



TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

**Wednesday, October 14, 2015
Regular Meeting, 1:30 p.m.**

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OPENING

Call to Order
Proper Noticing
Determination of Quorum

I. REPORTS

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

II. AGENDA UPDATE

III. COMMENTS FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC ON ANY AGENDA ITEMS

IV. ACTION ITEMS

A. September 9, 2015 Meeting Minutes

B. Recommendation on Transportation 2040 – Draft Document

Staff is presenting the formal draft document updating the MPO's Long Range Transportation Plan. *Transportation 2040* is to go before the MPO Governing Board October 28, at which time the board will be requested to approve the draft document and open an official public comment period, which would commence the following week. The public comment period would commence November 5, providing sufficient time for staff to address any recommended changes that may result from the actions of committees or of the Governing Board. The updated plan will then be presented to MPO committees in November for final recommendations, leading up to adoption December 9. The proposed schedule meets the requirements of the Public Involvement Plan. Various components of the plan have been previously presented in draft form, such as the Project Needs List, the List of Cost Feasible Projects, and Goals and Objectives. The formal draft document contains required policy text and a series of maps supporting the multi-modal plan. Staff is seeking suggested changes and a recommendation of approval of the draft document.

C. **Draft Legislative Positions and Priorities**

The 2016 Florida Legislative Session begins January 12. Staff is seeking input on issues or bills that should be monitored. Committee members are asked to share any items of interest or that may be taken up by governmental/professional associations. The Governing Board will be asked to approve October 28 a draft list of positions and priorities. Staff is scheduled to participate in a legislative visit to Tallahassee November 17 and 18 as legislative committees are meeting. The legislative priorities are to be presented December 9 to the local delegation representing Lake County and a portion of Sumter County. The draft list of legislative positions could be finalized at the December meeting of the Governing Board. The approved document will be distributed to local delegates and to appropriate legislators serving on applicable committees. The legislative process will be monitored through the session, which is to end in March.

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. **List of Priority Projects - Submittal of New Projects**

The annual process of developing the 2016 List of Priority Projects begins this month with a request for submittal of new projects and the required FDOT Project Application. This process applies to projects seeking FDOT funding through the Local Agency Program, which is a program in which local governments are eventually certified to manage projects receiving state or federal funds. Committee members are requested to prepare for submittal of new projects and to begin work on the project applications forms for new projects. Projects already on the List of Priority Projects will require an updated application in order to advance on the list. Submittal of new projects and application packages must occur by January 13, 2016. This is the second and final year the MPO has funding through FDOT to manage consultants in assisting in the preparation of all required information in the application packages.

B. **2015 Horizon Award Nominations**

Committee members are encouraged to nominate deserving local governments for transportation projects or policies that were advanced during 2015. Nominations can also be submitted for leadership and for Volunteer of the Year. The awards will be presented at the Ninth Annual Horizon Awards Dinner January 27, 2016.

C. **Complete Streets - Statewide and MPO Initiatives**

FDOT, District 5 hosted a District-Wide Community Planning Workshop: Applying Complete Streets Design and Planning Principles. The workshop was organized specifically for Sumter, Lake and Marion counties. The event was held in Ocala on October 7. Staff will provide a report on the workshop.

VI. PROJECT UPDATES

VII. CONFIRMATION OF REPRESENTATIVE ATTENDING GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

October 28, 2015 @ 2 p.m. at the Lake~Sumter MPO.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT -NEXT MEETING: November 18, 2015, 1:30 p.m. @ Lake~Sumter MPO

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 286, Florida Statutes, Section 286.0105, if any person decides to appeal any decision made by the Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. All interested citizens are welcome to attend. Persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of the proceedings should contact the Lake~Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization at (352) 315-0170, 48 hours in advance of the meeting.