



CENTRAL FLORIDA
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AGENDA

June 14, 2024 • 10:00 a.m.



MEETING NOTICE

Please be advised that the next Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting will be held on:

Date: Friday, June 14, 2024

Time: 10:00 a.m. (The CFMPOA Alliance will meet jointly with the Sun Coast TPO at 10:30 a.m. or immediately upon adjournment of the CFMPOA meeting, whichever occurs first.)

Location: Florida Department of Transportation
801-A N. Broadway Avenue
Bartow, FL 33830

AGENDA

Thank you for silencing your cell phones during the meeting.

Chairperson Doug Shields, presiding

I. Call to Order

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Introductions (CFMPOA Members and Staff)

IV. Public Comment on Action Items

People wishing to comment on Action Items must complete a "Speakers Introduction Card" at the reception desk. Each speaker is limited to two minutes.

V. Reports

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a. Delegation Reports (Info only)

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b. FDOT District Reports

- District I -
- District V – Ms. Loreen Bobo
- Florida’s Turnpike Enterprise – Mr. Saiosi Fine

VI. Action Items

a. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

TAB 2

Action is requested for approval of the April 12, 2024, Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting minutes.

VII. Presentations/Discussion

a. FDOT Strategic Plan Update

Presenter: Ms. Loreen Bobo, FDOT District 5 Safety Administrator

VIII. Information Items

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- a. Joint Resolution on I-4 Passenger Rail Service
- b. Update on Federal GHG Performance Measure and Target
- c. FDOT Mobility Week Activities

IX. Member Comments

X. Public Comments

People wishing to speak must complete a “Speakers Introduction Card” at the reception desk. Each speaker is limited to two minutes.

XI. Next meeting – October 11, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at MetroPlan Orlando

XII. Adjournment

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TAB I

2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

The first phases of the 2050 LRTP are underway, with a final adoption date of December 2025. Current phases to be completed June 2024:

- Socioeconomic Data forecast, subarea identification, Goals, Objectives, and Performance Measures
- Freight Evaluation Summary – Freight and Rail Element
- Resiliency Element

State Road 50 Groveland Realignment Project Funded for Construction Lake~Sumter MPO's Number One Priority



The Florida Department of Transportation, elected officials, and local partners kicked off the forthcoming plans for SR 50 in Groveland by starting demolition of two abandoned buildings in the area within the limits of the project. The kickoff event held April 19th was led by FDOT and the city of Groveland to commemorate the accelerated plans for the realignment of State Road 50 from County Road 565 to Brown Street. The FDOT led project will realign SR 50 to the north of downtown Groveland to help remove a significant amount of heavy traffic from the downtown area.

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Construction for this project was originally scheduled to begin 2030, but FDOT, leaders from Groveland, Lake County, Lake~Sumter MPO and state elected officials agreed to move the construction to 2026.

Road to Zero: FDOT's Strategic Plan Unveiled at Regional Summit

Transportation partners from across Central Florida recently convened for FDOT's inaugural Safety Summit, which was held at the Port of Call ballroom at SeaWorld Orlando. This event highlighted FDOT's Strategic Safety Plan, which provides a framework for collaboration on their Target Zero campaign to reduce serious injuries and fatalities from traffic crashes to zero. The summit drew a diverse group of attendees, including elected officials, law enforcement officers, engineers, and representatives from transportation planning organizations throughout District 5, covering Brevard, Flagler, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Sumter, and Volusia Counties.



All 5 MPO/TPO's from the Central Florida District 5 area represented on at the Safety Summit

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Work and Upcoming Studies:

Safe Streets and Roads for All – Vision Zero Safety Action Planning Grant

PROGRAM MANAGER: ADRIANA RODRIGUEZ | REGIONAL PLAN PROJECT MANAGER: MIGHK WILSON

MetroPlan Orlando was awarded a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Planning Grant in cooperation with each of our three counties and 19 municipalities. To reach zero fatalities as a region, the application requested \$3.8 million in federal funding to develop Safety Action Plans for each participating agency (1 Regional Plan, 3 County Plans, and 19 Local Municipality Plans). The top-down, bottom-up planning approach will encompass all regional roads where most fatalities occur while also identifying safety countermeasures to create a system of safe local streets.

MetroPlan Orlando kicked-off its Vision Zero Action Plan in July. The Regional Plan, the three county plans and 19 municipal plans are under development. The High Injury Network, detailed data analysis, internet hub site for data sharing, public outreach activities, graphics templates, and policy benchmarking guidance have either been recently completed or are under development.

To guide this process, MetroPlan Orlando's Vulnerable Users Safety Working Group was expanded and re-tasked to provide guidance for our Vision Zero initiative and renamed as the Vision Zero Regional Task Force. This diverse cross-sector group has met twice since kick-off, reviewing regional crash data, the High Injury Network, and has provided initial feedback on policy and outreach strategies.

For more information, visit: <https://metroplanorlando.gov/safety/vision-zero-central-florida/> and www.VisionZeroCFL.gov

Traffic Signal Retiming

PROJECT MANAGER: LARA BOUCK

MetroPlan Orlando is funding retiming on 20 (of 23 requested) corridors as part of the FY 2023-2024 retiming program; NTP was granted to begin the retiming efforts in October 2023. Professional services have also been procured to complete the Before and After evaluation of the FY 2022-2023 slate of retimed corridors/intersections; it is anticipated the evaluation will be complete in summer 2024. A distracted driving evaluation is being completed as part of the Before and After task and results of the evaluation will be reported out concurrently with the findings from the Before and After study.

Transportation for All (Title VI and LEP) Plan

PROJECT MANAGER: CYNTHIA LAMBERT / SARAH LARSEN

The regional Transportation for All plan will centralize how MetroPlan Orlando incorporates transportation equity in the planning process and provide a foundation for future work, aligning with USDOT's Equity Action Plan and definition of disadvantaged communities. The plan will also include updates to our Title VI and Limited English Proficiency (LEP) plans. The new plan will include data analysis, an equity audit process, and public engagement components.



Regional TSMO Program

PROJECT MANAGER: ERIC HILL

The scope of work is complete to provide MetroPlan Orlando staff with support to develop a Regional TSM&O (RTSMO) Organizational Strategic Plan for the Central Florida region. The catalyst for the Strategic Plan is a Peer Exchange previously held between transportation planning agencies in Central Florida and across the country that focused on the value and potential for establishing an organizational platform for RTSMO including identification of recommended actions. Kimely-Horn and the Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) have collected and reviewed 39 relevant documents from study area MPOs, FDOT Districts, expressway authorities, associations of MPOs, and the RTSMO Working Group. Based on the review of documents in the study area, a draft summary was prepared that provides a narrative summary of current planning practices, include a synthesis of key takeaways to inform development of a vision and other elements of the strategic plan. The Consultants updated the Working Group listing and continued Working Group outreach and coordination in preparation for initial Working Group Virtual Meeting on February 1, 2024.

Electric Vehicle Regional TSMO Program

PROJECT MANAGER: ERIC HILL

The scope of work is complete to provide MetroPlan Orlando staff with support in the development of an Electric Vehicle (EV) Readiness Study. The EV Readiness Study will provide a regional approach for supporting current and future EV drivers traveling within the MetroPlan Orlando planning area. The Kickoff Meeting was convened in October 2023. Kittelson has completed a draft methodology for EVSE conditions; compiled EV/Charging Infrastructure/Census data for existing conditions analysis; and provided an outline EVSE memorandum.

For more information, visit: <https://metroplanorlando.gov/plans/transportation-systems-management-operations-master-plan/>

Active Transportation Plan

PROJECT MANAGER: TAYLOR LAURENT | DEPUTY PM: SLADE DOWNS

Building on MetroPlan Orlando's existing plans as well as partner agency bicycle and pedestrian plans, the Active Transportation Plan (ATP) aims to create a cohesive master plan for non-motorized needs in Central Florida. This project includes refreshing our bicycle and pedestrian points of interest (activity centers) and the development of a low-stress network of facilities to allow users to travel to and from destinations safely while using an active mode of transportation.

This project sets active transportation goals and objectives for 2050 that will be incorporated into the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan. The ATP is in the late stages of development, with work efforts focusing on the final report; which identifies infrastructure needs, proposed project enhancements, and policy recommendations for active transportation throughout the region. The ATP Steering Committee, consisting of local stakeholders and advocacy groups, has met four times and is scheduled to reconvene in February/March 2024. Expected project completion is early 2024. For more information, visit: <https://metroplanorlando.gov/plans/active-transportation-plan/>



Sidewalk Bundles Feasibility

PROJECT MANAGER: ADRIANA RODRIGUEZ

MetroPlan Orlando is currently coordinating efforts with municipal partners to address critical sidewalk gaps within the three-county region. MetroPlan Orlando will be conducting a series of feasibility studies for sidewalk improvements that will be used to program projects for design and ultimately construction. These studies will allow the determination of available right-of-way and potential environmental and socioeconomic impacts, as well as document and identify factors that may impede the project's constructability and permitting. The sidewalk bundles feasibility will include the development of concept plans and engineer's opinion of probable cost. MetroPlan Orlando has initiated the feasibility study for the prioritized sidewalk gap bundles in Orange County and is currently working with the City of Orlando to finalize the scope of work for the next bundle of prioritized sidewalk gaps.

Ozone Contingency / Carbon Reduction Strategy

PROJECT MANAGER: SARAH LARSEN

MetroPlan Orlando has partnered with the University of Central Florida (UCF) to prepare a comprehensive report on the state of air quality in our region that will explore existing conditions as well as future issues and countermeasures for improvement. The first phase of the report analyzed ground-level ozone and detailed traffic data from Streetlight within the Motor Vehicle Emission Simulator (MOVES) model to determine where pollutant concentrations currently exist in our region. The second phase included engaging stakeholders to determine which mitigation countermeasures are the most appropriate for our community. From this outreach, the UCF research team has explored how different mitigation countermeasures will impact the region's air quality. The technical white paper detailing the work is set to be completed in December 2023, finalizing the Regional Ozone Contingency / Carbon Reduction Plan. This work will then inform future environmental planning for the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

Transportation Improvement Program Update

PROJECT MANAGER: JASON SARTORIO

In September of 2023 MetroPlan Orlando Amended the FY 2023/24 - 2027/28 TIP to include the FDOT and SunRail roll forward reports. This amendment rolled forward funding to approximately 230 projects. The Roll Forward Amendment was approved by the MetroPlan Orlando Board on September 13, 2023. Additionally, in November of 2023, MetroPlan Orlando published the Fiscal Year 2022/23 Federally Obligated Funds Report.

Additionally, Planning has begun for the FY 2024/25 - 2028/29 TIP. MetroPlan Orlando has purchased a database software to assist us with the creation and organization of our TIP document, as well as how the document is viewed on our website. Over the past few months, we have been working with EcoInteractive to provide the data required in order to have everything up and running once the FDOT releases the new 5-year work program. Staff members have been on weekly training and coordination calls with EcoInteractive as well.

Prioritized Project List Update

PROJECT MANAGER: SLADE DOWNS

The Prioritized Project List (PPL) is a list of unfunded highway, transit, bicycle, and pedestrian projects that have been ranked for future funding. The PPL serves as a bridge document between the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and the five-year TIP. The PPL is created in conjunction with the TIP and shows which projects are next in line for federal and state funding.

Planning is underway for the 2024 update to the PPL. Coordination with municipal partners and state agencies is ongoing. A preview will be presented to MetroPlan Orlando's advisory committees and Board during the May-June committee cycle to allow members a chance to provide feedback prior to the formal adoption action. Member and municipal partner feedback will be incorporated into the final PPL document.



Tracking the Trends Program

PROJECT MANAGER: SLADE DOWNS

MetroPlan Orlando researches current Central Florida trends to help plan for the region's transportation needs; providing insight and indications of future needs. The Tracking the Trends project stems from FHWA's performance-based planning process. Throughout the year, MetroPlan Orlando collects and analyzes data to monitor the state of the transportation system. This data includes federal performance measures and regional targets. Staff have worked with a consultant to streamline the data visualization tool to create a more accessible, digestible source of information to the public and local partners. Work on two new data visualization tools, the Accessibility Hub and the Systems Performance Report Dashboard, is ongoing.

For more information, visit: <https://metroplanorlando.gov/trends/>

SunRail Longwood Rail Crossing

PROJECT MANAGER: ADRIANA RODRIGUEZ

MetroPlan Orlando completed the assessment of potential improvements for the rail crossing at SR 434 and Ronald Reagan Boulevard in the City of Longwood. While SunRail is boarding and alighting, gates at Church Ave and Ronald Reagan Blvd remain down, generating congestion and vehicular delays. MetroPlan Orlando studied a variety of potential improvements and assessed their feasibility and order-of-magnitude costs, in collaboration with the City of Longwood and stakeholders. Findings and next steps were discussed and shared with stakeholders including Seminole County, City of Longwood, and FDOT.

2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan

PROJECT MANAGER: TAYLOR LAURENT

The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) serves as the long-term vision and guide to craft our community's future as the region matures. The 2050 MTP will evaluate the state of the region, identify future trends and drivers of change that may influence or change how the region grows, and then determine the physical and policy infrastructure necessary to support the community. This effort will include a multi-faceted needs assessment, which will include active transportation, transportation systems management and operations, transit, freight and standard vehicles in addition to safety/vision zero initiatives, health, environmental, and resilience. The identified needs will then be prioritized, and alternative infrastructure investment scenarios developed to determine the cost feasible projects which will be implemented over the coming years. The 2050 MTP formally began in January 2024. Additional information about the 2050 MTP is available at MetroPlanOrlando.gov/Draft2050Plan

Data Analytics Program & Local Agency Support Projects

PROJECT MANAGER: TAYLOR LAURENT

Data analytics using big data sources can provide a wealth of information for transportation projects. MetroPlan Orlando utilizes StreetLight Data, along with a few other sources, to support transportation planning efforts within Orange, Osceola, and Seminole Counties, including:

- Origin destination studies to inform traffic management and transit planning
- Operating speed assessments on corridors
- Traffic volume and delay estimates on corridors
- Cut-through traffic evaluations
- Bicycle and pedestrian travel patterns
- Travel time reliability



Ocala/Marion County Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Delegation Report June 2024

2045 Long Range Transportation Plan Update I-75 at NW 49th Street Interchange

On June 25, the TPO will conduct a public hearing to amend the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). This update will include the addition of over \$50 million in funding for the TPO's top priority project, the I-75 at NW 49th Street new interchange. The diverging diamond interchange (DDI) project is now fully funded and scheduled for construction in Fiscal Year 2025.

Navigating the Future – 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan

The TPO formally kicked off the development of Navigating the Future, 2050 LRTP on April 23. As part of the initial phase of development, a major focus of the process is on data collection, public engagement and initial feedback via an online survey and comment map. A public workshop will culminate this phase of the project in September. A project page has been released to the public for access to the survey, comment map and general project information.

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/c88b20f1d8e74c5f96dd7fdc9f98a5c3>

TPO Participates with Florida Department of Transportation in Local Bike Design Challenge Event

On May 10, the TPO participated in FDOT's Bike Lane Design Challenge event at Ward Highlands Elementary School in Ocala. The event offered an educational opportunity for students to learn about the basics of safety and bicycling. A special thanks to Stephanie Moss of FDOT's Office of Safety and Ocala Mayor Ben Marciano for their inspirational and educational presentations.



TPO Bids Farewell to Longtime Partner

In May, the TPO's Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) celebrated the retirement of a longtime partner Mickey Thomason of the Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP). Prior to his retirement, Mickey served as the Manager of the 110-mile Marjorie Harris Carr Cross Florida Greenway. His leadership was pivotal to the development of Florida's largest state park managed area, and spine of the Greenways and Trails System. Mickey generously served the TAC for over 20 years, helping to plan, build and maintain non-motorized facilities in Marion County.

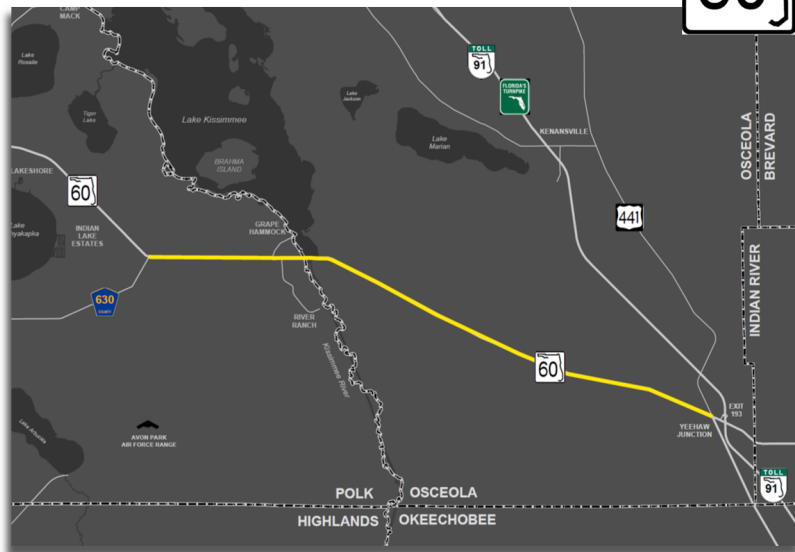


Polk Transportation Planning Organization

Polk TPO Delegation Report – June 2024

State Road 60 Widening – At their June meeting, the Polk TPO Board approved TPO Resolution 2024-06 requesting the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to advance construction to complete the four-lane widening of State Road 60 across Central Florida. State Road 60 is one of only four major east-west regional state roads south of Interstate 4 on the Florida Peninsula. Much of the highway is already four-lanes or more; however, there is a 27 mile section in Polk and Osceola County that is still two-lanes between CR 630 and US 441. State Road 60 is strategically significant in the State of Florida for freight distribution and hurricane evacuations. The two-lane portion of State Road 60 has had a history of severe crashes. In the last five years there have been 17 fatal crashes

on the two-lane section of State Road 60 in Polk and Osceola counties with 14 of the 17 crashes being either head-on or sideswipe collisions. The resolution also states the Polk TPO will support potential initiatives by our regional partners in Osceola County, MetroPlan Orlando and the Central Florida MPO Alliance to advocate for the advancement of the widening of the corridor in both Polk and Osceola counties.



Map of SR 60 in Polk & Osceola Counties CR 630 - US 441

2024 Priority Transportation Projects – In June, the TPO Board also approved the 2024 Priority Transportation Projects for Polk County. The priorities include 28 projects and consist of candidate highway, intersection, transit, bicycle, pedestrian and multi-use trail projects. Key regional highway projects consist of State Road 60 widening in eastern Polk County, US 98 in Lakeland and US 17/92 between US 27 and Osceola County. The TPO requested design funding for the Lakeland Intermodal Center near downtown Lakeland and several regional multi-use trail projects including the Old Dixie Trail, which is part of Florida’s SUN Trail network, between Auburndale and Lake Alfred.



Ongoing Projects and Activities

I-95 at US 1 Interchange

On May 22, 2024, FDOT held a public meeting for the I-95 at US 1 Interchange Improvement Project. This project received funding through the Moving Florida Forward Infrastructure Initiative to modernize the interchange to improve safety, increase mobility, and reduce congestion. The PD&E study for this project was recently completed and the design is ongoing. The Right-of-Way and Construction phases are funded in fiscal years 2025 and 2027, respectively. The total cost of the project is estimated at \$258 million.

Flagler Avenue (New Smyrna Beach) Data Walk

On April 17, 2024, members of the TPO’s Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee along with TPO staff participated in this event hosted by FDOT to gather data measuring the impact of the new exclusive pedestrian phase traffic signal at the intersection of Peninsula Avenue and Flagler Avenue in New Smyrna Beach. Using MPATH, a platform that uses your movement activity data to calculate locations where you are feeling stress or comfort, patterns are identified while using infrastructure such as the Flagler Avenue pedestrian signal. Using this data, facilities that present increased stress can be identified which could lead to the prevention of future accidents. MPATH filters out our linear increases in heart rate due to physical stress and allows the data on emotional stress to be calculated. Ultimately, by mapping the stress felt along the roadway, FDOT can quantify how pedestrians actually feel while walking through the phased intersection.

Volusia County Transit Services (Votran) Planning Support

The River to Sea TPO continues to provide support and funding for consultant efforts to expand VoRide services in western Volusia County. VoRide is a mobility on demand, curb-to-curb ride share service that provides residents with a cost-effective, flexible, point-to-point transportation mode. VoRide first launched in the City of DeLand in December of 2023 as a pilot program to provide mobility on demand services. Based on its initial success, the service was expanded in April of 2024 to include the cities of Deltona, DeBary and Orange City. Future expansion plans include bringing the service to Southeastern Volusia County.

Community Outreach Activity

- **Ponce Preserves the Planet Event** – On Saturday, April 20, 2024, the River to Sea TPO participated in the annual Ponce Preserves the Planet Earth Day Celebration in Ponce Inlet. The TPO educated attendees on ways to reduce our transportation carbon footprint by carpooling, taking public transportation, and walking or biking to our destinations.
- **EdgeFest Earth Day Festival** – On Saturday, April 27, 2024, the TPO attended the City of Edgewater’s Earth Day Festival at Hawks Park. The TPO engaged attendees in discussions on ways to preserve the planet through transportation that is sustainable such as walking and biking.

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| Beverly Beach | DeBary | Flagler Beach | New Smyrna Beach | Palm Coast | South Daytona |
| Bunnell | DeLand | Flagler County | Oak Hill | Pierson | Volusia County |
| Daytona Beach | Deltona | Holly Hill | Orange City | Ponce Inlet | |
| Daytona Beach Shores | Edgewater | Lake Helen | Ormond Beach | Port Orange | |



Space Coast TPO's Delegation Report to the Central Florida MPO Alliance June 14, 2024

Work Tasks and Upcoming Studies:

Advance 2050 - Advancing Transportation on the Space Coast

We are developing our 2050 Long Range Transportation and a Transit Development Plan to guide how we move people and goods over the next 25 years. Five mini workshops are scheduled between May 22 – June 12. Next steps will be the development of a Needs List and a Cost Feasible Plan.

2023 State of the System Report

The annual State of the System (SOS) report tracks changes in key indicators such as congestion, crashes, vehicle miles traveled and transit ridership. The roadway conditions are scored and ranked for each performance measure evaluated and used during the project prioritization process. The report summarizes transportation metrics based on the four federally mandated performance measures. The report will be finalized in the fall of 2024.

Cocoa Multi-modal Passenger Rail Station & Rail Project – CRISI Grant Submitted

The City of Cocoa submitted a CRISI grant on May 28th, along with its co-applicant, the SCTPO. Funding partners include, City of Cocoa, Brevard County - Tourism Development Tax, SCTPO, a Federal appropriation / Community Project and Brightline (land).

A feasibility study is being conducted by the Space Coast TPO using a grant received from FDOT's Intermodal Office. The aim of the study is to identify and examine intermodal connections to major regional destinations, with a focus on potential ridership and infrastructure enhancements to support the station. The study will be completed by August 2024.

Ellis Road INFRA Grant

The TPO worked closely with Brevard County to provide technical assistance in developing a USDOT INFRA grant application and Benefit Cost Analysis. Ellis Road is an SIS connector on the National Highway System and is a top priority for the region. Brevard County submitted the Grant on May 6, 2024.

[Brevard Rail Crossings – Railroad Crossing Elimination Grant](#)

SCTPO is preparing a USDOT grant (RCE) to add supplemental safety measures to approximately 9 crossings along the FEC railway within Brevard County. As our municipalities are contemplating establishing Quiet Zones along the corridor, the supplemental measures will provide an additional layer of protection and will consist mainly of Quad gates. The RCEP grant is anticipated to be released in mid-June.

[Dixon Boulevard Complete Streets Analysis](#)

Dixon Blvd was identified for a complete streets analysis based on its proximity to underserved populations, transportation safety concerns, and high population of bicyclists and pedestrians. The Study will focus on complete streets recommendations to improve multimodal safety and mobility along the corridor. The project will begin over the next month.

[Ongoing Studies:](#)

[South Brevard Trails Master Plan Kick-off](#)

The Southern Brevard Trails Master Plan will build off the existing Showcase Trail Network and adopted Bicycle & Pedestrian Master Plan to develop a Southern Brevard trail network, prioritizing, and moving a trail forward via feasibility study(s). The development of the Master Plan will include coordination with key stakeholders and provide both in-person and virtual public engagement activities.

[Mobility on Demand \(MOD\) Study](#)

A MOD study will be conducted by the Space Coast Transportation Planning Organization (SCTPO) and Space Coast Area Transit. The study will evaluate the potential opportunities of public-private partnerships for MOD planning, first/last mile solutions, mobile applications to

integrate public and private transportation services on one app, and impacts/opportunities to service people with disabilities. Through the MOD study, existing conditions will be reviewed, MOD areas identified, alternatives provided, and potential funding sources identified.

[North Merritt Island Trail / SUN Trails](#)

Brevard County Parks & Recreation received a \$300,000 SUN Trail grant to conduct a feasibility study on the North Merritt Island Pioneer Trail. The project will be administered by the Space Coast TPO on behalf of Brevard County through an interlocal agreement.

The project will review potential trail alignments on North Merritt Island and discern feasible route(s) for the North Merritt Island Pioneer Trail, connecting SR 528 to the Pine Island Conservation Area, while also connecting to the existing

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Pioneer Trail located in Kings Park. The SCTPO Showcase Trail Network identifies the North Merritt Island Pioneer Trail as an essential spur for the East Coast Greenway. The project will also include an environmental review, public and stakeholder engagement, and the development of preliminary typical sections.

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Friday, April 12, 2024
MetroPlan Orlando

Chairman Doug Shields, Lake-Sumter MPO, Presiding

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Honorable Doug Shields
Honorable Cal Rolfson
Honorable Roy Tyler
Honorable Nancy Daly
Honorable Brian Yates
Honorable Christine Moore
Honorable Olga Castano
Honorable Lee Constantine
Honorable Ire Bethea, Sr.
Honorable Michelle Stone
Honorable Craig Curry
Honorable Chris Cloudman
Honorable David Alfin
Honorable Yvonne Minus
Honorable Joe Robinson

REPRESENTING:

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Space Coast TPO
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MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Honorable Sandy Gamble
Mayor Bill Partington
Honorable Andrea Young

Lake-Sumter MPO
River to Sea TPO
Space Coast TPO

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Gary Huttman
Mr. Robert Balmes
Mr. Ryan Kordek
Ms. Georganna Gillette
Ms. Colleen Nicoulin
Mr. Mike Woods
Mr. Siaso Fine
Ms. Betsy Reina
Mr. Jack Adkins
Mr. Eric Hill
Mr. Alex Trauger

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A complete list of all others in attendance may be obtained upon request.

I. Call to Order

Chairman Doug Shields called the April 12, 2024, Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Chris Cloudman, River to Sea TPO, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Introduction of CFMPOA Members and Staff

CFMPOA Members introduced themselves and Ms. Lisa Smith confirmed an in-person quorum was present.

Mr. Ryan Kordek, Polk TPO, made a special presentation to Mayor Roy Tyler honoring his time serving as a member of the Central Florida MPO Alliance, the Polk TPO and his retiring from public service.

IV. Public Comments on Action Items

Chairman Shields reviewed the public comment procedures for both in person and virtual comments.

There were no requests for public comment.

V. Reports

Chairman Shields called attention to the Delegation Reports provided for informational purposes.

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b. FDOT District Reports

- District I

Ms. Betsy Reina represented FDOT District 1. She provided an update on the Collier to Polk Regional Trail Master Plan. She explained that Regional Trail is proposed to be a connected multi-use trail through Collier, Henry, Glade, Highland, Hardy and Polk counties. Ms. Reina noted that there will be a series of public meetings to be held in late May into early June and

that the meeting to discuss the Polk County portion is scheduled for June 4th. The PD&E study exploring the SunRail expansion into Polk County is currently going through the procurement phase to hire a consultant to assist the Department in that undertaking.

- **District 5**

Mr. Jack Adkins represented FDOT District 5. Mr. Adkins noted that a working group has been formed for Ellis Road in Brevard County. He explained that the working group will explore ways to bridge the funding gap and look at strategies for value engineering. The working group will convene May 20th-May 24th. He noted on the national performance measure on Greenhouse Gas emissions, Secretary Perdue has issued letter that it is no longer a requirement. He noted that April is Distracted Driving Month, and National Work Zone Awareness week is April 15th through April 19th and Wednesday, April 17th is "Wear Orange Day".

- **Florida's Turnpike Enterprise**

Mr. Siasoi Fine, Florida's Turnpike Enterprises, noted that FTE will be hosting public information meetings for the PD&E widening of the Turnpike mainline from SR 70 in St. Lucie County to SR 60 in Osceola County. The virtual session was held on May 1st. Two in-person sessions are scheduled for May 7th from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the Indian River State College, in Ft. Pierce and on May 9th from 5:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the Intergenerational Community Center in Vero Beach.

VI. Action Items

a. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Action is requested for approval of the February 9, 2024, Central Florida MPO Alliance meeting minutes.

MOTION: Mayor Roy Tyler moved approval of the February 9, 2024, meeting minutes. Councilman Cal Rolfson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

VII. Presentations/Discussion

a. Central Florida MPO Alliance Coordinator Efforts

Mr. Nick Lepp, PE, HDR, presented on the CFMPOA's coordination efforts regarding the long-range planning process. He spoke about the importance of collaboration. He explained that major transportation projects take a long time to implement and having shared priorities that address transportation challenges in the Region has advanced regional projects like I-4, Coast to Coast Trails and SunRail. He provided an overview of the proposed CFMPOA regional network. He provided the next steps to develop a regionally significant network with MPO staff that supports the mission of the Alliance, to establish a regionally significant network for other modal connections (i.e.: intermodal, regional trails, new corridors and emerging technology).

He recommended that the Alliance endorse a coordinated network at the October meeting for long range transportation plan coordination and development.

b. Moving Florida Forward: I-4 and I-75/I-95 Presentations

Mr. Ed Kestory, District Design Engineer FDOT, provided a brief overview of the district 5 Five-Year Work Program. Mr. Kestory discussed the I-75 auxiliary lanes from S.R. 44 to S.R. 326, affecting Marion and Sumter Counties. He noted that it is separated into two separate projects, I-75 South (South of S.R. 44 to S.R. 200) and I-75 North (S.R. 200 to S.R. 326). He provided estimated costs, planned advertisements, and procurement schedule. He noted that both projects are anticipated for construction in 2025. He showed a rendering of the proposed improvements.

Mr. Kestory provided information on the I-95 at U.S. 1 Interchange in northern Volusia County. He provided estimated costs, planned advertisements, and procurement schedule. He noted that both projects are anticipated for construction in 2027. He showed a rendering of the proposed improvements. He also discussed the I-95 Strategic Plan and planned PD&E studies.

Mr. Tracy Hood, FDOT, presented an update on the Moving Florida Forward (MFF) Initiative. He provided an overview of the new Corridors Program Team created by FDOT Central Office to deliver the following projects:

- Project number 12: I-4 from Champions Gate to Osceola Parkway
- Project number 13: Poinciana Parkway Extension Connector
- Project number 16: I-4 from U.S. 27 to Champions Gate.

Mr. Hood shared a project map of the planned construction, detailed the road layout, and gave a status update of the I-4 project in Osceola and Polk County. Ms. Chacon provided an overview of public outreach efforts to date. She shared that the office is pivoting from Design-Build Contracts to Multiple-Phase Contracts with different procurement methods for MFF, with the benefit of a shorter time from advertising the contract to being awarded at approximately four months.

c. Adoption of Passenger Rail Statement

Mr. Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando, clarified that the request is not for adoption, but was provided as an information item. He explained that he had been contacted by the Director of the Pinellas TPO who had been directed by his governing Board to prepare a statement that supports connecting Tampa and Orlando by rail. The ask is for the Alliance to consider a statement supporting high-speed passenger rail (HSR) between Orlando and Tampa. The statement was provided in the agenda package. Mr. Huttman explained that the resolution would be presented at the joint meeting in June with the Suncoast TPA, requesting support.

d. Update on Federal GHG Performance Measure and Target

Mr. Alex Trauger, MetroPlan Orlando, updated Alliance members on recent developments concerning the GHG Performance Measure and Target. Mr. Trauger provided background

information and a status update. He noted that a briefing on the subject was provided at the February meeting. Mr. Trauger provided insight into recent court proceedings that were filed against the measure and Alliance partner collaboration. He stated that on April 1st, the GHG requirement was vacated by the Judge, and noted the 30-day appeal period for USDOT to seek relief. He said that it is no longer a requirement.

VIII. Information Items

- a. MPOAC Legislative Wrap Up
- b. River to Sea TPO Resolution 2024-08 supporting the St. Johns River to Sea Loop Trail

IX. Member Comments

Chair Shields, Lake Sumter MPO, thanked FDOT for their efforts in realigning S.R. 50 around the City of Groveland. He noted the groundbreaking ceremony is scheduled for April 19th.

Georganna Gillette, Space Coast TPO, provided an update on the regional priority that Bright Line officially announced its intention to develop a Cocoa station. The next steps will be working on a funding plan and submitting a CRISI grant with the City of Cocoa.

Councilwoman Minus, Space Coast TPO, thanked FDOT for moving the Ellis Road Exchange forward in West Melbourne.

Mayor Roy Tyler, Polk TPO, provided parting insight regarding traffic safety from his perspective as a retired law enforcement official and as a long-time Polk TPO Board and CFMPOA member. Members of the Alliance gave a round of applause and thanked him for his service.

X. Public Comments

None.

XI. Next meeting

June 14, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.
T.B.D.

XII. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 11:20 a.m.

Respectfully transcribed by Lisa Smith, Senior Board Services Coordinator, MetroPlan Orlando.

Central Florida MPO Alliance

Commissioner Doug Shields, Chairman

Attest:

Lisa Smith, Sr. Board Services Coordinator

Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, states that if a person decides to appeal any decision made by a board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at a meeting or hearing, he will need a record of the proceedings, and that, for such purpose, he may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

TAB 3

A Resolution on Passenger Rail in the Interstate 4 Corridor

Sun Coast Transportation Planning Alliance and Central Florida MPO Alliance

DRAFT

June 5, 2024

Whereas, Florida's Interstate 4 corridor, spanning the Space Coast to the Sun Coast and serving the travel needs of millions of residents, visitors, and industry, faces unrelenting challenges for safe, reliable, and affordable transportation options between communities.

Whereas, growth in population, jobs, and tourism thanks to Florida's inviting climate and welcoming economy is driving traffic congestion and safety pressures in the I-4 Corridor.

Whereas, even with the laudable efforts of the Florida Department of Transportation and the Governor's Moving Florida Forward Initiative, we risk falling further behind in coming years without fully developing safe and efficient multi-modal transportation options to support traffic and economic growth in the I-4 corridor.

NOW, THEREFORE, IN RECOGNITION OF THE FOREGOING, the involved MPOs hereby jointly understand, agree, and commit to planning as follows:

The Sun Coast Transportation Planning Alliance and Central Florida MPO Alliance, representing the state's 10 metropolitan planning organizations along the I-4 Corridor, recognize there is a critical transportation need and priority to bring expanded passenger rail service to this super-region.

Passenger rail options should include higher speed Brightline rail service linking Tampa Bay to the Orlando Metro area, the Space Coast and Southeast Florida, along with more frequent and new Amtrak service between Tampa Bay and metro Orlando, and other parts of the United States to satisfy the ever-growing travel demand between and through our regions.

This resolution recognizes that Brightline and Amtrak offer different service options for distinct travel markets and price points to connect people to jobs, education, and other destinations, and thus may operate complementarily service rather than competitively.

Other complementary actions, including station area planning, advanced air mobility, infrastructure support for the trucking industry, and enhanced operations and systems management, must be part of this regional mobility package.

The issues of traffic congestion, travel time reliability, safety, and jobs access are at a critical breaking point in the I-4 Corridor. As our Metro Orlando and Tampa Bay regions grow so rapidly, that growth needs to be aligned with the State of Florida's established priorities. Those priorities include sustaining the state's economy through resilience adaptation, preservation of outstanding environmental assets, and connecting wildlife corridors, all of which help guide public investment and growth to where it best serves regional and statewide interests.

The expansion of regional passenger rail between the Atlantic Coast, Metro Orlando and Tampa Bay will complement our continuing multi-MPO and multi-District regional collaboration efforts to ensure productive traffic flow and safe, reliable travel along the I-4 corridor. This will further our

shared project priorities and enhance our ongoing Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO) initiative.

The respective MPOs, through their respective work programs and shared regional collaboration activities of the Central Florida MPO Alliance and Sun Coast Transportation Planning Alliance, hereby call upon the State of Florida and other interested parties to work cooperatively to expand transit and transportation options serving the Interstate 4 Corridor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF AND AS APPROVED BY THE JOINT MPO ALLIANCES on the date shown below:

CENTRAL FLORIDA MPO ALLIANCE

BY: _____

Lake Sumter Commissioner Doug Shields, Chair

Date: _____

SUN COAST TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ALLIANCE

BY: _____

Councilmember [REDACTED], Chair

Date: _____

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF KENTUCKY
PADUCAH DIVISION

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY,
et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

FEDERAL HIGHWAY
ADMINISTRATION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 5:23-cv-00162-BJB-LLK

JOINT STATUS REPORT

The parties respectfully submit this Joint Status Report in response to the Court’s order to confer and file “supplemental briefs on the need for additional remedial action by this Court.” Order at 26 (Apr. 1, 2024), ECF No. 102. On April 1, 2024, this Court issued an Opinion and Order ruling that Plaintiffs were entitled to summary judgment and “declar[ing] that the Final Rule exceeds the Federal Highway Administration’s statutory authority and is arbitrary and capricious.” *Id.* The Court noted that Plaintiffs did not seek relief beyond the Plaintiff states, *id.* at 20, and concluded that, “[i]n these circumstances, declaratory relief is the remedy most consistent with rule-of-law norms of notice, the right to be heard, and reasoned decisionmaking based on the record before the Court—participatory aspects of our judicial system that render the ‘power to decide’ more constrained and therefore more credible.” *Id.* at 25. The Court left open the possibility of additional relief and requested further briefing if necessary on that issue. *Id.* at 26.

The parties have conferred and reached a mutual understanding of the Court's declaratory judgment. *See id.* Courts generally presume that government agencies and officials will abide by declaratory judgments. *See People for Pearce v. Oliver*, No. 17-cv-752 JCH/SMV, 2017 WL 5891763, at *9 (D.N.M. Nov. 28, 2017); *Knight First Amend. Inst. at Columbia Univ. v. Trump*, 302 F. Supp. 3d 541, 549 (S.D.N.Y. 2018), *aff'd*, 928 F.3d 226 (2d Cir. 2019), *cert. granted, judgment vacated sub nom. Biden v. Knight First Amend. Inst. at Columbia Univ.* 141 S. Ct. 1220 (2021); *see also Samuels v. Mackell*, 401 U.S. 66, 72 (1971) (“[D]eclaratory relief alone has virtually the same practical impact as a formal injunction would.”). In light of the Court's declaratory judgment, the Defendants will not seek to enforce the Final Rule, *National Performance Management Measures; Assessing Performance of the National Highway System, Greenhouse Gas Emissions Measure*, 88 Fed. Reg. 85,364 (Dec. 7, 2023) (“Final Rule”), in or against the Plaintiff States or their Metropolitan Planning Organizations (“MPOs”), unless and until the Court's decision is overturned on appeal or by future order of this Court, and notwithstanding any future developments in *Texas v. Dep't of Transp.*, No. 5:23-cv-304 2024 WL 1337375 (N.D. Tex. Mar. 27, 2024), or any appeal therefrom. Defendants reserve the right to appeal this Court's April 1, 2024 ruling to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Based on the parties' mutual understanding of the declaratory judgment, the Plaintiff States agree not to seek additional injunctive relief or vacatur at this time, without prejudice to their right to do so in the future, including on appeal, if appropriate under the circumstances, *e.g.*, in the event that Defendants take action inconsistent with the terms of the declaratory judgment.

DATED: April 22, 2024

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on April 22, 2024, I electronically filed the foregoing with the clerk of the court using the CM/ECF system, which automatically provides notice of filing to all parties.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
TRANSPORTATION, *et al.*,

Defendants.

Case No. 5:23-cv-00304-H

DEFENDANTS' NOTICE OF APPEAL

Notice is hereby given this 23rd day of May, 2024, that Defendants the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, Pete Buttigieg, in his official capacity as Secretary of Transportation, and Shailen Bhatt, in his official capacity as Administrator of the Federal Highway Administration, hereby appeal to the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit from the Court's Final Judgment of March 27, 2024 (ECF No. 35), and from the opinions and orders on which it is predicated, including the Court's Memorandum Opinion and Order of March 27, 2024 (ECF No. 34).

DATED: May 23, 2024

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Certificate of Service

On May 23, 2024, I electronically submitted the foregoing document with the clerk of court for the U.S. District Court, Northern District of Texas, using the electronic case filing system of the court. I hereby certify that I have served all parties electronically or by another manner authorized by Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 5(b)(2).

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JARED W. PERDUE, P.E.
SECRETARY

June 3, 2024

Dear Community Partner,

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) would like to invite your agency to participate in the ninth annual statewide **Mobility Week** from October 25 through November 2. Mobility Week is a week-long initiative that promotes and celebrates safe, multimodal transportation choices. During Mobility Week, partner agencies across the state will host events and offer special promotions to encourage Floridians to explore new and active transportation options.

Our community partners have truly embraced Mobility Week and the idea of collaboratively promoting safe, multimodal transportation choices, as embodied in the state, metropolitan and local plans. Since 2016, more than 1,000 Mobility Week events have been held statewide, including group bike rides, bike helmet fittings, commuter travel events, safe walking trainings, transportation workshops, and community experiences.

Mobility Week by the numbers in 2023:

- Over 280 partners
- 184 events hosted statewide
- 80,000 free transit rides to encourage people to try transit
- Almost 1,000 free and fitted helmets received by communities
- Over 50,000 safety materials to improve the safety of people walking and biking

The Ride Roll Stroll multimodal challenge saw 223 workplaces and 1,035 Floridians record 17,934 trips through carpool/vanpool, biking, transit, and walking. This is just one example of Mobility Week's impact and the community's willingness to try new transportation options.

Mobility Week's success relies heavily on community partners like you, and FDOT hopes you will join us in hosting events or promoting multimodal transportation alternatives. As our state continues to grow, providing residents and visitors with many transportation options is crucial to keeping Florida moving and improving quality of life.

Please e-mail contact@MobilityWeekFL.com if you have any questions, want to discuss potential ideas, or would like to register as a community partner. To learn more, please visit www.MobilityWeekFL.com.

FDOT looks forward to collaborating with our great partners to hold another successful Mobility Week.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'JWP', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jared W. Perdue, P.E.
Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation

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