NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AND PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD

This ad is to serve as legal notice that the Lake-Sumter Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Governing Board will meet on Wednesday, April 24, 2013 at 2 p.m. at the Lake-Sumter MPO, 1616 South 14th Street, Leesburg, Florida. The Board will be approving the MPO's Draft FY 2013/14 – 2017/18 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and opening the public review period which will close upon the Adoption Hearing on June 26, 2013. The public is encouraged to participate in the adoption of the Transportation Improvement Program process. The TIP is a federally-required document that all Metropolitan Planning Organizations are required to develop annually and represents the transportation improvements that have been programmed for the five year period. This TIP includes the Federal Transit Administration's (FTA) Program of Projects (POP) for Section 5307 Funding used to provide Fixed Route Transit service for Lake County. The development of the TIP satisfies the federal public participation requirements for the POP.

The TIP may be reviewed on our website at www.LakeSumterMPO.com or call (352) 315-0170 to receive by fax or e-mail. Any questions should be directed to T.J. Fish, Executive Director, Lake-Sumter MPO, 1616 South 14th St., Leesburg, FL 34748; (352) 315-0170; or by e-mail at TJFish@LakeSumterMPO.com. Draft documents will also be available at Lake County Public Works, 437 Ardice Avenue, Eustis, FL; Clermont City Hall, 685 West Montrose Blvd., Clermont, FL; Leesburg Public Library, 100 East Main St., Leesburg, FL; Lady Lake Town Hall, 409 Fennell Blvd., Lady Lake, FL; Sumter County Public Works, 319 E. Anderson Ave., Bushnell, FL; and the MPO Office, 1616 South 14th St., Leesburg, FL.

Pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 286, Florida Statutes, Section 286.0105, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the above named board with respect to any matter considered at the meeting, he or she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record may include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. All interested citizens are welcome to attend. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact the MPO Office at 352-315-0170 at least seven days prior to the scheduled meeting. Persons with disabilities needing assistance to participate in any of the proceedings should call 352-315-0170, 48 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting.

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