REGIONAL MODELS OF COOPERATION

FLORIDIA’S REGIONAL MODELS OF COOPERATION: Coordination and Collaboration Between FDOT & Florida’s MPOs

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Overview

• Florida MPOs / Context
• Structure of MPO / FDOT Coordination in Florida
• Overview of Key Updates from Previous EDC Report
• Every Day Counts Program – Notable Accomplishments
• FDOT Regional Coordination Efforts – Sponsored Research & Leadership Initiative
• Going Forward
Florida and its MPOs

• Population
  • 2016 – 20.1 million
  • 2045 – 27.4 million
  • $\approx$ 252,000 people per year

• 27 MPOs
  • 19 TMAs
  • 8 Non-TMAs
  • 5 MPOs have over 1 million people
Florida MPOs

Metropolitan Planning Organizations
1. Space Coast TPO
2. Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO
3. Broward MPO
4. Okaloosa-Walton TPO
5. Gainesville MTPO
6. Hernando/Citrus MPO
7. Hillsborough County MPO
8. Indian River County MPO
9. North Florida TPO
10. Polk TPO
11. Lee County MPO
12. Martin MPO
13. Miami-Dade TPO
14. Collier MPO
15. Ocala/Marion County TPO
16. METROPLAN Orlando
17. Bay County TPO
18. Pasco County MPO
19. Florida-Alabama TPO
20. Forward Pinellas
21. Sarasota/Manatee MPO
22. St. Lucie TPO
23. Capital Region TPA
24. River to Sea TPO
25. Palm Beach MPO
26. Lake-Sumter MPO
27. Heartland Regional TPO

Legend
- TMA MPOs (urbanized population over 200,000)
- Non-TMA MPOs (urbanized population under 200,000)
- MPO/TPO Identification Number
Statewide Regional Coordination

• Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT)
  • Office of Policy Planning coordinates with MPOs, federal, state and local agencies
  • Florida Metropolitan Planning Partnership
  • Florida Model Task Force

• Florida Metropolitan Planning Organization Advisory Council (MPOAC)
  • Created by the Florida Legislature, Section 339.175(11), Florida Statutes
  • Assist Florida’s MPOs in carrying out the urbanized area transportation planning process by serving as the principal forum for collective policy discussion
  • Serve as a clearinghouse for review and comment by MPOs on the Florida Transportation Plan and on other issues
MPO Regional Coordination

• Regional MPO Alliances
  • Of Florida’s 27 MPOs, 17 belong to one of 4 regional alliances

• Stand Alone Multi-County MPOs
  • There are 3 stand-alone multi-county MPOs in Florida

• Contiguous MPOs
  • 7 MPOs that are contiguous/adjacent to one another that are working cooperatively together, but are not members of a regional MPO alliance
Regional MPO Alliances in Florida

• Central Florida MPO Alliance (est. 1997)
  • 6 MPOs
  • 4.6 million people

• Southeast Florida Transportation Council (est. 2005)
  • 3 MPOs
  • 5.9 million people
Regional MPO Alliances in Florida (continued)

• **TBARTA MPO Chairs Coordinating Committee** (est. 1993)
  - 6 MPOs
  - 3.6 million people

• **Treasure Coast Transportation Council** (est. 2006)
  - 3 MPOs
  - Over ½ million people
Regional MPO Alliances in Florida (continued)

- 14 million people represented by these 4 MPO Alliances
- Approximately 70% of Florida’s population
FHWA’s Every Day Counts (EDC) Program

Every Day Counts
An Innovation Partnership with States

EDC Rounds
EDC-4 (2017 - 2018)
EDC-3 (2015 - 2016)
EDC-2 (2013 - 2014)
EDC-1 (2011 - 2012)
Find an Innovation »
Every Day Counts (EDC) Program

- FHWA launched in 2009 in cooperation with AASHTO to speed up the delivery of projects and to address the challenges presented by limited budgets

- Working with state/local agencies to identify new issues/innovations every two years

- Issues selected collaboratively, taking into consideration market readiness, impacts, benefits and ease of adoption

- Goal is to highlight proven innovations, process improvements, and enhanced business practices
December 2016 EDC Report Update

• Provides new information on Florida’s regional MPO alliances and individual MPO accomplishments

• Contains a new section on multi-county “Stand Alone MPOs” that are not part of a regional alliance

• Updates information on individual MPOs that are contiguous or adjacent to one another, but not part of a regional alliance

• Documents FDOT regional coordination initiatives at the statewide and MPO level

• Reviews collaboration / coordination between FDOT and Florida’s MPOs
FHWA’s Regional Models of Cooperation – Case Studies

• FDOT’s efforts on Performance Management

• Southeast Florida Transportation Council (SEFTC) on its Regional Transportation Plan, Regional Freight Plan, and Implementation of the I-95 Express Lanes
Notable FDOT Accomplishments

• Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) and Strategic Intermodal Systems Plan (SIS) Updates

• Performance Measurement – Performance Workshops & Performance Summit

• Florida Future Corridors Initiative

• Support of the Florida MPO Planning Process
Notable MPO Accomplishments in Regional Cooperation

• Central Florida MPO Alliance – bottoms-up approach to develop 2040 Regional LRTP built on individual LRTPs & support of the Coast-to-Coast Trails

• MegaRegion joint meetings between Central Florida MPO Alliance and the TBARTA MPO Chairs Coordinating Committee engages business Community

• Southeast Florida Transportation Council (SEFTC) partnering with FDOT in pilot testing mobility performance measures

• SEFTC developed a Regional PIP & conducts an Safe Streets Summit
Notable MPO Accomplishments in Regional Cooperation (continued)

• Broward MPO managed the Southeast Florida Freight Plan that became the Freight element of the SEFTC Regional Transportation Plan

• TBARTA MPO Chairs Coordinating Committee adopted a regional project priorities list

• Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area Leadership Group (funded by FDOT) with Hillsborough Area Regional Transit Authority led a regional feasibility study of premium transit options for three counties
Notable MPO Accomplishments in Regional Cooperation (continued)

• Martin-St. Lucie Regional Waterways Plan explores strategies to leverage the economic benefits of its waterways

• North Florida TPO funded the construction of a regional Transportation Management Center in 2015 to foster collaboration between agency partners

• West Florida RPC conducts the annual Emerald Coast Transportation Symposium to foster regional coordination and provide a leadership forum on cross-organizational collaboration and sharing of best practices
FDOT Sponsored Research for MPOs


• Autonomous Vehicle and Alternative Fuel Vehicle Florida Market Penetration Rate and VMT Assessment Study (will get underway soon)

• MPO and Transit Agency Planning Coordination (will get underway soon)
FDOT/MPOAC Leadership Initiative

- Informal Meeting/Discussion – Sept. 28-29
  - FDOT Staff
  - MPOAC Executive Director
  - MPOAC Chair, Staff Director
  - MPOAC Vice Chair, Staff Director
  - MPOAC Complete Streets Committee Chair

- Chance to ask questions and discuss shared issues/concerns
- Agreed to meet every 6 months
Going Forward

• Explore new ideas and creative approaches
• Share best practices among FDOT districts and MPOs
• Provide training opportunities for FDOT and MPO staffs
• Seek out traditional and non-traditional partners in the transportation planning process
• Engage in new technologies and discussion in order to solve complex regional and megaregion problems
Thank You

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