

FLORIDA-ALABAMA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION (TPO)
EMERALD COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL (Designated staff)
Gulf Breeze Community Center – 800 Shoreline Drive, Gulf Breeze, Florida 32561
December 10, 2024

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Steven Barry, Chair	Escambia County
Steven Stroberger	Escambia County
Mike Kohler	Escambia County
Lumon May	Escambia County
JB Schluter	City of Gulf Breeze
Heather Lindsay	City of Milton
Charles Bare	City of Pensacola
Casey Jones	City of Pensacola
Jared Moore	City of Pensacola
Allison Patton	City of Pensacola
Colten Wright	Santa Rosa County
Rhett Rowell	Santa Rosa County
Ray Eddington	Santa Rosa County
Bobby Burkett	Santa Rosa County
Kerry Smith	Santa Rosa County

MEMBERS NOT IN ATTENDANCE:

Charles F. Gruber, Vice Chair	Baldwin County
Ashley Hofberger	Escambia County
Jerry Johnson	City of Orange Beach
Delarian Wiggins	City of Pensacola

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bryant Paulk	FDOT
Christy Johnson	FDOT
Wynn Edwards	FDOT
Carla Hodges	FDOT
Dustin Castells	FDOT
Joshua Braner	FDOT
Scott Mosley	ALDOT
Jermy Borden	ALDOT
Joe Blackman	Escambia County
Keith Bowe	WRC
Lynn Matt	WRC
Glen Conrad	WRC
Jim Kauffman	CAC
Thaddeus Davenport	ECAT

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Amber Borden	ECAT
Dustin Taylor	DRMP
Lindsay Slautterback	Kimley-Horne
Don Christian	Escambia County
Caitlin Cerame	City of Pensacola
Wendy Gavin	City of Pensacola
Zee Osuigwe	Santa Rosa County
Drew Holmes	Escambia County
Cory Wilkinson	HDR
Scott Davidson	Hurlburt Field
Mary Beth Washnock	Madrid CPWG

Virtual Attendance:

Jared Schneider

EMERALD COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL STAFF

Kandase Lee
Tiffany Bates
Leandra Meredith
Gary Kramer
Rae Emery
Jill Nobles

Virtual Attendance:

Gabrielle McVoy
Howard Vanselow
Gina Watson

CALL TO ORDER/INVOCATION/PLEDGE/BOARD MEMBER ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

PUBLIC FORUM

Keith Bowe requested that the Sorrento Road and Gulf Beach Highway studies be scheduled concurrently due to bottle neck concerns.

Thaddeus Davenport introduced himself as the new Deputy Director of Mass Transit at ECAT.

FDOT/ALDOT/ UPDATES:

1. FDOT Update - *Bryant Paulk, AICP, or Christy Johnson, AICP, FDOT Urban Liaison*

Bryant Paulk informed the committee about the SR 292 PD&E study that spans from the Theo Baars Bridge to Blue Angel Parkway. Bryant Paulk stated that there was a

virtual project update made available in early November and that FDOT anticipates this being brought to a public hearing in mid-2025 with a completion of the study in early 2026. The construction estimate is a little over \$250 million.

2. ALDOT Update – Vincent Beebe, P.E., ALDOT

Jeremy Borden informed the board that the Waterways bridge project in Orange Beach is continuing as scheduled and should be completed in late 2025 or early FY 2026. ALDOT is continuing to work on the SR 161- SR 180 realignment project. Jeremy Borden stated that the Beaver Creek project on SR 180 should let the middle of 2025 and that there are a series of pedestrian and bicycle safety improvements project schedule on SR 182 in Orange Beach.

CONSENT:

1. ALL COMMITTEES: Approval of June 2024 Meeting Minutes

Commissioner May moved to approve the June 2024 TPO meeting minutes. Commissioner Kohler seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

2. ALL COMMITTEES: Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-25 Adopting the Florida-Alabama TPO 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Congestion Management Process (CMP) – Gary Kramer, ECRC Staff

3. ALL COMMITTEES: Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-26 Adopting the Florida-Alabama TPO 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Financial Resources– Gary Kramer, ECRC Staff

4. ALL COMMITTEES: Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-27 Adopting the Florida-Alabama TPO 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Evaluation Criteria – Gary Kramer, ECRC Staff

5. ALL COMMITTEES – Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24- 30 ratifying the Chair’s Signature and Adoption of the Adjusted Urban Area Boundary and the Functional Classification Maps for Escambia, Santa, and Baldwin Counties on October 14, 2024 - Gary Kramer, ECRC Staff

6. ALL COMMITTEES - Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-46 Amending the Fiscal Year (FY) 2025 - FY 2026 Florida-Alabama Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to Revisions Per 2 CFR/200/Subpart E Cost Principle Guidelines - Kandase Lee, ECRC CEO

Commissioner Wright moved to approve consent agenda items 2-6. Councilmember Patton seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

ACTION:

- 1. ENCLOSURE A – ALL COMMITTEES - Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-33 Accepting the FDOT FY 2026-2030 Tentative Work Program – *Carla Hodges, FDOT District 3/ Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***

Carla Hodges, FDOT, presented the FDOT FY 2026-2030 Tentative Work Program, highlighting projects planned for the FL-AL TPO region through 2030.

Commissioner Wright moved to authorize the TPO chair to sign Resolution FL-AL 24-33 accepting the FDOT FY 2026-2030 Tentative Work Program. Commissioner Kohler seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

- 2. ENCLOSURE B – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE - Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-36 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Design Costs for SR 95 (US 29) at CR 196, (Barrineau Park Road) an Intersection Project, for Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4549081 in FY 2024/2025 at a Total Cost of \$220,000 - *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***

The proposed TIP amendments from Enclosure B – Enclosure K were presented together by Bryant Paulk and the board agreed to address all of them in one motion. Bryant Paulk stated that the total cost should be \$400,000 dollars. ECRC staff stated that this change had been made on the resolution that the chair will be signing.

- 3. ENCLOSURE C – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-37 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Construction Costs for SR 10A (US 90) East Cervantes Street from East of 17th Avenue to Knowles Avenue, a Lighting Project, for Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4530161 in FY 2024/2025 at a Total Cost of \$15,000 - *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***
- 4. ENCLOSURE D - ALL COMMITTEES - ROLL CALL VOTE- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-38 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Design Costs for SR 10 (US 90) Cervantes Street from CR 453 "W" Street to Bayou Texar Bridge, a Corridor Planning Project, for Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4553521 in FY 2024/2025 at a Total Cost of \$4,872,791 - *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***

5. **ENCLOSURE E – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-39 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Construction Costs for SR 291 (Davis Highway) from University Parkway to Monroe Street, a Lighting Project, for Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4530141 in FY 2024/2025 at a Total Cost of \$5,000 - *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***
6. **ENCLOSURE F – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-40 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Construction Costs for SR 8 (I-10) at Pine Forest Road, an Interchange Project, for Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4379054 in FY 2024/2025 at a Total Cost of \$2,243,931– *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***
7. **ENCLOSURE G – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-41 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Design Costs for SR 298 (Lillian Highway) from North 65th Avenue to North 57th Avenue, a sidewalk project, for Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4552511 in FY 2024/2025 at a Total Cost of \$251,000- *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***
8. **ENCLOSURE H – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-42 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Design Costs for SR 10A (US 90) Mobile Highway at Houston Avenue, an Intersection Project, for Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4543011 in FY 2024/2025 at a Total Cost of \$687,500 - *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***
9. **ENCLOSURE I – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-43 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Construction Costs for SR 10A (US 90) Mobile Highway from Lockhart Street to Marlane Drive, a Lighting Project, for Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4530151 in FY 2024/2025 at a Total Cost of \$45,000- *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***
10. **ENCLOSURE J – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-44 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program Adding the Construction Costs for SR 295 (South New Warrington Road) from DeWitt Road to Perdido Street, a Lighting Project, for Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4548561 in FY 2024/2025 at a Total Cost of \$25,000 - *Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT***
11. **ENCLOSURE K – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-45 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the Construction Costs for SR 292 (Sorrento Road)**

from CR 293 (Bauer Road) to CR 292A, (Gulf Beach Highway) a paved shoulder project for Financial Project Identification (FPID) Number 4508142 in FY 2024/2025 at a Total Cost of \$3,862,634 – Bryant Paulk, AICP, FDOT

Councilmember Moore moved to authorize the TPO chair to sign Resolution FL-AL 24-36 through Resolution FL-AL 24 - 45 amending the FY 2025-2029 TIP. Commissioner Wright seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Commissioner Barry	Yes
Commissioner Stroberger	Yes
Commissioner Kohler	Yes
Commissioner May	Yes
Mayor Schluter	Yes
Mayor Lindsay	Yes
Council Member Bare	Yes
Council Member Jones	Yes
Council Member Moore	Yes
Council Member Patton	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes
Commissioner Rowell	Yes
Commissioner Eddington	Yes
Commissioner Burkett	Yes
Commissioner Smith	Yes

The motion passed unanimously.

12. ENCLOSURE L – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE-- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-31 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add the 5-Year Regional Traffic Operations Program (RTOP) for Signal Management and Upgrades on all State Routes in the Southwest Region of Alabama for Comprehensive Project Management System (CPMS) Number 100071946 in FY 2024/25 at a Total Cost of \$2,693,054.05- Vincent Beebe, P.E., ALDOT

13. ENCLOSURE M – ALL COMMITTEES – ROLL CALL VOTE- Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-32 Amending the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program to Add Funding Sources for the Utility Costs for SR 180 (Canal Road) and SR 161 (Orange Beach Boulevard) for Intersection Realignment and Intersection Improvements for Comprehensive Project Management System (CPMS) Number 100075085 in FY 2024/25 at a Total Cost of \$1,102,104.30 - Vincent Beebe, P.E., ALDOT

Commissioner Wright moved to authorize the TPO chair to sign Resolution FL-AL 24-31 and 24-32 amending the FY 2025-2029 TIP. Councilmember Patton seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote

Commissioner Barry	Yes
Commissioner Stroberger	Yes
Commissioner Kohler	Yes
Commissioner May	Yes
Mayor Schluter	Yes
Mayor Lindsay	Yes
Council Member Bare	Yes
Council Member Jones	Yes
Council Member Moore	Yes
Council Member Patton	Yes
Commissioner Wright	Yes
Commissioner Rowell	Yes
Commissioner Eddington	Yes
Commissioner Burkett	Yes
Commissioner Smith	Yes

The motion passed unanimously.

14. ENCLOSURE N - ALL COMMITTEES - Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-28 Adopting Statewide Targets for Safety Performance Measures - *Gary Kramer, ECRC Staff*

Gary Kramer presented the statewide targets for Safety Performance Measures.

Councilmember Patton moved to authorize the TPO chair to sign the Resolution FL-AL 24-28 adopting statewide targets for safety performance measures. Commissioner Burkett seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

15. ENCLOSURE O - ALL COMMITTEES - Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-29 Adjusting the Four-Year Targets (2025) for Bridge (PM 2) and System Performance (PM 3) for the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) - *Gary Kramer, ECRC Staff*

Gary Kramer presented the four-year targets (2025) for Bridge (PM 2) and System Performance (PM 3) for FDOT, stating that the deadline to adjust the four-year (2025) targets for Bridge and Pavement and System Performance is March 30, 2025.

Commissioner Wright moved to authorize the TPO chair to sign Resolution FL-AL 24-29 adjusting the 4-year targets (2025) for Bridge (PM 2) and System Performance (PM 3) for the Florida and Alabama Departments of Transportation. Commissioner Eddington seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

16. ENCLOSURE P – ALL COMMITTEES – Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-34 Accepting the Emerald Coast Safety Action Plan and Authorizing the TPO Chair to Sign a Letter of Support for the Emerald Coast Safety Action Plan - *Jill Nobles, ECRC Staff*

Jill Nobles presented the Emerald Coast Safety Action Plan which is a tool to prioritize the strategies and countermeasures identified to eliminate fatalities and serious injuries along the High Injury Network in the Florida-Alabama TPO area. Jill Nobles stated that ECRC staff were also recommending the chair sign a letter of support for the Emerald Coast Safety Action Plan. Lindsay Slautterback with Kimley Horne presented highlights of development of the plan and how it can be used to seek implementation funds.

Councilmember Patton moved to authorize the TPO chair to sign Resolution FL-AL 24-34 accepting the Emerald Coast Safety Action Plan and authorizing the TPO chair to sign a letter of support for the Emerald Coast Safety Action Plan. Commissioner Eddington seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

17. ENCLOSURE Q – ALL COMMITTEES –Consideration of Resolution FL-AL 24-47 Approving the 2025 Beach Traffic Monitoring Proposal with DRMP using \$57,400 of TPO Funds (FDOT FPID#: 412545-2-88-01) and Requesting Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties to Pay Their Respective Shares of \$38,267 and \$19,133 - *Jill Nobles, ECRC Staff*

Jill Nobles introduced Dustin Taylor with DRMP who gave an overview of the beach monitoring service and the proposed cost for 2025.

Commissioner Wright moved to authorize the TPO chair to approve the Beach Monitoring proposal with DRMP using \$57,400 of TPO funds (FDOT FPID#: 412545-2-88-01) and for the TPO to request Santa Rosa and Escambia counties pay their respective shares of \$38,267 and \$19,133. Councilmember Patton seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

18. ENCLOSURE R - ALL COMMITTEES – Appointment of Florida-Alabama TPO Board Member to and Alternate to the MPOAC Governing Board for Calendar Year 2025 - *Kandase Lee, ECRC CEO*

Kandase Lee announced that the TPO board needed to appoint one member and an alternate to serve on the MPOAC Governing Board for calendar year 2025, stating that the current primary member is Commissioner Wright, and the alternate is Councilmember Jerry Johnson. Commissioner Kerry Smith and Commissioner Colten Wright were nominated to serve.

Commissioner Kohler moved to appoint Commissioner Kerry Smith as the primary member and Commissioner Colten Wright as alternate to the MPOAC Governing Board for Calendar Year 2025. Commissioner Rowell seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

PRESENTATIONS: (no action necessary)

1. ENCLOSURE S – ALL COMMITTEES – U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Grant Under the Fiscal Year 2024 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Demonstration Grant Program - *Jill Nobles, ECRC Staff*

Jill Nobles stated that on September 5, 2024, ECRC was awarded a \$10 million grant from USDOT as part of the National Roadway Safety Strategy to reduce traffic fatalities. As a recipient of an SS4A Planning and Demonstration grant, ECRC, in partnership with Escambia County, will deploy innovative technological improvements and evaluate the safety impact of Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) improvements on two of Pensacola's highest crash rate segments, Fairfield Drive and Pensacola Boulevard. These two corridors have been identified through the Emerald Coast Safety Action Plan as having critical issues such as low lighting, bicycle and pedestrian incidents, and left-turn crashes.

2. ENCLOSURE T – ALL COMMITTEES -Informational Presentation for the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program and the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) – *Jill Noles, ECRC Staff*

Jill Nobles presented the Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program and the Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) and informed the board that TA and TRIP applications are due in FDOT's Grant Application Program (GAP) by Friday, January 17, 2025.

INFORMATION ITEMS - (no presentation necessary)

1. FL-AL TPO June 2024 Actions Report
2. TCC and CAC June 2024 Meeting Minutes

3. Administrative Amendment to the FY 2025-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Letters

OTHER BUSINESS- *The 2025 FL-AL TPO schedule is TBD.*

A video overviewing the Emerald Coast Military Installation Resiliency Review was played for the board. Kandase Lee stated that the Department of Defense is looking at these projects to funding.

ADJOURNMENT