











FMPP Statewide Collaboration Meeting

Day 2: UPWP & Other Topics

presented to



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Agenda for the Day

- UPWP Kick-Off Presentation
- UPWP Discussion
- Other Topics & Discussion
 - » MPOAC Leadership
 - » TIP Discussion
 - » Certification/Risk Assessment
 - » Other Issues for Discussion
- Wrap-Up



Objectives for the Day

- Provide an interactive forum to engage, ask questions, and offer ideas
- Discuss the respective roles of and expectations for Central Office, Districts, and MPOs
- Discuss on-going efforts and obtain feedback
- Evaluate meeting value to participants



Rule for the Day







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Unified Planning Work Program

Florida Metropolitan Planning Partnership

December 1, 2017



What is Planning Grants Administration?



- Policies and procedures for the administration of activities undertaken by State departments of transportation and their sub-recipients, including metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), with FHWA planning and research funds.
- Two types of planning grants:
- SPR Work Program -State planning and research (SPR) funds
- Unified Planning Work Program-Metropolitan planning (PL) funds

Federal-aid Highway Program

- Federally Assisted, State Administered, Locally Driven Program
- State Transportation Department
- Matching Requirements
- Reimbursement
- Contract Authority



Planning Grants Administration: What's Our Role?

- Provide technical assistance
- Review State/MPO's work program and Ensure compliance with federal requirements
- Consistency in reviews, technical assistance, and maximize reimbursement of federal funds
- Help to determine "reasonableness" of funding requests

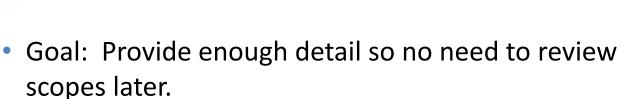
Planning Grants Administration: What's Our Role?

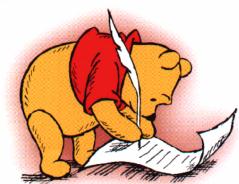
APPROVE your UPWP and amendments



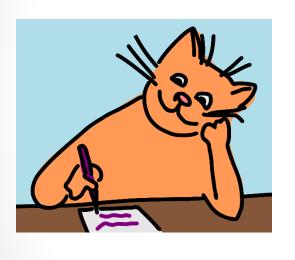
UPWP/SPR Review Change

- Scope and Planning Contract Reviews
 - Who will perform the work
 - the schedule for completing the work
 - the resulting products
 - the proposed funding by activity/task.
 - Identification of total amounts and sources of Federal and matching funds





UPWP/SPR Review Change



- Approval letter changes
 - List of tasks needing further review and approval

 Starting with the new 2-year UPWP/SPR Programs

And just as a Reminder



Eligible Costs: 23 CFR 420.113

Costs will be eligible for FHWA participation provided that the costs:

- 1. Are for work performed for **activities eligible** under the section of title 23, U.S.C.,
- 2. Are **verifiable** from the State DOT's or the sub recipient's records;
- 3. Are **necessary** and **reasonable** for proper and efficient accomplishment of project
- 4. Are **included** in the approved budget, or amendment
- 5. Were not incurred prior to FHWA authorization.



TEAMWORK

Together Each Achieves More

Questions?



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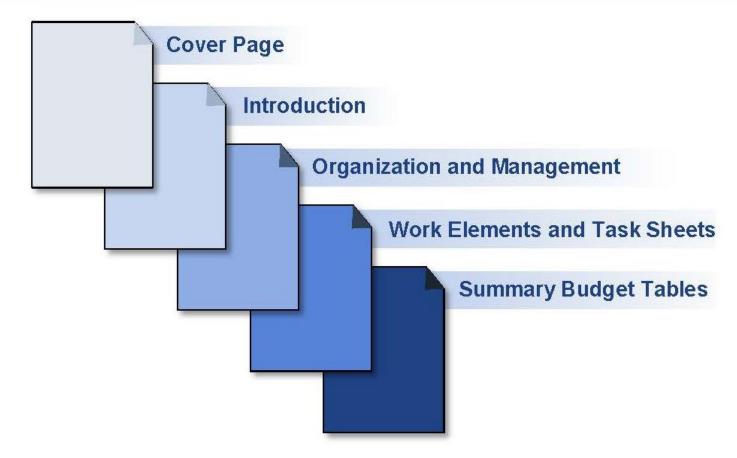
The Big Picture

- Compliance with federal and state contracting and grant administration requirements
- Consistency in programming and administration of MPO funds
- Oversight of FHWA funds being provided to the MPOs
- Ability to ensure prompt payment



UPWP Elements

The UPWP consists of:





Roles & Responsibilities



- Sub-recipients to FDOT
- Contractually obligated responsibility for compliance with all federal and state requirements
- Grant Managers for MPO grants
- Responsible for programmatic and fiscal oversight of MPO grants
- Program Manager for MPO program
- Responsible for statewide oversight, guidance & technical assistance, and support for MPO grant managers
- Responsible for coordination with FHWA, MPOAC, and other FDOT offices on MPO issues



Timeline – UPWP Development, Review, and Approval

December/January:

- » Central Office provides Planning Emphasis Areas
- » Central Office provides the Check PL sheet
- » Districts conduct UPWP kickoff meetings with MPOs
- » MPOs initiate development of their UPWPs

No later than March 15:

» MPOs transmit draft UPWP according to distribution table in the MPO Handbook



Timeline – UPWP Development, Review, and Approval

No later than April 15:

» District provides FDOT and other agency comments to the MPO

No later than May 15:

- » MPO addresses comments and adopts final UPWP, with completed cost analysis
- » MPO distributes final UPWP according to distribution table in the MPO Handbook

Within 10 working days:

- » District reviews final UPWP and identifies any outstanding issues
- » District distributes final UPWP according to distribution table in the MPO Handbook

Office of Policy Planning

Timeline – UPWP Development, Review, and Approval

No later than June 1:

» District transmits final UPWP to FHWA, FTA, and Central Office recommending approval, disapproval, or conditional approval

No later than June 30:

- » MPO and District must resolve any outstanding issues or risk a delay in funding
- » FHWA and FTA approve the UPWP



MPO Agreements

FHWA Agreement

» MPO Agreement (Form 525-010-02) captures <u>all</u> FHWA funds listed in the UPWP, such as PL and SU, and acts as the basis for the administration of these funds

FTA Agreement

» Public Transportation Joint Participation Agreement (Form 725-030-06) between the MPO and FDOT to undertake the FTAfunded planning studies and activities in the UPWP

Other Agreements:

- » Transportation Disadvantaged Program Agreement
- » Third-Party Agreements



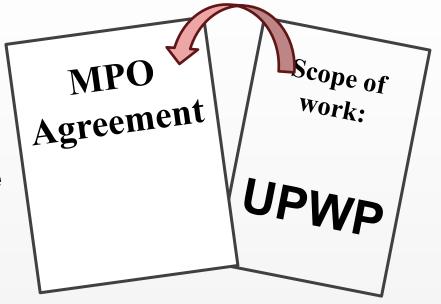
FHWA Agreement

- MPO Agreement is the standard contract between the MPO and FDOT to undertake FHWA-funded planning studies and activities listed in the UPWP
- MPO Agreement shall be executed every 2 years
- The Agreement was updated for the last UPWP cycle
- No plans to update it for this UPWP cycle



UPWP & FHWA Agreement

- The UPWP acts as the scope of work for the MPO Agreement
- Deliverable: progress reports
- Progress is determined by completion of the tasks in the UPWP, as documented by the progress report and determined by the MPO Liaison





Invoice Documentation

- MPOs must invoice on a monthly or quarterly basis
- Itemized Expenditure Report
 - » Report of expenditures made during the invoice period, broken out by task and budget category based on the Estimated Budget Detail
- Progress Report
 - » Report of activities undertaken during the invoice period
- Invoice will not include specific documentation of costs incurred (such as receipts), although the MPO must retain such documentation



Monitoring & Oversight: UPWP Review

- MPO Liaison to use checklist in the Handbook to perform review of draft UPWP
- The cost analysis must be performed prior to execution of the MPO agreement
- After performing review (and prior to execution of the MPO Agreement), the MPO Liaison shall sign the Cost Analysis Certification statement



Monitoring & Oversight: UPWP Review

Allowable

- » Authorized by federal and state law, rule, and/or regulation
- » Where more than one resource differs from another, the more restrictive resource applies

Reasonable

- » Are there less expensive alternatives that would meet the need?
- » Would a prudent person or business pay the same price for similar services?

Necessary

» Is this crucial to the success of the program?



Monitoring & Oversight: Cost Eligibility

- MPO Liaison <u>initially</u> responsible for determining whether a cost is allowable, necessary and reasonable
- Determination of eligible activities:
 - » 2 CFR §200 Subpart E Cost Principles
 - » DFS Reference Guide for State Expenditures

Note: FHWA holds
ultimate responsibility for
determining allowability,
necessity, and
reasonableness of costs
for FHWA funds.



Monitoring & Oversight: Risk Assessment

Risk Assessment

- » MPO risk assessed on a scale of low, moderate, elevated, and high
- » Fiscal Monitoring required by 2 C.F.R. §200.331
- Part of the Joint Certification Process



De-obligation

- MPOs only need to de-obligate/close-out funds at the end of the UPWP's 2nd year
- If MPOs have a balance in year 1 that they want to use in year 2 (for same task) – leave balance in year 1 – funds will be available on July 1 of the second fiscal year



Closeout

- FDOT has until Sept 30 to have final invoices and close out documents to FHWA
- If MPO anticipates it won't have final invoices submitted in time, MPO <u>must</u> notify the District
- If District anticipates it won't have its close-out memo completed before Sept 30, the District <u>must</u> request an extension from FHWA
- As of July 11, 2016, the process for closing projects has been revised
 - » See Federal Aid Technical Bulletin 16-03



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Introduction

June 1 Presentation:

- » Risk Assessment
 - Issues identified

Since June:

- » Need for consistent Joint Certification process
- » Incorporate Risk Assessment into Joint Certification

Where We Are Now:

- » Joint Certification includes Risk Assessment
 - One streamlined, consistent process
 - Value added
 - Benefits the MPO, MPO Liaison, and Central Office



Joint Certification - Timeline



District and MPO conduct Certification Review

February 15 District and MPO develop Preliminary Joint Certification Package

June

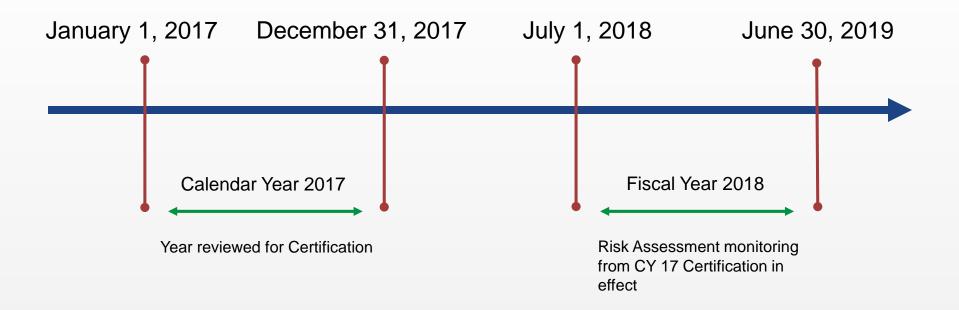
 Final Joint Certification Package signed. During UPWP update years, it is submitted with the UPWP

July 31

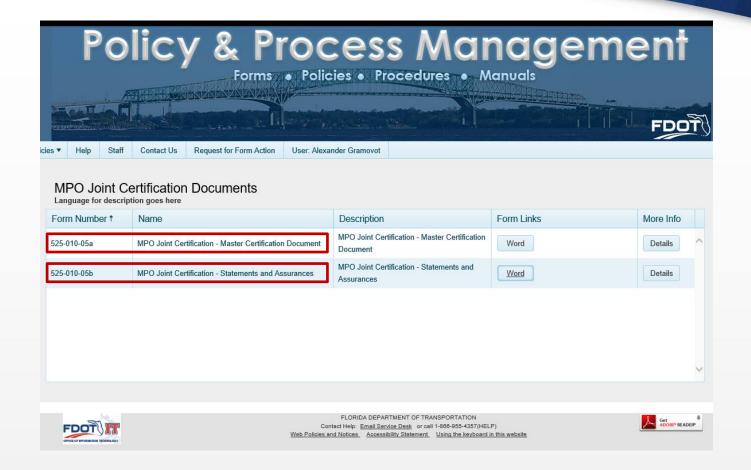
Final Certification Package must be sent to FHWA and OPP



Risk Assessment - Timeline







https://fms.fdot.gov/Form/ConsolidatedForm?formId=2678









Select MPO
Select MPO
Bay County TPO
Broward MPO
Capital Region TPA
Charlotte County-Punta Gorda MPO
Collier MPO
Florida-Alabama TPO
Gainesville MTPO

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525-010-05 POLICY PLANNING 11/17

Section 1: MPO Overview

Please Check: Ves III No III

 Does the MPO have up-to-date agreements such as the interlocal agreement that creates the MPO, the intergovernmental coordination and review agreement; and any other applicable agreements? Please list all agreements and dates that they need to be readopted.

[23 C.F.R. 450.314 (a) and (e)]

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PLEASE EXPLAIN
Does the MPO coordinate the planning of projects that cross MPO boundaries with the other MPO(s)?
[23 C.F.R. 450.314(e)]
Please Check: Yes No
PLEASE EXPLAIN





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Section 12: Attachments

Please attach any documents required from the sections above, or other certification related documents here. (Link to MPO Joint Certification Statements and Assurances)

Attach Files





JOINT CERTIFICATION STATEMENT ON THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS

Pursuant to the requirements of 23 U.S.C. 134(k)(5) and 23 CFR 450.334(a), the Department and the MPO have performed a review of the certification status of the metropolitan transportation planning process for the with respect to the requirements of:

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- 7. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101) prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;
- Section 324 of 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination on the basis of gender; and
- 9. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 C.F.R. Part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

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MPO JOINT CERTIFICATION STATEMENTS & ASSURANCES

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Wrap-Up

Questions?

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