

Freight Priorities Program (FPP)

2022 Call for Projects



January 2022

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Program Purpose

Provide MPOs with an opportunity to identify high priority freight projects on an annual basis

Use the MPOAC as a united voice to promote these MPO priorities to FDOT



Historic FPP Recap (2018 – 2021)

An average of 61% of MPOs submit projects annually

| | MPOs | Percent |
|------|------|---------|
| 2018 | 16 | 59% |
| 2019 | 14 | 52% |
| 2020 | 18 | 67% |
| 2021 | 18 | 67% |

Majority of projects are on the SIS with an average of 34% on the NHFN annually

| | SIS | Regional | NHFN |
|------|-----|----------|------|
| 2018 | 33 | 24 | 10 |
| 2019 | 24 | | 9 |
| 2020 | 25 | 21 | 14 |
| 2021 | 25 | 25 | 13 |

An average of 34 projects are submitted annually across 6 or 7 FDOT Districts

| | Projects | Districts |
|------|----------|-----------|
| 2018 | 37 | 7 |
| 2019 | 30 | 6 |
| 2020 | 32 | 6 |
| 2021 | 36 | 7 |

All projects since 2019 have supported at least 3 FTP goals

2021 FPP Recap

18 of Florida's 27 MPOs Submitted Projects **(67%)**

36 total projects **7** FDOT Districts

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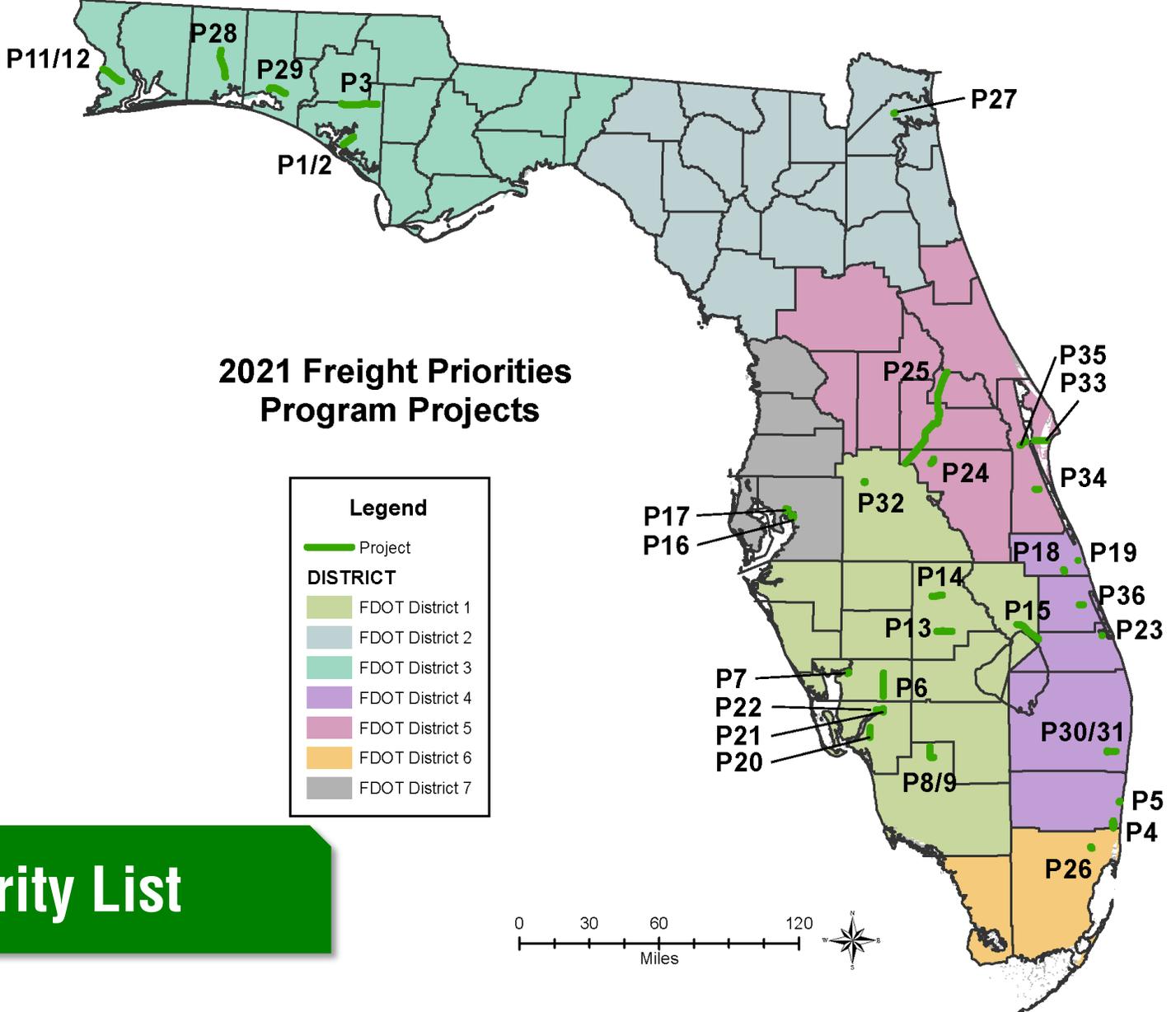
Projects are on the SIS | 25 are on a regional freight network | 13 are on the NHFN

All projects support at least three FTP goals

86% of projects are District Freight Coordinator priorities

89% of projects are for roadway capacity

Project requests exceeded \$2.3 billion for phase advancements and new funding



2021 Freight Priorities Program Projects

Legend

- Project
- DISTRICT**
- FDOT District 1
- FDOT District 2
- FDOT District 3
- FDOT District 4
- FDOT District 5
- FDOT District 6
- FDOT District 7

2021 Project Priority List

Overview of Existing Process

1

Each MPO submits up to 3 freight projects

Projects must fall on state highway system or NHFN, be post-PD&E or PD&E underway, or PD&E funded

Projects must be able to accept construction funds (e.g., be unfunded, partially funded, able to accept accelerated funding)

2

Screening checklist (including new DFC checklist) must be completed for each project and submitted to MPOAC

3

Staff will respond to follow up questions from consultant team

4

Statewide project list will be developed and shared with FDOT CO and DFCs to help ensure FDOT is aware and supportive of the projects

5

Statewide project list will be presented to MPOAC for approval (Freight Committee, Staff Directors, and Governing Board)

Evolution of the Program

- FPP was designed to help MPOs communicate freight project priorities on the SHS to FDOT to influence work program development
- Several MPOs have pushed for changes to project type and project eligibility
- 2021 survey was conducted with MPOs to identify opportunities for further expansion of the program
- Expanding the program to off-SHS roadway and other modal projects allows MPOs to communicate a broader set of freight priorities
- These “other” freight priorities may or may not be eligible for state funding

Updates to the Program

Existing Process

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- Pr Park

- Main

Proposed New Process

- Expand program to accept off-SHS roadway, ILC access, truck parking, and rail projects
- Maintain 3 project limit for on-SHS roadway projects
- Accept up to 3 non-SHS roadway projects
- Maintain project readiness requirements for all project types
- Prepare list sorted by SHS projects and all others based on funding programs

Reaction to Proposed Changes

- Are we comfortable maintaining three projects on SHS while allowing up to 3 non-SHS projects?
- Are the new modal options inclusive enough?
- Does the existing project readiness definition work effectively for the other modes?
- Are we agreed the list should highlight projects based on funding programs?

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Resolution

Motion to approve these changes?

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Updates to the Process

- Project submission process is moving to an online application
 - System will be pre-populated with 2021 submittals
 - Projects can be updated and resubmitted, if appropriate
 - All new projects will need to be entered into the system
- System will allow for selection of project type
 - SHS roadway projects will require the same data inputs as 2021
 - Other project types will require a different set of input at a higher level
- February training sessions will focus on the data requirements and use of the new on-line system

Instructions will be updated and the screening and vetting process will remain the same

Impact of the Program

- FDOT has used the list to increase a project's score within its annual prioritization process used to allocate NHFP funds
- Program has encouraged MPO/DFC collaboration on shared priorities
- MPOs have been able to promote key priorities as part of competitive grant applications
- Some MPOs have expressed frustration on lack of measurable impact
- Ongoing promotion of priorities and follow up with FDOT/funding partners is critical

Impact of the Program

Projects from 2021 List Funded with NHFN Funds through 2027

| MPO | FDOT District | Project Name | County | FM Number | NHFN | NHFN Funding Amount |
|-------------------------|---------------|--|-------------------------------|--------------------|------|---------------------|
| Bay County TPO | 3 | SR 75 (US 231) from SR 30A (US 98) to SR 368 (23rd St) | Bay | 2179107 | Yes | \$11,510,837 |
| Bay County TPO | 3 | Widening SR 20 from Washington County Line to SR 75 (US 231) | Bay | 2206356 | Yes | \$2,730,000 |
| Florida-Alabama TPO | 3 | SR 8 (I-10) EB Weigh Station to W of SR 95 (US 29) | Escambia | 4379052 4379053 | Yes | \$13,200,000 |
| Okaloosa-Walton TPO | 3 | State Road 20 Widening | Okaloosa | 2206358 | Yes | \$4,675,000 |
| Indian River County MPO | 4 | I-95 Interchange at Oslo Road | Indian River | 4130482 | Yes | \$6,764,069 |
| MetroPlan Orlando | 5 | I-4 Truck Parking Capacity Project | Orange Osceola Seminole | 4464451 | Yes | \$20,964,846 |
| | | | | | | \$59,844,752 |

2022 FPP Schedule

- February 14: **Call for Projects** will go out via Email to each MPO
 - MPOs will be provided with **Instructions**
- Mid/Late February: Two **training webinars** will be scheduled
- March 18: MPO **Project Submissions** are due
 - **Interim list** will be transmitted to FDOT soon after
- April 28: Present **Final Draft List** to Freight Committee, Staff Directors, and Governing Board for approval and transmittal to FDOT
 - **Endorsed List** will be transmitted to FDOT soon after

Questions?



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