Metropolitan Planning Organizations

Florida Transportation Commission

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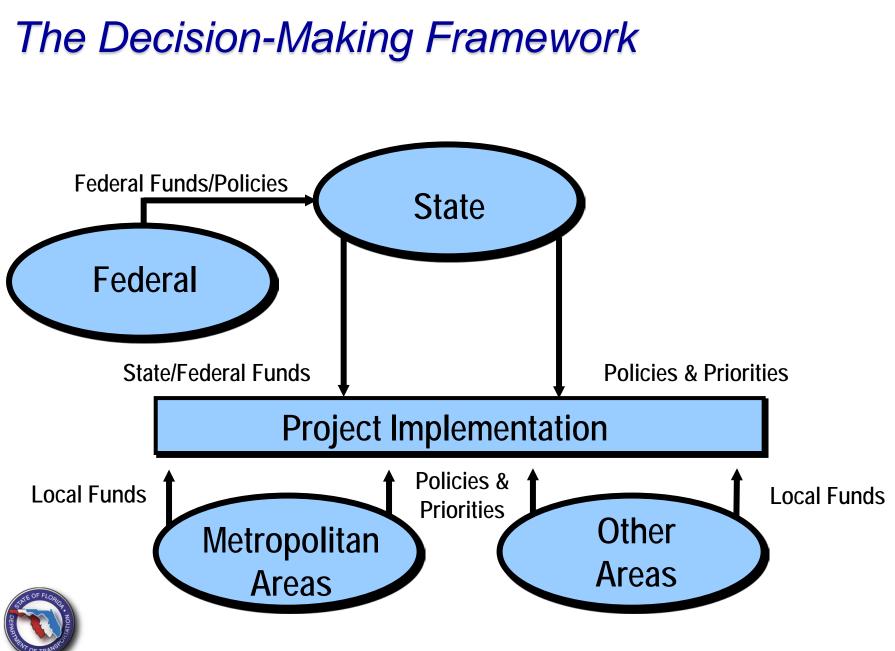


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Metropolitan Planning Organizations

- u MPO responsibilities
- u Designation of MPOs
- u Upcoming issues





Metropolitan Planning Organizations Required by Federal Law

- Must designate metropolitan planning organizations u (MPOs) for urbanized areas with 50,000+ in population
 - Comprised of local elected and other officials
 - Conduct "continuing, comprehensive and coordinated" (3-C) transportation planning
 - Develop regional agreement on multimodal transportation investment priorities
- Allocated funds from the federal Highway Trust Fund for u MPO planning activities
 - ✓ Primary source commonly called "PL funds"
 - Can be funded by local government contributions, other sources



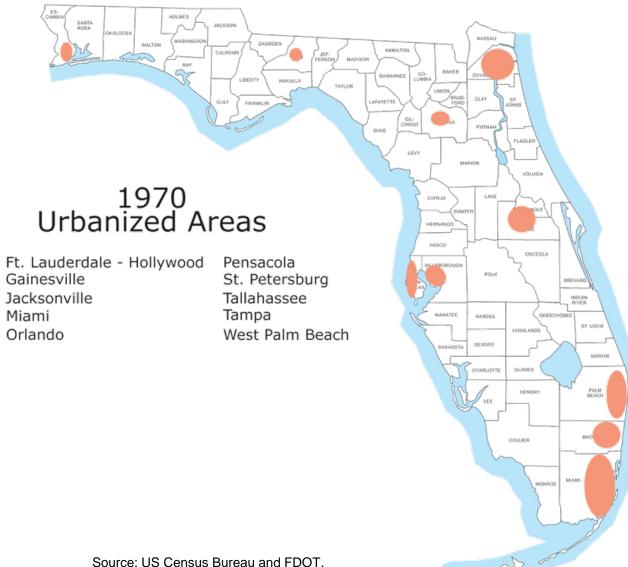
Metropolitan Planning Organizations

- Develop 20+ year long range transportation plan and 5-year transportation improvement programs
- Develop public participation plan
- Annually submit transportation priorities to FDOT (state law)
- 26 in Florida today

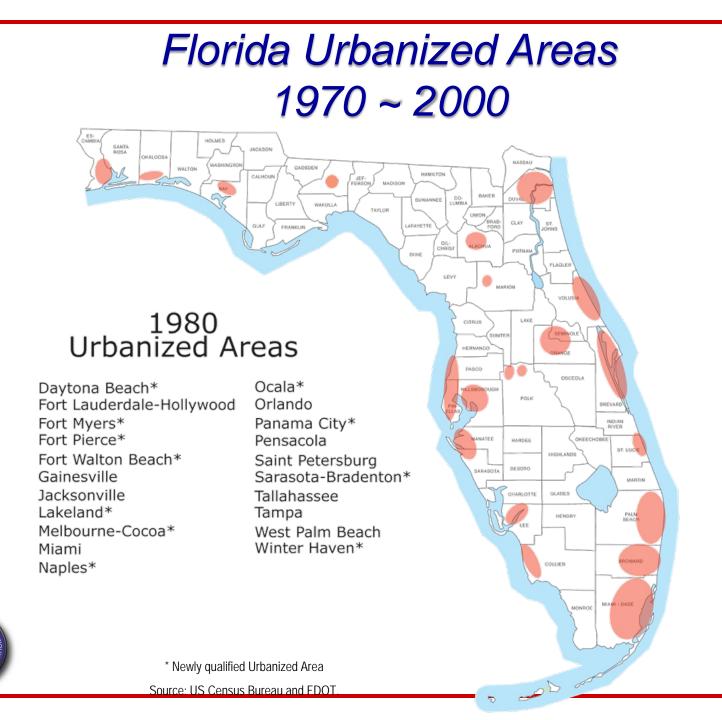




Florida Urbanized Areas 1970 ~ 2000



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1990 Urbanized Areas

HOLMES

WALTON

ASHIN

JACKSON

CALHOUN

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LIBERT

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GADSDEN

WARULLA

Daytona Beach Deltona* Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood Fort Myers-Cape Coral Fort Pierce Fort Walton Beach Gainesville Jacksonville Kissimmee* Lakeland Melbourne-Palm Bay Miami-Hialeah Naples Ocala Orlando

SANTA ROSA

OKALOOSA

Panama City Pensacola Punta Gorda* Sarasota-Bradenton Spring Hill* Stuart* Tallahassee Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater Titusville* Vero Beach* West Palm Beach-Boca Raton-Delray Beach Winter Haven

* Newly qualified Urbanized Area

Source: US Census Bureau and FDOT.



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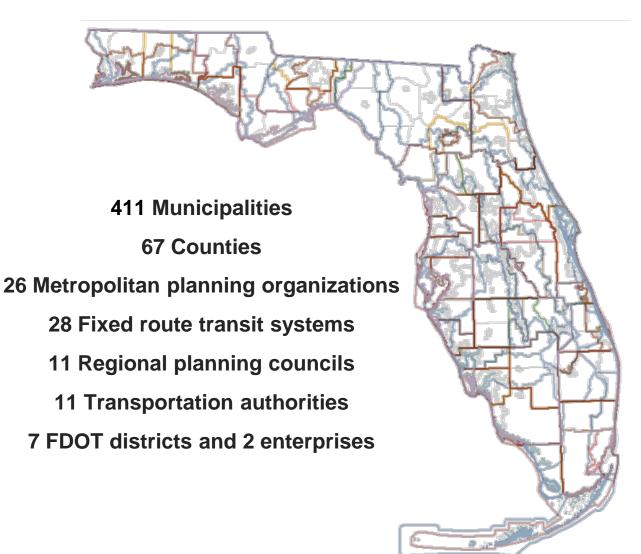
What Is the Florida Transportation Plan?

- Florida's long range transportation plan
- A plan for all of Florida
- Provides policy framework for expenditure of state and federal transportation funds
- Identifies implementation strategies





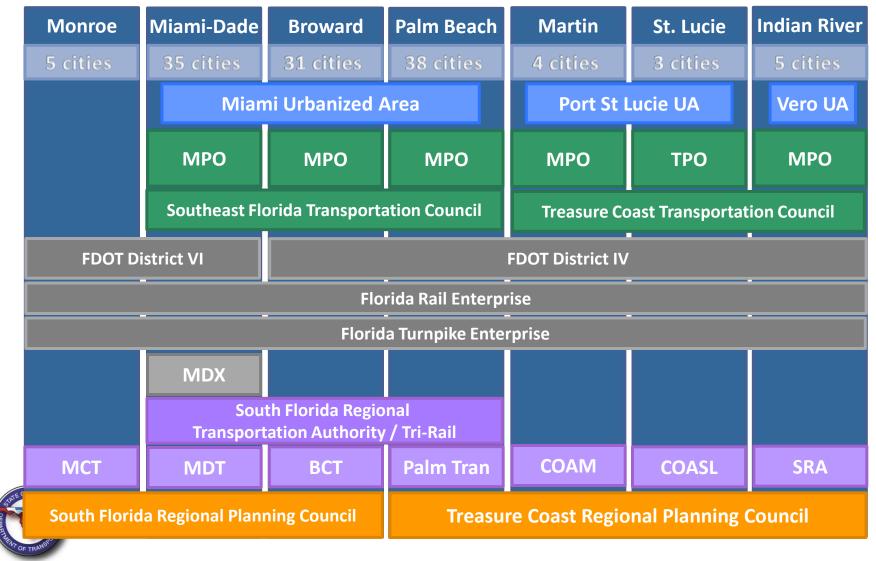
Overview: Jurisdictions and Agencies





County and Municipal, Census Metropolitan Statistical Areas, Regional Planning Councils, FDEP Ecosystem Management Districts, Water Management Districts, FDOT Districts, Statutorily created transportation authorities, regional visioning initiatives

Regional Governance: Southeast Florida



21st Century Governance Model

Create statewide vision

- Integrate transportation with other issues; provide geographic perspective on future development and investment
- Link regional visions to accomplish statewide goals and build Florida's megaregions

Enhance regional coordination and decision making

- Transition Florida's MPO structure to focus on regional and metropolitan scale transportation issues
- Strengthen regional transportation planning and priority setting in rural areas
- Develop a governance structure to promote integrated regional transit
- Strengthen regional coordination among modal partners and operating agencies



Designation of MPOs

- **u** Federal law and rule:
 - Designate a MPO for each urbanized area 50,000 or more (as defined by Census)
 - To extent feasible, only one MPO per urbanized area and group of contiguous urbanized areas
 - More than one MPO may be designated due to size and complexity
 - MPO designation/redesignation based on agreement between Governor and local elected officials
 - Designation of an existing MPO remains in effect until the MPO is redesignated



Designation of MPOs, cont.

- u State law:
 - ✓ MPO voting membership: between 5 and 19 members
 - Exact number determined on equitable geographic-population ratio by Governor, based on agreement among affected local governments
 - Other MPO voting memberships provisions: minimum number of county commissioners, alternate members, etc.
 - Governor reviews MPO membership in conjunction with decennial census and reapportion it as needed
 - Special provisions: charter county over 1 million in population
- u After each census, existing MPOs:
 - Reassess their metropolitan planning area boundaries, voting membership



Upcoming Events/Issues

- The U.S. Census Bureau to release the list of urbanized areas based on the 2010 Census by Spring 2012
- If new urbanized area identified, a MPO must be designated to represent it
 - ✓ Can be an existing MPO
- Review changes to urbanized boundaries
 - ✓ Should some existing MPOs merge?
 - Planning area boundaries need to change?
 - Changes to voting membership needed?



Upcoming Events/Issues

- u Next steps
 - Reach agreement on planning boundaries of MPOs and enhanced regional coordination/planning
 - Based on new, expanded, merged urbanized areas
 - Request MPOs board membership apportionment plans and interlocal agreement be prepared/submitted
 - For Governor approval: ensure compliance with state and federal requirements
 - ✓ Revise formulas for federal MPO planning funds
 - FDOT prepares in consultation with MPOs



Think Safety, Buckle Up

