



## The role of the

# METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (MPO)

To preserve and enhance the quality of life in northwest Florida.

Kandase Lee | Chief Executive Officer



# We refer to the MPOs as the Transportation Planning Organizations (TPO).





Federal and **State Law** require a Metropolitan **Planning Organization** (MPO) to be designated...

...in each urbanized area with a population of 50,000 or more.





What is a Metropolitan **Planning** Organization (MPO)?

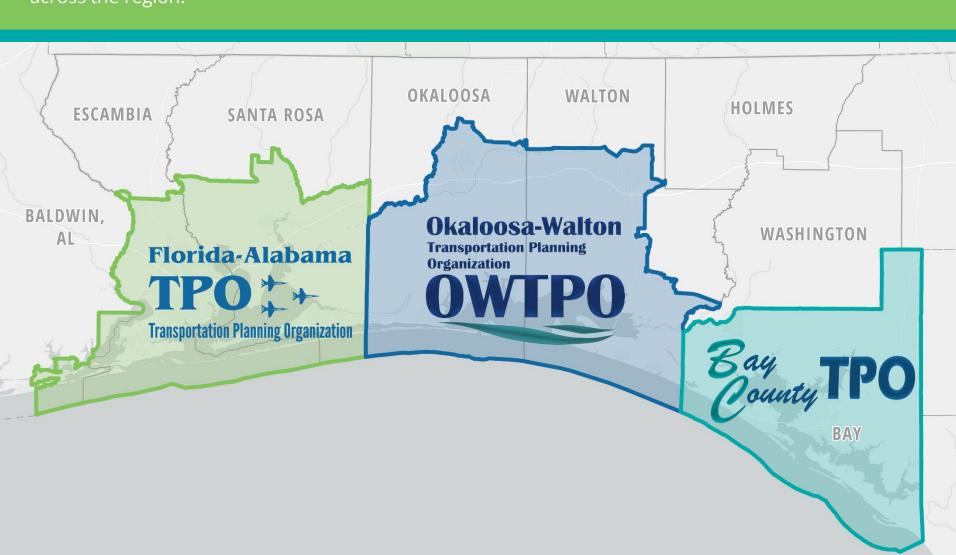
A designated forum for cooperative transportation decision making.



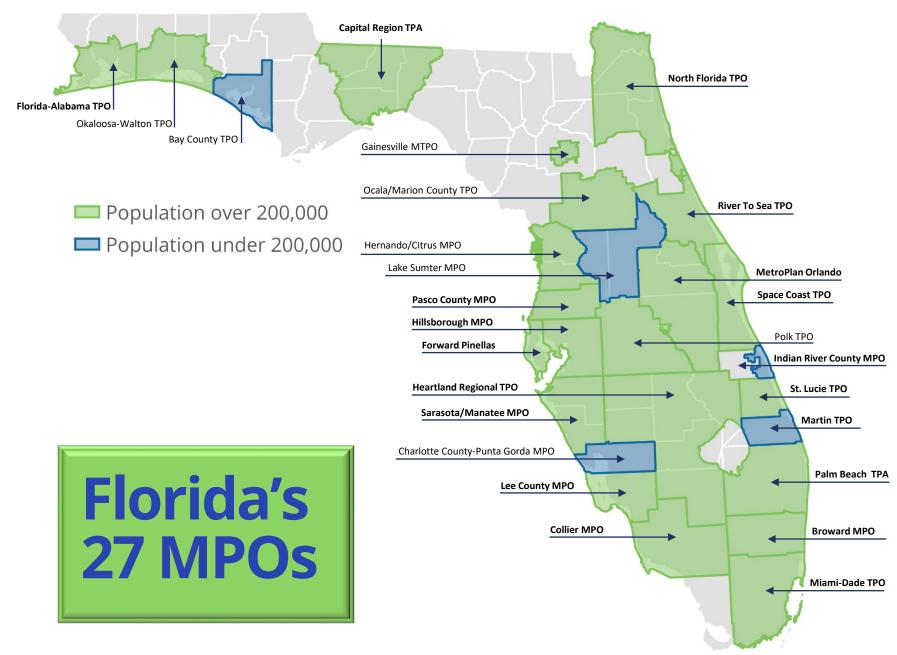


# **ECRC TPO Planning Areas in West Florida**

Emerald Coast Regional Council staffs the 3 TPO's across the panhandle, providing planning consistency across the region.



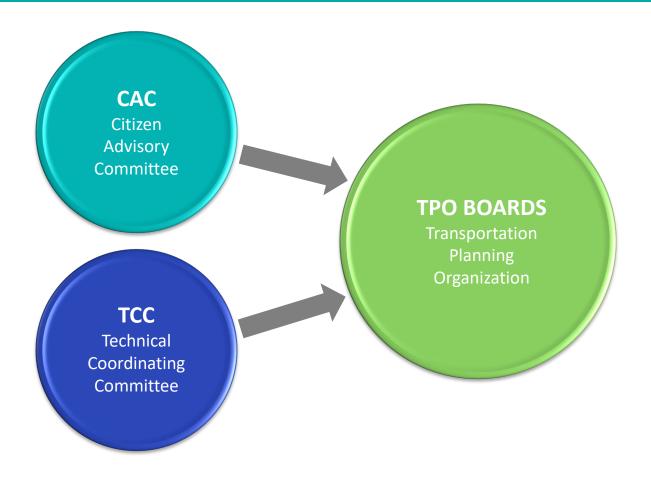






# Advisory committees support the TPO:

The Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) and the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) provide recommendations to the Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) Board on agenda items.







# Who comprises the TPO Board?

A TPO is governed by a Board of Directors who steer the cities and counties towards a sustainable future.



#### **County Commissioners**

5 seats - Escambia

5 seats - Santa Rosa

1 seat - Baldwin

#### **City Council Members**

5 seats - Pensacola

1 seat - Milton

1 seat - Gulf Breeze

1 seat - Orange Beach



#### **County Commissioners**

4 seats - Okaloosa

3 seats - Walton

#### **City Council Members**

3 seats - Crestview

2 seats - Destin

2 seats - Ft. Walton

Beach

1 seat - DeFuniak Springs

1 seat - Freeport

1 seat - Mary Esther

1 seat - Niceville

1 seat - Valparaiso



#### **County Commissioners**

5 seats - Bay County

#### **City Commissioners/Mayors**

5 seats - Panama City

2 seats - Panama City Beach

2 seats - Callaway

2 seats - Lynn Haven

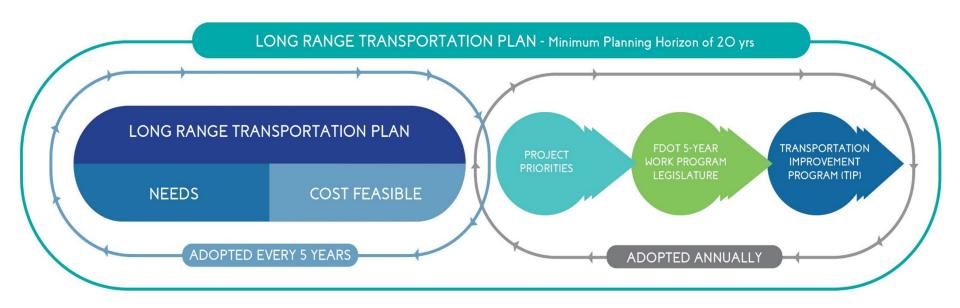
1 seat - Mexico Beach

1 seat - Parker

1 seat - Springfield



# **TPO Planning Cycle**



#### **FIVE-YEAR CYCLE**

(LRTP) LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

- NEEDS PLAN
- COST FEASIBLE PLAN

#### **YEARLY CYCLE**

PROJECT PRIORITIES

FDOT FIVE YEAR WORK PROGRAM

TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

# **Transportation Planning Process**

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#### **TPO Stages**

#### **TPO Stage 1**

#### **TPO Stage 2**

#### **TPO Stage 3**

### (LRTP) LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

- Must be adopted every five years
- Minimum planning horizon of 20 yrs
- Developed with public input

#### **NEEDS PLAN**

 Part of the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

#### **COST FEASIBLE PLAN**

 Part of the Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

#### **PROJECT PRIORITIES**

- Adopted Annually
- Provided annually to FDOT for potential funding in the Work Program

#### **FDOT Stages**

**FDOT Stage 1** 

FDOT Stage 2

**FDOT Stage 3** 

**FDOT Stage 4** 

#### FDOT FIVE YEAR TIP TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN

- Must be adopted every year
- FDOT committed work plan.

# PROJECT DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY

Capacity Projects

#### **DESIGN**

- Capacity Projects
- Resurfacing
- \*Transportation System Management
- Complete Streets
   Projects

#### **RIGHT OF WAY**

Capacity Projects

#### **CONSTRUCTION**

- Capacity Projects
- Resurfacing
- \*Transportation System Management
- Complete Streets Projects



# Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

- 20-year Planning HorizonUpdated every 5 years
- LRTP (Long Range Transportation Plan)
   Updated every 5 years
- Needs Plan and Cost Feasible Plan
  What are the needs?

What can we afford?
Wish List

Developed with Public Input







# **Project Priorities**

Project Priorities are a list of the Cost Feasible projects from the Long Range Transportation Plan in Priority order. They are provided to FDOT annually for funding in the Work Program.





### **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

 Five-Year Plan updated annually that identifies projects funded in the FDOT Work Program

Click the TPO logo links below to view the TIP for each TPO.









# Other TPO Products:

- Regional Freight
- Regional IntelligentTransportation Systems (ITS)
- Congestion Management
- Corridor Management



Other TPO Products:

Bicycle / Pedestrian Plans

Transportation Disadvantaged Plans

Public Participation Process Plan



# **TPO Responsibility**

The TPO is in partnership with FDOT



FDOT works hard to follow the guidance and direction of the TPO via:

Projects Identified in the LRTP TPO Priorities





# **Summary**

A TPO serves as the mechanism for regional collaboration in transportation decision making.

Thank you.