

**Florida MPO Advisory Council
Meeting of the Governing Board
January 27, 2022
Orlando, Florida
Meeting Minutes**

GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

IN-PERSON (GOVERNING BOARD – A TOTAL OF 12 WITH 9 MAKING AN IN-PERSON QUORUM):

Commissioner Nick Maddox, Capital Region TPA, Chair
Commissioner Bill Dozier, Bay County TPO
Commissioner Sandy Johnson, Broward MPO
Commissioner James Herston, Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO
Commissioner Robert Bender, Florida-Alabama TPO
Commissioner Craig Estep, Lake-Sumter MPO
Commissioner Mayra Uribe, MetroPlan Orlando
Vice Mayor Chelsea Reed, Palm Beach TPA
Mayor Pro Tem Nat Birdsong, Polk TPO
Commissioner Chris Cloudman, River to Sea TPO
Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO
Councilmember Andrea Young, Space Coast TPO

IN-PERSON (OTHERS):

Mark Reichert, MPOAC Executive Director
Paul Gougelman, MPOAC General Counsel
Lisa Stone, MPOAC Executive Assistant
Tia Boyd, CUTR
Jeff Kramer, CUTR
Jamie Christian, Federal Highway Administration
Karen Brunelle, Federal Highway Administration
Cathy Kendall, Federal Highway Administration
Jennifer Fortunas, Florida Department of Transportation
Wayne Gaither, Florida Department of Transportation
Alison Stettner, Florida Department of Transportation
Secretary Kevin Thibault, Florida Department of Transportation
Erika Thompson, Florida Department of Transportation
Greg Stuart, Broward MPO
Greg Slay, Capital Region TPA
Scott Philips, Collier MPO
Austin Mount, Florida-Alabama TPO
Donald Scott, Lee County MPO
Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando

Rob Balmes, Ocala/Marion TPO
Valerie Neilson, Palm Beach TPA
Colleen Nicoulin, River to Sea MPO
Dave Hutchinson, Sarasota/Manatee MPO
Georganna Gillette, Space Coast TPO
Peter Buchwald, St. Lucie TPO
Noel Comeaux, Healthy Communities, LLC.

VIRTUAL (STAFF DIRECTORS – A TOTAL OF 1 THAT CANNOT CONTRIBUTE TO A QUORUM):
Councilmember Stephanie Morgan, St. Lucie TPO

VIRTUAL (OTHERS):
Abra Horne, Florida Department of Transportation
Sarah McNamara, Florida Department of Transportation
Dana Reiding, Florida Department of Transportation
Mary Beth Washnock, Bay County TPO
Laura Carter, Brevard
Gary Kramer, Florida-Alabama TPO
Scott Koons, Gainesville MTPO
Robert Esposito, Hernando/Citrus County MPO
Michael Woods, Lake Sumter MPO
John Kaliski, Cambridge Systematics
Laura Herrscher, Stantec

1 CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Commissioner Nick Maddox, Capital Region TPA, called the meeting to order at 3:14 pm and a quorum was determined. All were asked to rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. All in attendance introduced themselves. Those attending online were then given an opportunity to introduce themselves.

A motion to allow online members to participate in the meeting due to the extraordinary circumstances of COVID-19 was made by Commissioner Mayra Uribe, MetroPlan Orlando, and seconded by Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO. The motion was approved unanimously.

Housekeeping items were shared with the meeting attendees.

2 REMARKS FROM SECRETARY KEVIN THIBAUT

Secretary Thibault addressed the Governing Board on key issues, including but not limited to, the 2022 Florida Legislative Session, Federal Transportation reauthorization, partnership building, and other issues of importance.

Secretary Thibault updated the meeting attendees on the Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) update. He states that the state’s vision of transportation is to meet the changing needs of the state while focusing on the 7 interrelated goals for Florida’s transportation future. The seven goals are:

- Safety and security
- Infrastructure
- Mobility
- Accessibility and equity
- Economy
- Communities
- Environment

The seven goals focus on the mission to improve safety, enhance mobility, inspire innovation, and harness talent within the organization to accomplish this mission.

There is a shift in mobility and the future of transportation is in Automated, Connected, Electric, and Shared (ACES) vehicles. The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)/Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) includes funding for electrification, but interstate projects are not eligible for this funding. Therefore, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will need to work closely with its local partners to provide infrastructure to support ACES vehicles.

3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES: OCTOBER 28, 2021 MEETING

Commissioner Bill Dozier, Bay County TPO, moved to approve the minutes of the October 28, 2021 meeting of the MPOAC Governing Board. Commissioner Robert Bender, Florida-Alabama TPO, seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

4 PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments were made.

5 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

A. THE FIRST 47 DAYS

Mr. Mark Reichert, MPOAC Executive Director, provided an update of his first 47 days as the MPOAC Executive Director. He shared that in the first 47 days he was able to:

- Hire an Executive Assistant, Lisa Stone
- Reestablish contact with partners (FAC, FLC, FBT, FPTA, AMPO, NARC, etc.)
- Fill the MPOAC seat on numerous committees/working groups
- Attend several webinars
- Attend the Suncoast Transportation Planning Alliance meeting and numerous other meetings

- Get familiar with the filing system
- Work with the FDOT Office of Inspector General's (OIG) on their current investigation
- Attend several legislative meetings and started tracking legislation of interest to the MPOAC membership
- Start updating the MPOAC Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
- Start the process of restructuring and updating the bylaws
- Finish the MPOAC general counsel contract
- Research options for the university contract
- Prepare for the January 27, 2022 MPOAC Meeting

Mr. Reichert also shared that in the 47 day timeframe he was not able to:

- Establish the MPOAC Financial Policies and Procedures Committee
- Develop a continuation of operations plan (COOP) for the MPOAC (this document may be incorporated in a Policies and Procedures Manual)
- Update the MPOAC Strategic Directions Plan
- Visit MPOs across the state

B. OIG INVESTIGATIVE REPORT/BUDGET REPORT

Mr. Reichert presented the current status of the FDOT Office of Inspector General's (OIG) investigation. A draft copy of the investigation report was shared with FDOT and Mr. Reichert. OIG asked Mr. Reichert to hold back the release of the findings and recommendations until further notice. It was recommended that the Financial Policy and Procedures Committee, once established, provide the necessary financial oversight for the MPOAC.

Mr. Reichert provided an update on the MPOAC budget. He shared that, because of several limitations, he was not able to recreate the budget spreadsheet that the MPOAC membership is accustomed to receiving. He is in the process of reaching out to appropriate parties to identify where the information in the previous budgets can be retrieved. Romero Dill, FDOT Transportation Policy Analyst, is now the liaison between the MPOAC and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and has been working with Mr. Reichert and Lisa Stone, MPOAC Executive Assistant, to retrieve information and update the budget. An updated budget will be available by the MPOAC meeting on April 28, 2022.

In lieu of a budget, Mr. Reichert was able to download a Florida Accounting Information Resource (FLAIR) report. Mr. Reichert showed an example of the FLAIR report and explained that there may be potential discrepancies with the reporting software. For example, the report may not capture Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funds.

Several budget highlights were discussed. These highlights included the following:

- The PGI account balance for the MPOAC Institute is \$3,623.24.
- The Local Funds account balance is \$7,500.00.

- Association of Metropolitan Organizations (AMPO) dues, which were \$88,772.16 during the current fiscal year, are increasing by \$17,874.00 in FY 23.
- National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) dues are \$80,000.00.
- Floridians for Better Transportation dues are \$1,000.00.
- Florida Public Transportation Association dues are \$500.00.
- ITS Florida dues are \$420.00.
- The MPOAC is losing \$7,500.00 in hard match funds (previously provided to match the federal 5305(d) transit planning funds) with the consolidated planning grant (CPG).

C. LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Mr. Reichert shared state legislative activity of interest to the MPOAC membership. In his presentation, Mr. Reichert provided the following updates:

- 255 bills of interest are being tracked, 35 are related to MPOs or MPOAC policy issues. Key bills of interest include:
 - HB 1005/SB 728 creates Advanced Air Mobility Task Force. Includes an MPO representative.
 - HB 6083 by Rep. Learned (D-Hillsborough) would end the indexing of the state fuel tax.
 - HB 157/SB 398 places a cap of 25% of State Transportation Trust Fund (STTF) allocations for public transportation projects and services. These bills are moving through both chambers.
 - HB 1365/SB 1784 creates the Rural Roads Initiative Pilot Program.
 - SB 620/HB 569 allows local business to claim damages when local governments amend certain ordinances or charter provisions. The bill is on the Senate Floor but has 2 more House committees to go through.
 - Numerous bills addressing resiliency and safety.
- As of January 20th, 2022, 92 member projects were being considered by the Senate (\$237,950,682) and 148 member projects by the House (\$381,921,303).

Mr. Reichert asked the meeting attendees to let him know if there are any bills that they want him to focus on.

D. MPOAC Meeting Survey Results

Mr. Reichert presented the results of the MPOAC Meeting Survey. This survey was sent to members of the MPOAC Staff Directors' Advisory Committee, members of the MPOAC Governing Board, and MPOAC partners. A total of twenty-four Staff Directors, eighteen Governing Board Members, and four partners completed the survey. The poll results demonstrated no clear direction forward for future MPOAC meetings.

Based on a review of the survey results it was recommended to keep the Staff Directors' and Governing Board meetings on the same day, allowing space between the meetings. The Staff Directors' meeting can start at 9:00am and end by 12:00pm. This will allow a break for lunch. The Governing Board meeting can start at 1:30pm and end by 5pm. The Freight and

Rail Committee and Noteworthy Practices meetings can be held the afternoon before the Staff Directors' and Governing Board meetings.

Mr. Reichert proposed hosting a meeting at the State Materials Office in Gainesville during the next year. A request was made for recommendations for other locations.

Chair Maddox requested a modification to keep the Governing Board meeting start time at 3pm to allow time for same-day travel.

The meeting attendees discussed the suggested changes and modifications.

Commissioner Bill Dozier, Bay County TPO, made a motion to approve the morning meetings for the Staff Directors' Advisory Committee and keep the 3pm start time for the Governing Board meeting. The Governing Board will return in 6 months to assess these changes. Vice Mayor Chelsea Reed, Palm Beach TPA, seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion:

- The start time for the Staff Directors' Advisory Committee meeting will be left up to the Staff Directors.
- The members are open to occasionally holding meetings in locations other than Orlando.
- It was suggested that the MPOAC hosts one retreat-style meeting each year. The other three meetings would maintain the regular meeting structure.
 - A central location would be ideal for the regular meetings, while the annual retreat could be held at different locations.
 - The retreat would be structured as an innovation day or strategic planning day.
 - The retreat will include an area or facility tour, community service, the meeting, and dinner.
 - The MPOAC Executive Director can identify different locations across the state for the Staff Directors and Governing Board members to consider.
 - An annual report will be developed and shared at the retreat to explain why the Staff Director's and Governing Board members met and what was accomplished in the past fiscal year.
 - The retreat will allow members to get to know one another, build comradery, and learn from one another.
 - The retreat may encourage more attendance.
- The first retreat will be held in July 2022

Commissioner Maddox directed MPOAC staff to hold four meetings a year, with one meeting allocated for the retreat/innovation day. The retreat will include one to two days of meeting, innovation, education, idea sharing, and community service. The retreat will include an annual report that reflects what the MPOAC has accomplished over the fiscal year. The annual report for FY2021 - FY2022 will be developed and available for the July 2022 meeting. There was no objection from the MPOAC Governing Board members present.

Commissioner Mayra Uribe, MetroPlan Orlando, made a motion to hold the inaugural MPOAC Innovation Day in July 2022, a presentation of the annual report will be included and made available statewide. Commissioner Bill Dozier, Bay County TPO, seconded.

Discussion:

- The first retreat will be held in Gainesville.
- Each MPO should make an effort to have their Governing Board member and alternate present.
- Innovation Day may present an opportunity to have the press present to promote the MPOAC and its efforts.
- There are potential issues with sunshine laws for tours.
- The membership may want to use caution when going to alternate locations, ensuring that there is a quorum present for the meetings.

The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Reichert shared that the membership of the Freight and Rail Committee has changed to include permanent members, alternate members, and friends of the committee.

Mayor Chelsea Reed, Palm Beach TPA, made a motion to approve the change in membership for the MPOAC Freight and Rail Committee. Commissioner Bill Dozier, Bay County TPO, seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

6 AGENCY REPORTS

A. FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Ms. Abra Horne, Metropolitan Planning Administrator, presented the FDOT Agency Report and reviewed recent FDOT activities of note for the MPOs and their partners. Ms. Horne shared some staffing changes. Romero Dill is now the statewide MPO analyst and Samantha Parks is leaving the team to pursue her graduate studies. Ms. Horne recognized their Federal partners and those attending the meeting.

Ms. Horne's presentation included the following updates:

- UPWP template and development timeline
 - The joint certification development planning process is being carried out according to its requirements. The revised schedule was shared in the PowerPoint presentation. In late 2022, FDOT will add interoperability with the invoice tracking tool and discuss Phase 2 improvements.
 - Key dates in the UPWP development approval timeline include the following: on March 15th, 2022 the draft is due to District and Federal partners and on June 1st, 2022 the Districts recommend the UPWPs for approval.
- Transportation Performance Measures (TPMs)

- MPOs must establish annual safety targets by February 27, 2022; the deadline cannot be waived.
- The Consolidated Planning Grant (CPG) timeline is the same for year 1 and year 2. The CPG transit funds will be available starting July 1st of both years.
- The Census Bureau is delayed in publishing the final criteria for urban areas. The criteria will be available in the spring of 2022. In the fall of 2022, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) will designate Transportation Management Areas (TMAs; urban areas with a population over 200,000).
- The revenue estimation working group and FDOT are developing a methodology for the statewide long range transportation plan (LRTP) revenue forecast.
- There were no changes to the FDOT Planning Emphasis Areas (PEAs). There is additional focus on resiliency and equity at the federal level. Ms. Horne also highlighted the Federal PEAs.

B. FLORIDA DIVISION OF FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Cathy Kendall, Planning Team Leader and Ms. Karen Brunelle, Director of Project Development, updated the members on the activities of the Florida Division Office of FHWA and brought forward information of importance to the membership.

Ms. Kendall shared the following updates with the group:

- The new PEAs were issued on December 30, 2021. The PEAs were last updated in 2015.
- There will be a webinar on February 8, 2022 on virtual public involvement during the pandemic. Miami-Dade TPO will be one of the presenters.

Ms. Brunelle shared additional updates with the meeting attendees. These updates included the following:

- A discussion of the continuing resolution for the federal budget and what it means for federal transportation funding. Because the continuing resolution doesn't include new funding programs created under the BIL, they cannot be started until there is an approved budget for the current fiscal year.
- On November 1, 2021, USDOT announced nearly \$1 Billion in Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability & Equity (RAISE) grant awards. Florida received a total of 4 RAISE grants, which include 2 planning grants and 2 capital grants.
 - Under the planning grants, Jacksonville Transit Authority (JTA) received funding for the Ultimate Urban Circulator UTC Neighborhood Extension project and the City of Orlando received funding for the Orlando Connecting Residents on Safe Streets (CROSS) project.
 - Under the capital grants, FDOT received funding for the Tampa Heights Mobility Corridor and the City of Palatka A. Philip Randolph Regional Multimodal Transportation Hub and Complete Streets Connectivity.

- The LRTP Fiscal Constraint Guidance technical memo was included in the agenda packet. There will be discussions at future Florida Metropolitan Planning Partners (FMPP) meetings.
- Proven Safety Countermeasures
 - In 2008, there were 9 countermeasures. The countermeasures were updated in 2012, 2017, and 2021. There are 28 current countermeasures.
 - The Proven Safety Countermeasures Tool is available online at <https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/provencountermeasures/index.cfm>
 - A request was made to send the webinar on countermeasures to the group.
 - FHWA safe systems approach pilot program application deadline is February 11, 2022.
- Transportation Performance Measures (TPM) updates
 - November 2021
 - FDOT satisfied the 2021 Planning Finding Corrective Action on Transit TPM in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).
 - The Unmanned Aircraft System (UAS) Interactive Workshop was held November 2021.
 - The MPO Target Setting Study Peer Exchange was held in November 2021.
 - December 2021
 - Transit Asset Management Plan (TAMP) training for MPOs was conducted with representation from FDOT, MPO, and FHWA (also held in January 2022).
 - Pavement Management Peer Exchange was held in December 2021.
 - The TPM timeline has been updated and posted, it covers all TPM activities from 2021 through 2026 <https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/tpm/rule/timeline.pdf>.
- Upcoming TPM activities
 - As noted previously, MPOs are required to set annual safety performance targets by February 27, 2022.
 - When updating Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs), remember to address the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Safety Target Implementation Plan.
 - The Timber Bridge Inspection Training is under development.
 - Federal Congestion mitigation and air quality (CMAQ) performance measures (related to air quality) still do not apply to Florida.
 - On October 1, 2022, the baseline report for the full performance cycle for PM2 and PM3 is due. Targets are due to be set by FDOT for the next 4 years and Coordination is needed with the MPOs to set targets.

Information on RAISE grants will be shared with the MPOAC membership.

Commissioner Maddox requested that the agency partners make their reports available to the membership before the meetings. Members will identify if they have questions on specific items, which can then be pulled for presentation and/or discussion during the meeting on an as need basis. There were no objections.

C. FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

Ms. Holly Liles, Community Planner, Federal Transit Administration, sent a reminder that the MPOs do not need to update transit performance targets annually. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), and Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) updates trigger a revisit of targets. Coordination with transit providers regarding targets and any adjustments should be done to the maximum extent practicable and integrated into the planning process.

Commissioner Maddox requested an agenda modification to move items 7B(a), 7C, and 7E before 7A. There were no objections.

7 BUSINESS ITEMS & PRESENTATIONS

A. MPOAC DOCUMENT REVIEWS (A. MPOAC GENERAL COUNSEL CONTRACT)

Mark Reichert, Executive Director of the MPOAC, presented the new MPOAC General Counsel Contract.

Mr. Reichert presented the proposed Legal Services Agreement to the membership. Paul Gougelman serves as the legal counsel to MPOAC and his one-year contract is renewed annually. The contract, if approved, would be effective July 1, 2022. Mr. Gougelman's rate has increased, which does not affect the limits of the contract. The upper limits of the contract remain the same.

Commissioner Mayra Uribe, MetroPlan Orlando, made a motion to accept the recommendation by the MPOAC Staff Directors' Advisory Council to approve the contract for legal services provided by Mr. Paul Gougelman for the coming state fiscal year (FY 2022/2023). Commissioner Robert Bender, Florida-Alabama TPO, seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

B. MILEAGE BASED USER FEE ALLIANCE DISCUSSION

Mr. Mark Reichert, MPOAC Executive Director, led the meeting attendees in a discussion on the cost/benefits of joining the Mileage-Based User Fee Alliance (MBUFA) based out of Washington, D.C.

Mr. Reichert explained that MBUFA is described as the leader in addressing the transportation revenue shortfall. Mr. Reichert has attended meetings and feels that membership can elevate the MPOAC. Even though MBUFs may not be supported by everyone at this time, it would still be impactful to have a seat at the table. The dues are \$5,000 per annum.

Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO, made a motion to accept the recommendation by the MPOAC Staff Directors' Advisory Council to include MBUFA Membership in the UPWP development process to be voted on as a part of the UPWP

adoption process. Mayor Pro Tem Nat Birdsong, Polk TPO, seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

C. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The MPOAC bylaws require that the MPOAC Governing Board conduct an election of officers (Chair, Vice-Chair, and at large member of the MPOAC Executive Committee) at the first meeting of each calendar year. All three elected positions serve a term of one year. The MPOAC Staff Directors' Committee Chair and Vice-Chair serve on the MPOAC Executive Committee along with the three members of the MPOAC Governing Board. MPOAC staff asked for nominations of members to serve in each of these roles for 2022.

Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO, nominated Commissioner Nick Maddox to serve as Chair. Commissioner Maddox accepted the nomination. No additional nominations were made. Councilmember Andrea Young, Space Coast TPO, made a motion to close the nominations. Commissioner Bill Dozier, Bay County TPO, seconded and the motion was carried by unanimous acclimation.

Vice Mayor Chelsea Reed, Palm Beach TPA, nominated Commissioner Robert Weinroth, Palm Beach TPA, to serve as Vice-Chair. Commissioner Nick Maddox, Capital Region TPA, nominated Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO, to serve as Vice-Chair.

Mr. Paul Gougelman, MPOAC General Counsel, called for a roll call vote as required for a contested election.

Commissioner Bill Dozier, Bay County TPO – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Commissioner Sandy Johnson, Broward MPO – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Commissioner Nick Maddox, Capital Region TPA – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Commissioner James Herston, Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Commissioner Robert Bender, Florida-Alabama TPO – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Commissioner Craig Estep, Lake-Sumter MPO – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Commissioner Mayra Uribe, MetroPlan Orlando – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Vice Mayor Chelsea Reed, Palm Beach TPA – Commissioner Robert Weinroth
Mayor Pro Tem Nat Birdsong, Polk TPO – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Commissioner Chris Cloudman, River to Sea TPO – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh
Councilmember Andrea Young, Space Coast TPO – Commissioner Vanessa Baugh

The following attendee was recorded as absent online during the election: Councilmember Stephanie Morgan, St. Lucie TPO.

Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO, was elected as the MPOAC Governing Board Vice-Chair.

Vice Mayor Chelsea Reed, Palm Beach TPA, nominated Commissioner Mayra Uribe, MetroPlan Orlando, to serve as the At-Large MPOAC Executive Committee member.

Commissioner Uribe accepted the nomination. No additional nominations were made. Commissioner Vanessa Baugh, Sarasota/Manatee MPO, made a motion to close the nominations. Councilmember Andrea Young, Space Coast TPO, seconded and the motion was carried by unanimous acclimation.

D. JOINT PRESENTATION OF THE FEDERAL INFRASTRUCTURE BILL

Ms. Allison Stettner, Director, FDOT Office of Policy Planning, and Ms. Karen Brunelle, Director, Office of Project Development, the Federal Highway Administration, gave a joint presentation on the new Federal Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)/Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL).

The law was signed on November 15, 2021. Fact sheets and other information are available online at the USDOT (<https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law>), FTA (<https://www.transit.dot.gov/BIL>), FHWA (<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/>), and FDOT (<https://www.fdot.gov/planning/policy/legislation>) websites. Additional information shared with the meeting attendees include the following:

- There is \$500 Billion for new investments.
- \$350 Billion is for the highway trust fund and general fund.
- Florida is estimated to receive approximately \$13.5 Billion of formula funding.

Ms. Stettner and Ms. Brunelle shared information on formula funding, including those changes specific to planning, and competitive funding. The presentation included an overview of policy implications as they relate to FDOT's PEAs and national funding by mode. The presentation concluded with a discussion about implementation and implementation issues.

The meeting attendees discussed the continuing resolution and the impact it will have on budgeting and funding moving forward. Because the continuing resolution doesn't include new funding programs created under the BIL, they cannot be started until there is an approved federal budget for the current fiscal year.

E. MPOAC DOCUMENT REVIEWS (B. DRAFT MPOAC UPWP, C. MPOAC BYLAWS REVIEW)

Mark Reichert, Executive Director of the MPOAC, presented several documents and action items to the MPOAC Membership. These items included the draft MPOAC FY 22/23 and 23/24 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) and the revised MPOAC Bylaws.

Mark Reichert, MPOAC Executive Director shared that the Draft MPOAC FY 22/23 and 23/24 UPWP is currently being drafted and requested comments from the MPOAC membership.

The revised MPOAC Bylaws were shared with the members for review. Minor revisions were made including improving the organization of the bylaws, removing references to the agenda, and changing the name of the 'Freight Committee' to the 'Freight and Rail Committee'. Mr. Reichert requested comments on the revised Bylaws.

F. MPOAC FUTURE DIRECTION

Mark Reichert, Executive Director of the MPOAC, led the meeting attendees in a discussion about the future direction of the MPOAC. Mr. Reichert shared that he is looking for feedback on how he can serve the MPOAC membership in his role as MPOAC Executive Director.

Discussion:

- The membership shared that they appreciate the information that they are receiving. A request was made to ensure that staff also gets pertinent information relevant to the MPOs so that it is not overlooked.
- The MPOAC should be at the forefront of transportation in the state.

8 COMMUNICATIONS

No communications.

9 MEMBER COMMENTS

The 2022 members of the MPOAC Executive Committee were congratulated.

10 ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the MPOAC Governing Board will be April 28, 2022. A meeting notice will be sent out at least one month prior to the meeting date.

Adjournment 5:26 pm