



# TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

**Wednesday, April 13, 2016  
Regular Meeting, 1:30 p.m.**

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## **OPENING**

Call to Order  
Proper Noticing  
Determination of Quorum

## **I. REPORTS**

- A.** Florida Department of Transportation: Vickie Wyche, MPO Liaison
- B.** Florida's Turnpike Enterprise
- C.** Lake County Report
- D.** Sumter County Report
- E.** MPO Staff Reports
- F.** TAC Member Comments and Reports

## **II. AGENDA UPDATE**

## **III. COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS**

## **IV. PRESENTATIONS**

- A. Florida's Turnpike Mainline PD&E Study Update- SR 50 to I-75** Carol Scott, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, will provide an overview of the update of the Project Development and Environment Study of the Mainline from SR 50 in Orange County to I-75 in Sumter County.
- B. Wekiva Trail PD&E Study**  
Mike Woods will provide a presentation on the work conducted by Inwood Consulting Engineers, Inc. The evaluation of the trail alternatives together with the recommended alternative will be presented for a recommendation of final approval. For additional information, please visit the project website at [www.lakewekivatrail.com/PDE\\_Study/](http://www.lakewekivatrail.com/PDE_Study/).
- C. City of Webster Master Plan Project**  
Ginger Hoke, Hoke Design, Inc., will provide a presentation of the draft Master Plan for a project funded through the Competitive Florida Partnership program of the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity at [www.FloridaJobs.org/CompetitiveFlorida](http://www.FloridaJobs.org/CompetitiveFlorida).

## **V. ACTION ITEMS**

### **A. February 10, 2016 Meeting Minutes**

### **B. Recommend Adoption of FY 2016/17 – 2017/18 Unified Planning Work Program**

In February, MPO committees and the Governing Board approved to transmit to the FDOT the draft UPWP, which was still being refined. Since that time, MPO staff has further refined the text of the document and added the updated financial information provided by state and federal agencies regarding planning grants to the MPO. The UPWP focuses on the tasks proposed to be accomplished by the MPO between July 2016 and June 2018. The document serves as a scope of work for receipt of grant funds. The document is now being presented for a recommendation of final approval. Committees are requested to provide any final comments on the document and recommend approval of the UPWP to the Governing Board. Specifically, staff welcomes feedback on the prescribed tasks.

### **C. Recommendation of Approval of Amendment of the 2015/16-2019/20 Transportation Improvement Program**

The current five-year Transportation Improvement Program requires amendment for consistency with the FDOT Work Program. Three projects have received FDOT funding and thus pend approval by the MPO. The first project is to add paved shoulders to Lake County CR 473 from Treadway School Road north to CR 44 near Leesburg. The second project is to construct a traffic signal on North Hancock Road at the intersection with North Ridge Boulevard in Clermont. The third project is safety improvements to Sumter County CR 462 from CR 475 to US 301 in Wildwood.

### **D. Recommend Approval of 2020/21-2039/40 List of Priority Projects and Recommend to Close Public Review Period**

The annual process of prioritizing projects for funding has been ongoing since January and the MPO's Prioritization Process Subcommittee has vetted local projects to create a final List of Priority Projects. FDOT is required by law to utilize the MPO's document as the department programs funds for projects in the next FDOT Tentative Work Program. Adjustments have been made to the draft document approved in February resulting in a final document ready for approval. Questions or suggestions are welcomed as part of the committee review process. Once questions and concerns are addressed, the committee is requested to recommend to the Governing Board to close the public comment period and to approve the final document.

### **E. Recommend Approval of Draft FY 2016/17 – 2020/21 Transportation Improvement Program and Recommend to Open Public Review Period**

The draft five-year Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) document is based on several funding sources, especially the FDOT Tentative Work Program. Each year, FDOT conducts a process of proposing a Tentative Work Program, which occurred in October 2015. The tentative program becomes final as of July 1 of each year and covers the period from July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2021. Therefore, the MPO is required to adopt a new five-year TIP no later than the June meeting in order to concur and to be consistent with the projects in the FDOT program. The committee is requested to recommend approval of the draft document and to also recommend that the Governing Board open a public review period until the May 25 meeting. The TIP will come back to the committee next month for a recommendation of final approval.

## **VI. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **A. Long Range Transportation Plan Policy for Complete Streets**

When TRANSPORTATION 2040 was adopted on December 9, 2015, it was with the understanding that programs would be developed for six Alternative Transportation Strategies areas that would be used to identify and prioritize project needs. The six Alternative Transportation Strategies are: Complete Streets Program; Regional Trails Program; Safe Schools Emphasis Program, Management and Operations Program; Intelligent Transportation Systems Program; and Sidewalk Program. Each Program will be comprised of a Policy, Goals, and Guiding Principles, which will be used to develop a list of specific projects for the program. A draft of the Complete Streets Policy will be presented by staff for discussion and comments. The draft will be updated to incorporate the comments and requests of the committee and a revised Complete Streets Policy will be presented in May for approval.

### **B. LRE Training**

As part of the MPO's annual certification, the MPO is always asked if there are services that the FDOT could provide that would help MPO staff accomplish its required tasks. This year, staff expressed the need for assistance with cost estimating and use of the LRE (Long Range Estimates) tool for providing detailed project cost estimates required as part of each project information application. In response, FDOT D5 is going to schedule a training. For the TAC meeting, staff would like to discuss the experiences of committee members with providing cost estimates and using the LRE tool. Staff would also like to know the level of interest in receiving training for local government staff.

## **VII. PROJECT UPDATES**

## **VIII. CONFIRMATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ATTENDING GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

April 27, 2016 @ 2 p.m. at Lake~Sumter MPO

## **IX. ADJOURNMENT - NEXT MEETING: May 11, 2016, 1:30 p.m. @ Lake~Sumter MPO**

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 286, Florida Statutes, Section 286.0105, if any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she 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. All interested citizens are welcome to attend. Persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of the proceedings should contact the Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization at (352) 315-0170, 48 hours in advance of the meeting.