The Ocala Marion Transportation Planning Organization’s (TPO) List of Priority Projects (LOPP) is a prioritized list of projects that are identified and selected from the TPO’s Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The LRTP process identifies needed improvements, which are then prioritized and evaluated against anticipated revenues. The project list that comes out of the LRTP process is also known as the Cost Feasible Plan.

The LOPP is taken from the projects listed in the Cost Feasible Plan section of the LRTP and is evaluated on an annual basis. This process is first done by TPO staff consulting with planners and engineers from both Marion County and the Cities of Belleview, Dunnellon and Ocala. After direct consultation with technical staffs at the local jurisdictions, the LOPP is then discussed with the TPO’s Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) before being submitted to the TPO Board for final approval. TPO staff submits a Top Priorities list from the LOPP and presents to the TPO Board for discussion before being voted on and submitted to the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) for their funding and programming process.

The goal of the LOPP is to obtain funding towards implementing the projects. When any of the projects are funded through FDOT each year, they will make their way into the TPO’s Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – the five-year schedule of programmed transportation projects. For more information on the LRTP and TIP, please review the TPO’s Fact Sheets on these specific plans and processes at: www.OcalaMarionTPO.org.