Ocala Marion TPO

What is the Transportation Improvement Program?

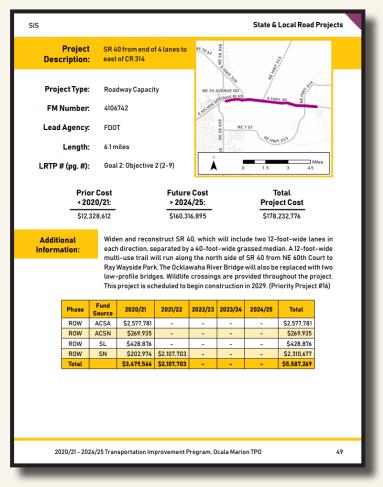


The Ocala Marion Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a five-year schedule of programmed transportation projects proposed by government agencies, the public and stakeholders within Marion County. The TIP documents the anticipated timing (fiscal year), source of funding (specific grant or local/state contribution), and cost of transportation projects adopted in the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) anticipated to receive federal or state funds. Projects in the TIP and LRTP include roadway construction and reconstruction, maintenance, bridges, operations, bicycle and pedestrian, trails, transit and aviation, among others.

All sections of the TIP are financially feasible, meaning the anticipated costs must not exceed the anticipated revenue. To ensure the document remains current with the needs of Marion County, the TIP is updated on an annual basis. Additionally, the TIP is developed by TPO staff in conjunction with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), public transit providers, the general public, and local governments to ensure the efficient use of limited transportation funds.

Before projects can make their way into the TIP, they must first be identified in the **Needs Plan** and be prioritized into the **Cost Feasible Plan** as part of the LRTP development process. These projects are

then submitted to FDOT on an annual basis for consideration of funding as part of the **List of Priority Projects (LOPP)**. For more information on the LRTP and LOPP, please review the TPO's Fact Sheets on these specific plans and processes at: www.OcalaMarionTPO.org.





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