option 1-6 cents/Gal.
Local Option 1-5 cents/Gal.
Constitutional 2 cents/Gal.
Ninth-cent 1 cent/Gal.
County 1 cent/Gal.
Municipal 1 cent/Gal.

Source: Office of Economic and Demographic Research
Locally Imposed Fuel Taxes
Fuel Tax Rates as of January 1, 2019

Locally Imposed Motor Fuel Taxes
Tax Rates (¢/gal) as of January 1, 2019

Total Counties = 67

Source: Office of Economic and Demographic Research
Fuel Consumption in Florida
(in Millions of Gallons Annually)

Forecast
Fuel Consumption Growth Rate in Florida

% Change

Total Highway Fuels

Forecast
What Sets Florida Apart?

- State Fuel Tax Indexed to CPI
- Extensive Tolling Systems
- Maximum Use of Innovative Financing
- Population Growth
- Record Tourism
Since 1980 fuel efficiency of national fleet has increased 50%

Fuel efficiency of new cars increased 55%
AV/EV Impacts of Market Share

AV market penetration rate of 35% of vehicles by 2035 (percent of new vehicles on the road)

In terms of vehicle fleet penetration, AVs will be 11% to 44% of vehicle stock in 2035

Most aggressive forecast predicts EV share of market will be 35% in 2040 (research underway)

In terms of vehicle fleet penetration, EVs will be 15% of vehicle stock in 2040
Estimated that AVs will add 48.9 billion additional annual VMTs over baseline by 2048.

- Assumption is that all AVs in 2048 will be EVs
- Assumption that 30% of total VMT in 2048 will be eVMT (100.8 billion miles)
- Research is currently underway (Oct. 2019)
QUESTIONS?

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DISCUSSION:

In 2016 MPOAC developed and adopted a Strategic Plan for MPOAC. This plan was designed and intended to assist MPOAC in advancing the role and influence of the organization as well as strengthening partnerships with other transportation organizations. One of the committees specifically identified to be formed in the Strategic Plan was a Training Committee.

A Training Committee would develop products and resources for educating new MPO board members, new employees at an MPO as well as Florida DOT MPO liaisons. The committee may identify other needs within the MPO community which will need to be addressed.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

Motion to create an MPOAC Training Committee.

ATTACHMENT:

None.
Item Number 7

Communications

DISCUSSION:

For information only.

REQUESTED ACTION:

As may be desired.

ATTACHMENT:

MPOAC Freight Committee Priorities transmittal letter and project listing
July 9, 2019

Kevin J. Thibault, Secretary
Florida Department of Transportation
605 Suwannee Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0450

Dear Secretary Thibault:

On behalf of the Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC), we are pleased to transmit our 2019 Freight Priorities Program project list to FDOT for your consideration. This annual program, now in its second year, provides Florida’s MPOs with the opportunity to identify and promote freight priority projects throughout the state that facilitate freight mobility, promote economic growth, and support the goals of the Florida Transportation Plan (FTP).

This list represents projects on State Roadways that are construction ready. Each project was reviewed and evaluated by the MPOAC to ensure consistency and relevance, and the project list has been approved by the Freight Advisory Committee, the Staff Directors’ Advisory Committee, and the Executive Board Committee.

With our approval process complete, the MPOAC respectively submits the attached list of 30 projects (representing 14 MPOs and six (6) FDOT Districts) to FDOT. We request that the Department review and consider these priorities during the annual update to FDOT’s Five-Year Work Program across all relevant funding programs (e.g., NHI, SIS, District Discretionary). The list is organized alphabetically by MPO within each FDOT District with each project representing a high priority ranking. In addition, a summary sheet is attached to share program highlights for this year’s submissions.

We intend to reach out to your staff over the next few months to identify any priority projects the Department was able to advance as well as discuss ways we can improve the list for 2020.

If you have any questions about the program or the process, please do not hesitate to contact Carl Mikyska, at 850-414-4062 and please reach out directly to your MPO partners to discuss specific projects.

Thank you for your continued support!

[Signature]
Commissioner Nick Maddox, Chair
MPOAC

[Signature]
Carl Mikyska, Executive Director
MPOAC

Attachment: 2019 Freight Priorities Project List, Project Map, and Program Summary Sheet

cc: FDOT District Secretaries, Rickey Fitzgerald, Chris Edmonston, Mark Reichert, FDOT District Freight Coordinators, Florida’s MPOs.
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The Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council
2019 Freight Priorities Program

Program Overview

The Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) Freight Committee developed the Freight Prioritization Program (FPP) to identify and promote high priority freight projects within the planning boundaries of Florida’s Metropolitan Planning Organizations\(^1\) for consideration in FDOT’s 5-Year Work Program and other potential funding sources. The FPP’s objective is to collaboratively develop a comprehensive list of projects that represents the unified input of the MPOAC. The MPOAC will update and endorse the FPP’s project list on an annual basis.

Project Selection Overview

The 2019 FPP Project List contains all project submissions that passed the agreed upon vetting process. The vetting process reviewed each project submission for program eligibility by verifying project information and whether each project was ready for construction funding. Key activities included:

1. The 2019 Call for Projects was distributed via email to each MPO on February 20\(^{th}\). The request included a program fact sheet, instructions, and a check list template.
2. Training webinars were scheduled and conducted on February 28\(^{th}\) and March 6\(^{th}\) to provide technical assistance to MPO staff. One-on-one phone calls were also conducted to answer specific questions.
3. MPOs were asked to complete and submit check lists for up-to-3 eligible projects. Project checklists were reviewed for completeness. Requests for additional information were submitted to each MPO.
4. Final checklists were reviewed and used to develop the 2019 FPP Project List, which was approved by the MPOAC’s Freight Committee, Staff Directors’ Advisory Committee, and Executive Board on April 30\(^{th}\).

Summary of 2019 FPP Project List

Highlights for the 2019 project list include:

- 14 of Florida’s 27 MPOs submitted a total of 30 projects representing over 93 miles of roadway.
- Projects were provided by MPOs for 6 FDOT Districts.
- 100% of projects submitted have a PD&E completed, underway, planned, or not needed.
- 24 of 30 projects are on designated SIS roadways, and 9 are on the NHFN.
- Funding requests totaled $2.7 billion across 30 projects; 12 asked for funding to be advanced ($375M); 15 asked for projects to be funded ($2.2B); and 3 asked for both advancement and funding ($87.6M).
- All projects support at least 3 FTP goals with the majority supporting 5 or more.
- Project list includes FDOT’s two FY2019 INFRA grant applications falling within MPO jurisdictions.

\(^1\) “Metropolitan Planning Organizations” is not an exclusive term. It also encompasses Transportation Planning Organizations (TPO) and Transportation Planning Agencies (TPA).
Item Number 8
Member Comments

DISCUSSION:

Comments or recommendations by MPOAC members.

REQUESTED ACTION:

As may be desired.

ATTACHMENT:

None
Item Number 9

Adjournment

The next meeting of the MPOAC Governing Board Committee will be held at 3 P.M. on October 29, 2019 at the Orlando Airport Marriott Lakeside Hotel, 7499 Augusta National Drive, Orlando, FL 32822. MPOAC has arranged for a room block at a rate of $135 per night. A meeting notice will be sent out at least one month prior to the meeting date.