

The River to Sea

Transportation Planning Organization

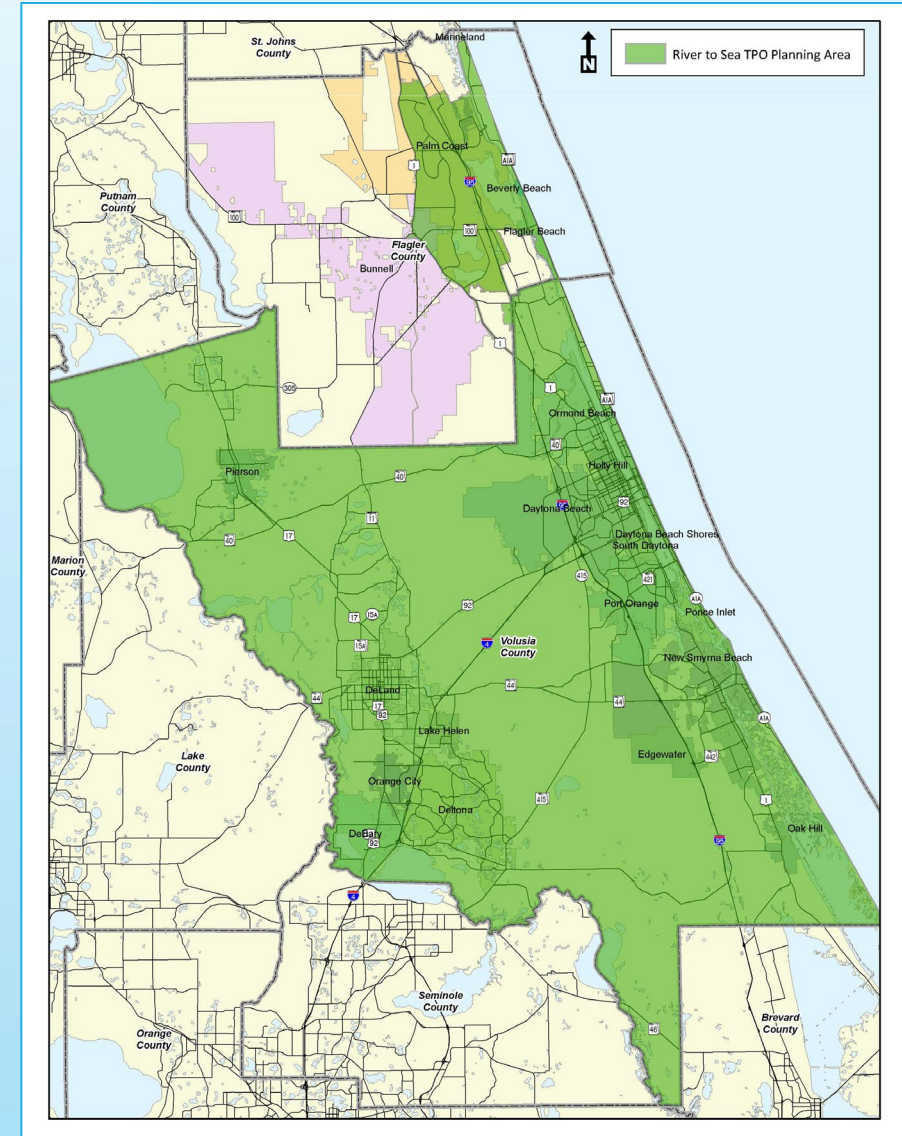


TPO 101: Plans, Programs and Responsibilities

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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



Role of the River to Sea TPO



- **Federal Law – 23 USC 134**
 - **Contains most of the authority and responsibility for T/MPOs**
 - **Areas greater than 50K Population must have a T/MPO to spend transportation funds – 2 Urbanized Areas**
 - **Areas Greater than 200K Population – Transportation Management Areas**
 - **Must consider all modes and involve the public in transportation planning process**

Role of the River to Sea TPO



- **State Law – F.S. 339.175**
 - Establishes membership and required advisory committees
 - Governor approves Apportionment Plan based on latest Census
 - Currently 19 Voting Members on the Governing Board
 - Establishes Authority and Responsibility
 - Identifies Required Work Products

- **Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)**
 - Signed into law - November 2021
 - Reauthorization of the FAST Act and provides transportation funding through the year 2026
 - Federal Funds available through the Federal Highway Trust Fund and allocated through the State Department of Transportation
- **Local Assessments**
- **State Funding**

- **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)**



Our Partners

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



Core Documents

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



Governing Board Responsibilities



- **Establish Transportation Policy – Set Framework for Transportation Decisions**
- **Set Local Transportation Priorities for federal and state funding**
- **Approve/Adopt Required Plans and Programs**
- **Be engaged in TPO Activities**

Upcoming Activities



- **Updating TIP and LOPP**
- **Census Activities - Updates to Functional Classification, TPO Boundary and Apportionment Plan**
- **Federal Certification**
- **Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Implementation**
- **Developing TPO Strategic Plan**
- **Rebranding the TPO**
- **Relocating TPO Offices**
- **2050 Long Range Transportation Plan**