

**Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)
Meeting Minutes
October 17, 2023**

TCC Members Physically Present:

Andrew Holmes
Noel Eaton
Belinda Williams-Collins
Caryn Miller
Simone Kenny
Hamid Tabassian
Brian Walker, Chairperson
Shane Corbin
Becky Mendez, Vice Chairperson
Tim Burman
Becky Witte
Kia Powell (non-voting advisor)

TCC Members Virtually Present:

Dinelia Santana
Jessica Entwistle
Jonathan Lord
Jose Papa
Patty Rippey

TCC Members Absent:

Marcus DePasquale (excused)
Steven Bapp
Joe Barker
Roy Sieger
Trevor Martin
Lee Evett
Shawn Finley
Mark Karet
Omar Atallah
Jay Williams
Ralf Heseler

Others Physically Present:

Donna King, Recording Secretary
Pamela Blankenship
Colleen Nicoulin
Stephan Harris
Jon Scarfe
Heather Garcia
Melissa McCreedy
Barbara Girtman

Others Virtually Present:

Adam Mengel

Representing:

Daytona Beach
Daytona Beach Shores
DeLand
Flagler Beach
Flagler County
Flagler County Traffic Engineering
Holly Hill
New Smyrna Beach
Orange City
Port Orange
South Daytona
FDOT

Representing:

Deltona
Deltona Alternate
Flagler County Emergency Mgmt
Palm Coast Alternate
Ponce Inlet

Representing:

Bunnell
DeBary
DeBary Alternate
Flagler County Aviation
Flagler County Transit
Lake Helen
Ormond Beach
Pierson
Volusia County Traffic Engineering
VC Traffic Engineering Alternate
Volusia County Transit Services

Representing:

TPO Staff
TPO Staff
TPO Staff
TPO Staff
FDOT
VHB
Daytona Beach
Ghyabi & Associates

Representing:

Flagler County

I. Call to Order / Roll Call / Determination of Quorum

Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) Chairperson Walker called the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) TCC meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The roll was called and it was determined that a quorum was not physically present. The meeting was held in a hybrid format with ten voting members physically present and five voting members virtually present. Due to a lack of a physical quorum, no votes were taken on the Action Items.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

II. Public Comments/Participation

There were no public comments.

III. Presentation Items

The presentation items were completed first due to a lack of physical quorum.

A. Presentation and Discussion of the LPGA Blvd PD&E Study from US 92 to Williamson Blvd

Mr. Mark Trebitz, FDOT, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the LPGA Boulevard Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study, from US 92 to Williamson Boulevard. He reviewed the project's purpose and need. He showed the alternatives that were evaluated, and the corridor improvements being proposed. He also reviewed the Tomoka River Bridge improvements along with many of the I-95 improvements. He noted that the improvements would include three roundabouts and reviewed the benefits of those. He discussed the environmental evaluation and presented the preferred alternative.

Mr. Trebitz answered TCC members' questions regarding the separation between the overpasses; accommodation of future separation; and the separation of the ramps and future expandability.

B. Presentation and Discussion of an Amendment to the Connect 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

Ms. Nicoulin discussed the I-95 at the US 1 interchange project in Ormond Beach. She stated that this project is part of the Moving Florida Forward Initiative to fund significant infrastructure projects across the state. She explained the initiative and noted that this project wouldn't have been funded for at least 10-15 years, if not for this initiative. Because the project received funding, the TPO is required to amend its LRTP which will ensure that the funding identified in that plan matches up with how the funding will be coming to the TPO, including the dollar amounts and the timing of the funding. The TPO will open the proposed amendment up to a 30-day public comment period and bring it back in November and December for adoption of the amendment.

C. Presentation and Discussion of the River to Sea TPO'S Guiding Resolutions and Project Applications for the Call for Projects

[Handouts provided]

Ms. Nicoulin discussed the TPO's Priority Project process in detail. She explained that the call for projects opens at the end of the year and gave examples of the different kinds of projects that are included. She noted that the projects are ranked based on criteria that are established in the applications and that is what populates the Priority Lists which are submitted to FDOT for programming. Following that, the TPO reviews the process to see if there are any changes that need to be made. This year the subcommittees looked at the resolutions and policies that guide this process. She reviewed the changes that were being recommended to the resolutions and noted that there were no changes to the applications.

D. FDOT Report

Mr. Joathan Scarfe, FDOT District 5 MPO Liaison Administrator, introduced Ms. Kia Powell, the new MPO Liaison for the River to Sea TPO and Ocala/Marion TPO. He mentioned some of the items in the monthly construction report. He announced the recent completion of the Flagler County project on SR A1A north of Ocean Marina Drive to the south of West Mayer Place in Beverly Beach. He announced upcoming public meetings; October 18th for US 1 at Marion Ave median modification in the city of Edgewater; and October 26th for the US 17/92 intersection improvements and Enterprise Road in Volusia County. The current Work Program Public Hearing virtual option began on October 16th and ran through the 20th. The in-person hearing is today. Comments are accepted until November 3rd. He also noted that FDOT will provide a presentation on the Work Program at the CAC and TCC meetings on November 21st.

E. Volusia and Flagler County Construction Reports

The Volusia County Construction Report was provided in the agenda. Mr. Tabassian reviewed the Flagler County Construction Report and discussed the ribbon cutting of the SR 100 Bridge.

III. Action Items

Following the Presentation Items, the Action Items were discussed. No votes were taken on the Action Items due to the lack of a physical quorum.

A. Review and Approval of the September 19, 2023 TCC Minutes

Due to a lack of physical quorum, this item was postponed.

B. Review and Recommend Approval of the River to Sea TPO Apportionment Plan

Ms. Nicoulin explained that she had presented the Apportionment Plan to the Board of Flagler County Commissioners as well as the River to Sea TPO Board and they all provided direction to expand the TPO boundary to cover all of Flagler County. She reviewed the current and proposed voting membership explaining that there will be two small city alliances; one for Flagler County and one for Volusia County. These will only apply to the TPO Board, not the advisory committees. The plan is to bring in an additional Flagler County representative which would make twenty-one members in total for the TPO Board. The Apportionment Plan will be submitted to FDOT by November 14, 2023. They will review it internally and then it will go before the Governor for approval and should be effective by late spring/early summer of 2024. Once it is approved, the TPO will revise its interlocal agreement.

Ms. Nicoulin addressed questions from TCC members regarding the Small City Alliance voting members counting toward a quorum. She stated that the TPO Bylaws will also need to be updated and they are what establish the quorum for each of the committees. In regard to the Small City Alliance vote, the designated voting member for each of the Small City Alliances would count towards the quorum of the TPO Board. She noted that the quorum for the committees could be adjusted when the Bylaws are updated.

Chairperson Walker asked if after the Apportionment Plan is transmitted to the state, there was a specific amount of time the state will have to provide comments.

Ms. Nicoulin responded that she believed the timeframe was by the end of the year.

C. Review and Recommend Approval to Amend the List of Shared-Use Non-Motorized (SUN) Trail Projects

Mr. Tim Baylie, Director of Volusia County Parks, Recreation, and Culture gave a PowerPoint presentation on Volusia County's request to amend the List of Shared-Use Non-Motorized (SUN) Trail Projects. Mr. Baylie began by giving a SUN Trail update that included Senate Bill 106 which was signed by the Governor on April 11, 2023. The new bill increased SUN Trail's recurring funding from \$25 million to \$50 million and added \$200 million in non-recurring funds allocated to the SUN Trail program for trails in the SUN Trail network. This allows for the development of trails in the Florida Wildlife Corridor. Mr. Baylie gave in-depth details of Senate Bill 106 and its requirements for SUN Trail projects. The bill allows for paved trails such as asphalt, concrete, or other hard-packed surfaces on disturbed lands in the corridor but that does not include conservation land. He is proposing a wildlife corridor connection to the Coast-to-Coast Trail and the use of articulated concrete in the areas of conservation land.

IV. Staff Comments

Ms. Nicoulin stated that the Work Program Public Hearing is tentative and it programs projects from the TPO's Priority List. The TPO received additional funding this year due to having two transportation management areas (TMAs) within our planning area. The additional funding made it possible to move a number of projects into the Work Program this cycle.

VI. TCC Member Comments

There were no TCC member comments.

VII. Information Items

- CAC & TCC Attendance Records
- River to Sea TPO Outreach and Events
- Upcoming River to Sea TPO Events
- TPO Board Report
- FDOT Tentative Five-Year Work Program Public Hearing FY 2024/25 – 2028/29
- Central Park Bike Rodeo and Ride Flyer
- White Cane Awareness Day Event Flyer
- US 17/92 Public Meeting Notice

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business, the TCC meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

RIVER TO SEA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION



MR. BRIAN WALKER, CHAIRPERSON
TECHNICAL COORDINATING COMMITTEE (TCC)

CERTIFICATE:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the River to Sea TPO certified that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the October 17, 2023 regular meeting of the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC), approved and duly signed this 21st day of November 2023.



DONNA KING, RECORDING SECRETARY
RIVER TO SEA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

**** A recording of the October 17, 2023 TCC meeting is available upon request.**