



FLORIDA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Minutes of Workshop

Date: June 5, 2025

Time: 10:00 am

Location: The Inn at Celebration, 700 Bloom Street, Celebration, FL 34747

Welcome and Call to Order

Chairman Ron Howse called the meeting to order.

In Attendance

Chairman Ron Howse, Vice-Chairman David Genson, Commissioners John Browning, Barbara Haselden, Alex Lastra, and Hung Mai.

The Commission held a discussion of general operating procedures. Chairman Howse and experienced Commissioners provided new Commissioners with information on the goals and objectives of the Commission and procedural expectations.

Legislative Session Overview, FDOT Secretary Jared W. Perdue, P.E.

Secretary Perdue provided the Commission with a recap of the Department's proposed budget for FY 25/26. The Secretary also presented an overview of Senate Bill 1662, the Department's legislative package, including key focus areas of Workforce & Innovation, Operational Enhancements, Modes of Transportation, and Efficiency & Accountability.

Following the legislative session overview, Secretary Perdue provided an update on Moving I-4 Forward.

FDOT Planning Overview, Huiwei Shen, Chief Planner

Key Highlights:

A. Statewide Planning and Data Management

- FDOT serves as the statewide clearinghouse for transportation planning data.
- Long-range projections highlight significant population and job growth in Florida through 2050.

B. System Demands and Usage

- Daily vehicle miles traveled in 2023 reached 362.7 million.
- Tonnage at seaports and from trucking is increasing, with daily truck volumes forecasted to continue escalating through 2045.

C. Strategic Investment Balancing

- FDOT emphasizes balancing investment through strategic decisions, innovation, and leadership.
- Every dollar in the Work Program is strategically aligned with mission-critical outcomes.

D. Vision and Planning Framework

- The Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) serves as the foundation for statewide planning.
- SIS (Strategic Intermodal System) focuses on:
 - Interregional mobility
 - Intermodal connectivity
 - Economic development

E. Investment Planning and Cost Management

- A funding strategy is in place to support SIS initiatives and address project cost fluctuations and policy priorities.
- Other programs highlighted:
 - **Arterial Highway Widening:** \$20 million/year to widen rural roads from two to four lanes.
 - **SUN Trail Program:** Investment in nonmotorized trail networks.

F. Collaboration with Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)

- Florida has 27 MPOs, which play a critical role in:
 - Developing Long Range Transportation Plans (LRTPs)
 - Updating Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs)
 - Managing Unified Planning Work Programs (UPWPs)
 - Engaging the public through participation plans (PPP)

G. Project Development Process

- Planning & Feasibility
- Project Development & Environment (PD&E)
- Design
- Right-of-Way Acquisition
- Construction

H. Return on Investment

- FDOT estimates a return of \$4.26 in personal and business benefits for every dollar invested.

Public Comment

The Chairman opened the meeting to public comment. There were no public comments.

Adjourn

With no other business to address, Chairman Howse adjourned the meeting at 3:00 pm and the Commission visited the Moving I-4 Corridors Program Office.