



**TPO Board Meeting**

Marion County Commission Auditorium  
601 SE 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Ocala, FL 34471

**February 23, 2021**

**4:00 PM**

**AGENDA**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PROOF OF PUBLICATION**
- 4. ACTION ITEMS**
  - A. 2021 Safety Targets**

*The TPO is required to approve safety targets each year or adopt the state targets. Staff will present proposed safety targets for 2021. Action requested.*
  - B. SunTran Bus Route Planning**

*SunTran will provide a presentation on 2021 System Redesign options and is requesting TPO Board action in support of future plans. Action requested.*
- 5. PRESENTATIONS**
  - A. Congestion Management Plan**

*TPO staff will provide an overview presentation of the Congestion Management Plan (CMP).*
  - B. Pavement, Bridge and Reliability Targets**

*TPO staff will provide a summary of the most recent results.*
- 6. DISCUSSION ITEMS**
  - A. Senate Bill 62 and Regional Planning Councils**
  - B. TPO 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Activities and Survey**
  - C. TPO Staff Update**

7. **CONSENT AGENDA**
  - A. [Minutes – January 26, 2021](#)
  - B. [Director Travel](#)
  - C. [Congestion Management Plan Task Work Order Addendum](#)
8. **COMMENTS BY FDOT- [Construction Report](#)**
9. **COMMENTS BY TPO STAFF**
  - A. [Florida MPOAC Legislative Activities](#)
10. **COMMENTS BY TPO MEMBERS**
  - A. Florida MPOAC Report
11. **PUBLIC COMMENT (Limited to 2 minutes)**
12. **ADJOURNMENT**

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*The next regular meeting of the Ocala Marion Transportation Planning Organization will be held on April 27, 2021.*



**TO: TPO Board Members**

**FROM: Rob Balmes, Director**

**RE: Performance Measure 2021 Safety Targets**

Performance Management is a strategic approach to connect investment and policy decisions to help achieve performance goals. Performance measures are quantitative criteria used to evaluate progress. Performance measure targets are the benchmarks against which collected data is gauged. The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act (MAP-21) requires State DOTs and TPOs/MPOs to conduct performance-based planning by tracking performance measures and setting data-driven targets to improve those measures.

Every year, the Ocala Marion TPO is required to update its targets for the five Safety performance measures established under MAP-21. The TPO must submit its own Safety targets or adopt the State targets by no later than February 26, 2021. Refer to *Table 1*, below, for a description of the safety performance measures.

*Table 1: Description of Safety Performance Measures*

<b>Safety Performance Measures</b>	<b>Description</b>
1. Fatalities	Total number of fatalities in a motor vehicle crash
2. Fatalities (Rate)	Total number of fatalities per 100 Million VMT (Vehicle Miles Traveled)*
3. Serious Injuries	Total number of serious injuries in a motor vehicle crash
4. Serious Injuries (Rate)	Total number of serious injuries per 100 Million VMT (Vehicle Miles Traveled)*
5. Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries	Combined number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries involving a motor vehicle

When updating its Safety targets, the Ocala Marion TPO is provided the option to either:

1. Adopt the targets established by FDOT, or,
2. Develop its own quantifiable safety performance targets.

In 2018, 2019 and 2020, the TPO voted to develop its own quantifiable safety performance targets, which were based on previous 5-year rolling averages.

## TPO STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

On February 9, 2021, the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) both voted to support TPO setting targets based on the methodology developed by staff.

Therefore, TPO staff recommends that the TPO Board support the recommendation of the 2021 Safety Targets, as shown in *Table 2* below.

An explanation of the methodologies used to develop the 2021 Safety Targets, as well as the past 2019 Safety Targets and 2020 Safety Targets methodologies, have been provided in the following section. Additionally, a presentation will be provided at the TPO board meeting to explain the 2019, 2020, and proposed 2021 methodology in further detail.

*Table 2: Proposed 2021 TPO Safety Targets*

Safety Performance Measure	TPO Target (2021) (Not to exceed)
1. Number of Fatalities	97
2. Rate of Fatalities per 100 Million VMT	1.96
3. Number of Serious Injuries	432
4. Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 Million VMT	8.74
5. Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Non-motorized Serious Injuries	61

## METHODOLOGY:

For 2021, TPO Staff recommends changing the methodology used to:

(A.) Calculate the current year's Safety Targets [Performance Measures #1, #3 and #5, as shown in *Table 1*]

(B.) Project the estimated Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) in Millions [Used to calculate (A.) above and Performance Measures #2 and #4, as shown in *Table 1*]

*An illustration of the methodology is shown on the following page.*

In 2021, TPO staff is proposing to change the methodology used to project VMT for future years and in setting performance measures for safety. TPO staff recommends using the previous six

(6) years of VMT data to project the current and next year's VMT estimates. The calculations used in 2020 and the proposed calculations for 2021 are shown on the following page. The proposed 2021 methodology is similar to the 2019 methodology, which produced a more accurate estimate of the 2019 VMT than the 2020 methodology provided.

To determine the 2021 Safety Targets, TPO staff will continue to use 5-year rolling averages. This helps account for the possibility of drastic changes in the number of fatalities and serious injuries from year to year. However, it is also recommended that the TPO returns to utilizing the three (3) most recent 5-year rolling averages, instead of the most recent five 5-year rolling averages. The 2021 Safety Targets were determined by using the same equation in the proposed 2021 VMT methodology, but instead applying the "Percent Change of Rolling Averages #3,4,5 (2014-2020)" to the most recent 5-year rolling average (2016-2020).

The 2021 Targets for "#2 Fatalities per 100 Million VMT" and "#4 Serious Injuries per 100 Million VMT" were determined by dividing the 2021 Targets for "#1 Fatalities", "#3 Serious Injuries" (respectively), by the projected 2020 VMT outlined in the proposed 2021 methodology for VMT.

A full presentation will be provided at the TPO Board meeting on both the methodology and targets for 2021. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 438-2631.

# Performance Measures (Safety): 2012-2020 Data, Target-Setting Methodology & Proposed 2021 Targets

Note that the numbers below were not rounded in any calculations, only for illustration purposes

## Marion County

Marion County											ROLLING AVERAGES								
Performance Measure	YEAR									2020		#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	2020 Method	2021 Method	Proposed 2021 Targets
	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Actual	Target (Set Feb. 2020)	2012-2016 Rolling Average	2013-2017 Rolling Average	2014-2018 Rolling Average	2015-2019 Rolling Average	2016-2020 Rolling Average	Percent Change of Rolling Averages # 1,2,3,4,5	Percent Change of Rolling Averages # 3,4,5		
	#1 - Fatalities	66	47	55	70	70	90	84	90	108	88	62	66	74	81	88	9.5%	9.4%	
#2 - Fatalities per 100 Million VMT	1.66	1.18	1.33	1.65	1.57	1.99	1.83	1.92	2.24	1.86								1.96	
#3 - Serious Injuries	394	320	243	312	372	364	584	435	304	433	328	322	375	413	412	6.1%	4.9%	432	
#4 - Serious Injuries per 100 Million VMT	9.93	8.03	5.88	7.34	8.33	8.07	12.73	9.26	6.31	9.19								8.74	
#5 - Number of non-motorized (bicycle & pedestrian) fatalities and serious injuries	48	40	30	38	52	54	57	62	54	55	42	43	46	53	56	7.7%	10.0%	61	

- Notes:**
- \* Data in white boxes obtained by Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) State Safety Office's Crash Analysis Reporting (CAR) database. Some data has been updated since Feb. 2020, when the TPO set its 2020 Targets
  - Data in orange box obtained by the University of Florida's GeoPlan Center (Signal 4 Analytics)
  - Data in purple box uses projection of VMT for 2020. VMT Data for 2020 is not available until ~ 1 year after the end of that calendar year

## State of Florida

State of Florida						
	ROLLING AVERAGES					Percent Change of Rolling Averages # 1,2,3,4
	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	
	2012-2016 Rolling Average	2013-2017 Rolling Average	2014-2018 Rolling Average	2015-2019 Rolling Average	2016-2020 Rolling Average	
#1 - Fatalities	2,684	2,825	2,972	3,109	No Data	5.0%
#2 - Fatalities per 100 Million VMT	1.33	1.36	1.40	1.42	No Data	
#3 - Serious Injuries	20,833	20,917	20,727	20,170	No Data	-1.1%
#4 - Serious Injuries per 100 Million VMT	10.35	10.13	9.77	9.22	No Data	
#5 - Number of non-motorized (bicycle & pedestrian) fatalities and serious injuries	3,289	3,286	3,309	3,287	No Data	0.0%

# Performance Measures (Safety): Methodology for Projecting Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) in Millions

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Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) in Millions														
<b>2020 Methodology</b>										<b>PROJECTION</b>	<b>PROJECTION</b>	<b>ACTUAL</b>		
YEAR										Annual Percent Change (2009-2018)*	YEAR		YEAR	Annual Percent Change (2018 - 2019)**
2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018		2019	2020	2019	
41.2	40.4	39.9	39.7	39.8	41.3	42.5	44.7	45.1	45.9	1.27%	46.5	47.1	47.0	2.39%
* = $((45.9 - 41.2) / 41.2) / 9 = 1.27\%$										** = $((47.0 - 45.9) / 45.9) = 2.39\%$				
<b>Proposed 2021 Methodology</b>											<b>ACTUAL</b>	<b>PROJECTION</b>		
YEAR											Annual Percent Change (2018- 2019)***	YEAR		
2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019		2020	2021	
41.2	40.4	39.9	39.7	39.8	41.3	42.5	44.7	45.1	45.9	47.0	2.61%	48.2	49.5	
*** = $((42.5-41.3)/41.3+(44.7-42.5)/42.5+(45.1-44.7)/44.7+(45.9-45.1)/45.1+(47.0-45.9/45.9))/5 = 2.61\%$														



**TO: TPO Board Members**

**FROM: Rob Balmes, Director**

**RE: SunTran 2021 System Re-design Presentation and Discussion**

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Steven Neal, Transportation Manager of SunTran, will provide a presentation on the current process underway to assess a re-design of current bus transit service. Mr. Neal will also facilitate a discussion to obtain feedback from TPO Board members and all interested members of the public in attendance at the meeting. Attached to this memo is a copy of Mr. Neal's presentation. Mr. Neal is seeking TPO Board support for proposed re-design.

If you have any questions, please contact me at: 438-2631.





# SunTran 2021 System Redesign

TPO Board Meeting  
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# Presentation Overview

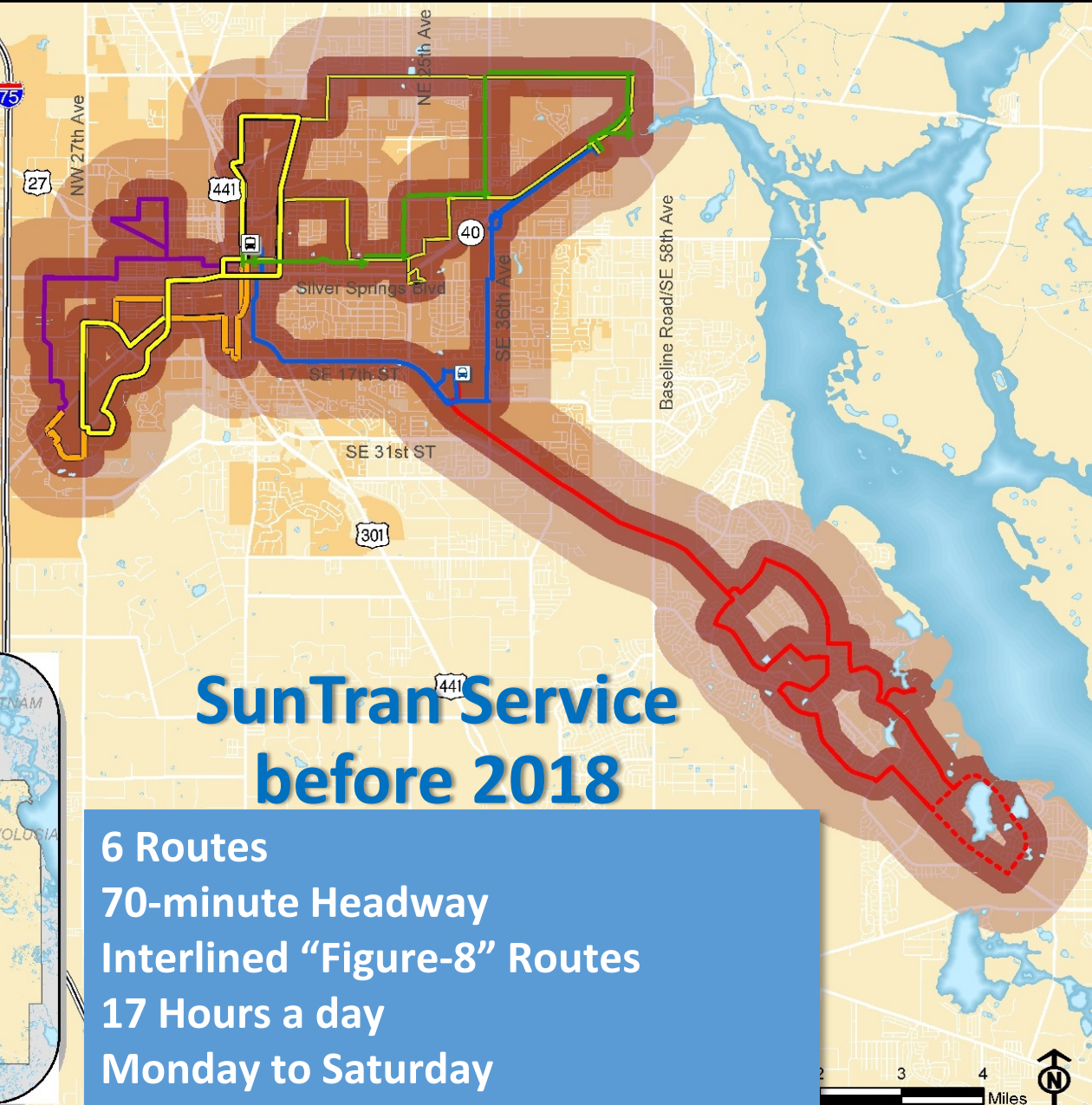
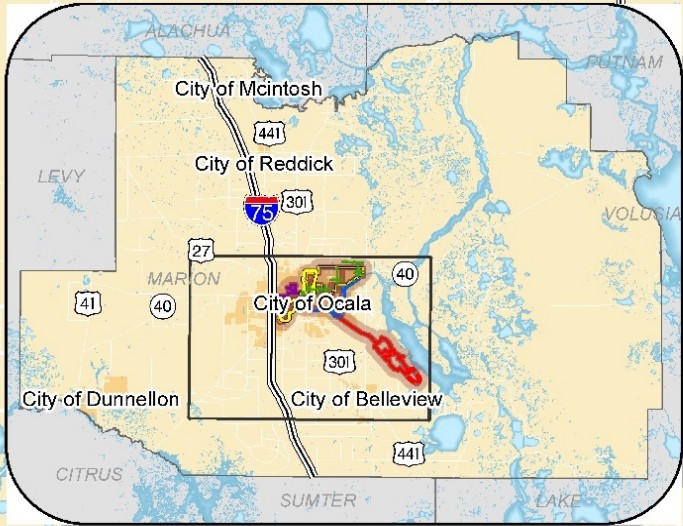
- **Historical Transit Service Overview**
- **Challenges after 2018 System Changes**
- **Existing Projects**
- **What is Next?**





# Historical Transit Service Overview

- 1/4-mile Service Area
- 3/4-mile Service Area
- Red Route A/B
- Red Route B
- Yellow Route A
- Yellow Route B
- Green Route
- Blue Route
- Purple Route
- Ocala Union Station
- Health Department Station
- Interstate
- Municipality



## SunTran Service before 2018

6 Routes  
 70-minute Headway  
 Interlined "Figure-8" Routes  
 17 Hours a day  
 Monday to Saturday

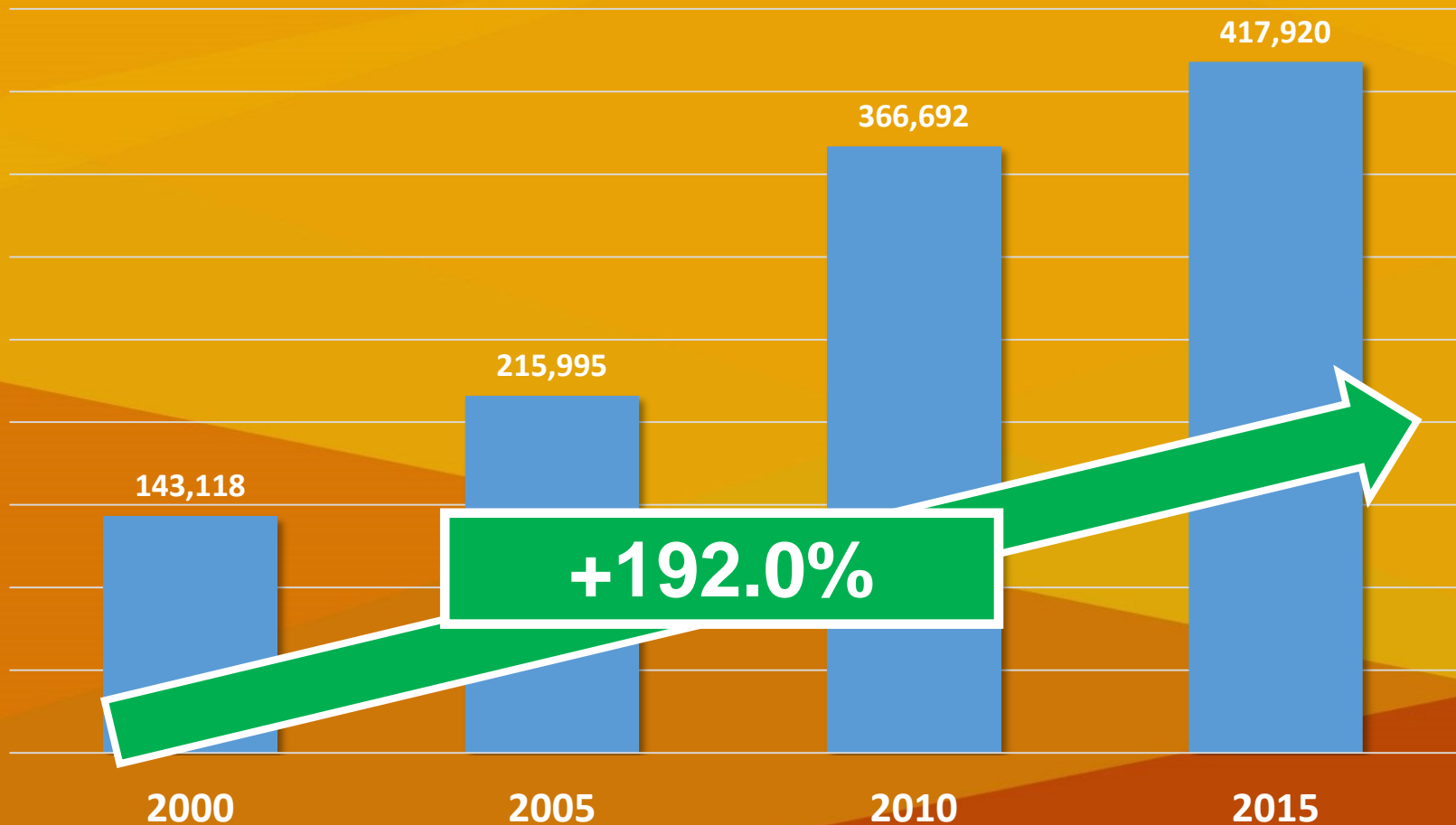




# Historical Transit Service Overview

## Service Ridership

### Annual Ridership (FY)

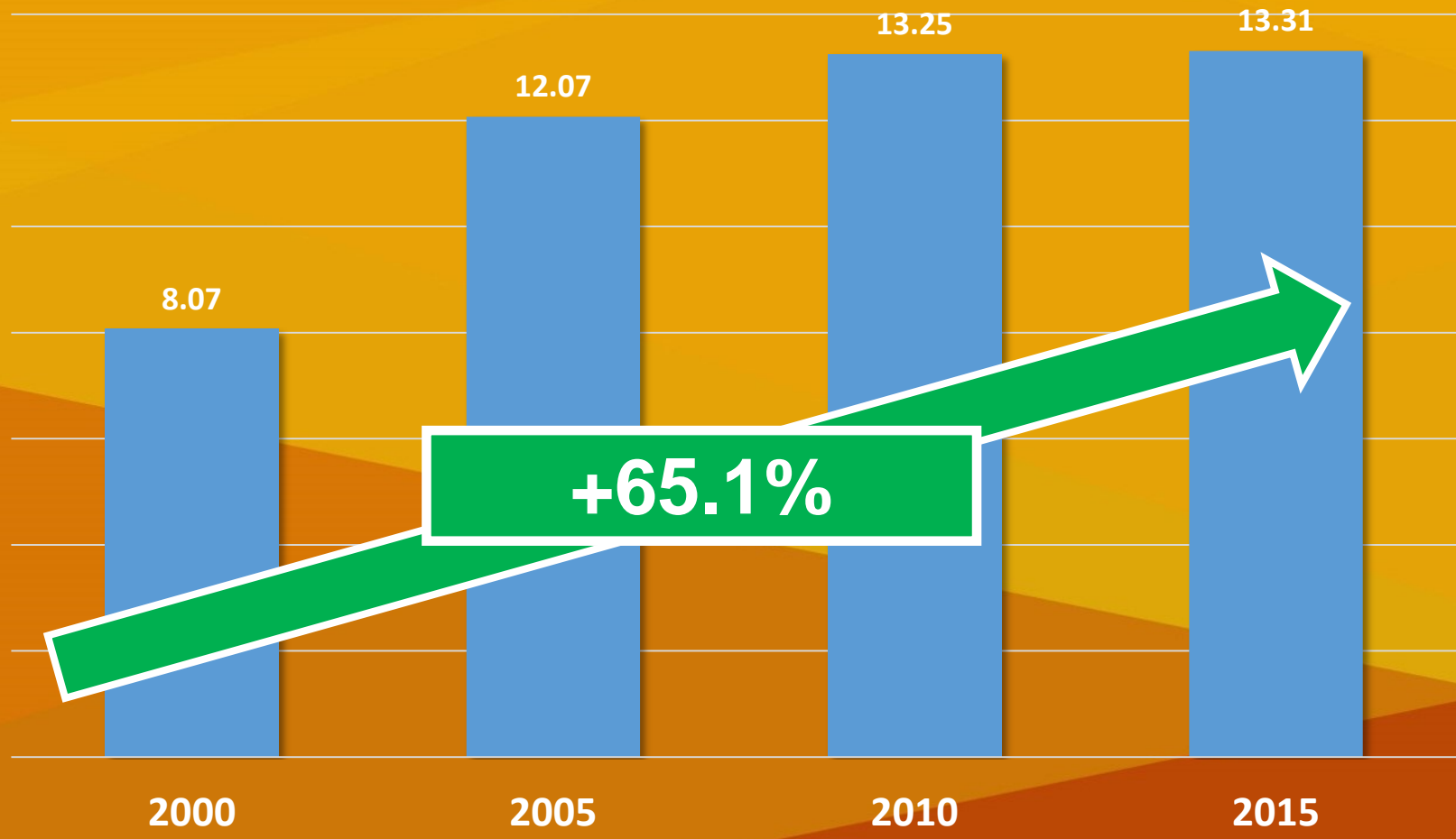




# Historical Transit Service Overview

## Service Productivity

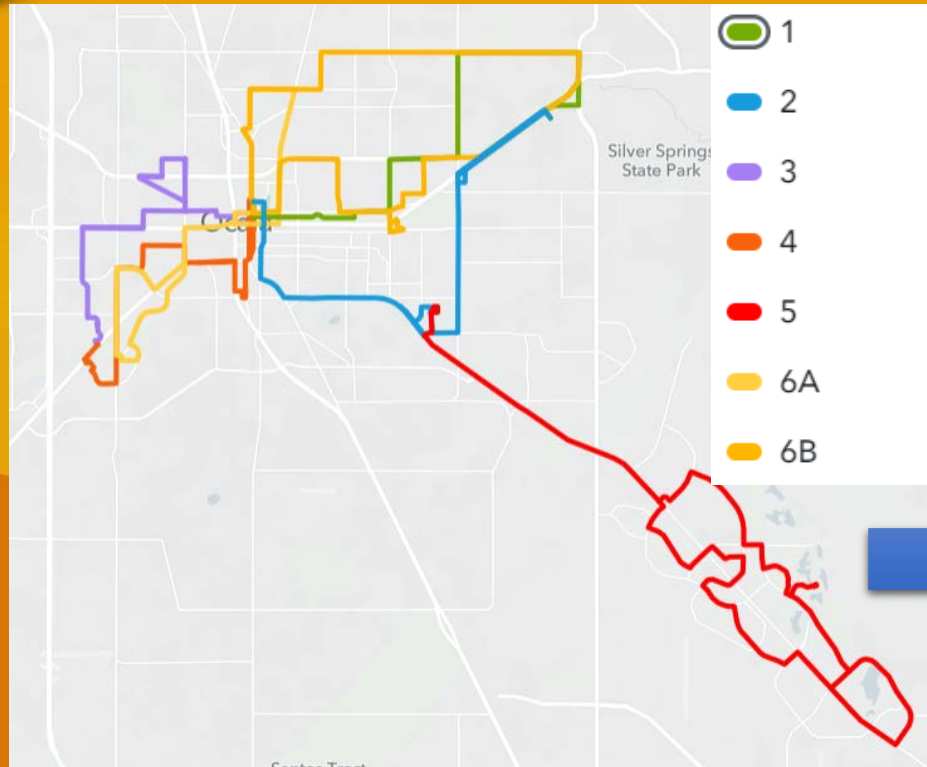
### Annual Riders per Hour (FY)



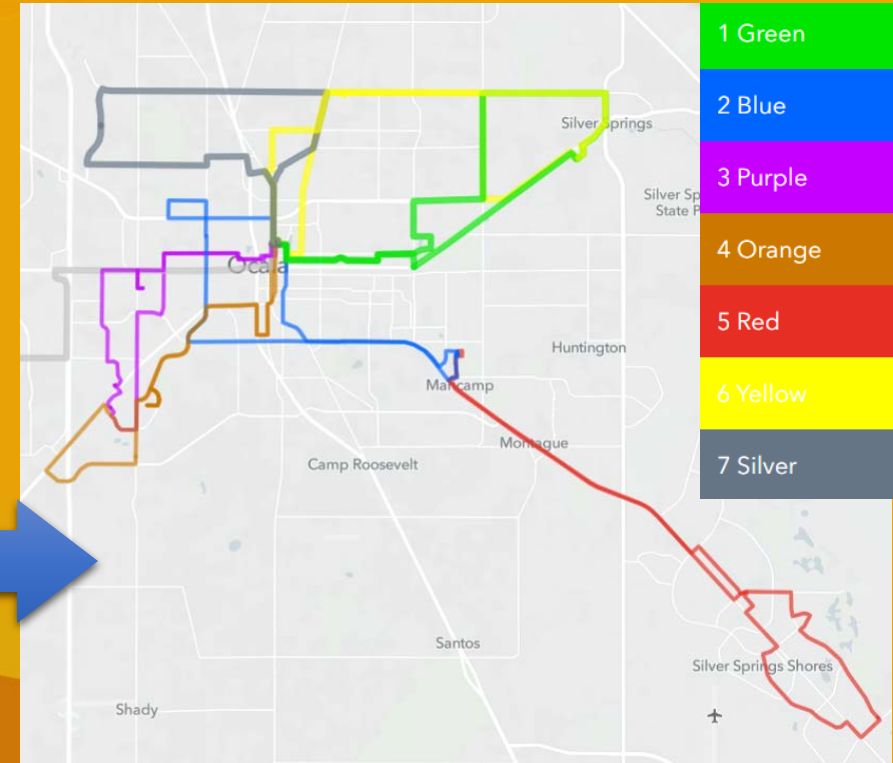


# Historical Transit Service Overview

## Pre-2018 Transit Network



## Existing Transit Network



- 6 Routes to 7 Routes (Silver Route added)
- “Two-Way” Service to “One-Way” Service
- Loss of coverage for some heavy transit-dependent population area
- Service Extension beyond US 200 & I-75

# Challenges after 2018 Major Change

- Decreasing Ridership
- Route Issues
- Declining Cost Efficiency
- Additional Locations
- Customer Complaints

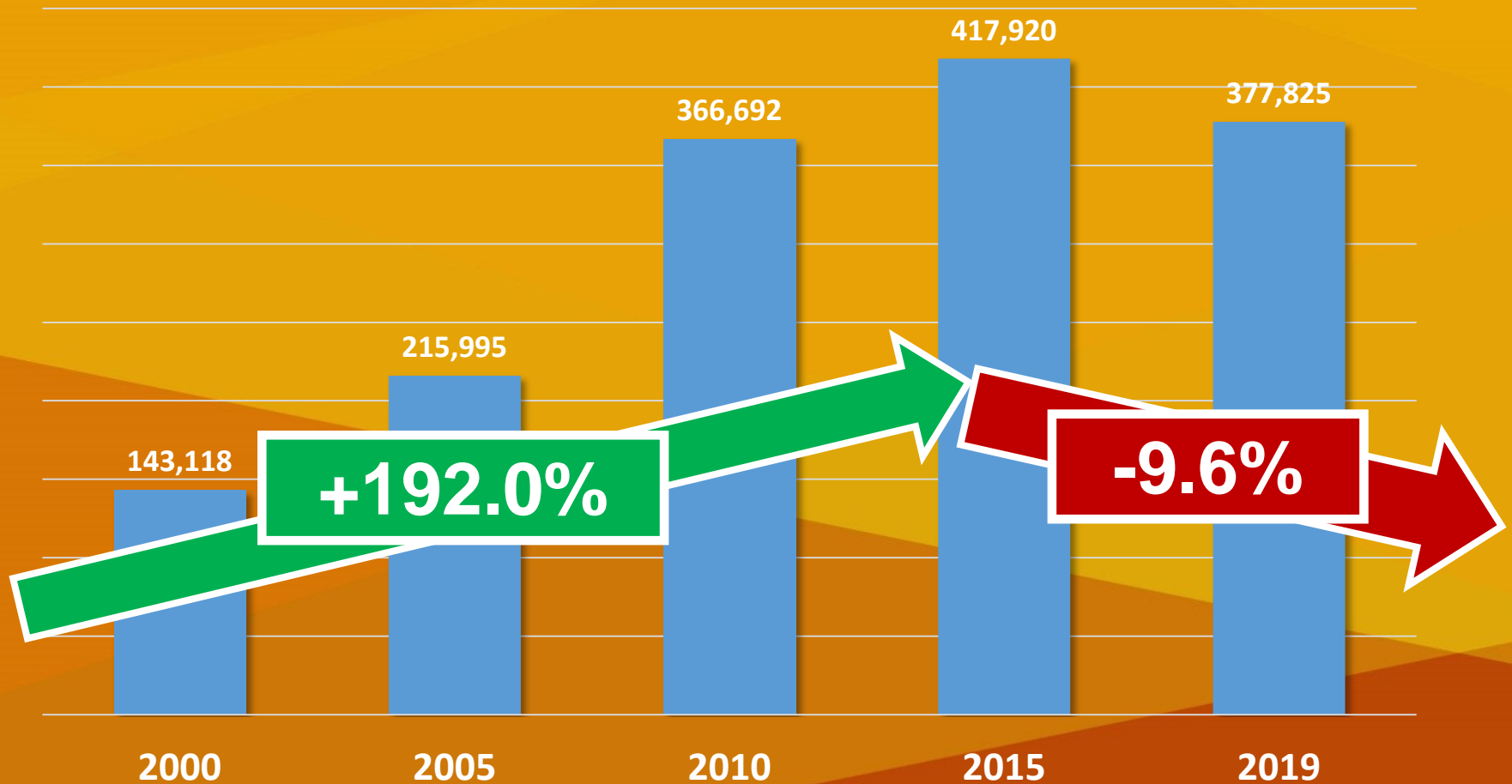




# Challenges after 2018 Major Change

## Service Ridership

### Annual Ridership (FY)



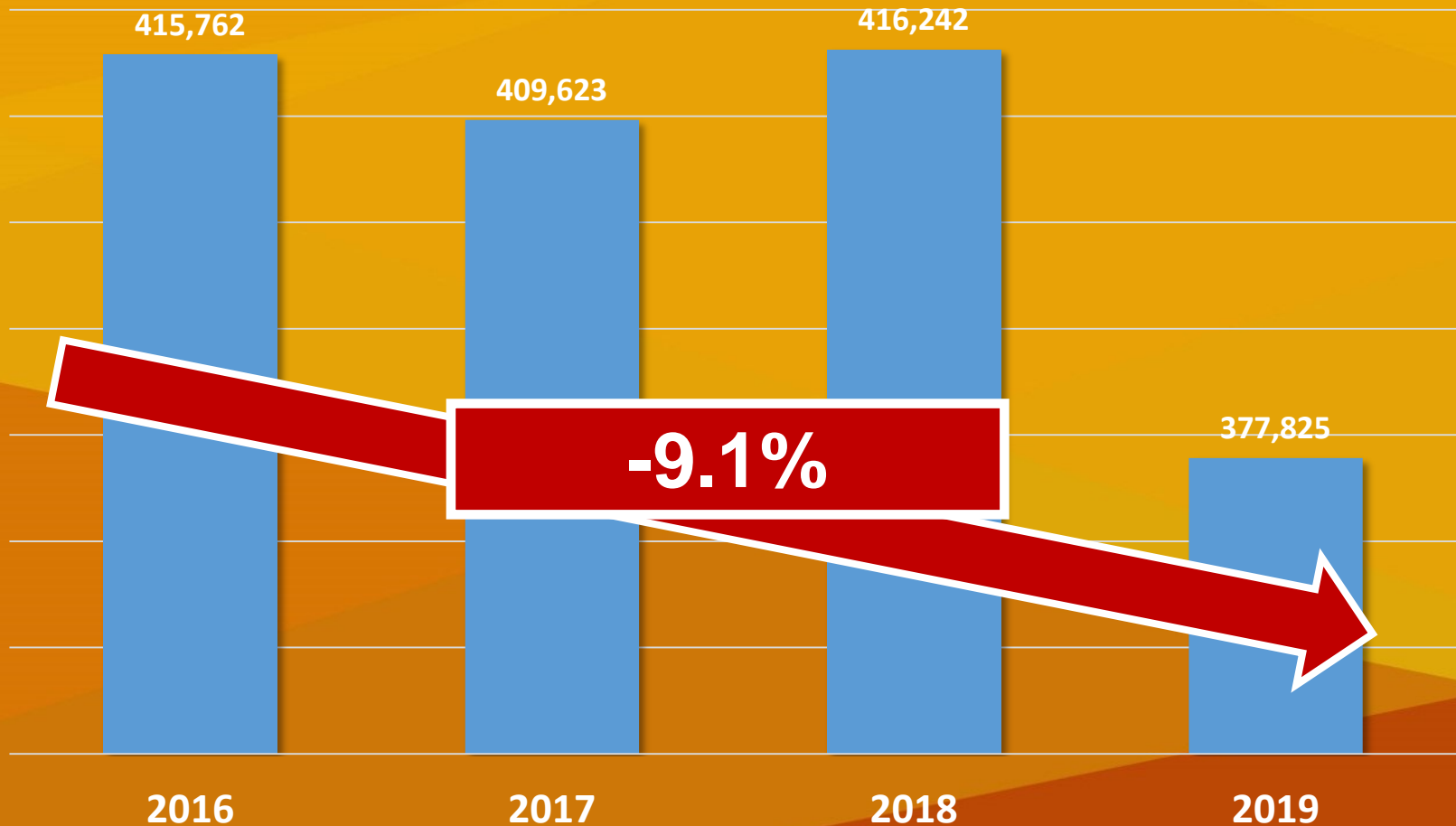




# Challenges after 2018 Major Change

## Service Ridership

### Annual Ridership (FY)

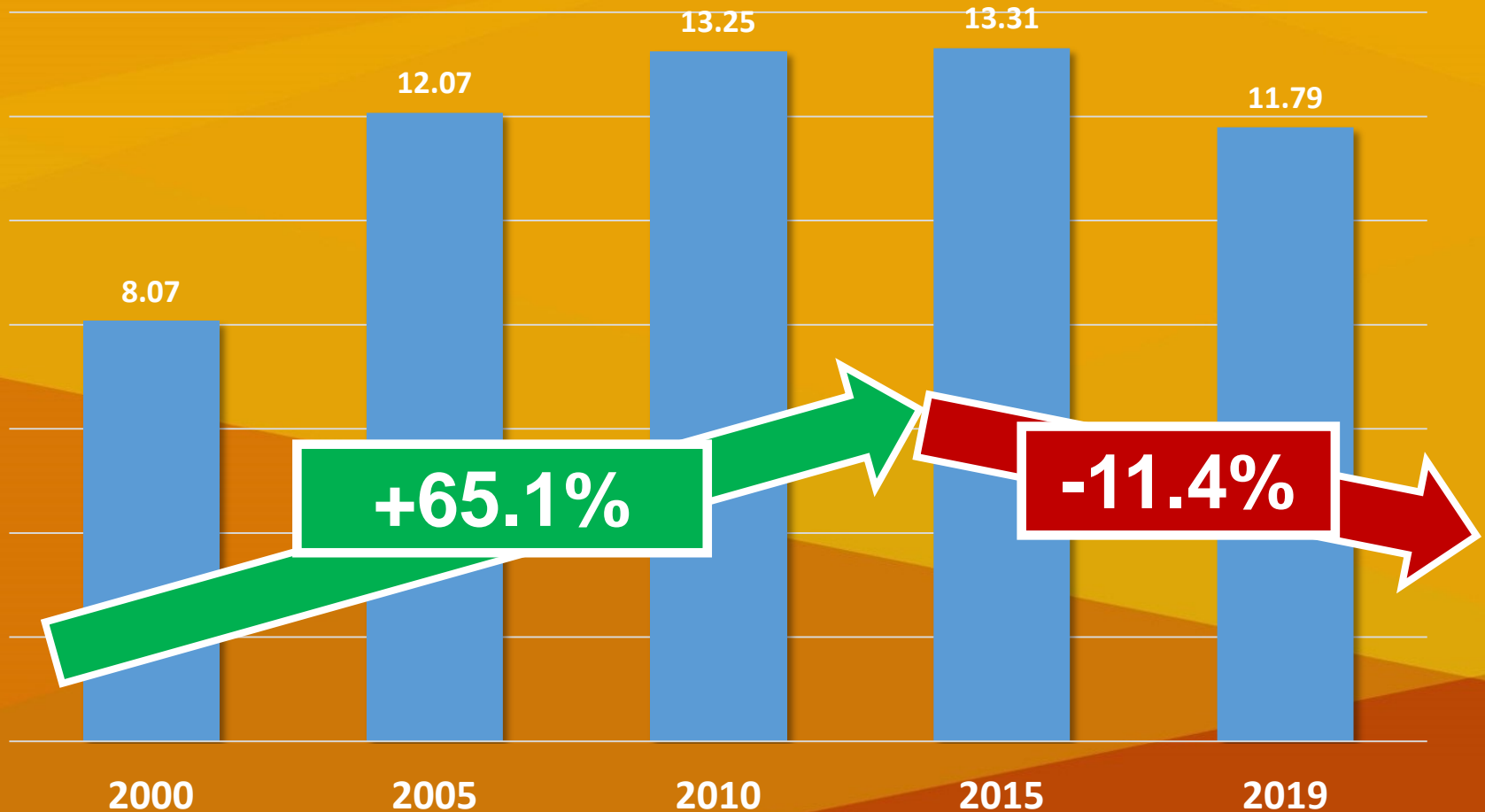


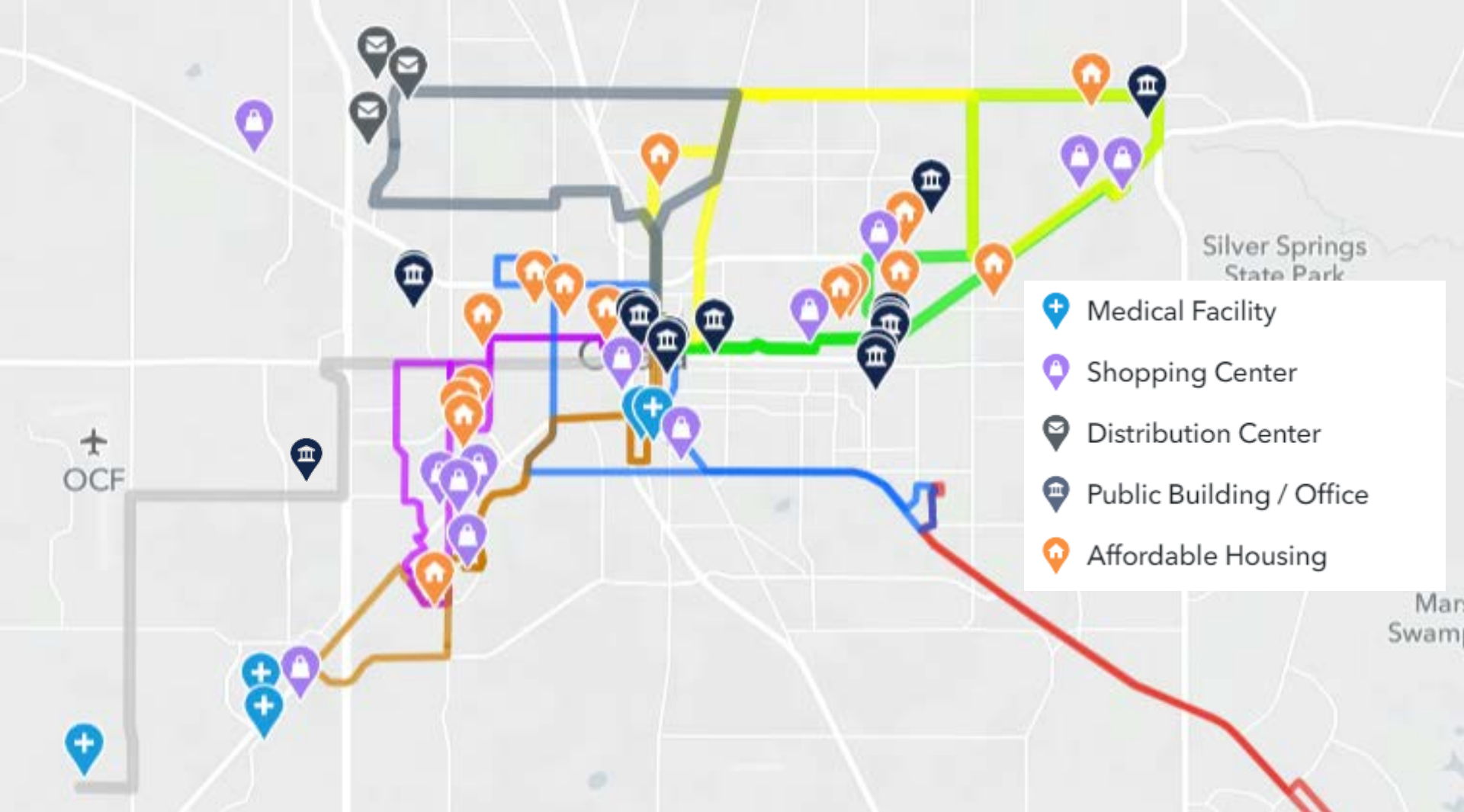


# Challenges after 2018 Major Change

## Service Productivity

### Annual Riders per Hour (FY)





# Challenges after 2018 Major Change

## New Locations to service

- NW Ocala - Fedex Ground, Chewy, AutoZone, Greyhound Stations
- W Ocala – Florida Access , the Centers
- SW Ocala – Market Street at Heath Brook, New VA Clinic Facility,.....

# Challenges after 2018 Major Change

## Customer Complaints

- Longer riding time (50% increase from before)
- Loss coverage of needed destinations
- Longer walk to bus stops
- Schedule insufficient to cover after-work trip
- Limited Shelters and Benches



# Existing Project Status

- 9 new bus vehicles as of August 2020
- Developed public involvement plan
  - On-board Survey (on bus & Internet)
  - SunTran Operator Survey
  - Stakeholder Interview Questionnaire
- Coordinated with 3rd-party technical supporting platforms for the transition (Remix & Avail Technologies)

**SUNTRAN BUS OPERATOR SURVEY**

WE are conducting an interview/online operator survey as a part of an effort to improve SunTran service. The survey will be conducted on-line and will be confidential. Thank you for your participation and help in making SunTran an even better service for Ocala and Marion County.

1. The bus operator you speak to is responsible for the survey?

2. In what way do you feel your service area has been improved? (Please check all that apply.)

3. How do you feel about the service area you are currently operating in? (Please check all that apply.)

4. How do you feel about the service area you are currently operating in? (Please check all that apply.)

5. How do you feel about the service area you are currently operating in? (Please check all that apply.)

6. How do you feel about the service area you are currently operating in? (Please check all that apply.)

**SUNTRAN ON-BOARD SURVEY**

SunTran is planning to improve its transit services, and needs your feedback on making this happen. Your participation in this survey is anonymous and voluntary. If you do not wish to participate, please return the Blank Form to the driver and/or supervisor present. If you choose to fill out this survey, please return the completed survey to the driver. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!**

1. Which route are you currently taking? (Please check one)

2. On average, how many times a week do you ride the bus?

3. What is your reason for riding the bus today?

4. How long have you been using the SunTran bus service? (Please check one)

5. If you have been using the bus service for more than two years the bus routes in 2019 impacted you?

6. The following statements **ARE ABOVE** the help you are making **RIGHT NOW** (except the last question). How satisfied are you with each of the following?

	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Very Unsatisfied		
a. Frequency of service (how often the buses run on this route)	5	4	3	2	1
b. Direct route to your destination	5	4	3	2	1
c. The number of times you have had a transfer	5	4	3	2	1
d. The bus is running on time today	5	4	3	2	1
e. The amount of time you have to wait for the bus	5	4	3	2	1
f. Clean or cluttered locations at bus stops	5	4	3	2	1
g. How often you see the bus operator during your trip	5	4	3	2	1
h. How clean the bus and bus stop	5	4	3	2	1
i. Bus operator interaction on computer app	5	4	3	2	1
j. Safety on the bus and at bus stops	5	4	3	2	1
k. Your overall satisfaction with SunTran service	5	4	3	2	1

7. Please select the **TOP three** service improvements you think are the most important for SunTran:

Circle the TOP three:

- a. Make the bus schedule more frequent
- b. Improve on-time/bus stop and on the bus
- c. Make bus service more convenient
- d. Improve safety on the bus and at bus stops
- e. Provide better service on waiting routes (indicate route)
- f. Provide better service on waiting routes (indicate route)
- g. Provide better service on waiting routes (indicate route)
- h. Provide better service on waiting routes (indicate route)
- i. Provide better service on waiting routes (indicate route)
- j. Provide better service on waiting routes (indicate route)



# What is Next ?

- **Conduct Public Involvement Activities (PIA)**
  - Implement on-board, bus operator, and stakeholder interview surveys
  - Hold townhall meetings, focus groups, open houses, etc. to reach out communities
  - Make progress report to TPO, County, City, and other entities
- **Prepare draft System Redesign Report**
- **Submit Report for City Council Approval**
- **Make preparations for system changes**
- **Implement redesigned system by summer of 2021**

# Questions/Comments





**TO: TPO Board Members**

**FROM: Rob Balmes, Director**

**RE: Congestion Management Plan Kick-Off**

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The TPO is conducting a major update to the Congestion Management Process. In collaboration with the TPO Board, our committees, citizens, partners and stakeholders, a revised Congestion Management Plan (CMP) will be completed by October 2021. An overview presentation will be provided, including key project milestones.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 438-2631.



# Congestion Management Plan (CMP)



## PROJECT OVERVIEW:

The **Ocala Marion Transportation Planning Organization (TPO)** is conducting a major update in 2021 to the area's **Congestion Management Plan (CMP)**. The CMP outlines a formalized approach to identify traffic congestion issues along the roadways and intersections of Marion County and assess recommended strategies for future improvements.

The citizens of Marion County benefit from a CMP as this document typically provides short-term, practical strategies to improving travel conditions at congestion hot spots like intersections or interchange areas. The CMP is also a resource to inform state and local officials of the highest priorities for improving congestion in our community.



Originally developed in 2011, the TPO will revise the CMP in close collaboration with elected leaders, technical staff, stakeholders and the citizens of Marion County. A CMP is required by Florida Statutes. Pending the outcome of the 2020 Census, the TPO may also be required by federal law to maintain an up-to-date CMP document.

## HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

There will be many opportunities to participate during key project milestones or by contacting the TPO any time during the project period through email, phone or using the **TPO Feedback Form**:

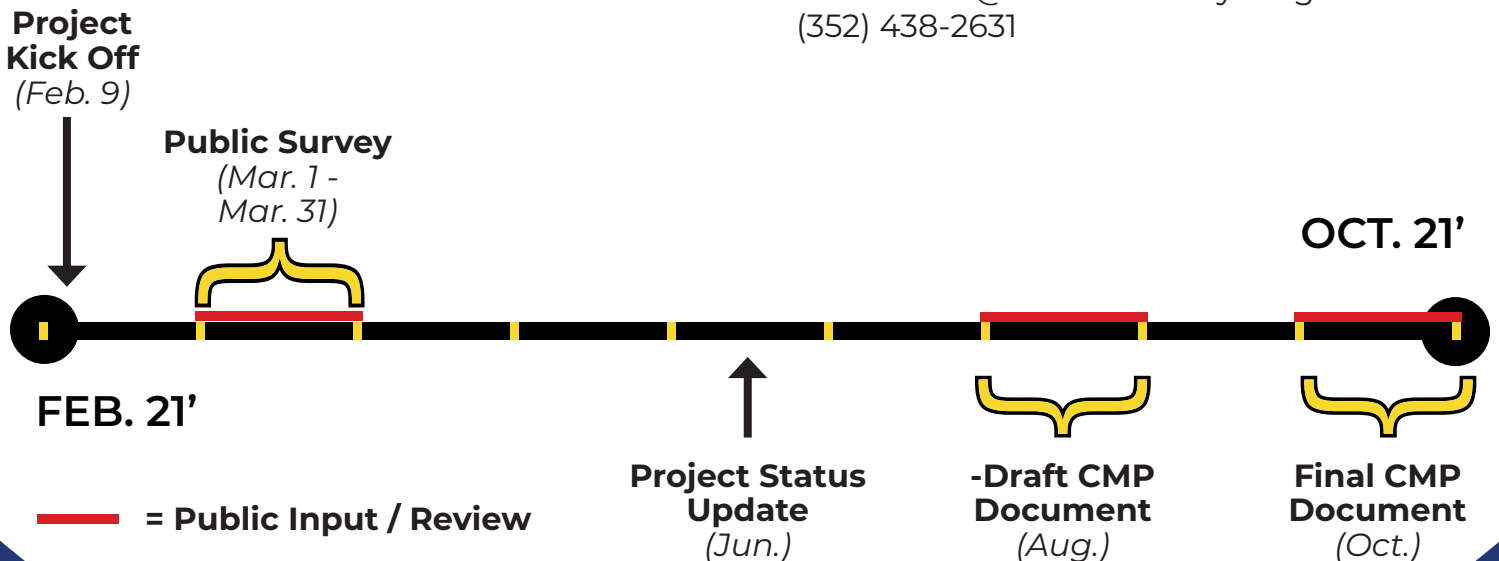
<https://ocalamariontpo.org/contact-us/tpo-feedback-form>

## CONTACT:

For further information about the **CMP** project, please visit the TPO website at: <https://ocalamariontpo.org/tpo-projects>

Or contact TPO staff:

**Rob Balmes**  
TPO Director  
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**TO: TPO Board Members**

**FROM: Rob Balmes, Director**

**RE: Pavement, Bridge and Reliability Targets Presentation**

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Every year, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requires the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) and all Metropolitan Planning Organizations in Florida to adopt Performance Measure (PM) targets. Developed in 2016 as part of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act, or MAP-21, the targets provide a way for the MPOs and the State to track performance measures and ultimately improve on these measures.

At the TPO Board meeting, TPO staff will report on the performance measures listed in Table A and outline the targets that have been set by FDOT and adopted by the TPO.

**Table A: List of Performance Areas and Measures**

<b>Performance Area</b>	<b>Performance Measure</b>
Pavement Condition (Table B)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Percent of pavements on Interstate System in Good condition</li> <li>- Percent of pavements on Interstate System in Poor condition</li> <li>- Percent of pavements on non-Interstate NHS* in Good condition</li> <li>- Percent of pavements on non-Interstate NHS in Poor condition</li> </ul>
Bridge Condition (Table C)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Percent of NHS bridges classified as in Good condition</li> <li>- Percent of NHS bridges classified as in Poor condition</li> </ul>
Performance of NHS (Table D)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Percent of person miles traveled on Interstate System that are reliable</li> <li>- Percent of person miles traveled on non-Interstate System that are reliable</li> </ul>
Freight Movement (Table E)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Truck Travel Time Reliability Index</li> </ul>

*\*NHS = National Highway System. A map of the NHS roads in the TPO's Planning Area is provided after Table E. in Figure 1. .*

**Table B: Pavement Condition:** Percent of Interstate/Non-Interstate Pavements in Good/Poor Condition and Existing Conditions

<b>Performance Measure</b> <i>Pavement</i>	<b>FDOT 2-Year Target</b>	<b>FDOT 4-Year Target</b>	<b>2019 Existing Conditions</b> <b>Ocala/Marion County TPO</b>
% of Interstate pavements in <i>GOOD</i> condition	Not Required	≥ 60%	66.4%
% of Interstate pavements in <i>POOR</i> condition	Not Required	≤ 5%	0.0%
% of non-Interstate NHS pavements in <i>GOOD</i> condition	≥ 40%	≥ 40%	37.8%
% of non-Interstate NHS pavements in <i>POOR</i> condition	≤ 5%	≤ 5%	0.0%

**Table C: Bridge Condition:** Percent of NHS Bridges Classified as Good/Poor Condition and Existing Conditions

<b>Performance Measure</b> <i>Bridge</i>	<b>FDOT 2-Year Target</b>	<b>FDOT 4-Year Target</b>	<b>2019 Existing Conditions</b> <b>Ocala/Marion County TPO</b>
% of NHS bridges classified as in <i>GOOD</i> condition	≥ 50%	≥ 50%	59.1%
% of NHS bridges classified as in <i>POOR</i> condition	≤ 10%	≤ 10%	0%

**Table D: Performance of NHS:** Percent of Person-Miles Traveled on the Interstate/Non-Interstate That Are Reliable and Existing Conditions

<b>Performance Measure</b>	<b>FDOT 2-Year Target</b>	<b>FDOT 4-Year Target</b>	<b>2019 Existing Conditions</b> <b>Ocala/Marion County TPO</b>
Interstate Reliability	75%	70%	100%
Non-Interstate Reliability	Not Required	50%	96%

**Table E: Freight Movement: Truck Travel Time Reliability Index on the Interstate and Existing Conditions**

Performance Measure	FDOT 2-Year Target	FDOT 4-Year Target	2018 Existing Conditions Ocala/Marion County TPO
Truck Travel Time Reliability Index	1.75	2.00	1.42

**National Highway System: Ocala, FL**

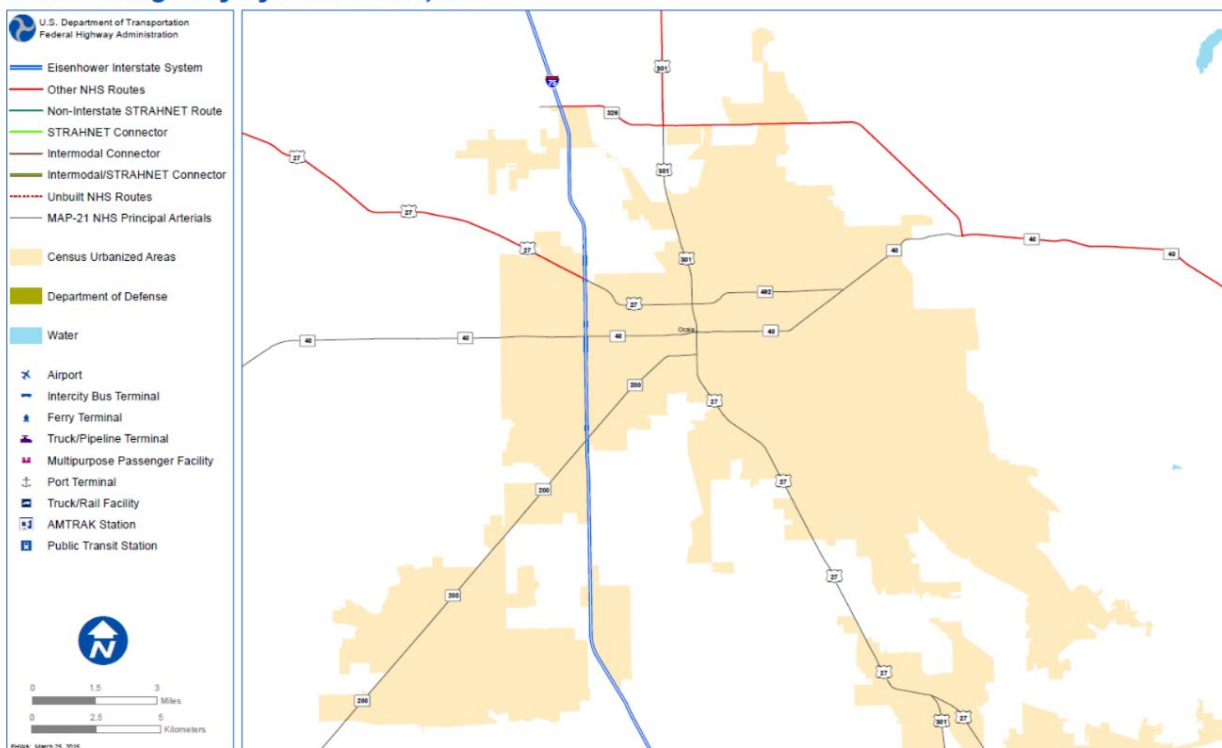


Figure 1: NHS Map, Ocala, FL

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 438-2631.



**TPO Board Meeting**

Marion County Commission Auditorium and via WebEx  
601 SE 25<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Ocala, FL 34471  
January 26, 2021  
4:00 PM

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:**

Councilman Ire Bethea  
Commissioner Kathy Bryant  
Commissioner Jeff Gold  
Councilwoman Valerie Hanchar  
Commissioner Ronald Livsey  
Councilman Brent Malever  
Commissioner Craig Curry  
Councilman Jay Musleh  
Commissioner Michelle Stone

**Members Not Present:**

Councilman Justin Grabelle  
Mayor Kent Guinn  
Commissioner Carl Zalak

**Others Present:**

Rob Balmes, TPO  
Derrick Harris, TPO  
Shakayla Irby, TPO  
Liz Mitchell, TPO  
Anton Schauerte, TPO  
Anna Taylor, FDOT  
Kellie Smith, FDOT  
Loren Bobo, FDOT  
Jared Perdue, FDOT District V Secretary

### **Item 1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairwoman Michelle Stone called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

### **Item 2. Roll Call**

Shakayla Irby, Administrative Assistant called the roll and a quorum was present.

### **Item 3. Proof of Publication**

Shakayla Irby, Administrative Assistant stated the meeting was published online at the TPO website and the City of Ocala, Belleview and Dunnellon and Marion County meeting calendars on January 19, 2021. The meeting was also published to the TPO's Facebook and Twitter pages.

### **Item 4a. Fiscal Years 2022 to 2026 Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Tentative Work Program**

Ms. Kellie Smith with FDOT presented a slideshow presentation to the board and said that the Five-Year Work Program was the plan for transportation system improvements programmed during the next five years. The Five-Year Work Program included planning activities, preliminary engineering, right-of-way acquisition, construction and public transportation projects within Marion County planned by FDOT and the Florida Turnpike Enterprise.

The Tentative Five-Year Work Program included projects scheduled for Fiscal Years 2021/22 through 2025/26 (projects programmed July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2026). After the public comment period end, the Tentative Work Program would be reviewed by the Florida Legislature and the Governor, which would then be adopted by the State Secretary of Transportation on July 1, 2021.

For the year 2021 FDOT held a week long public hearing for the Tentative Five-Year Work Program on-line that began January 11, 2021 at 12:00 AM. There was an on-line hearing open and available 24 hours a day for citizens to view and comment on the project information. Citizens could also schedule a time to call or speak one-on-one with a department representative to discuss the Work Program or meet your FDOT Liaison at the local MPO/TPO office.

### **Item 4b. 2020 TPO Annual Report**

Mr. Anton Schauerte presented and said in December 2020, the TPO developed an annual report to showcase the major activities accomplished throughout the calendar year. Specifically, the 2020 Annual Report highlighted the following major topics:

- Adoption of the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)
- Redevelopment of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and creation of the interactive map of TIP projects
- Major projects and studies that were planned, currently under development or recently completed
- Re-appointment of Marion Transit as Marion County's Community Transportation Coordinator (CTC)

- Creation of the TPO’s new website and social media platforms

#### **Item 4c. 2021 TPO Major Activities**

Mr. Rob Balmes presented to the board a handout regarding the major program activities anticipated in 2021. To start the new calendar year, a summary presentation provided highlights to major activities, including milestones and new planning studies.

#### **Item 4d. AMPO Member Spotlight**

Ms. Shakayla Irby presented and said that at the start of 2021, The Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO) launched their “aMPO Spotlight” social media campaign and the Ocala Marion TPO had been scheduled for the first quarter January 11th-15<sup>th</sup>. The aMPO Spotlight highlighted a different member each week by using AMPO’s social media accounts on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram to retweet/repost content; boosting the Organizations social media outreach. It was a great way to show off the work of our Ocala Marion TPO and bring new eyes to the Organizations social media platforms.

During AMPO Spotlight staff provided information about the TPO, bios of themselves, and provided information on major projects and plans.

#### **4e. TPO Budget Status Update**

Ms. Liz Mitchell presented on a quarterly basis the TPO updates the TPO Board to ensure they remain informed of funding status and the financial outlook throughout the year.

A summary of the TPO funding through the end of the first and second quarter for the fiscal year 20/21 and an estimate of third quarter expenses was presented.

#### **Item 5a. Fiscal Years 2020/21 to 2021/22 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment and Modification**

Mr. Balmes presented on November 24, 2020, the TPO was informed by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) that due to revenue reductions, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) 5305d grant funding structure had to be modified. The modification involved an elimination of both FDOT and Local cash match contributions, resulting in a 20% reduction in 5305d grant funding to the TPO.

The full 80% federal portion of the grant would still be provided by FTA through FDOT. To replace the 20% cash match loss, FDOT had shifted the non-federal share to be derived from a “soft match” of toll revenue credits.

For financial planning purposes, the change would apply to both fiscal years 2020/2021 and 2021/22 FTA 5305d grants in the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). FDOT was also planning to move forward with the consolidation of the Federal Highway Administration

(FHWA) planning grant (PL-112) with the 5305d grant as a permanent change, likely to be implemented in 2022.

Therefore, the overall two-year financial impact to the TPO was a **net loss** of **\$40,274** in FDOT and Local cash match. As a result, TPO staff completed an update to the Fiscal Years 2020/21 to 2021/22 UPWP to accommodate the funding changes.

Additionally, due to these changes and a recent staff vacancy, a modification was also completed to the UPWP activities involving the use of the FHWA PL-112 grant to help offset some of the impacts resulting from a decline in 5305d match funding.

A summary had been prepared for the board outlining the proposed changes, along with a copy of the complete UPWP document in tracked changes mode. A summary presentation Was given to further explain the changes and impacts to the TPO budget over the two-year period.

*Ms. Hanchar made a motion to approve the Fiscal Years 20/21 to 21/22 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Amendment and Modification. Mr. Musleh seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.*

### **Item 5b. TPO Board Bylaws Amendment – Voting Quorum**

Mr. Balmes presented in an effort to improve the transaction of TPO Board meeting agenda items requiring formal action, an amendment was proposed for Board member consideration. The proposed amendment involved a change to the transaction of business from a minimum of seven (7) to five (5) voting members.

The proposed amendment would allow for more flexibility in approving TPO Board agenda items in situations when less than a majority (7), but no less than five (5) members are present at a meeting.

The TPO instituted a similar change to the Transportation Disadvantaged Local Coordinating Board (TDLCB) bylaws in January 2019, resulting in voting transactions of agenda items by less than a majority of members present (standard quorum). The following provided the specifics of the proposed revisions (\* marks changes) to the TPO Board Bylaws.

#### CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

(1) All TPO meetings will be open to the public

(2) Roberts Rules of Order shall be used as a guideline to conduct all meetings.

\* (3) A total of seven (7) of the twelve (12) voting members shall constitute a standard quorum.

\* (4) For the transaction of business, if there are at least five (5) voting members present and the actions of particular items is necessary, those members may elect to make a motion and with a second continue to adopt publically advertised agenda resolutions and motions.

Should no \*standard quorum \*or at least five (5) voting members attend within fifteen (15) minutes after the hour appointed for the meeting of the TPO, the Chair or Vice-Chair may choose to adjourn the meeting or continue the meeting to discuss any agenda items that do not require a vote or are informational in nature. In that event of immediate adjournment, those members present may; by unanimous agreement, select another hour or day to meet.

The names of the members present and their action at such meeting shall be recorded in the



minutes.

Ms. Bryant made a motion to approve the TPO Board Bylaws Amendment – Voting Quorum. Mr. Musleh seconded, the motion passed with Councilman Bethea, Councilman Malever, and Commissioner Livsey dissenting.

Chairwoman Stone inquire about when a roll-call should be needed.

Mr. Balmes said that the TPO had required roll-call voting for bylaws, amendments to the UPWP, TIP, and passing of the LRTP. However, roll-call voting requirements could be changed in the bylaws also.

Ms. Bryant also made a motion that the TPO board have no more roll-call votes and instead have regular voting identifying clearly any members in dissent. Ms. Hanchar seconded, and the motion passed with Councilman Musleh in dissent.

\*It was later identified by FDOT that a roll-call vote was required for the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The changes regarding roll-call voting would be reflected in the bylaws.

### **Item 5c. Fiscal Years 2020/21 to 2024/25 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment and Modification**

Mr. Schauerte presented per the request of the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), the following projects were being amended to the fiscal year (FY) 2020/2021 to 2024/2025 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

#### **Minor Amendments**

FM# 436361-1: Marion County / Ocala ITS Operational Support

- \$2,457,154.00 reduction in FY 2020/2021
- This project will be broken up into 2 projects
- This project will no longer fund ITS Operational Support for both the City of Ocala and Marion County. Instead, it would only fund ITS Operation Support for Marion County

FM# 436361-2: Marion County / Ocala ITS Operational Support

- The was a new project that would be added to the FY 2020/21 to -2024/25 TIP
- The project would include funding of \$110,000.00 for ITS Operational Support (only for the City of Ocala) in FY 2020/2021

#### **Administrative Modifications**

FM# 431401-1: Marion-Section 5303, Ocala Marion TPO Planning Studies

- \$21,766 (\$10,838 of Local funds plus \$10,838 of State funds) of FY 2020/2021 funds would be converted to toll credit revenues (non-cash)

Mr. Bethea made a motion to approve the Fiscal Years 2020/21 to 2024/25 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment and Modification. Mr. Malever seconded, a roll-call vote was called and the motion passed unanimously.

**Item 5d. Draft Public Participation Plan (PPP)**

Mr. Schauerte presented and said the PPP document served as an update from the current Public Involvement Plan (PIP), which was adopted by the TPO Board on July 11, 2018. The PIP/PPP was required to be updated every three (3) years.

The Ocala/Marion County Transportation Planning Organization’s (TPO) Public Participation Plan (PPP) documented the goals, objectives, and strategies for ensuring that all individuals had every opportunity to be involved in transportation planning decisions.

It was requested that the board take action to approve the document.

*Ms. Bryant made a motion to approve the Draft Public Participation Plan (PPP). Mr. Bethea seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.*

**Item 5e. Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) Legislative Activity Funds Request**

Mr. Balmes presented and said that the Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC) was the statewide transportation planning and policy organization devoted to serving all 27 MPO/TPO’s in Florida. The MPOAC was created by Florida Legislature pursuant to Florida Statutes (Section 339.175, (11)). The MPOAC was funded with federal Planning (PL) funds through the Federal Highway Administration and Section 5305(d) funds through the Federal Transit Administration. A soft match was used from toll revenues as a credit toward non-federal matching.

Every year the MPOAC solicits funding from the MPO/TPO’s in Florida to finance transportation lobbying activities. The MPOAC Executive Director conducts lobbying on the Ocala Marion TPO’s behalf. Because lobbying activities must only use non-federal funds, each MPO/TPO was asked to support the MPOAC through the use of local revenue sources.

For 2021 legislative activities, the MPOAC had formally requested the TPO contribute \$500. TPO staff proposed the following two options for the TPO Board’s consideration regarding the payment to MPOAC for 2021 legislative activities.

**Option 1: MPOAC Contribution based on TPO Board Membership**

12 TPO Board members

5 seats City of Ocala; 5 seats Marion County

1 seat City of Belleview; 1 seat City of Dunnellon

= \$41.67 per TPO Board seat

\$208.33 – City of Ocala contribution; \$208.33 – Marion County contribution

\$41.67 – City of Belleview contribution; \$41.67– City of Dunnellon contribution

**Option 2: MPOAC Contribution by Host Government, Marion County**

\$500 Full Contribution

Mr. Musleh made a motion that the board move forward with Option 2 with Marion County providing the \$500 full contribution. Ms. Bryant seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Item 5f. Congestion Management Plan (CMP) Task Work Order**

Mr. Balmes presented and said over the next nine months, the TPO staff was planning to conduct a major update to the Congestion Management Process (CMP) documents. The last significant development of the CMP was in 2011, which included CMP Policy and Procedures and State of the System reports. In 2021, the TPO planned to develop one revised comprehensive Congestion Management Plan (CMP).

The CMP would outline a systematic approach for identifying and managing congestion on the major federal-aid roadway network within Marion County. That would include an assessment of current and projected traffic conditions, identification of congestion hot spots, recommended strategies and solutions to improve congestion, and planning level guidance for the top congested locations.

The process for developing the CMP would be a collaborative approach involving input and guidance from the technical staff members of the cities of Belleview, Dunnellon and Ocala, Marion County and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT). Additionally, the TPO's Technical and Citizens committees and TPO Board would be involved throughout the process to review information, draft documents and offer feedback. A kick-off presentation would be provided to the TPO Board in February to outline the schedule and CMP development process.

The use of the TPO's existing General Planning Consultant Services Contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates for the task would be highly beneficial to completing a major update to the CMP.

Mr. Musleh inquire on the cost of the contract with Kimley Horn and Associates.

Mr. Balmes said the contract would be \$56,540.

Mr. Balmes said that a lot of work for the CMP would be in-house and maintained by staff.

Mr. Malever made a motion to approve the Congestion Management Plan Task Work Order. Ms. Bryant seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **Item 6. Consent Agenda**

Ms. Bryant made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Ms. Hanchar seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

**Item 7. Comments by FDOT**

Ms. Anna Taylor with FDOT provided the board with an updated construction report to be more user and reader friendly and offered that if the board let FDOT know of any suggestions or feedback. She also announced a Public hearing that would be held January 26, 2021 at the Marion Oaks Community Center and another Public Hearing January 27, 2021 for the access management resurfacing job on SR 25 held virtually and in-person at the South Eastern Livestock Pavilion from 6p-8pm.

Chairwoman Stone thanked Secretary Jared Perdue, Loren Bobo, Kellie Smith, and Anna Taylor for attending the meeting.

**Item 8. Comments by TPO Staff**

Mr. Rob Balmes said on November 24, 2020, the TPO Board adopted the 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). A bound hard copy of the full LRTP document was provided to the board and additionally, an Executive Summary was developed and was included with the memo in the meeting packet. The TPO would also develop an online interactive map to display all the projects from 2021 to 2045 as a resource to the public. The map would be similar to the current Transportation Improvement Program online version currently on the TPO website.

**Item 9. Comments by TPO Members**

*There were no additional comments.*

**Item 10. Public Comment**

*There was no public comment.*

**Item 11. Adjournment**

Chairwoman Stone adjourned the meeting at 5:14pm.

Respectfully Submitted By:

Shakayla Irby, Administrative Assistant



**TO: TPO Board Members**

**RE: Director Travel Approval**

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TPO Director Rob Balmes travel reimbursement request.

January 28, 2021  
Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC)  
Staff Directors and Governing Board Meetings  
Orlando, FL

Total: \$112.18

## Marion County Commission Authorization to Incur Travel Request for Travel Advance and Prepayment

Traveler: Robert Balmes Date: 2/5/2021  
 Employee Number: 11612 Department: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Travel Destination: Orlando, FL  
 Purpose: MPOAC Staff and Governing meetings  
 Date: January 28, 2021 Time: 10:00 AM of Departure  
 Date: January 28, 2021 Time: 5:00 PM of Return

### REGISTRATION INFORMATION

*(Attach Registration Form)*

Account #: \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Check Amount: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registration Check Payable To: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mail Registration Check To: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Registration Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: Florida Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check One:  Mail Registration Check  Traveler to Carry Registration Check  P-Card Purchase

### HOTEL INFORMATION

Hotel Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Hotel Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: Florida Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Confirmation Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Account Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Hotel Check Amount: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check One:  Mail Hotel Check  Traveler to Carry Hotel Check  P-Card Purchase

**TRAVELER'S COST OF TRAVEL**

Meals: B \_\_\_\_\_ Per Day x \$6.00  
 L \_\_\_\_\_ Per Day x \$11.00  
 D \_\_\_\_\_ Per Day x \$19.00

Days = \_\_\_\_\_ \$0.00

County Vehicle Requested? YES  NO  (Gas Card Available) R.B. \$100.80

Mileage Private Vehicle: 180 Miles @ \$ 0.58 .56 \$0.00  
R.B.

Traveler's Total Estimated Expenses \$0.00

Travel Advance Check Requested? YES  NO  R.B. \$100.80

Requested Amount of Travel Advance \$0.00  
 (80% of total estimated expenses)

Account #: BA408549-540101

**INFORMATION FOR ADMINISTRATION**

**ESTIMATED COST OF TRAVEL**

Registration \_\_\_\_\_  
 Lodging \_\_\_\_\_  
 Traveler's Estimated Cost \$0.00

**Total Estimated Cost of Travel** ~~\$0.00~~ \$100.80 R.B.

TRAVELERS SIGNATURE: [Signature] DATE: 1/27/21

DEPARTMENT HEAD SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

*Upon return from travel, employees must file Form T-1 including receipts within 5 work days.*

APPROVAL: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Assistant County Administrator

APPROVAL: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Procurement Services

APPROVAL: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 County Administrator

Form T1 **MARION COUNTY** **Robert Balmes**  
 VOUCHER FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVELING EXPENSES  
 PAYEE: \_\_\_\_\_  
 EMPLOYEE ID #: 11612 ACCOUNT CODE: BR408549-540101  
 Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Date	Travel Performed From Point of Origin To Destination	Purpose or Reason (Name of Conference)	Hour of Departure and Hour of Return	Meals	Map Mileage Claimed	Vicinity Mileage Claimed	Incidental Expenses		
							Amount	Type	
1/28/21	Ocala to Orlando	MPOAC meetings	10:00 AM		90		\$5.69	Tolls	
1/28/21	Orlando to Ocala	MPOAC meetings	5:00 PM		90		\$5.69	Tolls	
I certify or affirm that the above expenses were actually incurred by me as necessary traveling expenses in the performance of my official duties; attendance at a conference or convention was directly related to official duties of Marion County; any meals or lodging included in a conference or convention registration fee have been deducted from this travel claim; and that this claim is true and correct in every material matter and same conforms in every respect with the requirement of Section 112.061, Florida Statutes, and Marion County Travel Policy.							156 RR.		
Payee Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>							180 # Miles		
Date Prepared: 1/29/21							0-58 @ Per Mile		
Department Head Signature: _____							\$104.40	\$11.38	TOTAL \$115.78
Date Signed: _____							\$100.80 RR.		
Administration Approved By: _____							Less Advance Received.		
Date Signed: _____							Less Class "C" Travel Meals.		
Procurement Signature: _____							<b>Net Amount Due</b>		
Date Signed: _____									

Travel Advance \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check Date \_\_\_\_\_





# The Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council

*Commissioner Nick Maddox  
Chair*

## **MPOAC Staff Directors' Advisory Committee**

**Date:** Thursday, January 28, 2021

**Time:** Noon – 2:30 p.m.

**Location:** Orlando Airport Marriott Lakeside  
7499 Augusta National Drive, Orlando, FL 32822

**Teams Meeting Link:** [Click here to join the meeting](#)

**Phone:** 850-739-5589, ID number: 565899864#

**Lois Bollenback, Presiding**

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  - 2. Approval of Minutes: October 29, 2020 Meeting**
  - 3. Public Comments (non-agenda items)**
  - 4. Executive Director's Report**
    - A. UPWP Report**
    - B. Legislative Update**
  - 5. Agency Reports**
    - A. Florida Department of Transportation**
    - B. Federal Highway Administration**
  - 6. Business Items & Presentations**
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    - B. Resolution requesting MPOAC membership on the Florida Traffic Records Coordinating Committee**
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    - D. Florida DOT Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Masterplan**
    - E. Election of Officers**
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# The Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council

*Commissioner Nick Maddox  
Chair*

## **MPOAC Governing Board Committee**

**Date:** Thursday, January 28, 2021

**Time:** 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** Orlando Airport Marriott Lakeside  
7499 Augusta National Drive, Orlando, FL 32822

**Teams Meeting Link:** [Click here to join the meeting](#)

**Phone:** 850-739-5589, ID number: 699457604#

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**TO: TPO Board Members**

**FROM: Rob Balmes, Director**

**RE: Congestion Management Task Order Addendum**

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The TPO is conducting a major update to the Congestion Management Process (CMP). In January, the Board approved a Task Order for the CMP and support services provided by Kimley-Horn and Associates under the current General Planning Consultant contract.

Based on current staff vacancies, additional support by Kimley-Horn is necessary to complete the CMP in an efficient and timely manner in 2021.

An amended Scope of Work is attached to this memo that reflects both additional tasks and corresponding fee changes agreed upon by the TPO Director and Kimley-Horn. The Task Order is proposed to change from \$56,540 to \$80,320.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 438-2631.



## Ocala Marion County TPO Congestion Management Process Major Update Scope of Services

### **Introduction**

The Ocala Marion TPO is seeking to update their Congestion Management Process (CMP). The TPO has went through several changes over the course of time since the last CMP was updated, 2011. In addition, the TPO is completing an update to the 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), and have recently updated our Traffic Counts Manual (TCM).

The need is always present to reanalyze changes to our transportation system. However, with the multitude of changes the TPO has underwent since the last update to the CMP, and in conjunction with the many updates the TPO has recently experienced with their plans, the timing seems fitting to update the CMP as well. Additionally, this CMP update will aid the TPO in fulfilling our statutory requirements to the State of Florida, and allow us to be proactive about fulfilling federal statutory requirements if and when the TPO is designated a Transportation Management Area (TMA).

### **Purpose**

The purpose of this scope is for Kimley-Horn (Consultant) to support the TPO staff in the analyzation, and development of a CMP. The development of the CMP will be a joint effort between the Consultant and TPO staff to efficiently manage the costs associated with this project and to maximize the resources of TPO staff and our partners. The proposed budget amount provided under each task is allocated to the Consultant in their support to the TPO for this project.

### **Scope of Services**

#### **Task 1: Project Management**

The TPO Project Manager and staff will lead this task with support from the Consultant. The TPO will be responsible for ensuring the following tasks will be completed as part of this planning effort:

- Management of schedule, tasks, budget, invoicing, deliverables
- Management, coordination, and presentation to all committees, including the TPO Board, and any sub-committee that may be implemented to aid in this plans development and completion
- Coordination between the TPO Project Manager and Consultant Project Manager to maintain schedule, deliverables and participation in meetings.

- Attendance at the June 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Technical Advisory Committee and Citizens Advisory Committee meeting to provide a status update on the project and receive input.
- Attendance and presentation at the August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Technical Advisory Committee and Citizens Advisory Committee meeting to present the draft Congestion Management Plan.
- Attendance and presentation at the August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021 TPO Board meeting to present the draft Congestion Management Plan.

### **Deliverables**

- Webpage on TPO website for all project documents
- Project Fact Sheet

### **Task 2: Congestion Management Process, Goals and Objectives**

The TPO Project Manager and staff will lead this task. TPO staff will work to define what congestion management means for the TPO's Planning Area (PA). Through committee and TPO Board feedback, goals and objectives for this project will be developed. The Consultant will be called upon to review draft documents and provide feedback and guidance. This task will require work in the following categories:

- Define the Congestion Management Process
- What statutes or requirements are tied to CMPs
- Provide overview of the following documents and explain how they are intertwined:
  - 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)
  - Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS) Master Plan
  - Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
  - List of Priority Projects (LOPP)
- Coordination with public partner agencies
- Identify key stakeholders
  - Including key stakeholders, engage with the public to aid in the development of the CMP and more specifically, the goals and objectives
- Develop Goals and Objectives (to be developed by the Consultant with input from TPO staff)

### **Deliverables**

- Provide a brief overview of the Congestion Management Process, including a list of statutory requirements
- Provide a brief overview of the documents mentioned above
- Develop Goals and Objectives (Consultant, with input from TPO staff)
- Compile a list of key stakeholders

### **Task 3: Data Sources, Needs assessment, & Performance Measures**

This task will be Consultant led with support by TPO Project Manager and staff. This will require identifying the CMP network, identifying additional data sources and/or needs, soliciting input from the public, and the collection of data needed to fulfill the duties outlined in this scope. Additionally, performance measures will be identified as a means to track congestion. The development of a needs assessment will be vitally important to the success of this project. Identifying other additional data sources, and needs will be expected. This task will require work in the following categories:

- TPO staff will conduct an online public survey to supplement identification of congestion issues and locations
- Identify a CMP network to be reviewed with TPO staff and agency partners
- Identify all existing and available Data Sources, frequency of collection, and new data needs for the CMP (e.g. traffic counts, crashes, road characteristics, signals, transit, past CMS database)
- Establish Performance Measures to Track Congestion
- Develop a Needs Assessment

#### **Deliverables**

- Summary report by TPO on public survey results
- Draft document by Consultant outlining:
  - CMP Network
  - Data and sources
  - Performance Measures

### **Task 4 – Congestion Management Plan**

This task will be Consultant led and include preparation of a Congestion Management Plan document to include policies and procedures to meet the 8 Step Federal CMP guidance. This effort will include all aspects of the first 3 steps and the policy and procedures only of steps 4 to 8. This task will incorporate the data collection efforts, congested corridor identification, and recommended congestion mitigation measures performed as part of Task 3, Task 5, and Task 6.

Kimley-Horn will prepare a draft Congestion Management Plan for review by the TPO. Kimley-Horn will prepare for and meet with the TPO staff to review the Plan and recommendations. Kimley-Horn and TPO staff will meet with FDOT to review the update to the Congestion Management Plan. Kimley-Horn will revise and produce a final Congestion Management Plan based on feedback from the public, TPO Board, TAC, CAC, and TPO staff. Presentations to the TPO Board and Committees is covered under Task 1.

#### **Deliverables**

- Draft Congestion Management Plan document
- Final Congestion Management Plan document



### **Task 5: Identifying Hot Spots & Prioritization Criteria**

This task will be Consultant led. Data analyzation mentioned in Task #3, will be required to further summarize the results and/or findings. Additionally, the development of trends or hot spots should be identified as part of a prioritization process. Therefore, evaluation criteria should be developed to allow for a quantitative approach to prioritize transportation needs and strategies (e.g. LOS, V/C, travel delay). Tables, graphs, charts, and maps will be developed which contribute a visual approach to summarize and/or explain the findings.

#### Deliverables

- Provide a summary of the transportation system assessment, based on the Performance Measures established as part of Task #3
- Develop prioritization criteria using evaluation methodology and weights for ranking Hot Spots, projects and/or strategies
- Develop and Identify Hot Spots from the assessment and prioritization criteria
- Provide a planning level analysis of the top 5 Hot Spot locations, to be determined in conjunction with TPO staff
- Provide graphs, maps, and charts which further highlight the other deliverables in this task and Task #3

### **Task 6: Identifying & Evaluating Mitigation Strategies**

This task will be Consultant led. This task will focus on the development of customized strategies, associated costs, and potential results from assessment of the prioritized Hot Spots. Strategies will need to be developed and evaluated to better understand which strategies would be best for each individual priority from the systems evaluation.

#### Deliverables

- Identify a comprehensive set of congestion management strategies appropriate to Marion County
- Identify recommended strategies for project implementation
- Develop customized strategies and planning level costs for the prioritized Hot Spots

Each prioritized project should have recommended customized strategies for implementation and associated planning level costs.

### **Task 7: Monitoring & Performance Tracking**

This task will be Consultant led. A monitoring methodology will be developed that will allow TPO staff the ability to continue to revise, update, and analyze any future data and/or trends. The methodology will include identification of monitoring timeframe, datasets and frequency for updates, items to be included in each cycle update, prioritization process for individual projects, and how the recommendations of the CMP will be incorporated into the LOPP, TIP, ATMS, LRTP or other implementation processes.

## Deliverables

- Develop a monitoring methodology to allow for the continual update of the CMP.

## **Responsibilities of the TPO**

TPO staff will lead the following tasks:

- Task #1 – Project Management
- Task #2 – CMP Overview, Goals & Objectives

Additional detail is provided in the individual tasks regarding the required work by TPO staff to support the Consultant on Consultant led tasks.

## **Responsibilities of the Consultant**

Consultant will lead the following tasks:

- Task #3 – Data Sources, Needs assessment, & Performance Measures
- Task #4 – Identifying Hot Spots & Prioritization Criteria
- Task #5 – Identifying & Evaluating Mitigation Strategies
- Task #6 – Monitoring & Performance Tracking

Additional detail is provided in the individual tasks regarding the required work by the Consultant to support the TPO on TPO led tasks.

## **Time of Completion**

This project is anticipated to be completed within a nine month period. The project will begin with a kickoff in February 2021 and be completed by October 29, 2021. TPO staff will develop a project schedule, which will outline the key milestones, dates, and deliverables, for the project to be completed within the anticipated timeline. Any change that is requested and/or made to the project schedule, will be agreed upon by both parties, including the Consultant and TPO staff.

## **Deliverables to be provided by TPO staff, and supported by the Consultant**

The following deliverables are expected:

- TPO website project page
- Survey summary

All corresponding files, documents, data will be delivered to the TPO electronically via a secure shared drive.

**Budget**

\$80,320

Invoices will be processed monthly by the Consultant based on the percent work completed for each task. A fee sheet is included with this Scope that outlines the Consultant hours and associated cost estimates for services by task.

**TABLE A  
COST ESTIMATE FOR SERVICES**

PROJECT: CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROCESS MAJOR UPDATE\_Rev February 2021  
 CLIENT: OCALA MARION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
 KHA PM: AMBER GARTNER, PE  
 BASIS FOR ESTIMATE: TPO-APPROVED HOURLY RATES, RFQ#20Q-121

SHEET: 1 of 1  
 DATE: 2/15/2021

		DIRECT LABOR (MAN-HOURS)										
TASK ID	TASK DESCRIPTION	GIS Specialist	Project Manager	Senior Planner	Planner	Senior Engineer	Project Engineer	Engineer	Administrative/ Clerical	MAN HOURS	SUB (\$)	LABOR TOTAL
		\$135.00	\$235.00	\$205.00	\$115.00	\$205.00	\$185.00	\$115.00	\$90.00			
1	Project Management and Meeting Attendance		15.0	15.0	5.0				3.0	38.0		\$ 7,445
2	Congestion Management Process, Goals, and Objectives		10.0							10.0		\$ 2,350
3	Data Sources, Needs Assessment, and Performance Measures		2.0	5.0	10.0	10.0		20.0	4.0	51.0		\$ 7,355
5	Congestion Management Plan	5.0	10.0	40.0	40.0			10.0	20.0	125.0		\$ 18,775
4	Identifying Hot Spots & Prioritization Criteria	15.0	10.0	10.0	30.0	15.0	30.0	60.0	4.0	174.0		\$ 25,760
6	Identifying & Evaluating Mitigation Strategies		2.0	5.0	30.0	5.0	10.0	30.0	4.0	86.0		\$ 11,630
7	Monitoring & Performance Tracking		2.0	10.0	10.0	10.0	5.0		4.0	41.0		\$ 7,005
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## **Ocala/Marion County Project Status Update as of Feb. 4, 2021**

The following is a brief status update on major FDOT road construction projects in Marion County. Information is also available on [www.cflroads.com](http://www.cflroads.com). For questions, please contact Anna Taylor at 386-943-5499 or via email at [Anna.Taylor@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Anna.Taylor@dot.state.fl.us).

### **Current Projects:**

#### **Resurface U.S. 441 from State Road 35 (SE Baseline Road) to State Road 200 (FDOT Financial Information Number 439238-1)**

The purpose of this project is to resurface U.S. 301/441 from State Road 35 (Baseline Road) in Belleview to State Road 200 in Ocala. Additional improvements include modifications to extend left and right turn lanes at various locations, removal of some of the existing on street parking in the downtown area, addition of bicycle lanes within the right of way where possible, updating and providing pedestrian features to meet current standards, and making other drainage and safety improvements as needed.

- Contract: T5675
- Contractor: D.A.B. Constructors, Inc.
- Estimated Start: January 2021
- Estimated Completion: Fall 2021
- Cost: \$15.7 million
- Update: This project began in the second week of January with survey work and the installation of silt fences and other structures needed in advance of paving operations later.

#### **Addition of turn lanes at State Road 200/I-75 interchange and resurfacing from Southwest 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Southwest 38<sup>th</sup> Court (FDOT Financial Information Number 435659/437344)**

- Contract: T5605
- Contractor: D.A.B Constructors, Inc.
- Estimated Start: Summer 2019
- Estimated Completion: December, 2020
- Cost: \$1.25 million
- Update: **This project was completed in December**

#### **Reconstruction of northbound and southbound Wildwood weigh stations (FDOT Financial Information Number 440311-1)**

- Contract: E5Z67
- Contractor: Anderson Columbia Co., Inc.
- Estimated Start: Spring 2019
- Estimated Completion: Early 2021
- Cost: \$12.3 million

- Update: The contractor has completed work. FDOT inspectors did a walkthrough and created a punch list of items that need to be addressed before FDOT gives final acceptance to the project. That work is currently being completed and FDOT is expected to grant final approval in the coming weeks.

**ITS Florida Regional Advanced Mobility Elements (FRAME) (FDOT Financial Information Number 440900-1)**

- Contract: T5662
- Contractor: Contract Network LLC
- Estimated Start: Summer 2019
- Estimated Completion: Spring 2021
- Cost: \$5.5 million
- Update: Working along I 75 and SR 301 installing conduit tie-ins and pull boxes.

**Widen Northeast 36<sup>th</sup> Avenue to four lanes and construction of bridges over CSX rail line (FDOT Financial Information Number 431798-3)**

- Contract: E5Z71
- Contractor: SEMA Construction, Inc.
- Estimated Start: Summer 2019
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2021
- Cost: \$16.4 million
- Update: The four-lane bridge over the CSX rail line is being constructed in two phases. The eastern two lanes is open to traffic, while the western two lanes are under construction. There are currently detours on Northeast 21<sup>st</sup> and Northeast 24<sup>th</sup> streets.

**Add turning lanes at State Road 326 and County Road 25A (FDOT Financial Information Number 435660-2)**

- Contract: T5674
- Contractor: Heavy Civil, Inc.
- Estimated Start: Early 2020
- Estimated Completion: December, 2020
- Cost: \$1.25 million
- Update: **This project is complete and was given final acceptance by FDOT in January.**



**TO: TPO Board Members**

**RE: MPOAC Legislative Newsletter**

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Please find attached a copy of the monthly Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPOAC) legislative newsletter for February 13, 2021. Some of the activities pertinent to the TPO include:

- Pete Buttigieg was confirmed as the U.S. DOT Secretary of Transportation
- State Regular Legislative Session convenes March 2
- State Regular Legislative Last Day of Session April 30
- SB 62 – Elimination of advisory role of regional planning councils and shifting duties to state office. Bill now in Judiciary committee.
- SB 140 – Fees for Electric Vehicles. Creating additional fees for electric vehicles, license tax and fees for plug-in hybrids
- SB 1030/HB 763 – Repeal MCORES program and funding



*Commissioner Nick Maddox  
Chair*

## **MPOAC Legislative Newsletter**

**02/13/2021**

### **Overview**

Greetings everyone!! It is another Saturday in Tallahassee and up here we are enjoying some liquid sunshine this morning. As always, it is good to be with you for another update.

This legislative session has been completely different and that is not a surprise to you. It is the odd colliding of events that has made this session so very odd. Committee meetings are held with an audience either in a meeting room about a ¼ mile away which by itself is not difficult or watching a video from their personal computer. What we are missing is the ability to watch the body language and interactions of the individual legislative members with each other and their staff. Reading the mood in the room is key to getting a context as to how strong a bill might or might not be and if it is going to ultimately pass in the 2021 session. Watching the committee meetings on a camera only allow us to see what the camera is broadcasting, those side conversations and interactions are lost. You don't get to see your legislators in action and figure out the unofficial pecking order of the two chambers. Layered over the top of all of this are the national events taking place this past week, and in the weeks leading up to this point in time. Media attention has turned their focus on the national events and it appears there is less attention on our own state politics. Maybe that is a good thing, after all who wants to read about another "Florida Man" article in national news.....

So, what is happening at our capital you ask? Here are a few details for you to mull over. This week we crossed a landmark event, there are now 1000 bills filed for the 2021 legislative session. For all of last year there were 3518 bills filed. Also, as of Monday, members had filed 863 earmarks and the cumulative sum of those requests is \$947 Million. In the bill subject index those earmark requests take up 11 pages of small font print. Folks, that is a lot of earmarks. I will remind readers that last year the Governor line item vetoed all earmarks that made it through the House and Senate Appropriations processes. This is probably a good time to point out that some earmarks are better than others. Transportation earmarks are the bad kind of earmarks. When a member puts in a transportation project as an earmark two things happen. One, that earmark bypasses the entire quantitative evaluation process at your Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) where all projects are evaluated at one time to determine what is the best use of our limited dollars. Good transportation planning at your MPO results in money wisely spent. Essentially that earmark project is saying that it is going to skip your evaluation and move to the top of the funding list. That brings us to the second problem, a transportation earmark takes dollars away from your locally generated funding priorities, there is only so much money to go around. Your District office of Florida DOT has to now find money for the earmark and take money away from other projects so the earmark can be funded. You might have to lose your top priority to fund an earmark. If that is not bad enough, then the really bad part rears it's ugly head. If the earmark is line item vetoed, the project and the money for the project are gone. That money which was taken from other projects and set aside

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to fund the now defunct transportation earmark does not come back, it was part of the budget and that line item is simply gone. That means your district office has less money to work with in the coming year. **Remember ALL earmarks were line-item vetoed last year.** I simply ask, if you feel the need to pursue an earmark, please request a community pool, a library, a park, something that comes from general revenue. **Do Not request transportation projects.** ask for more money to go to transportation – that would be very welcome. Alright, I have shouted from my soapbox long enough on this topic. Please don't ask me to repeat this funding lesson, just ask for a new fire station from general revenue.

So what have been some of the hot bills this week. Well, the vacation rentals bill was heard in committee and it would preempt local governments from regulating AirBNB and similar rentals. This would be handled by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation. How many new employees would the Department need to oversee this program? That is a good question, let me know when you hear an answer. Another set of bills are being brought forward this year. The proposed legislation would place term limits on School Board members and a separate bill would eliminate salaries for School Board members. On a bright note, Senator Hooper filed a bill that considers fees for electric and hybrid vehicles when the combination of the two reaches 5% of the total number of vehicles registered in Florida. Thank you Senator Hooper for filing SB 1276, we appreciate your efforts.

At Tuesday's meeting of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism and Economic Development the Department of Transportation presented an overview and associated impacts to Transportation funding due to a downturn in revenues compared to anticipated revenues. I thought the department did an excellent job of explaining how the Florida DOT handles money and the implications of cash flow for a transportation project. Watch the meeting for a much more detailed explanation than is in this short paragraph. Just to share with you, the Department operates on a cash flow model and the \$437M reduction in this year affects \$763M of projects over the 5-year life of the department's plan. Here is a link to that video of the meeting: [https://flsenate.gov/media/videoplayer?EventID=1\\_05khpsef-202102091100&Redirect=true](https://flsenate.gov/media/videoplayer?EventID=1_05khpsef-202102091100&Redirect=true)

The schedule of pre-session committee weeks is shown below along with key dates for the 2020 Florida Legislative Session. All new bills and any updates to bills shown below are in **RED** so you can quickly distinguish between updates and old news. A few bills have been filed; many more will be filed over the coming months. Your MPOAC Legislative Update will keep you apprised of newly filed bills and changes to existing bills.

Grab a cup of coffee and enjoy this edition of the MPOAC Legislative Update.

### Important Dates for the 2021 Legislative Session

- August 1, 2020 - Deadline for filing claim bills (Rule 4.81(2))
- January 29, 2021 5:00 p.m. - Deadline for submitting requests for drafts of general bills and joint resolutions, including requests for companion bills.
- February 26, 2021 5:00 p.m. - Deadline for approving final drafts of general bills and joint resolutions, including companion bills.
- March 2, 2021 - Regular Session convenes (Article III, section 3(b), State Constitution) 12:00 noon, deadline for filing bills for introduction (Rule 3.7(1))
- April 17, 2021 - Motion to reconsider made and considered the same day (Rule 6.4.(4)) All bills are immediately certified (Rule 6.8)
- April 20, 2021 50th day – last day for regularly scheduled committee meetings (Rule 2.9(2))
- April 30, 2021 60th day – last day of Regular Session (Article III, section 3(d), State Constitution)

**Committee Meeting schedule prior to the official Legislative Session  
beginning on March 2<sup>nd</sup>**

January 2021 — Week of the 11th  
January 2021 — Week of the 25th  
February 2021 — Week of the 1st  
February 2021 — Week of the 8th  
February 2021 — Week of the 15<sup>th</sup>

**Transportation Related Committee Meetings Next Pre-Session Week**

**Monday – February 15, 2021**

Senate Judiciary – 2:30 PM  
Senate Commerce and Tourism – 3:30 PM  
House Appropriations – 4:00 PM

**Tuesday – February 16, 2021**

Senate Transportation – 3:30 PM  
House Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee – 10:00 AM

**Wednesday – February 17, 2021**

Senate Appropriations on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development – 12:30 PM  
House Infrastructure & Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee – 10:00 AM

**Thursday – February 18, 2021**

No transportation related committees today

**Friday – February 19, 2021**

No Senate Committee Meetings Scheduled  
No House Committee Meetings Scheduled

## Legislation of interest to the membership

This is a summary of transportation related bills filed and published on the legislature's website as of February 12, 2021. More bills will be filed during the 2021 session and as they are made available the newly filed transportation bills will be added to this list. The bills are listed in numerical order for your convenience. As the session progresses and the number of bills tracked in this newsletter grows, this ordering of bills will make it easier to follow the status of any bill you are tracking. All new bills and any updates to bills shown below are in **RED** so you can quickly distinguish between updates and old news.

**HB 35: Legal Notices – (Fine; Co-Introducer: Grieco)** – Provides for website publication of legal notices; provides criteria for such publication; authorizes fiscally constrained county to use publicly accessible website to publish legally required advertisements & public notices; requires government agency to provide specified notice to residents concerning alternative methods of receiving legal notices. Filed in the House. Referred to Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee. On Committee agenda-- Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee, 02/03/21, 4:30 pm, Webster Hall. Passed Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee, now in Judiciary Committee.

**HB 53: Public Works Projects – (DiCeglie)** – Revises definition of term "public works project"; prohibits state or any political subdivision that contracts for public works project from requiring specified acts by certain persons engaged in such project or prohibiting certain persons from receiving information about public works opportunities. Referred to Government Operations Subcommittee; Public Integrity and Elections Committee; State Affairs Committee. **Added to Government Operations Subcommittee agenda.**

**SB 54: Motor Vehicle Insurance – (Burgess; Co-Introducers: Rouson)** – Related Bill HB 273 by Plakon, SB 420 by Hooper and HB 719 by Grall. Repealing provisions which comprise the Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law; revising the motor vehicle insurance coverages that an applicant must show to register certain vehicles with the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles; revising financial responsibility requirements for owners or lessees of for-hire passenger transportation vehicles; providing an exception to the circumstances under which a person who is damaged may bring a civil action against an insurer; revising coverages subject to premium discounts for specified motor vehicle equipment; specifying persons whom medical payments coverage must protect, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$83,651. Referred to Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; Rules. Passed Banking and Insurance; YEAS 10 NAYS 2. Now in Judiciary. **On Committee agenda-- Judiciary, 02/15/21, 2:30 pm, 412 Knott Building.**

**HB 57: Transportation – (Andrade)** – **Similar Bill SB 1194 by Hooper.** Revises provisions relating to motor vehicle sales tax, competitive solicitations, vehicles displaying flashing lights, annual cap on project contracts, airport restrictions, arbitration of contracts by & membership of State Arbitration Board, borrow pit operation, & performance standards for certain extraction locations. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure and Energy Subcommittee; Ways and Means Committee; Infrastructure and Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. **Added to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee agenda.**

**HB 59: Growth Management – (McClain; Co-Introducer Sabatini)** – Similar Bill SB 496 by Perry. Requires local governments to include property rights element in their comprehensive plans; provides statement of rights that local government may use; requires local government to adopt property rights element by specified date; prohibits local government's property rights

element from conflicting with statutorily provided statement of rights; provides that certain property owners are not required to consent to development agreement changes; prohibits municipality from annexing specified areas; requires DOT to afford right of first refusal to certain individuals; provides requirements & procedures for right of first refusal; authorizes certain developments of regional impact agreements to be amended. Filed in the House. Referred to Local Administration and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Civil Justice and Property Rights Subcommittee; State Affairs Committee. On Committee agenda-- Local Administration and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee, 02/04/21, 12:00 pm, Sumner Hall. Passed Local Administration and Veterans Affairs Subcommittee 12 YEAS, 6 NAYS. **Added to Civil Justice & Property Rights Subcommittee agenda.**

**SB 62: Regional Planning Councils – (Bradley)** – Revising a requirement for the Executive Office of the Governor to review and consider certain reports, data, and analyses relating to the revision of the state comprehensive plan; eliminating the advisory role of regional planning councils in state comprehensive plan preparation and revision; repealing provisions relating to the Florida Regional Planning Council Act; authorizing local governments to recommend areas of critical state concern to the state land planning agency, etc. RPCs would be able to host MPOs under the bill as currently written. Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Rules. On Committee agenda-- Community Affairs, 01/26/21, 3:30 pm, 37 Senate Building. CS by Community Affairs; YEAS 6 NAYS 3. Now in Judiciary.

**HB 91: Use of Wireless Communications Devices While Driving – (Slosberg; Co-Introducer: Grieco)** – Revises short title & legislative intent; prohibits operation of motor vehicle while holding or touching wireless communications device; provides exceptions; revises information that may be admissible as evidence in proceeding to determine whether violation has been committed; revises procedures for collection & reporting by DHSMV of information recorded on citation; conforms provisions relating to use of wireless communications devices in school & work zones. Filed in the House. Referred to Criminal Justice and Public Safety Subcommittee; Tourism, Infrastructure and Energy Subcommittee; Infrastructure and Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee.

**SB 138: Electric Vehicles – (Brandes)** – Related Bill SB 140 by Brandes. **Identical Bill HB817 by Toledo.** Revising the Department of Transportation's goals relating to mobility; requiring the department to establish the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program; providing for the distribution of grants to certain entities to install electric vehicle charging infrastructure; specifying that certain rules adopted by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services may not require specific methods of sale for electric vehicle charging equipment used in, and services provided in, this state, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$5,000,000. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations.

**SB 140: Fees/Electric Vehicles – (Brandes)** – Related Bill SB 138 by Brandes. **Identical Bill HB819 by Learned.** Creating additional fees for electric vehicles; creating a license tax and an additional fee for plug-in hybrid electric vehicles; requiring, on specified dates, the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to increase the additional fees, subject to certain requirements; providing that certain vehicles are exempt from specified fees, etc. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations.

**HB 139: Electronic Transactions for Title Certificates and Registrations – (Fernandez-Barquin)** – Authorizes tax collectors to accept applications for motor vehicle & vessel certificates of title by electronic or telephonic means, to collect electronic mail addresses for use as method of notification, & to contract with vendors to provide electronic & telephonic transactions; provides that electronic signature that meets certain requirements satisfies signature required for application for certificate of title; specifies tax collection systems for which certain fees may be used for integration with Florida Real Time Vehicle Information System; requires DHSMV to provide tax collectors & approved vendors with certain data access & interface functionality; specifies authorized uses; requires DHSMV to ensure approved vendors protect customer privacy & data collection. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure and Energy Subcommittee; Infrastructure and Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee.

**SB 178: Public School Transportation – (Cruz)** – Comparable Bill HB 229 by Salzman. Revising the requirement that district school boards provide transportation for certain students; requiring a district school superintendent to request a review of a hazardous walking condition upon receipt of a written request from a parent of a student; requiring, rather than authorizing, a district school board to initiate a specified proceeding relating to hazardous walking conditions, etc. Referred to Education; Appropriations Subcommittee on Education; Appropriations.

**HB 205: Requirements for Establishing or Increasing Tolls – (Borrero)** – Requires increase of current toll or development of new toll collection facility in county with certain population to be approved by board of county commissioners. After July 01, 2022 a toll increase or new toll in a county of over 1 million population will require a two-thirds vote of board of county commissioners at a regularly scheduled meeting. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure and Energy Subcommittee; Ways and Means Committee; Commerce Committee.

**HB 229: Hazardous Walking Conditions for K-12 Students – (Salzman)** – Comparable Bill SB 178 by Cruz. Requires DOT to develop & adopt standards & criteria to identify hazardous walking conditions; Revises provisions relating to the transportation of students subjected to hazardous walking conditions & funding for such students. Filed in the House. Referred to Early Learning and Elementary Education Subcommittee; Tourism, Infrastructure and Energy Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee; Education and Employment Committee.

**HB 267: State Preemption of Seaport Regulations – (Roach; Sirois)** – Identical Bill SB 426 by Boyd. Preempts to state regulation of commerce in state seaports; provides exceptions; provides construction. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee.

**HB 273: Motor Vehicle Insurance Coverage Exclusions – (Plakon)** – Similar to SB54 by Burgess, SB 420 by Hooper and HB 719 by Grall. Provides private passenger motor vehicle policies may exclude identified individuals from specified coverages; provides exceptions. Filed in the House. Referred to Insurance & Banking Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Insurance & Banking Subcommittee.

**SB 278: Traffic Offenses – (Baxley)** - Creating the “Vulnerable Road User Act”; providing criminal penalties for a person who commits a moving violation that causes serious bodily injury to, or causes the death of, a vulnerable road user; requiring that the person who commits the moving violation pay a specified fine, serve a minimum period of house arrest, and attend a driver improvement course; requiring that the court revoke the person’s driver license for a minimum specified period, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations

Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations. Now in Transportation.

**HB 297: Child Restraint Requirements – (Hinson)** – Identical Bill SB380 by Perry - Increasing the age of children for whom operators of motor vehicles must provide protection by using a crash-tested, federally approved child restraint device; increasing the age of children for whom a separate carrier, an integrated child seat, or a child booster seat may be used, etc. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Children, Families & Seniors Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee.

**HB 337: Impact Fees – (DeCeglie)** – Identical to S750 by Gruters - Specifying instances when a local government or special district may collect an impact fee; requiring local governments and special districts to credit against the collection of impact fees any contribution related to public facilities; providing annual limitations on impact fee rate increases; requiring school districts to report specified items regarding impact fees, etc. Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Appropriations. Now in Local Administration & Veterans Affairs Subcommittee.

**SB 342: Vehicle and Vessel Registration – (Diaz)** – Requiring tax collectors to determine service charges collected by privately owned license plate agents for motor vehicle titles; requiring that additional service charges be itemized and disclosed to the person paying them; requiring a license plate agent to enter into a contract with the tax collector for a certain purpose; requiring tax collectors and approved license plate agents to enter into a memorandum of understanding with the department for a certain purpose, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Finance and Tax; Rules.

**HB 353: Bicycle Operations Regulations – (Hage)** – Identical to SB738 by Baxley - Providing an exception to the requirement that a person operating a bicycle ride upon or astride a seat attached thereto, etc. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Commerce Committee. Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee. **Added to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee agenda.**

**HB 357: Photographic Enforcement of School Zone Speed Limits – (Duran and Rodriguez)** – Authorizes county or municipality to contract with vendor to install cameras in school speed zones to enforce speed limits; provides civil penalty for violation found through recording of photographic images; provides for disposition & use of funds; provides for determination of liability; provides nonapplication of violation to driver license points assessment, conviction, driving record, or provision of motor vehicle insurance coverage; requires referral to DHSMV resulting in prohibition of motor vehicle registration renewal & transfer of title; provides for removal of penalties. Filed in the House. Referred to Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee; Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee; Justice Appropriations Subcommittee; Judiciary Committee. Now in Criminal Justice & Public Safety Subcommittee.

**HB 365: Motor Vehicle Rentals – (Caruso)** – Similar to SB 566 by Perry and S 708 By Brandes - Provides requirements for sales taxes & surcharges on motor vehicle leases & rentals by motor vehicle rental companies & peer-to-peer car-sharing programs; specifies insurance requirements for shared vehicle owners & shared vehicle drivers; provides for liability; provides for exclusions; provides right of contribution to shared vehicle owner's insurer for certain claims; requires provision of certain information regarding liens; specifies recordkeeping, record-sharing, disclosure, & driver license verification & data retention requirements; provides for consumer protections Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy



Subcommittee; Ways & Means Committee; Commerce Committee. Now in Tourism, Infrastructure & Energy Subcommittee.

**SB 376: Jacksonville Transportation Authority Leases – (Gibson)** – Related Bill HB 6015 by Duggan. Removing a limitation on the term of a lease into which the authority may enter, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Rules. Favorable by Transportation; YEAS 8 NAYS 0. Now in Community Affairs.

**SB 380: Child Restraint Requirements – (Perry)** – Identical Bill HB297 by Hinson - Increasing the age of children for whom operators of motor vehicles must provide protection by using a crash-tested, federally approved child restraint device; increasing the age of children for whom a separate carrier, an integrated child seat, or a child booster seat may be used, etc. Referred to Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; Transportation; Rules. On Committee agenda - Children, Families, and Elder Affairs, 02/03/21, 9:00 am, 37 Senate Building. Favorable by Children, Families, and Elder Affairs; YEAS 8 NAYS 0. Now in Transportation. **On Committee agenda-- Transportation, 02/16/21, 3:30 pm, 110 Senate Building.**

**SB 420: Motor Vehicle Insurance Coverage Exclusions – (Hooper)** – Similar to SB54 by Burgess, HB273 by Plakon and HB 719 by Grall - Providing that private passenger motor vehicle policies may exclude certain identified individuals from specified coverages under certain circumstances; providing that such policies may not exclude coverage under certain circumstances, etc. Referred to Banking and Insurance; Judiciary; Rules.

**SB 422: Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority – (Rouson)** – Renaming the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transit Authority Metropolitan Planning Organization Chairs Coordinating Committee as the Chairs Coordinating Committee; providing that a mayor’s designated alternate may be a member of the governing board of the authority; revising a provision requiring the authority to present the regional transit development plan and updates to specified entities, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Rules. **On Committee agenda-- Transportation, 02/16/21, 3:30 pm, 110 Senate Building.**

**SB 426: State Preemption of Seaport Regulations – (Boyd)** – Identical Bill HB 267 by Roach. Preempting to the state the regulation of commerce in state seaports; providing exceptions, etc. Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Rules.

**SB 496: Growth Management – (Perry)** - Similar to HB 59 by McClain. Specifying requirements for certain comprehensive plans effective, rather than adopted, after a specified date and for associated land development regulations; requiring local governments to include a property rights element in their comprehensive plans; prohibiting a local government’s property rights element from conflicting with the statement of rights contained in the act; providing that the consent of certain property owners is not required for development agreement changes under certain circumstances; requiring the Department of Transportation to afford a right of first refusal to certain individuals under specified circumstances, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Community Affairs; Judiciary; Rules.

**SB 514: Resiliency – (Rodrigues)** - Establishing the Statewide Office of Resiliency within the Executive Office of the Governor; creating the Statewide Sea-Level Rise Task Force adjunct to the office; authorizing the Department of Environmental Protection to contract for specified services, upon request of the task force; requiring the Environmental Regulation Commission to take certain action on the task force’s recommendations, etc. APPROPRIATION: \$500,000. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Environment and Natural Resources; Appropriations Subcommittee on Agriculture, Environment, and General Government; Appropriations. **On**

**SB 566: Motor Vehicle Rentals – (Perry)** – Similar to HB365 by Caruso and SB708 by Brandes - Specifying the applicable sales tax rate on motor vehicle leases and rentals by motor vehicle rental companies and peer-to-peer car-sharing programs; specifying the applicable rental car surcharge on motor vehicle leases and rentals by motor vehicle rental companies and peer-to-peer car-sharing programs; specifying insurance requirements for shared vehicle owners and shared vehicle drivers under peer-to-peer car-sharing programs; providing an exemption from vicarious liability for peer-to-peer car-sharing programs and shared vehicle owners, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Banking and Insurance; Transportation; Appropriations.

**HB 605: Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety – (Hunschofsky)** – Identical to SB950 by Book - Revising and providing requirements for the driver of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle or other nonmotorized vehicle, an electric bicycle, or a pedestrian; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide an awareness campaign, and include information in certain educational materials, regarding certain safety precautions; exempting a motor vehicle driver from certain provisions relating to no-passing zones when overtaking a bicycle or other nonmotorized vehicle, an electric bicycle, or a pedestrian; revising requirements for vehicles turning at intersections; prohibiting persons riding bicycles in a bicycle lane from riding more than two abreast, etc. Filed in the House.

**SB 708: Peer-to-peer Car Sharing – (Brandes)** – Identical to HB 785 by Busatta Cabera - Specifying motor vehicle insurance requirements for peer-to-peer car-sharing programs; authorizing peer-to-peer car-sharing programs to own and maintain certain policies of motor vehicle insurance; requiring peer-to-peer car-sharing programs to assume certain liability; authorizing motor vehicle insurance policies to exclude specified coverages under certain circumstances; authorizing specified insurers to seek contributions against indemnifications under certain circumstances, etc. Referred to Banking and Insurance; Transportation; Appropriations.

**HB 719: Motor Vehicle Insurance – (Grall)** – Similar to SB54 by Burgess, HB 273 by Plakon and SB 420 by Hooper - Repeals provisions relating Florida Motor Vehicle No-Fault Law; revises garage liability insurance requirements; revises minimum coverage requirements for proof of financial responsibility for motor vehicles; revises amount of certificate of deposit required to elect certain method of proof of financial responsibility; revises excess liability coverage requirements; revises financial responsibility requirements for owners or lessees of for-hire passenger transportation vehicles; revises coverages of motor vehicle policy which are subject to stacking prohibition; revises insurance requirements for transportation network companies or TNC drivers or vehicle owners. APPROPRIATION: \$83,651. Filed in the House.

**HB 729: Transportation Projects – (Gregory)** – Limits amount of State Transportation Trust Fund revenues to be committed for certain public transportation projects; revises amount of funding allocated by DOT to transportation construction projects for purchase of plant materials; revises types of projects receiving allocation; removes requirement that certain amount of allocation be for purchase of large plant materials; requires purchased plant materials to be grown in this state; authorizes DOT to enter into certain contracts without advertising & receiving competitive bids; authorizes DOT to combine certain work phases. Filed in the House.



**SB 738: Bicycle Operations Regulations – (Baxley)** – Identical to HB353 by Hage - Providing an exception to the requirement that a person operating a bicycle ride upon or astride a seat attached thereto, etc. Referred to Transportation; Community Affairs; Rules. **On Committee agenda-- Transportation, 02/16/21, 3:30 pm, 110 Senate Building.**

**HB 745: School Bus Safety – (Slosberg)** – Identical to SB1050 by Berman - Authorizes school district to install cameras on school buses; authorizes DHSMV, county, or municipality to authorize traffic infraction enforcement officer to issue & enforce citation for failing to stop for school bus; requires notification to be sent to owner of vehicle involved in violation; prohibits receiving commission or remuneration based on use of camera; requires payment of citation unless certain information is established in affidavit; provides penalties for submitting false affidavit; requires annual reports to DHSMV, Governor, & Legislature; provides hearing procedures; authorizes appeal of final order; provides disposition of civil penalties. Filed in the House.

**SB 750: Impact Fees – (Gruters)** – Identical to HB337 by DiCeglie - Specifying instances when a local government or special district may collect an impact fee; requiring local governments and special districts to credit against the collection of impact fees any contribution related to public facilities; providing annual limitations on impact fee rate increases; requiring school districts to report specified items regarding impact fees, etc. Referred to Community Affairs; Finance and Tax; Appropriations.

**HB 763: Repeal of the Multi-use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance Program and Reversion of Program Funds – (Diamond)** – Identical to SB1030 by Polsky - Repeals provisions relating to M-CORES Program & related funding; requires portions of certain annual license tax revenues to be deposited into General Revenue Fund; revises period during which certain revenues shall be transferred to Florida's Turnpike Enterprise. Filed in the House.

**HB 785: Peer-to-peer Car Sharing – (Brusatta Cabera)** – Identical to SB708 by Brandes - Provides motor vehicle insurance requirements for peer-to-peer car sharing; provides that peer-to-peer car-sharing programs have insurable interest in shared vehicles; authorizes such companies to own & maintain certain policies of motor vehicle insurance; provides primary liabilities; provides exemptions from vicarious liabilities; authorizes insurance policies to exclude specified coverages; authorizes specified insurers to seek contributions against indemnifications; provides requirements for notifications of implications of liens, recordkeeping & specified disclosures to shared vehicle drivers & owners. Filed in the House.

**HB 817: Electric Vehicles – (Toledo)** – Linked bill HB819 by Learned. **Identical to SB138 by Brandes - Authorizes DOT to adopt rules; revises DOT's goals relating to mobility; requires that certain funds be used for specified purposes relating to Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Grant Program; requires that certain funds remain in State Transportation Trust Fund; requires DOT to establish program; provides for distribution of grants to certain entities to install electric vehicle charging infrastructure; provides grant requirements; provides requirements for equipment installed using grant funds; provides duties of DOT; authorizes DOT to develop model plan for local governments; requires DOT to adopt rules; specifies that certain rules adopted by DACS may not require specific methods of sale for electric vehicle charging equipment used in, & services provided in, this state; provides appropriation. APPROPRIATION: \$5,000,000. Filed in the House.**

**HB 819: Fees/Electric Vehicles – (Learned)** – Linked bill HB817 by Toledo. Identical to SB140 by Brandes - Creates additional fees for electric vehicles; creates license tax & an additional fee for plug-in hybrid electric vehicles; provides for distribution of proceeds from additional fees; requires DHSMV to increase additional fees, subject to certain requirements; exempts certain vehicles from specified fees; provides for future expiration & reversion of specified statutory text. Filed in the House.

**SB 924: Multi-use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance Program – (Hooper)** – Revising the allocation of certain funds, for specified fiscal years, that result from increased revenues to the State Transportation Trust Fund, etc. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations.

**SB 950: Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety – (Book)** – Identical to HB605 by Hunschofsky - Revising and providing requirements for the driver of a motor vehicle overtaking a bicycle or other nonmotorized vehicle, an electric bicycle, or a pedestrian; requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to provide an awareness campaign, and include information in certain educational materials, regarding certain safety precautions; exempting a motor vehicle driver from certain provisions relating to no-passing zones when overtaking a bicycle or other nonmotorized vehicle, an electric bicycle, or a pedestrian; revising requirements for vehicles turning at intersections; prohibiting persons riding bicycles in a bicycle lane from riding more than two abreast, etc. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations.

**SB 1030: Repeal of the Multi-use Corridors of Regional Economic Significance Program and Reversion of Program Funds – (Polsky)** – Identical to HB763 by Diamond - Repeals provisions relating to M-CORES Program & related funding; requires portions of certain annual license tax revenues to be deposited into General Revenue Fund; revises period during which certain revenues shall be transferred to Florida's Turnpike Enterprise. Filed in the Senate. Referred to Transportation; Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Tourism, and Economic Development; Appropriations.

**SB 1050: School Bus Safety – (Berman)** – Identical to HB745 by Slosberg - Authorizes school district to install cameras on school buses; authorizes DHSMV, county, or municipality to authorize traffic infraction enforcement officer to issue & enforce citation for failing to stop for school bus; requires notification to be sent to owner of vehicle involved in violation; prohibits receiving commission or remuneration based on use of camera; requires payment of citation unless certain information is established in affidavit; provides penalties for submitting false affidavit; requires annual reports to DHSMV, Governor, & Legislature; provides hearing procedures; authorizes appeal of final order; provides disposition of civil penalties. Referred to Transportation; Judiciary; Appropriations.

**SB 1126: Department of Transportation – (Harrell)** – Clarifying that the Department of Revenue is responsible for a certain transfer from the State Treasury to the General Revenue Fund of a portion of documentary stamp tax distributions credited to the State Transportation Trust Fund; deleting a requirement that the department provide space and video conference capability at each of the department's district offices as an alternative to physical appearance by a person requesting a hearing before the Commercial Motor Vehicle Review Board within the department; requiring the department, when proposing any project on the State Highway System which will close or modify an existing access to an abutting property owner, to provide notice to affected property owners, municipalities, and counties at least 180 days before the design phase of the project is completed, etc. Filed in the Senate.

**SB 1194: Transportation – (Hooper)** – Similar to HB57 by Andrade - Providing that certain governmental entities may not prohibit certain vendors from responding to competitive solicitations of certain contractual services; requiring contractors wishing to bid on certain contracts to first be certified by the Department of Transportation as qualified; exempting airports from certain restrictions regarding entities performing engineering and inspection services; revising and providing definitions; revising requirements for arbitration of certain contracts by the State Arbitration Board, etc. Filed in the Senate.

**SB 1248: Racing Motor Vehicles – (Book)** – Revising prohibitions on persons driving motor vehicles in any race, speed competition or contest, drag race or acceleration contest, test of physical endurance, or exhibition of speed, a stunt, agility, or acceleration or for other specified purposes on any highway, roadway, or parking lot; prohibiting a person from coordinating via social media any such race, competition, contest, test, or exhibition; prohibiting persons from operating a vehicle in a manner that would constitute participation in an organized ride, etc. Filed in the Senate.

**SB 1276: Fees – (Hooper)** – Requiring the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicles to publish notice when electric vehicles and hybrid vehicles make up 5 percent or more of the total number of vehicles registered in this state; providing fees for electric vehicles and hybrid vehicles beginning after the department publishes such notice; requiring that the proceeds of certain fees be deposited into the State Transportation Trust Fund, etc. Filed in the Senate.

**HB 6009: Traffic Infraction Detectors – (Sabatini; Co-Introducers: Borrero; D. Smith)** - Repeals provisions relating to Mark Wandall Traffic Safety Program & authorization to use traffic infraction detectors; repeals provisions relating to distribution of penalties, transitional implementation, & placement & installation; conforms cross-references & provisions to changes made by act. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure and Energy Subcommittee; Appropriations Committee; Commerce Committee.

**HB 6015: Jacksonville Transportation Authority Leases – (Duggan)** – Related Bill SB 376 by Gibson. Removes limitation on term of lease into which authority may enter. Filed in the House. Referred to Tourism, Infrastructure and Energy Subcommittee; Infrastructure and Tourism Appropriations Subcommittee; Commerce Committee.