

# River to Sea TPO

## Federal Certification Public Input Meeting

June 14, 2023



# Introductions

## Federal Team

### Jean Parlow

Federal Highway  
Administration (FHWA)

*Transportation  
Planning Specialist*

### Curlene Thomas

Federal Highway  
Administration (FHWA)

*Senior Transportation  
Planning Specialist*

### Carey Shepard

Federal Highway  
Administration (FHWA)

*Civil Rights Officer*

### Aviance Webb

Federal Transit  
Administration (FTA)

*Community Planner*

## River to Sea TPO Team

### Colleen Nicoulin

*Executive Director*

### Pam Blankenship

*Community Outreach  
Coordinator*

### Stephan Harris

*Transportation Planner  
Project Manager*

### Mariel Lemke

*Accounting Manager*

### Donna King

*Administrative  
Assistant*

# Why are we here?

## Federal Certification

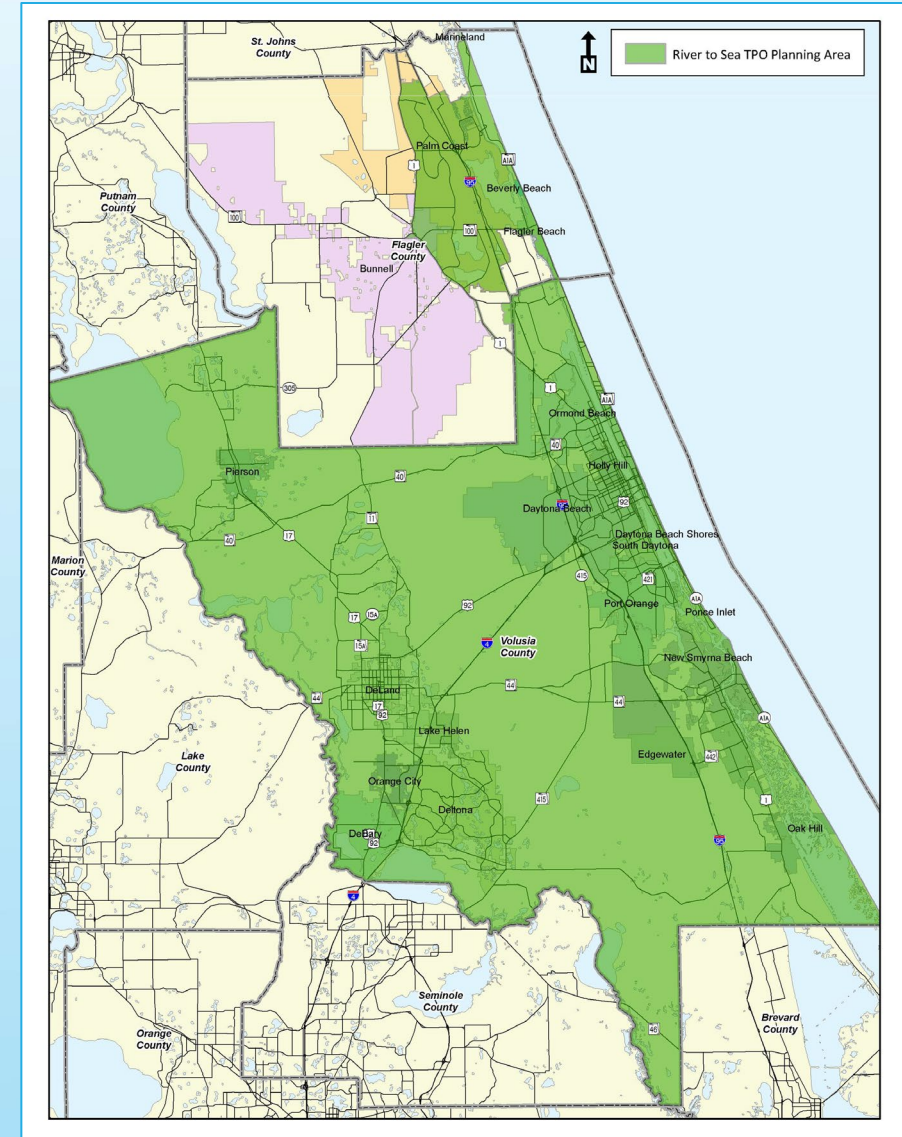
- No less than once every 4 years FTA & FHWA jointly review the metropolitan transportation planning process for those areas over 200,000 in population (TMAs).

## Public Input

- To solicit your comments and perspectives regarding the transportation planning and programming process, as carried out by the River to Sea TPO and our partners.

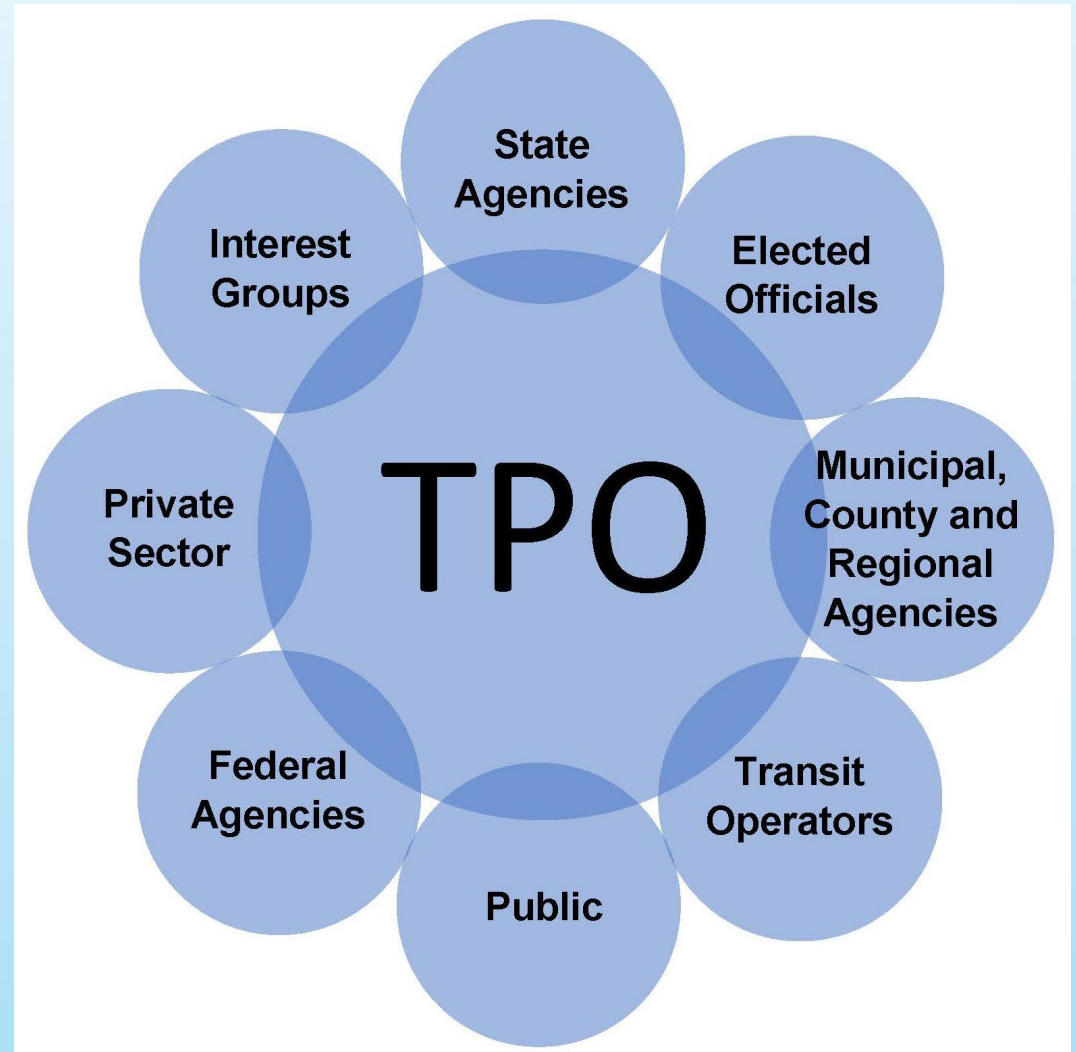
# Role of the River to Sea TPO

- Required by federal and state law for urbanized areas (UZA) with a population greater than 50,000
- Ensures that expenditures of public funds for transportation are based on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive planning process
- Provides local input in the prioritization of transportation projects utilizing state and federal funding



# Our Partners

The TPO process is a partnership between all stakeholders to make local decisions about transportation planning and implement projects in our communities.



# TPO Structure

- **TPO Governing Board**
  - Executive Committee
  - Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)
  - Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC)
  - Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC)
  - Transportation Disadvantage Local Coordinating Board (TDLCB)



Sunshine Law applies to  
ALL  
TPO Governing Board and  
Committee Members

# Core Work Products

- Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)
- Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Congestion Management Process (CMP)
- List of Priority Projects (LOPP)
- Public Participation Plan (PPP)



# How to Make Public Comment

## In Person

- Complete speaker card located on table by room entrance

## Virtually

- Use “Raise Hand” feature (dial \*5 to raise/lower hand if on the phone)

## In Writing (send by July 14, 2023)

- Send Email to:

[staff@r2ctpo.org](mailto:staff@r2ctpo.org)

[Jean.Parlow@dot.gov](mailto:Jean.Parlow@dot.gov)

Through Federal Website:

<https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/fldiv/tma.cfm>

# We Want to Hear from YOU

## What type of input are we seeking?

- Comments relating to River to Sea TPO's existing processes
- Have you been involved in the TPO Planning Process? How?
- What are the positive aspects of the TPO transportation planning process?
- What suggestions do you have for improving the TPO transportation planning process?

# Thank you for participating!

