



## **CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Ocala Citizens Service Center  
201 SE 3rd Street, Ocala FL 34478

**March 10, 2015  
3:00 PM**

### **AGENDA**

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

#### **2. PROOF OF PUBLICATION**

#### **3. ACTION ITEMS**

##### **A. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF PRIORITY PROJECTS**

*Each year, the Transportation Planning Organization develops a list of priority project for a five year planning horizon. Staff will present the draft FY 2021 Priority Projects. Staff is requesting review, ranking, and approval of the priority projects list.*

##### **B. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AMENDMENTS**

*To ensure that the Transportation Improvement Program reflects the most current project information, it is periodically necessary to amend the document. Staff will present the Transportation Improvement Program amendments for review and approval.*

#### **4. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

##### **A. FDOT RAIL SAFETY PROGRAM PRESENTATION**

#### **5. CONSENT AGENDA**

##### **A. MEETING MINUTES – JANUARY 13, 2015**

#### **6. COMMENTS BY FDOT**

**7. COMMENTS BY TPO STAFF**

**8. SUGGESTIONS BY CAC MEMBERS**

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 5 minutes)**

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

If reasonable accommodations are needed for you to participate in this meeting, please call the TPO Office at (352)629-8297 forty-eight (48) hours in advance, so arrangements can be made.

*The next regular meeting of the Citizens Advisory Committee will be held on  
**April 14, 2015.***



**March 4, 2015**

**TO: TAC/CAC Members**

**FROM: Kenneth Odom, Transportation Planner**

**RE: DRAFT FY 2021 Priority Projects**

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The following pages contain a copy of the DRAFT FY 2021 Priority Projects. The overall order of the Priority Projects list has not been altered from FY 2020 to FY 2021 because no projects have been funded through construction in the first three years of the five that are listed, and no additional priorities have been identified. However, there have been additional funding/phase additions to these projects as they progress towards construction. Please review the FY 2021 DRAFT Priority Projects list and be prepared to discuss the staff recommended order and any changes that you would suggest.

If you have any questions regarding the rankings or a specific project please contact me in our office at (629-8297).

FY 2021 OCALA/MARION COUNTY TPO  
DRAFT PRIORITY PROJECTS  
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RANK	ROAD SEGMENT	ROADWAY DATA								Improvement	PRIORITY YEAR PHASE FY 2021
		Length	# of Lanes	LOS Standard	LOS Volume (Capacity)	2013 Traffic Count	Volume/Capacity Ratio	LOS	SIS		
1	SR 40/US 441 Intersection Op. Improvement I										
	NW 2nd St to SW Broadway Street (FDOT FM# 433665-1)	0.16	6	D	50,000	22,000	44%	C	No	Add Dedicated Turn Lanes, Pedestrian Improvements & Enhanced Illumination	CST
	Design underway (Est. Completion 5/6/2015)	PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19				
		ROW				\$3,465,000	\$4,435,000				
2	US 441 Intersection Op. Improvement II										
	at SR 464 (FDOT FM# 433660-1)	NA	6	D	50,000	28,000	56%	C	No	Add Dedicated Turn Lanes and Pedestrian Improvements	CST
	Design underway (Est. Completion 1/25/2016)	PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19				
		ROW					\$4,000,000				
3	SR 35 Intersection Op. Improvement										
	at SR 25, Foss Rd., & Robinson Rd. (FDOT FM# 435208-1)	NA	2	D	14,800	14,300	97%	D	No	Add SB Right-Turn Lanes	ROW/CST
		PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19				
		PE					\$1,005,000				
4	SR 40 Downtown Multi-Modal Improvement										
	US 441 to NE 8th Avenue (FDOT FM# 431935-1)	0.63	4	D	32,400	31,500	97%	D	No	To Be Determined In Planning Study	CST
	Study Underway	PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19				
		PE		\$1,000,000							
5	SR 40 East Multi-Modal Improvement										
	NE 49th Terrace to NE 60th Court	1.5	4	D	32,400	16,300	50%	C	No	To Be Determined In Planning Study	PE
		<u>Traffic count has been averaged.</u>									
6	US 441 Corridor Study - Belleview										
	SE 102nd Place to SE 62nd Avenue	2.0	4	D	39,800	28,250	71%	C	No	To Be Determined In Planning Study	PD&E

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		Length	# of Lanes	LOS Standard	LOS Volume (Capacity)	2013 Traffic Count	Volume/ Capacity Ratio	LOS	SIS		
7	US 41										
	SW 111TH PL LN to SR 40 (FDOT FM# 238648-1)	3.6	2	D	18,600	17,900	96%	D	No	Add 2 Lanes	CST
		PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19				
		PE			\$500,000						
		ROW	\$11,863,296	\$5,960,100	\$3,913,100	\$2,180,040					
		CST					\$29,453,103				
8	SR 200										
	CR 484 to Citrus County Line (FDOT FM# 238651-1)	3.2	2	C	8,400	12,800	152%	C	No	Add 2 Lanes	CST
		PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19				
		PE		704,460							
9	SR 40/I-75 Interchange Operational Improvements										
	SW 40 <sup>th</sup> Avenue to SW 27 <sup>th</sup> Avenue (FDOT FM# 433652-1)	-	4	D	32,400	29,500	91%	D	Yes	Operations Improvements at I-75 interchange and at SW 27 <sup>th</sup> Ave intersection.	CST
	Funding Status	PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19				
	Design underway (Est. Completion 1/25/2016)	ROW				\$3,465,000	\$4,435,000				
10	CR 484/I-75 Interchange Operational Improvements										
	SW 20 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Road to CR 475A (FDOT FM# 433651-1)	-	4	D	32,400	24,500	76%	C	Yes	Operational/Capacity Improvements	ROW
		PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19				
	Design underway (Est. Completion 7/6/2016)	PE	\$72,911								
11	NE 36 <sup>th</sup> Avenue										
	SR 492 to NE 35 <sup>th</sup> Street (FDOT FM# 431798-1)	1.6	2	D	14,040	13,900	99%	D	No	Add 2 Lanes	ROW
		PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19				
	PD&E Underway Project includes grade separation over CSX S line	PE		\$1,375,000							

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		Length	# of Lanes	LOS Standard	LOS Volume (Capacity)	2013 Traffic Count	Volume/Capacity Ratio	LOS	SIS		
12	SR 40 - East										
	NE 60th Court to CR 314 (FDOT FM# 410674-2)	10.0	2	C	12,400	12,500	101%	E	Yes	Add 2 Lanes	
	<b>Funding Status</b>	<b>PHASE</b>	<b>FY 14/15</b>	<b>FY 15/16</b>	<b>FY 16/17</b>	<b>FY 17/18</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>				ROW/CST
	Design underway (Est. Completion 1/12/2016)	PE	\$52,444								
	CR 314 to CR 314A (FDOT FM# 410674-3)	5.8	2	C	8,400	11,200	133%		Yes	Add 2 Lanes	ROW
	<b>Funding Status</b>	<b>PHASE</b>	<b>FY 14/15</b>	<b>FY 15/16</b>	<b>FY 16/17</b>	<b>FY 17/18</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>				
	Design underway (Est. Completion 3/15/2016)	ENV	\$551,715								
	CR 314A to Levy Hammock Road	2.6	2	C	8,400	7,100	85%		Yes	Add 2 Lanes	PE
13	NW 49th Street Interchange										
		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	New Interchange	PD&E
	<b>Funding Status</b>	<b>PHASE</b>	<b>FY 14/15</b>	<b>FY 15/16</b>	<b>FY 16/17</b>	<b>FY 17/18</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>				
	IJR to be funded by Marion County	IJR	\$250,000								
14	SR 40										
	CR 328 to US 41 (FDOT FM# 238720-1)	9.8	2	C	16,400	10,500	64%	C	No	Add 2 Lanes	CST
	<b>Funding Status</b>	<b>PHASE</b>	<b>FY 14/15</b>	<b>FY 15/16</b>	<b>FY 16/17</b>	<b>FY 17/18</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>				
		ROW	\$104,933	\$460,000							
		CST	\$571,017	\$140,000							
		Traffic count has been averaged									
15	US 27/1-75 Interchange Operational Improvements										
	NW 44 <sup>th</sup> Avenue to NW 35 <sup>th</sup> Avenue	-	4	D	39,800	19,900	50%	C	Yes	Operational/Capacity Improvements	PE
16	SW 95th Street Interchange										
	(FDOT FM# 429582-1)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Yes	New Interchange	PE
	<b>Funding Status</b>	<b>PHASE</b>	<b>FY 14/15</b>	<b>FY 15/16</b>	<b>FY 16/17</b>	<b>FY 17/18</b>	<b>FY 18/19</b>				
	IJR is under review by FHWA	PD&E	\$5,000	\$1,235,000							

IJR - Interchange Justification Report  
 PD and E - Project Development Enviro Study  
 PE - Preliminary Engineering  
 ROW - Right-of-Way Acquisition  
 CST - Construction

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17	NE 25 <sup>th</sup> Avenue											
	SR 492 to NE 35 <sup>th</sup> Street (FDOT FM# 431797-1)	1.6	2	D	14,040	13,000	93%	D	No	Add 2 Lanes	ROW	
	PD&E Underway	Interpolated Count										
		PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19					
		RRU	\$15,000									
		PD&E	\$15,000									
		PE	\$23,469	\$1,505,000								
	Project includes grade separation over CSX 'S' line											
18	US 27											
	NW 27th Ave. to NW 44th Ave.	1.8	4	D	37,900	19,900	53%	C	Yes	Add 2 Lanes	PE	
	Funding Status	PHASE	FY 14/15	FY 15/16	FY 16/17	FY 17/18	FY 18/19					
		PD&E				\$1,025,000						
19	SR 40											
	SW 60th Ave. to SW 27th Ave.	3.0	4	D	39,800	29,500	74%	C	No	Add 2 Lanes	PD&E	
20	CR 484											
	CR 475A to Marion Oaks Course	2.7	4	D	29,160	24,500	84%	D	No	Add 2 Lanes	PE	
21	US 441											
	CR 42 to Sumter County Line (FDOT FM# 238395-8)	2.0	4	D	39,800	29,100	73%	C	No	Add 2 Lanes	ROW	
22	US 301 - South											
	SE 143rd Place to CR 42	2.00	2	D	24,200	14,100	58%	C	No	Add 2 Lanes	ROW	
23	SR 326											
	US 441 to CR 200A (FIHS Facility)	2.3	2	D	16,800	9,900	59%	C	Yes	Add 2 Lanes	PE	



**March 4, 2015**

**TO: TAC/CAC Committee Members**

**FROM: Kenneth Odom, Transportation Planner**

**RE: FY 2014/2015-2018/2019 'Roll-Forward' TIP AMENDMENT**

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In order to ensure that the Ocala/Marion County TIP reflects the most current project information, it is necessary to periodically amend the document. Amendments to the TIP are typically required:

- To add or delete a project;
- To change the state or federal funding allocation of a project;
- To change the year of anticipated funding of a project phase;
- To change the scope of work of a project;
- To change the source of federal or state funds.

Four project amendments are proposed this month by the FDOT, they are as follows:

- SR 200 Widening from Citrus County Line to CR 484 – Add \$220K ENV
- SR 200 at I-75 add turn lanes – Add CST \$750K
- Land Bridge Trail Gap – Add ENV \$600K
- Santos Trail Gap – Add ENV \$600K

Specific details regarding the addition of these projects and the associated funding changes will be discussed at the March 10, 2015 meeting.

If you have any questions prior to the upcoming meeting, please contact our office at 629-8297.





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**January 13, 2015**

### **MINUTES**

#### **Members Present:**

Ed Kelly, Chairman  
Renee Blaney  
Joe London  
Suzanne Mangram  
Richard McGinley  
Michelle Shearer  
Robert Sulzer  
Clarke Yandle

#### **Members Not Present:**

Davis Dinkins

#### **Others Present:**

Greg Slay, TPO Director  
John Voges, TPO Staff  
Ken Odom, TPO Staff  
Ann McGaffic, TPO Staff  
Kayleen Hamilton, TPO Staff  
Kellie Smith, FDOT

#### **Item 1. Call To Order And Roll Call**

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Chairman Ed Kelly. Secretary Kayleen Hamilton called the roll. A quorum was present.

## **Item 2. Proof Of Publication**

Secretary Kayleen Hamilton stated that the meeting had been published online on the TPO website and Facebook page and on the city of Ocala, Belleview, and Dunnellon websites.

## **Item 3a. Election of Chairman and Vice-chairman**

*Ms. Mangram nominated Ms. Blaney for chairperson. Mr. Yandle moved to close nominations, and Mr. Sulzer seconded. A vote was called, and Ms. Blaney's nomination was unanimously approved.*

*Mr. London nominated Mr. McGinley for vice-chairman. Ms. Blaney seconded and the nomination was unanimously approved.*

## **Item 3b. Legislative Priorities**

Mr. Slay presented the five legislative priorities. The first priority was restoration of funding to the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP). Marion County had been successful with TRIP, receiving funding through the program for the SW 49<sup>th</sup> Street overpass and the Belleview Beltway. Recently, funding for TRIP had been diverted into the rail enterprise. Mr. Slay said that with improvements in the real estate market, MPOs were hoping that the legislature would shift funding back into the TRIP.

The second priority was expansion of the charter county transit surtax to make it available to other counties. The surtax could be used for any transportation project. Mr. Sulzer asked if the surtax was a sales tax, and Mr. Slay said that it was.

The third item on the priority list was indexing of the gas tax. Mr. Slay said that with inflation and increased fuel efficiency, the buying power of the gas tax was waning. The fourth priority was making distracted driving a primary offense. Distracted driving was currently a secondary offense, and Mr. Slay said that this was the same track the seat belt law had taken. Ms. Mangram asked if the priority item was just for texting, not talking on the phone, and Mr. Slay said that it was meant primarily to address texting. The final priority item was support of using funds generated through Amendment 1 for trail maintenance.

Mr. Sulzer asked if the legislative priorities were for the local TPO, and Mr. Slay said that they were combined priorities of regional and statewide MPO groups.

*Mr. Sulzer made a motion to approve the legislative priorities as presented and Mr. McGinley seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.*

### **Item 3c. Transportation Improvement Program Amendments**

Mr. Odom presented eight amendments for the Transportation Improvement Program. These amendments included additional operating funds for SunTran, four amendments related to widening and railroad crossing grade separation on NE 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue and NE 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and resurfacing of SW 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Ms. Blaney asked about adding a shoulder on SW 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue, and Mr. Odom said that there was currently a four-foot wide shoulder. Mr. Slay added that Marion County had a policy to add a shoulder when they had available right-of-way.

The seventh amendment was to add sidewalk projects around Saddlewood Elementary School and Legacy Elementary School. The final amendment was for additional capital funds for transit.

*Mr. Sulzer moved for approval of the Transportation Improvement Program amendments as presented. Mr. McGinley seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.*

### **Item 4. FDOT Five Year Work Program Presentation**

Ms. Smith presented that Marion County projects proposed for inclusion in the FDOT Tentative Five Year Work Program. The first project was the US 441 corridor study, which had funds proposed in the current fiscal year. The TPO would oversee the study. The next project was widening of SR 40 East; construction was programmed for FY 2020. There was also right-of-way and construction programmed for the railroad overpass on NE 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Mr. London asked when four-laning on the roads would happen, and Mr. Slay said that staff was working with FDOT to determine that. The funding for the overpass was coming from a special program. Mr. London mentioned that the design on a new water main extension had just finished; it extended up to NE 35<sup>th</sup> Street and would be under the new road. Mr. Slay said that the design for the four-laning was probably five to six years out, and Ms. Smith suggested that they might need to talk to the project manager.

PD&E on a new interchange on I-75 at NW 49<sup>th</sup> Street was proposed in FY 2018. Funding on Pruitt Trail was pending availability and right-of-way certification. The Department of Environmental Protection was working with a parcel owner on a land swap. Silver Springs Trail Phase 1 was proposed for construction in 2018. The Downtown Ocala Trail was proposed for design in FY 2020, and the Belleview Greenway Trail had a feasibility study proposed in FY 2018. The SR 40/Black Bear Scenic Trail was proposed for PD&E in FY 2020 along the no-build section of the SR 40 East PD&E. The other SR 40 projects had been requested to include trails in their design.

There was five-year funding for Ocala and Marion County for Intelligent Transportation System operation and maintenance. SR 40 flood mitigation was programmed for funding in the current fiscal year using a mix of local and FDOT funds. SW 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue resurfacing was funded for construction in the current fiscal year, and the sidewalks at Saddlewood and Legacy elementary schools were also funded in FY 2015.

Mr. Kelly asked about putting a small bridge at the end of SE 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue road, and Mr. Slay said it could be discussed as part of the LRTP.

Mr. London mentioned that the local black bear population in this area had exploded. Bear sightings had increased and were happening close to downtown.

Mr. Sulzer mentioned that there were several areas on SR 200 that needed resurfaced. Ms. Smith mentioned that FDOT was aware of the resurfacing issues and were working on them.

Ms. Shearer asked about the SW 95<sup>th</sup> Street interchange, and Ms. Smith reported that the PD&E had been deferred a year. Mr. Slay added that the county consultant was about 95% complete with the safety analysis.

## **5. Consent Agenda**

*Mr. London made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 14, 2014, meeting. Mr. McGinley seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.*

## **Item 6. Comments by FDOT**

Ms. Smith reported that the SR 40 West widening was on schedule.

## **Item 7. Comments by TPO Staff**

Mr. Slay reported that a public meeting had been held in December to discuss the paved trail on the Greenway. There had been a good turnout with good support; however, some concerns had been expressed from the equestrian community. There had also been some environmental issues, and Mr. Slay said that it did not look like the trail would be under construction before the end of the year.

Mr. Slay also advised that staff would be kicking off the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) in February or March. Population projections had not changed much since the 2035 LRTP, and staff was not planning to do the Strings and Ribbons program. Mr. Slay said that staff would be looking for feedback from the committee for what they wanted to see from the plan.

## **Item 8. Suggestions by CAC Members**

Ms. Shearer advised that there was a small group of equestrians that was against the proposed paved trail on the Greenway and that they did not represent all local equestrians. Ms. Shearer said that she took information to a lot of trail meeting and that there had been mixed reactions. Ms. Shearer commented that the more people who used the Greenway, the more it would be protected. She added that concrete was slippery for horses. Mr. Slay stated that reports in the

newspaper that the entire trail would be concrete were incorrect. There was discussion regarding limiting intersections of different trails.

Ms. Shearer asked about lowering the speed limit on CR 475 between SE 95<sup>th</sup> Street and SE 80<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Slay said that staff could take her request to county staff but commented that he did not think it would make much difference. Ms. Shearer asked about speed bumps, and Mr. Slay said that there were criteria for traffic calming infrastructure. Mr. Sulzer commented that law enforcement was needed, and Mr. Slay said that the effects of enforcement tended to be short-lived.

**Item 9. Public Comment**

*There were no comments from the public.*

**Item 10. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned by Mr. Kelly at 3:48 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

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Kayleen Hamilton, TPO Administrative Assistant

**March 2015 Construction Report**

<u>Finproj</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Original Amount</u>	<u>Original Contract Days</u>	<u>Work Begin</u>	<u>Work Mix Description</u>	<u>Contractor Name</u>
238719-1-52-01	SR 40 Widening from CR 328 to SW 80th Ave (CR 225A)	\$12,324,444.44	490	05/28/14	ADD LANES & RECONSTRUCT	D.A.B. CONSTRUCTORS, INC.
429053-1-52-01	Mill and Resurface SR 500 (US 27) from CR 326 to CR 225A	\$13,950,000.00	352	02/05/15	RESURFACING	ANDERSON COLUMBIA CO., INC.
238678-2-52-01	Pond reconstruction on SR 500 at Plumley and Mayberry Farms	\$544,771.05	118		DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS	COMMERCIAL INDUSTRIAL CORP.

**March 2015 Pushbutton Projects**

<u>Location</u>	<u>Project Description</u>
US 441 at NW 42nd Place	Design is complete for a NB left turn lane. The project is waiting for a contract to put it on. We have a contract that is being let this month. If all goes well, we should have an idea of who will get the contractor in the next couple of weeks. The project will be one of the first work orders to go out on the new contract.
SR 200 at SW 60th Avenue	Design is being sent out to consultant for design.