

**MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Martin County Administration Building  
Engineering Department  
Capital Projects Conference Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
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**Wednesday, January 06, 2010 @ 1:30p.m.**

**AGENDA**

<b><u>ITEM</u></b>	<b><u>ACTION</u></b>
<b>1. CALL TO ORDER – 1:30P.M.</b>	
<b>2. ROLL CALL</b>	
<b>3. APPROVE MINUTES November 18, 2009 – Regular Meeting</b>	<b>APPROVE</b>
<b>4. APPROVE AGENDA</b>	<b>APPROVE</b>
<b>5. AGENDA ITEMS</b>	
<b>A. PRESENTATION OF NEW HIGHWAY SAFETY MANUAL MEMO: temp10TACa03.01</b>	<b>REVIEW</b>
<b>B. RANK ORDERING OF POTENTIAL MARTIN COUNTY FEDERAL JOBS BILL PROJECTS MEMO: temp10TACa03.02</b>	<b>APPROVE</b>
<b>6. COMMENTS FROM FDOT</b>	
<b>7. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS</b>	
<b>8. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC</b>	
<b>9. ADJOURN</b>	

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# MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

## MPO-TAC Meeting

Wednesday, November 18, 2009  
Martin County Administration Building  
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Stuart, FL 34996  
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1. **CALL TO ORDER - 1:37 p.m.**

Ms. Ann Perrotta, Martin MPO Director, requested adding two more Items in the Agenda: 1) The consideration of two possible TIP amendments: the first amendment would be to add the Hobe Sound Bascule Bridge project and the second amendment to add the SR 609 Guardrail project as Item 5G. 2) The review of the Citizens' Report FY 2011-2015 Draft Tentative Work Program as Item 5H.

2. **ROLL CALL**

**Board Members in Attendance:**

Chairman, Joe Capra  
Sam Amerson, Vice Chair  
Jeff Newell  
Arlene Tanis, FDOT  
Dan Hudson  
Don Donaldson  
Bruce Offord  
Gustavo Schmidt, FDOT  
Barbara Timmerman  
Samantha Horowitz for Nikki van Vonno

**Excused Board Members:**

Mike Moon  
Kim DeLaney

**Members Not In Attendance:**

Dale Lynton

**MPO Staff in Attendance:**

Ann Perrotta, MPO Director  
M. Beth Beltran, Senior Planner  
Boyd Lawrence, Planner II  
Lisandra Bonet, Administrative Specialist II

3. **APPROVE AGENDA**

**Bruce Offord moved to approve Agenda with Staff's recommendation to add two more Items to the Agenda. Sam Amerson, Vice Chair seconded.**

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**4. APPROVE MINUTES**

**Samantha Horowitz for Nikki van Vonno moved to approve Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on September 2, 2009. Dan Hudson seconded.**

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**5. AGENDA ITEMS**

**A. Martin & St. Lucie M/TPO 2035 Regional LRTP**

**MEMO: temp10TACa02.01**

Ms. Perrotta introduced this Item. She said that on May 27, 2009, the Joint Martin & St. Lucie Policy Board approved retaining the Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council (TCRPC) to complete the 2035 Regional Long Range Transportation Plan (RLRTP) update. An agreement was executed on June 23, 2009. The tasks explained in the agreement were to be completed within a timeframe of 18 months. Ms. Perrotta stated that Mr. Mike Busha, Executive Director of the TCRPC for the RLRTP update, had assembled a Project Team. Ms. Perrotta introduced Mr. Dana Little, TCRPC Project Manager.

Mr. Little presented the update of the activities and implementation schedule by offering a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file). Mr. Little said that at the end of the presentation he would like the Committee Members' input.

Mr. Jeff Newell joined the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

Mr. Don Donaldson joined the meeting at 1:45 p.m.

Mr. Little stated that a survey was launched on the website [www.goingongreeninto2035.com](http://www.goingongreeninto2035.com) in an effort to compile public input.

Mr. Little also spoke about future climate change legislation that MPOs and TPOs will have to respond to.

Mr. Little mentioned the RLRTP Public Workshop held in Martin County on Saturday, September 26, 2009 in the Blake Library; the one-on-one interviews conducted with various community groups, and the Public Workshop held for St. Lucie County on Saturday, November 07, 2009 at the Port St. Lucie Civic Center. He shared some of the recommendations made by the public who attended these events.

Mr. Little mentioned some facts posted in the Transportation for America and the Surface Transportation Policy Partnership magazine on November 09, 2009. The report called "Dangerous by Design" revealed the most dangerous U.S. cities for pedestrian. The top four cities in this report were located in Florida.

Mr. Little said that the way the roads are design will impact how communities function. In his presentation he showed that the less connected an area is, the bigger the streets have to be in that area. He presented various road network scenarios. Mr. Little said that it would be very hard if not impossible to retrofit areas that have already been built and that are not transit-supportive. Mr.

Little stated that we must be cautious when planning future developments to build communities that are transit-supportive. Mr. Donaldson asked what kind of community response he has received regarding interconnectivity. Mr. Little replied that this idea was being embraced and that people recognize the difficulty in retrofit. Mr. Little said that he has received a favorable response and that people were actively engaged in this topic.

Mr. Donaldson mentioned that in his experience he has similar feedback in the workshop setting, but encountered resistance in the implementation phase of the interconnectivity topic. Mr. Donaldson said that the concept was accepted, but in practice it was difficult.

Mr. Gustavo Schmidt, FDOT, asked Mr. Little if the intended idea was to tie the LRTP with different land use scenarios in order to provide alternative road use scenarios. Mr. Little replied in the affirmative and said that TCRPC would try to analyze the impact of the alternatives considered, to provide a customize model, and ultimately, improve mobility in the area.

Chairman Capra concurred with Mr. Donaldson's earlier comment, and he mentioned obstacles the City of Stuart encountered in trying to implement similar concepts. He asked Mr. Little how they would proceed with neighborhoods that disagree with the proposed plans.

Mr. Little replied that scenarios that involve retrofitting were the more challenging ones and with the least success rate. It was important to learn from past mistakes and put emphasis in good planning that considers interconnectivity.

Mr. Donaldson suggested that TCRPC assign the different Level of Service (LOS) to the various models developed.

Mr. Amerson suggested considering Planned Unit Developments (PUDs) also.

Chairman Capra asked what the public feedback was regarding new developments in Martin. Mr. Little replied that the public's response was mostly for growth in the Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRAs). Chairman Capra commented that if that was the case, then, retro-fitting may have to be considered.

## **B. STATE ROAD 76 PD&E UPDATE**

### **MEMO: temp10TACa02.02**

Ms. Beatriz Caicedo, FDOT Acting Project Manager for SR 76 Project, introduced Javier Manso, also from FDOT, and Jeff Nevotny and Andrew Nunes, from American Consulting Group of Florida, the firm completing this PD&E for FDOT. Ms. Caicedo said that the consultants will present a SR 76 PD & E update to the Committee to obtain the Members' input and comments.

The FDOT has provided funding for the Project Development and Environmental (PD&E) study of the SR 76 for the segment beginning west of CR 711 (Pratt Whitney Road) to east of Cove Road. Mr. Nevotny made a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file).

Ms. Perrotta asked if a presentation will be offered at the upcoming MPO Policy Board meeting on December 21, 2009. Mr. Nevotny replied that the next presentation would be at the Alternatives Public Workshop scheduled for early 2010 and they would be interested in presenting to the MPO Board at its February meeting.

Chairman Capra asked what comments has he received by FDOT regarding flyovers. Mr. Novotny replied that they were cognizant of the option and it is kept open. Mr. Novotny said that they would gather further feedback at the public workshop.

Chairman Capra said that the area under study was very important because it was the main entrance to Martin County. He asked if the PD&E needed to be finished in order to apply for ARRA funds or if it was OK to have it in process. Ms. Stacy Miller, FDOT, replied that it was best to have the PD&E study completed before applying for ARRA funding.

### **C. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PLAN UPDATE**

#### **MEMO: temp10TACa02.03**

Ms. Perrotta stated that the MPO retained TranSystems to complete a draft of the PIP by November 6, 2009 and complete a final draft for the MPO Policy Board on December 21. Part of the PIP update process outlined in the contract directed the consultant to obtain comments and feedback from the MPO Advisory Committees in the development of the updated PIP. Ms. Perrotta introduced TranSystems consultants Mr. Andrew Nicol and Ms. Teresa Townsend.

Mr. Nicol offered a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file).

Ms. Teresa Townsend, from Planning Communities subcontracted by TranSystems, proceeded to gather feedback from the Committee Members.

Ms. Townsend suggested that the Members review the draft PIP posted on the MPO website. Ms. Perrotta reiterated the importance of documenting the outcome of the process and that Committee Members' comments were an important part of the process.

Ms. Perrotta stated that we need to capture and document what the MPO is doing, and keep record of the results obtained. She said that it was important to establish clear measurement techniques into our PIP so we can easily measure these efforts, and report how we progress. Ms. Perrotta also mentioned creating a mechanism on the website that will facilitate interactivity and that would capture the community's input and participation.

Ms. Townsend asked if there were any particular goals that should be incorporated on the TIP or if there were any particular groups that should to be included. Mr. Hudson brought up the subject of connectivity and suggested offering more education to the public on this.

Mr. Amerson said that a question that was frequently asked by the public was how to make Stuart a more bike friendly community. He was aware of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (BPAC) and asked if this group has been effective. Ms. Perrotta replied that the BPAC was a very active group and she mentioned the project in Port Salerno that was recently redesigned to include bike lines at the request of the BPAC group.

Mr. Schmidt mentioned the importance of the objectives and performance measures that Ms. Perrotta spoke about earlier, and he linked that subject with the interconnectivity topic brought up by Mr. Donaldson when discussing the RLRTP. Mr. Donaldson had said that many times the interconnectivity concept was accepted but in practice, it was difficult to achieve. Mr. Schmidt

then suggested that the TranSystems group try to find out how to narrow the gap between theory and success perhaps by capturing clear objectives and then measuring the objectives' performance.

Chairman Capra shared several observations: 1) He suggested that the MPO attend the Economic Council meetings. 2) He questioned the MPO sitting on the sideline regarding County development review processes and that it would be nice to keep the public informed about what was happening in their area. 3) He mentioned that there are four Chambers in town and it would be a good idea to include them as well.

Chairman Capra suggested the use of transit buses as an advertising tool.

Ms. Perrotta said that the Draft PIP was posted on our website. Ms. Townsend asked that the Members review the draft and provide further comments.

**D. TIP AMENDMENT - FY 2010 ENHANCEMENT FUNDS**

**MEMO: temp10TACa02.04**

Ms. Perrotta introduced this item. She stated that representatives from the City of Stuart expressed an interest in submitting an enhancement application for a Downtown Stuart crosswalks project. A completed project application was prepared. The project included the visibility and safety improvement of approximately 30 crosswalks on three main downtown Stuart streets: Ocean Blvd, Dixie Hwy, and Flagler Ave.

Ms. Perrotta said that the City of Stuart Crosswalks - Enhancement application was attached in the agenda package for the Committee's review and recommendation. Once it receives MPO Board approval, the signed application will be forwarded to FDOT and ultimately assigned an FM #. The FDOT program managers for the Enhancement program have been provided a copy of the application for preliminary review. FDOT has been informed that the City of Stuart was ready-to-go with this project and that it can be completed within the FY 2010 funding cycle.

Chairman Capra said that in an effort to avoid any conflict of interest he will refrain from commenting during the discussion of this particular Item.

Mr. Hudson thanked Staff for their cooperation putting together the City of Stuart project application.

Mr. Amerson thanked Staff for expediting the processing of the application.

Mr. Boyd Lawrence, MPO Planner II, asked Mr. Hudson for clarification regarding whether or not the proposed project would include landscaping. Mr. Hudson replied that the portion on Ocean Boulevard would include landscaping.

**Bruce Offord moved approve recommendation of a TIP Amendment to move \$365,000 in FY 2010 Enhancement funds from the Jonathan Dickinson Greenway project to the Downtown Stuart Crosswalks project. Barbara Timmerman seconded.**

**Chairman Capra abstained from voting.**

Chairman Capra suggested taking the next Items in the Agenda out of order and proceeded to discuss the TIP amendments that Staff requested be added to the Agenda.

**E. POSSIBLE TIP AMENDMENT - ARRA FUNDING**

Ms. Perrotta discussed the possibility of adding two new TIP amendments. The first amendment would be to add the Hobe Sound Bascule Bridge project, and the second amendment to add the SR 609 Guardrail project (projects description on file).

Ms. Stacy Miller, from FDOT, said that the only available funding that FDOT has associated with ARRA is Enhancement Funding. Thus, the two new projects submitted by the County were not eligible for funding. Ms. Miller apologized for the funding source misunderstanding. Ms. Miller stated that it was not necessary to offer a TIP amendment at this point, since the funding available was not consistent with the two projects.

**F. TIP AMENDMENT - INCREASES IN JARC & New Freedom GRANT AMOUNTS**

**MEMO: tempTACa02.06**

Ms. Perrotta introduced this Item. She said that an amount of \$73,658 was available to the Port St. Lucie Urbanized Area. Based on the 38/62 population split established by FDOT, Martin County was eligible to receive \$27,989.00. No match was required from the County; grant funds applied for must be matched by the prospective sub-recipient. Ms. Perrotta continued to say that FTA required that the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) be amended to include the \$16,443 in JARC funding and the \$11,546 in New Freedom funding. Once approved, these amounts will be included in the FY 2010 through FY 2014 TIP, in Appendix I, as an FY 2010 TIP Amendment.

**Don Donaldson moved to recommend that the MPO Board amend the FY TIP to increase the amounts of JARC grant funding by \$16,443 and New Freedom Grant funding by \$11,546. Samantha Horowitz for Nikki van Vonno seconded.**

**G. NEW FIXED BUS ROUTES**

**MEMO: temp10TACa02.05**

Ms. Perrotta introduced this item.

Ms. Beth Beltran, MPO Senior Planner, provided a short presentation. She stated that the MPO has worked closely with the awardees of the grants (COAMC and MTM) on route planning initiatives such as: scheduling, marketing, budgeting, signage, vehicle assignment, etc. to help ensure the success of the new bus routes. The new fixed-routes will provide much needed public transportation to Martin County and will help reduce expensive door-to-door (paratransit) service currently being provided by Community Coach by transitioning some of the Transportation Disadvantaged (TD) commuters to less expensive fixed-routes. Ms. Beltran discussed the new bus routes proposed and their interconnectivity with other transit services.

Community Coach distributed a folder with the new fixed routes information among the Members (copy on file).

Mr. Amerson thanked Staff for an outstanding job with the Bus stops project. He requested future information on the ridership achieved with the new routes.

Mr. Donaldson mentioned that the Council on Aging (COA) was looking into an expansion of the bus routes in the future and he said that one factor holding them back was the need to acquire more buses to provide the services.

Ms. Beltran said that services resulting from the JARC grant will be effective December 1, 2009 and services resulting from the New Freedom grant will be effective December 20, 2009.

Mr. Offord left at 3:20 p.m. to attend a previous engagement.

#### **H. DRAFT TENTATIVE WORK PROGRAM: 2011-2015 CITIZENS' REPORT**

Ms. Perrotta spoke about the Draft Citizens' Report and distributed two handouts listing the report's highlights (copies on file). Ms. Perrotta introduced Ms. Stacy Miller, from FDOT, who provided two other handouts. One providing a brief status of the key projects in Martin County and the other handout was a map depicting the five-year Tentative Work Program for FY 2011 through FY 2015.

Ms. Miller discussed the status of the various FDOT projects intended to take place during FY 2011 through FY 2015. She encouraged the Members to provide feedback and to share any questions they may have after her presentation.

Ms. Miller announced that FDOT will be making a similar presentation for the MPO Policy Board on December 21, 2009. FDOT will also be holding a public hearing for Martin, St. Lucie and Indian River Counties in December 02, 2009, after they have attended the St. Lucie TPO Policy Board meeting on the same day.

A copy of the FDOT Draft Tentative Work Program was handed out (copy on file).

Ms. Miller believed that there will be no significant impact to the development of this Tentative Work Program, in spite of the economic downturn FDOT has experienced during the past three years.

Ms. Miller discussed some of FDOT goals. A primary point discussed was related to District 4 statutory allocations, which have recently changed during the development of the Tentative Work Program presented. This allocation has dropped .28% resulting in a loss of around \$22 million dollars. This amount is not too significant but a figure to be cognizant of.

Ms. Miller also mentioned that, two programs that used to be diversified within all of the Districts, have now been centralized in Tallahassee. These programs are the Safety Program and the Enhancement Program. Before, each County received a distinct allocation for each programs and would use the funds for the Counties' prioritized projects list. These allocations were kept in a box fund, which now will no longer be available to the District. Instead, all allocations will be kept in the Central Office in Tallahassee. Funds received will be centralized with the goal to expend every dollar every year. Thus, there will not be a reserve in the County's Enhancement Program, and the allocation of funds will require completed applications and would require having projects already on the "shelves". Ms. Miller said that if there were no applications ready, there would be no funds. Ms. Miller reiterated the importance of having projects ready for the best utilization of these funds.

Ms. Miller spoke next about the status of the key project listing for Martin County (handout on file).

Ms. Miller pointed out that the first three projects had different reserves created because they had different funding sources pertaining to the different type of projects.

Upon completion of the presentation Ms. Miller sought endorsement of the Draft Tentative Work Program from the Members.

Ms. Perrotta thanked FDOT for returning the Seabranck project Enhancement funds. She said that funds were now allocated to the City of Stuart Crosswalk project and the MPO was pursuing a TIP Amendment for 2010 for this project in 2011. Ms. Miller replied that FDOT was not aware that the City of Stuart would be able to get this application underway so fast and ready to sign an agreement with the County. Ms. Miller mentioned again the fact that the Enhancement Program was now being centralized in Tallahassee; therefore, the Crosswalk funds have already been placed in FY 2011. Ms. Miller added that FDOT could advance the funds to current year FY 2010 if the City and the County can guarantee that, prior to the end of this calendar year, the agreement for the Crosswalk project will be ready.

Ms. Perrotta said that Staff sought a FY 2010 TIP Amendment to have the Crosswalk project included. She asked FDOT if Staff should continue to pursue this TIP Amendment. Ms. Miller replied that the advantage in proceeding with the amendment would be if the County was absolutely certain that this project can be done this year.

Mr. Hudson concurred with proceeding with the amendment, though if the FDOT has assigned the funds to FY 2011, the only issue would be if in fact the project could be done in FY 2010, which will then required the TIP Amendment that is already in process.

Ms. Miller said that she would also proceed with a STIP Amendment if FDOT would know for sure that this project will be physically moved into FY2010.

Mr. Amerson did not think the funds would be jeopardized and he said he wanted to move forward with the Crosswalk project.

Mr. Hudson then suggested meeting with the County Engineering Department to proceed with the background requirements of the project and have everything in place to move forward with the project in FY2011. Ms. Perrotta said that if this was the City of Stuart's decision, then a TIP amendment would not be necessary.

**Dan Hudson moved to endorse the Citizens' Report FY 2011-2015 Draft Tentative Work Program subject to additional comment and review. Don Donaldson seconded.**

**The motion carried unanimously.**

**6. COMMENTS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

None

**7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

None

8. **NOTES**

Ms. Perrotta mentioned the upcoming Transit Summit on January 8, 2010 from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon at the TRADITION Town Hall, 10799 Civic Lane in Port St. Lucie.

9. **NEXT MEETING**

Ms. Perrotta said that the next meeting would be on January 6, 2010, if needed.

10. **ADJOURN**

**Samantha Horowitz for Nikki van Vonno moved to adjourn. Dan Hudson seconded.**

**The motion carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.**

Recorded and Prepared by:

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Lisandra Bonet, Administrative Specialist II

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Date

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Joe Capra, Chairman

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Date

**MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

<b>MEMO:</b> Temp10TACa03.01	<b>MEETING DATE:</b> January 06, 2010	<b>DUE DATE:</b> December 30, 2009	<b>UPWP#:</b> 5.4, 5.7
<b>WORDING:</b> <b>PRESENTATION OF NEW HIGHWAY SAFETY MANUAL</b>			<b>5 A</b>
<b>REQUESTED BY:</b> FDOT	<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Boyd Lawrence & Larry Hymowitz	<b>DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:</b> None	

**BACKGROUND**

There is a new Highway Safety Manual that is in the final stages of review. The purpose of the Highway Safety Manual (HSM) is to provide practitioners with the best factual information and tools to facilitate roadway design and operational decisions based on explicit consideration on their safety consequences. The HSM will be a resource that can be used to quantify and predict the safety performance of the variety of elements considered in road planning, design, maintenance, construction, and operation.

The HSM features:

- Synthesis of validated highway research
- Procedures that are adapted and integrated to practice
- Analytical tools for predicting impact on road safety

Regards,

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**ISSUES**

The consulting firm of Kittelson & Associates has been integrally involved with the development and review of the HSM. They have offered to make presentations to the MPOs in District 4. More information on the HSM can be found at:  
<http://www.highwaysafetymanual.org/>

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

Review

**FISCAL IMPACT**

None

**APPROVAL**

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**ATTACHMENTS**

None – presentation will be provided at the meeting.

**MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
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AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

<b>MEMO:</b> Temp10TACa03.02	<b>MEETING DATE:</b> January 06, 2010	<b>DUE DATE:</b> December 30, 2009	<b>UPWP#:</b> 5.5, 5.7
<b>WORDING:</b> <b>RANK ORDERING OF MARTIN COUNTY FEDERAL JOBS BILL PROJECTS</b>			<b>5 B</b>
<b>REQUESTED BY:</b> FDOT	<b>PREPARED BY:</b> Ann Perrotta	<b>DOCUMENT(S) REQUIRING ACTION:</b> Project Ranking Sheet	

**BACKGROUND**

To stimulate economic growth and reverse the recent nationwide rise in unemployment, it is anticipated that additional federal legislation will be passed. This new legislation is being referred to generally at writing as the, "Federal Jobs Bill." **Attached** is the email sent to the MPO Policy Board, the Chairs of our CAC & TAC and the City and Town Managers, advising of this opportunity.

**ISSUES**

Information will be continue to evolve concerning this legislation and project funding. The rank ordering of projects will poise the County to receive additional funding for eligible projects, should the bill be enacted. A project ranking recommendation from the MPO's Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC) and its Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) is attached. This Ranking ordering will be submitted to the MPO Policy Board at a Special meeting on January 12, 2010, at 10:30 a.m. in the Armstrong Wing of the Blake Library—see attached Notice.

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**RECOMMENDED ACTION**

**Recommendation**

1. Motion to recommend to project ranking to MPO Policy Board for funding from Federal Jobs Bill, subject to review and approval by FDOT.

**FISCAL IMPACT**

**Recommendation**

No figures at writing

**APPROVAL**

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**ATTACHMENTS**

- a. Martin MPO JOBS Bill Project Ranking Sheet
- b. Special January 12, 2010 Meeting Notice
- c. Email sent out on December 18, 2009

2010 Federal JOBS Bill  
Martin MPO Project List

Project Ranking

Jurisdiction	Project Description	Phase	Cost Estimate	Contract in 90 Days	RLRTP/TIP Page#	Fed Aid Road	Comments	CAC Rank 1.6.10	TAC Rank 1.6.10	MPO Rank 1.12.10
Martin County	Automated Traffic Mgt System (ATMS), SR-A1A (Ocean Ave.) Palm Beach Road to St. Lucie Blvd	Const	\$500,000	Yes	RLRTP p.41 TIP p. 32	Yes	Unfunded phase of original ATMS Master Plan			
Martin County	Automated Traffic Mgt System (ATMS), US-1 - Bridge Road to Summerfield	Const	\$700,000	Yes	RLRTP p.41 TIP p. 32	Yes	Unfunded phase of original ATMS Master Plan			
Martin County	Hobe Sound Bascule Bridge on Bridge Road crossing inter-coastal Waterway - Main hydraulic cylinder and associated critical component replacement / fender system and safety improvements	Const	\$1,100,000	Yes	RLRTP p. 98, 101, 5-53	Yes	Ranked #1 by Martin County ENG			
Martin County	CR 609 Guardrail Project - 9.2 mile long road - Install 15 miles of guardrail	Const	\$1,388,000	Yes	RLRTP p. 98, 101, 5-53	Yes	Ranked #2 by Martin County ENG			
Martin County	Bridge Rd.-Mill & Resurface, from SR76 e. to CR-711, from CR-711 1.5 miles e. to new asphalt. US-1 east to beach	Const	\$667,650	Yes	RLRTP p. 98, 101, 5-53	Yes	Ranked #3 by Martin County ENG			
Martin County	Willoughby Blvd. Mill & Resurface- Monterey Rd south to Indian St. then 2650' south of Indian St. to Salerno Rd.	Const	\$654,085	Yes	RLRTP p. 98, 101, 5-53	Yes	Ranked #4 by Martin County ENG			
Martin County	CR707/Dixie Hwy - Reclamation and Resurfacing	Const	\$1,203,100	Yes	RLRTP p. 98, 101, 5-53	Yes	Ranked #5 by Martin County ENG			
Martin County	CR-711 (Prait Whitney Rd.) - Mill & Resurface from SR-76 south to Martin/Palm Beach County Line.	Const	\$1,204,588	Yes	RLRTP p. 98, 101, 5-53	Yes	Ranked #6 by Martin County ENG			
Martin County	Sewell's Point Rd. - Indian River Dr. - Mill & Resurface, from SR-A1A to CR-707	Const	\$293,100	Yes	RLRTP p. 98, 101, 5-53	Yes	Ranked #7 by Martin County ENG			
Martin County	Dixie Hwy - Cove Rd. south to US 1 - Mill & Resurface 8.16 miles	Const	\$1,122,105	Yes	RLRTP p. 98, 101, 5-53	Yes	Ranked #8 by Martin County ENG			
Town of Sewell's Point	East Ocean Blvd (SR A1A) Corridor Improvements - Evans Cray Bridge to Ernest Lyons Bridge - Signals/Crosswalk, Utilities sub-surfacing, Lighting & Landscaping	Const	\$1,314,000	Yes	RLRTP p. 5-43	Yes	Programmed in prior year Town of Sewall's Point CIP			
<b>Enhancement Projects</b>										
Martin County	Turtle Creek Pedestrian Bridge - Demolition of unsafe structure & Replacement.	Const	\$230,000	Yes	Enhancement RLRTP p. 98, 101, 5-53	Yes	Ped bridge is unsafe and is currently closed.			
Town of Sewell's Point	South Sewall's Point Road Multiuse Path - Ocean Blvd (SR A1A) to Mandalay Dr.	Const	\$409,000	Yes	Enhancement	N/A	Provides needed ped/bike connectivity to Ocean Blvd.			
<b>Local Project Total</b>			<b>\$10,785,628</b>							

# **MARTIN METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

## **NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING**

Notice is hereby given that an emergency meeting of the **Martin Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board** has been called for **January 12, 2010 at 10:30 AM**. The meeting will be held in the John F. Armstrong Wing of the Blake Library, 2351 S.E. Monterey Road, Stuart, FL.

**The purpose of this meeting will be to consider ranking of transportation improvement projects proposed for funding from the Federal JOBS Bill of 2010.**

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If any person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at the meetings or hearings of any board, committee, agency, council, or advisory group, that person will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to insure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record should include the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

This notice dated: December 22, 2009

SUBMITTED BY: Ann Perrotta

TITLE: MPO Director

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The attached "Jobs Bill", if enacted by Congress, could present opportunities to complete projects with federal funding, that meet ALL attendant federal requirements as was the case with the ARRA funded projects, and that could also be **under contract within 90 days of its passage**. The time that would ordinarily be taken by processing LAP funding agreements may be avoided if FDOT issues project contracts directly—which they are considering.

Once again, these projects must have been identified in our Long Range Plan and must be incorporated into our TIP. We still have the potential of using our Jan 6<sup>th</sup> CAC/TAC meeting date to review and approve a prioritized list of projects for incorporation into the TIP, if the project is approved by FDOT and contingent upon funding becoming available.

The estimated timeframe for enactment of this legislation is late January/early February. An additional, Special Meeting of the MPO Board may be required to be held in January to review and approve the prioritized list.

Gerry O'Reilly, FDOT District 4 Director of Planning and Programming, has asked for a preliminary list as early as we can get one to him knowing that the holidays will interrupt attempts to develop a list of projects, the project name, description with location information and with cost estimates. It is nevertheless hoped that the preliminary list can be developed in time for review by the CAC & TAC on January 6<sup>th</sup>—if at all possible—with submission to FDOT shortly thereafter. Projects eligible for federal funding such as resurfacing, signals, CIGP projects that were rejected or deferred due to lack of sufficient funding, current ARRA projects that could be enhanced, enhancement projects (3% has been set aside for enhancements) or other projects that are eligible for federal funding a truly "ready to go".

This email is being addressed to the Chairs and Vice-Chairs of our Advisory Committees (including the BPAC), and Martin County engineering. Please send

your project information to Boyd Lawrence at [blawrenc@martin.fl.us](mailto:blawrenc@martin.fl.us); or contact him at 320-3015. Boyd will place the project information on the review matrix used previously for prioritizing ARRA projects.

Thank you,

— Ann

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To: MPOAC Staff Directors

Attached is the federal Infrastructure and Jobs Investment Bill that was approved by the House of Representatives on December 16, 2009. It still needs to be passed by the Senate and is subject to change. The Senate has indicated it will not take up the bill until January if they do at all.

The bill includes \$37.3 billion in transportation infrastructure funding. The highway portion is \$27.5 billion and under the proposed formula, Florida would receive approximately \$1.35 billion which is similar to what the state received under ARRA. Also similar to ARRA, the bill requires a 3% set-aside for enhancements and 30% of the funds are suballocated for locally selected projects. Of particular interest is the fact that the House bill has a provision that requires 50% of the funds awarded to each state be under contract within 90 days after the funds are apportioned (to occur within 21 days). After 90 days, a state would lose 50% of the funds not under contract, and all the funds not under contract within one year. As in the ARRA, projects must meet all federal guidelines.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Howard Glassman". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal line extending from the end.

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