

Speaker Biographies

Tools of the Trade. Leveraging Innovation for Engaging the Public

Beth Alden, Hillsborough Metropolitan Planning Organization

Beth Alden, AICP, leads an award-winning team of planners with a long-range vision of a transportation system that is safe and efficient for all. She has directed many acclaimed studies using innovative research methods in a collaborative context and forged new interagency partnerships that break down silos and deliver projects. Appointed in 2017 to the National Academy of Sciences' NCHRP 08-36 Panel for transportation planning research, she has also served as a best-practice presenter in several Federal Highway Administration Peer Exchange programs and guidebook panels and is the current chair of the Florida MPO Advisory Council's Noteworthy Practices Workgroup. Ms. Alden is a graduate of the University of Minnesota's Humphrey Institute of Public Affairs, as well as the College of Design at North Carolina State University.

Heather Garcia, Florida Department of Transportation District 5

Heather knows how to connect the dots at FDOT! Planning and Corridor Development Manager, Public Involvement Manager, Deputy Right-of-Way Manager, she's done it! Heather is a graduate of Florida Southern College with a bachelor's degree in communications and is a longtime FDOT District 5 employee.

Rusty Ennemoser, Florida Department of Transportation, Moderator Rusty Ennemoser, PhD, is the State Public Involvement and Community Resources Coordinator for the Florida Department of Transportation. Rusty has a Bachelor of Science degree in Journalism and Communications from Florida International University in Miami, a Master of Science degree in Multilingual/Multicultural Education from Florida State University, and a PhD from FSUL in Sociocultural and International Development Studies. She has worked for

FSU in Sociocultural and International Development Studies. She has worked for FDOT since 1999, first with the Central Public Information Office and currently in the Office of Policy Planning.

Are We Seeing More Clearly? Lessons Learned from Regional Visioning

Eric Hove, Metropolitan Area Planning Council

Eric Hove is the Director of Strategic Initiatives at the Metropolitan Area Planning Council (MAPC), the regional planning agency for the Boston region. His portfolio includes leading the update of our regional plan (MetroCommon 2050), policy development and advocacy, program and grants management, and community engagement.

Mr. Hove provides leadership and technical expertise on MAPC's smart growth campaigns and projects, including outreach to our region's municipalities, legislative drafting and advocacy, and developing our agency's long-term policy priorities.

Tara McCue, East Central Florida Regional Planning Council

Tara McCue, AICP, is the Director of Planning and Community Development at the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council where she has been working for the past 17 years on a variety of regional and local projects across sectors aimed at creating healthy, resilient and sustainable communities. She has extensive experience working with regional, state and federal agencies, universities and jurisdictions to further resiliency and sustainability in East Central Florida. Tara has co-authored two white papers examining land use impacts to rising sea level. Tara has a B.S. in Marine Biology from UNCW and a Master's in Environmental Resource Management from Florida Institute of Technology.



Patricia Steed, Central Florida Regional Planning Council

Patricia M Steed is the Executive Director of the Central Florida Regional Planning Council serving 30 local governments and is Staff Services Director of the six-county Heartland Regional Transportation Planning Organization. She leads the Heartland 2060 Vision: Building a Resilient Region. During her Florida planning career, she has also served as a County and City Planning Director, an MPO Director and as a Project Director for a national consulting firm. Her expertise is in transportation, community and strategic planning, visioning, and economic development. Pat currently serves as Vice-Chair of the Florida Transportation Plan (FTP) and SIS Steering Committee, on the Board of Directors of the National Association of Development Organizations (NADO), the Council of Peers of the Southeastern Executive Directors Institute, and is currently a member of the Southwest to Central Florida M-CORES Task Force. She is a frequent national presenter including at the White House Forum on Regional Innovation.

Greg Stuart, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization

Greg brings more than 28 years of transportation and land use planning experience in both private and public sectors. He secured Federal appropriations for major transportation projects, modified state rules to facilitate traffic mitigation and helped stimulated redevelopment efforts in Southeast Florida. Greg currently serves on the AMPO Board of Directors and the NARC Executive Directors Council. He also Chairs the Florida MPO Advisory Council (MPOAC) Staff Directors Advisory Committee and the MPOAC Freight Committee. Greg is a member of Florida's Freight Advisory Committee, working closely with the Florida Department of Transportation on freight issues. In his spare time, Greg is the Vice Chair of Fort Lauderdale's Transportation Management Agency, with an annual ridership exceeding 750,000 passengers, operating seven routes.

Alison Stettner, Florida Department of Transportation, Moderator

Alison Stettner serves as the Director of the Office of Policy Planning. She has worked for the Florida Department of Transportation for the past 5 years serving both at District 5 as the District Planning & Environmental Management Administrator and at Florida's Turnpike as the Planning Manager. She has more than 20 years of experience in transportation planning and growth management. Prior to her work at FDOT, Alison was the Development Services Director at Orange City, the Planning and Development Manager at Seminole County, and a transportation planner for both PBS&J and Orange County.

Alison received her Bachelor of Science from Michigan State University in Environmental Science and Management and a Master's in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Florida.

Access for All! On the Frontlines of Transportation and Equity

Frankie Elliott, Orlando REALTOR Association

Ms. Elliott has over twenty-five years of association and local government experience within the Central Florida community. After moving to Central Florida in 1989, Frankie worked on several statewide and local political campaigns and served as Chief of Staff to then Senator Buddy Dyer in the Florida Legislature. In 1994, she assumed the position of Vice President of Government Affairs with the Orlando Regional REALTOR® Association. She served as chief lobbyist for the association and oversaw all its political activities. In 1999, Ms. Elliott was hired to establish the governmental affairs activities and efforts for LYNX, the Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority.

Upon returning to the Orlando Regional REALTOR ® Association in 2003, in addition to her role as Vice President of Government Affairs, Ms. Elliott also assumed the position of Executive Director of the association's foundation. Since

its conception, the Orlando Regional REALTOR® Foundation (ORRF), has developed more than 25 single-family homes for first-time homeowners. The foundation's award-winning Art in Architecture program has won numerous statewide and national awards for its unique and innovative approach to the design and construction of affordable housing. Through a joint project with the City of Winter Park, the Art in Architecture program developed the Hannibal Square Land Trust, Florida's first single-family, owner-occupied land trust.

The foundation's current project includes a six single-family homes project in the Paramore neighborhood. Each of these homes will be donated to first-time homebuyers who happen to be U.S. military veterans. The foundation raised over \$950,000 for this project.

Ms. Elliott received a master's degree in Public Administration from The Florida State University and a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from



Birmingham Southern College. She and her husband Steve Elliott live in east Orange County and have three sons.

Eric Gray, United Against Poverty Orlando

Eric Gray serves as Executive Director for United Against Poverty Orlando. The UP Center, as it is known, is a cutting-edge nonprofit organization known as the busiest social service agency in Florida, highly regarded for programs such as their cost-share grocery, job training programs, TeamUP 360 volunteer program as well as their crisis, clinic and counseling center. UP Orlando is one of the most impactful empowerment non-profits in Florida offering not a hand out, but a hand up daily to over 600 customers, clients and citizens in need.

Eric holds a Master's in public administration and nonprofit management from the University of Kentucky and is also a graduate of the University of Florida where he was head drum major for the Gator Marching Band. He serves as a volunteer host for all college marching bands visiting Orlando for our many bowl games. Eric serves on the board of the East Orlando Chamber of Commerce, volunteers in the praise and worship band at University Carrillon United Methodist Church and was recently recognized by Orlando Magazine as among their "top 10 to watch" and the Orlando Business Journal as one of their CEO's of the year.

Eric is married to his high school sweetheart Heather, a local Occupational Therapist, and they have four above average children.

Gary Huttmann, MetroPlan Orlando

Gary Huttmann is the Executive Director of MetroPlan Orlando. MetroPlan is responsible under federal and state laws for transportation planning in Orange, Seminole and Osceola Counties.

Gary's worked in the transportation industry in Central Florida for over 30 years. In addition to his work for MetroPlan Orlando he has worked in the private sector and for local government, including the City of Orlando.

Gary is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners and the American Planning Association. Gary serves on a couple of national committees including the Technical Committee of the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations and the Executive Directors Council of the National Association of Regional Councils.

He also serves on the University of Central Florida Planning Advisory Board, focused on the Master's program in Urban Planning, and the Wekiva River Basin Commission.

Penny Pringle, DeSoto County Health Department

Penny joined the Florida Department of Health in DeSoto in 2005 and now serves as the Assistant CHD Director in a dual role in both DeSoto and Highlands Counties. This unique role facilitates an understanding of two diverse neighboring counties in Central Florida. Penny is fortunate to have over 35 years of a career in health care spanning many phases of leadership including a strong background in clinical, quality and performance management.

Penny continues to learn and leverage local partnerships in these rural, underserved areas where a lack of services and service duplications have existed. Ultimately, her personal and professional goal is to tackle health inequities through public health services.

Marybeth Soderstrom, Central Florida Regional Planning Council

Marybeth Soderstrom is the Transportation Director for the Heartland Regional Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO) that serves as the forum for local elected officials, their staff, and industry experts, and the public to work together to improve transportation in DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, and Okeechobee Counties.

She joined the HRTPO staff shortly after the organization's formation as the Community Outreach Coordinator and worked to build the organization, and it's nationally recognized approach to public engagement. Her role expanded to include Mobility Management and the rural transit programs in the region. During her time at the HRTPO, Marybeth has guided the development of plans such as the Public Participation Plan, Unified Planning Work Program, and Transportation Improvement Program and managed the administration of the organization. Marybeth has a B.S. in Liberal Arts from Florida College and specialized in Integrated Public Relations. She has experience in youth development, workforce development, transportation, and community planning and is a past president of the Dick Pope/Polk County Chapter of the Florida Public Relations Association. She enjoys camping, Florida sunshine, and spending time with her family.

David Darm, Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged, Moderator

David Darm is the Executive Director of the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged. The Commission is an independent state agency responsible for ensuring the coordination of transportation for older adults, persons with disabilities and people with low incomes throughout the 67 counties in Florida.



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Change – The Only Constant. Incorporating Resilience into Transportation Planning

Jennifer Codo-Salisbury, Central Florida Regional Planning Council

Jennifer Codo-Salisbury is the Deputy Director of the Central Florida Regional Planning Council. She leads a dynamic and multi- functional planning team which administers programs including Brownfields, Hazard Mitigation, Geographical Information Systems, military installation compatibility, local land use planning, and state and federal grant administration and coordination. Jennifer has more than 20 years of experience in urban planning, has a Master of Public Administration degree from the University of South Florida and is a certified planner. Prior to joining the Central Florida Regional Planning Council, Jennifer managed several large-scale planning projects in both the public and private sectors.

James Cromar, Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization

James Cromar has nearly 30 years of professional experience, combining private and public sector experience with a focus on the integration of transportation and land use planning. After spending twelve years as a Denver-based consultant, James has been in South Florida since 2002, working as a planner at the municipal, County and MPO level. James directs the implementation and execution of the MPO's core products to deliver projects in coordination with various municipalities and community stakeholders.

Heather Holsinger, Federal Highway Administration

Heather Holsinger is an Environmental Specialist with the Sustainable Transportation and Resilience Team within the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), U.S. Department of Transportation. Her work at FHWA involves policy development and analysis in the areas of transportation system resilience, sustainability, and alternative fuel vehicles. Prior to joining FHWA, Heather served as a Senior Policy Fellow and Program Manager for Adaptation at the Pew Center on Global Climate Change, a Senior Analyst with the Natural Resources and Environment team at the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO), and as an economic and environmental management consultant. She holds Master's degrees from Duke University in resource economics (MEM) and public policy (MPP) and a BA from the University of Virginia with majors in Economics and Environmental Science. Michael Sherman, Federal Highway Administration, Florida Division

On July 2019, Mr. Michael A. Sherman was named the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Planning Specialist and Planning Liaison to FDOT District 1 and 3.

Mr. Sherman began his FHWA career as a Pathways Intern for the FHWA Florida Division in 2016. In 2017, he was placed in the FHWA's Professional Development Program (PDP) for the Pennsylvania Division. This training program is a rigorous training program in effort to prepare trainees to take on a full-time role in the agency. His program consisted of experiences with the Minnesota Dept. of Transportation (MnDOT) working closely with the MnDOT Asset Management staff; FHWA-Central Federal Lands Highway Division (CFLHD) which involved working closely with the planning staff providing assistance to the Federal Lands Application Program (FLAP), assisting Indian tribes with developing a federally compliant LRTP, and providing technical assistance/collaborating with Federal Land Management Agencies (FLMAs) such as the National Park Service (NPS) in effort to relieve congestion in Yellowstone Nat'l Park/Grand Teton Nat'l Park; worked closely with Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) staff to learn about the various roles the MPO plays in the transportation planning process (e.g. TIP/UPWP/PPP development).

Michael graduated from the PDP in 2019 and was promoted as a full-time FHWA Community Planner for the Pennsylvania Division. He was the Planning Liaison for North Central, Johnston, Altoona, Southern Alleghenies, Reading, Lehigh Valley and Delaware Regional Planning Commission, TMA/MPOs. He also was assigned the Environmental area of Montgomery and Chester counties.

Michael is a two-time alumnus from Florida State University with degrees in Geography, B.S. (specializing in GIS), Environmental Science, B.S. (specializing in Math and Oceanography), Urban and Regional Planning, MSP (specializing in Transportation and Land Use Planning) and a Master of Public Administration (MPA) (specializing in Emergency Management and Homeland Security).

Jennifer Carver, Florida Department of Transportation, Moderator

Jennifer Carver, AICP, serves as the Statewide Community Planning Coordinator for the Florida Department of Transportation Office of Policy Planning. Jennifer coordinates FDOT's community/comprehensive planning and resilience planning efforts. She has over 20 years of experience in planning and public engagement, including land use/transportation planning, bicycle and pedestrian planning, hazard mitigation, coastal/environmental management, and parks and recreation.



Bee-Utiful! Benefits of Beautification for Community Enhancement

Jaret Daniels, University of Florida

Jaret Daniels, Ph.D. is Professor of Entomology at the University of Florida and the Director of the McGuire Center for Lepidoptera and Biodiversity at the Florida Museum of Natural History. Dr. Daniels received a B.S. from Saint John's University in Minnesota and Ph.D. from the University of Florida. An entomologist by training, he specializes in the ecology and conservation of at-risk butterflies and other native insect pollinators.

Lisa Roberts, Florida Wildflower Foundation

Florida Wildflower Foundation Executive Director Lisa Roberts has worked with FDOT for more than 12 years, helping to shape policy that has made the state's roadsides some of the most beautiful in the U.S. Under her direction, the Foundation implemented a pilot program in the Panhandle that has recruited more than 600 "wildflower watcher" volunteers who have worked with their counties and FDOT to enhance 700 miles of roadsides with wildflowers. Ms. Roberts is a member of the city of Maitland's Sustainability Committee and a former journalist

who was a writer and editor at the Orlando Sentinel for more than three decades. She graduated from the University of Central Florida with a bachelor's degree in journalism and holds certificates of Nonprofit Management and Proposal Writing from Rollins College's Edyth Bush Institute for Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership.

Claudia Calzaretta, Florida Department of Transportation District 5, Presenter and Moderator

Claudia Calzaretta has been with the Florida Department of Transportation for 15 ½ years. Claudia started her career with FDOT as a Right of Way Acquisition Agent, then joined the Public Involvement Team, then she went on to be the Ocala/Marion Transportation Planning Organization Liaison and the Volusia Transportation Planning Organization Liaison. Currently, Claudia has served as the Florida Scenic Highway Program Coordinator for the past 4 years.

Hi Ho – It's Off to Work We Go! Building A Future Transportation Workforce

Lisa Bacot, Florida Public Transportation Association

Lisa Bacot is currently the Executive Director of the Florida Public Transportation Association (FPTA), one of the largest state transit associations in the nation. She has over 25 years of transportation and health care experience. For 12 years, Lisa was employed by the Florida Commission for the Transportation Disadvantaged, a state agency legislatively charged with ensuring transportation services are provided to the most vulnerable citizens of Florida. She served as the Executive Director for the Commission for 5 years, including the direct oversight of over \$110 million in non-emergency transportation funding. Lisa graduated from FSU in 1993 and lives in Tallahassee.

Alix Miller, Florida Trucking Association

Alix Miller is Vice President of Florida Trucking Association (FTA), where she directs communications efforts, manages government relations and works directly with state regulatory agencies to promote and protect the interests of the trucking industry. She serves on several statewide transportation committees, including Florida Department of Transportation's Florida Transportation Plan-Strategic Intermodal System Committee; FDOT Innovative Technology Deployment Team;

and the Florida Freight Advisory Committee. She holds a BA from Tulane University, and an MFA and PhD, both from Florida State University.

Michael Corbit, CareerSource Palm Beach County

Michael Corbit is Assistant Vice President of Business Services for CareerSource Palm Beach County. Through CareerSource, Michael collaborates with regional businesses, government, education & industry leaders to spur job growth and business development. He represents CareerSource on a variety of boards and committees across South Florida including Palm Beach County League of Cities, City of West Palm Beach Mayor's Village Initiative, Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies, Miami Dade College Science and Biotechnology Advisory Board, Florida Manufacturing Trade Grant, City of West Palm Beach National Center for Arts & Technology, City of Delray Beach WARC, Palm Beach Tech, South Florida Manufacturing Association and Marine Industry Association of Palm Beach County.



Richard Williams, CareerSource Chipola/Opportunity Florida

Richard Williams is Executive Director for both Opportunity Florida and CareerSource Chipola. He was born in Marianna, FL, graduated high school in Altha, FL, and currently lives in Bristol, FL. He is a fifth generation Floridian. After graduating from Texas, A&M University he returned home to work in a family business. He later left the business and helped establish Opportunity Florida, serving as the Executive Director until 2002 when he left to serve as the Executive Director of CareerSource Chipola. In 2016 he started serving in the dual role of Executive Director for both organizations.

Deeply committed to rural communities, he has served on various boards ranging from the Calhoun Liberty Soil and Water Conservation District, the Blueprint Commission for the Florida Department of Juvenile Justice and as president of the Florida Workforce Development Association. In 2014 he was named the Toni Jennings Workforce Development Professional of the Year. Williams is quick to remind those controlling the rules and the resources that communities deserve support whether they are Two Egg or Tampa, Gretna or Gainesville, Marianna, or Miami. Williams says he was lucky to have a lot of mentors early in his career that always stressed the need to help our rural communities as well as the importance of working hard to improve the economic health of the region. Williams said the most satisfying part of his job is getting to talk with individuals that have been able to improve their economic stability because of training they received through a workforce program or because Opportunity Florida helped a business grow or locate in the region.

Jennifer Stults, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, Moderator

Jennifer Stults, AICP CTP, CPM, FCCM, is the Planning and Environmental Management Administrator for Florida's Turnpike Enterprise. Planning and Environmental Management includes Project Development & Environment (PD&E), Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), growth management, traffic modeling, Geographic Information Systems (GIS), freight, and other modes.

Jennifer has over 20 years of planning experience, including working with roads, MPO's, transit, and as a consultant. She is currently serving as the Production Lead for the M-CORES Northern Turnpike Corridor project.

By Air or By Sea. Protecting Airport and Seaport Infrastructure

Scott Brady, Project Manager, EG Solutions, Inc.

Scott Brady received his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Civil Engineering from Georgia Tech, the latter in 1978. He is a licensed professional engineer in Florida and has 42 years of practice experience in civil engineering. This experience includes over 500 projects in 15 states. They have ranged in construction cost from a few thousand to over one billion dollars. Since 1984 the majority have been airport projects and most of these have been located in Florida. Starting in 1994 Scott has worked on a series of demonstration projects focused on airport water management. Since 2000 he has been the consultant team project or technical manager for the Florida Statewide Airport Stormwater Study, managed by the Florida Department of Transportation and jointly funded by FAA and FDOT. Stakeholders providing review and oversight for the project included the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the Water Management Districts. This project has resulted in new rules for airport water management incorporated by rule in 62-330.449 Florida Administrative Code. The latest work on the project, using Computational Fluid Dynamics and field verification by the University of Florida, has resulted in a water management design option that is roughly twice as efficient in pollutant removal in ponds that

are only 10% to 20% as large as typical ponds. Scott has assisted in real time evaluations of flood impacts and mitigation options. He has also participated in disaster recovery engineering evaluations following extreme events. Scott is an instrument rated, commercial land and sea plane pilot.

Doug DiCarlo, Environmental Science Associates

Doug has 25 years of experience in providing aviation consulting services for both commercial service and general aviation airports throughout the United States. He has served as project manager or senior aviation planner on various airport master plans, aviation planning studies, environmental documents, and airfield design projects. His expertise has involved forecasting, airfield geometry, heliport facilities, alternatives analysis, airspace evaluations, and feasibility studies. His project experience has also included airfield analyses, landside facilities, airside/landside capacity, land acquisition, land use compatibility, airport zoning, financial planning, and economic development. Commercial service airport assignments have also included terminal, gate, ramp, airfield, and landside planning, as well as developing detailed airline fleet forecasts and schedules for simulation models.



Doug also authored numerous technical reports and has presented his work at symposiums, conferences, workshops, and public meetings/hearings. He has served as a lecturer for both undergraduate and graduate business and aviation classes at Florida Institute of Technology, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, and the Ecole Nationale de l'Avation Civile in Toulouse, France.

Ben Siwinski, VHB

Ben is a Senior Aviation Planner focused on environmental planning incorporating sustainability and resiliency into master planning processes. His sustainability and resiliency planning project background includes experience with facilities ranging in size from small general aviation airports to major large-hub air carrier airports, including state aviation organizations, municipalities and counties.

Doug Wheeler, Florida Ports Council

The Florida Ports Council is a nonprofit corporation that serves as the professional association for Florida's 15 public deepwater seaports and their management, providing leadership in the areas of state and federal advocacy, marketing and communications, and research and data through the collective voice of the state's seaports.

Mr. Wheeler has more than 20 years of governmental affairs and association leadership at both the state and federal levels, previously holding positions with the Associated Builders and Contractors, and more recently, the Florida Chamber of Commerce, where he served as Vice President of Grassroots Advocacy and Political Action Development. Under Wheeler's leadership and management, the Chamber worked aggressively and effectively to represent the interests of business in Florida.

James Smith, Smith-Woolwine, Inc.

Dr. James F. Smith does research in the fields of airport resiliency and emergency preparedness. Jim has authored or co-authored many research papers on emergency preparation and planning for airports including 17 reports for the National Academies of Science's Airport Cooperative Research Program (ACRP). He has advised many airports worldwide. Dr. Smith served as Technical Director of the Port Resiliency Program (PReP) that provided resiliency support for airports in the Caribbean and Latin America, and he is Professor Emeritus of Emergency and Disaster Management at American Public University System.

2+2=More. Building Capacity through Community Partnerships

Katherine Beck, Florida Main Street, Florida Department of State

Katherine Beck is the Main Street Coordinator for the State of Florida. Her background includes policy and comprehensive planning analysis, advocacy, residential and commercial real estate sales, development and construction, and business management. Florida Main Street is a four points program designed to teach communities how to organize, design, promote and restore economic viability to districts that have been overlooked and ignored.

Jeff Carney, Florida Institute for Built Environment Resilience

Jeff is an associate professor in the School of Architecture at the University of Florida and associate director of the Florida Institute for Built Environment Resilience (FIBER). The Institute is committed to the design, planning, construction and management of resilient built environments, with strong interests in the well-being of the people and communities who inhabit them. Jeff leads the Florida Resilient Cities program which works with communities across the state to connect resilience challenges with UF faculty and students through research opportunities. The inaugural city is Port St. Joe, which is still recovering from Hurricane Michael.

Whitney Gray, Florida Department of Environmental Protection

Whitney Gray has been the Administrator of the Florida Resilient Coastlines Program in the Florida Coastal Office of DEP since December of 2017. Her bachelor's and master's degrees are from the University of Florida (Go Gators!) where she studied zoology and systems ecology. She first worked on climate change vulnerability assessment and adaptation planning with the Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council. From 2012 to 2015, Whitney served as Sea Level Rise Coordinator for both FWC and Florida Sea Grant, specializing in the effects of sea level rise on coastal ecosystems. She coordinated an internal climate change seminar series, "Florida Adapts," and served as a subject matter expert on Species Action Plans during the Imperiled Species Management Planning process. Originally from Florida's Gulf coast, Whitney has seen firsthand how sea level rise has changed the state, from critical erosion to "ghost forests." Her task now is to bring sea level rise resilience planning to the forefront of DEP activity for the long-term benefit of the people and ecosystems of Florida.



Denise Imbler, Florida Regional Councils Association, Presenter and Moderator

After receiving her education at the University of Florida, Denise Imbler worked for the Florida Division of Emergency Management from 1994 – 2004. During her tenure, she served as the Community Program Administrator managing the Emergency Planning Community Right-to-Know Act Program and the Risk Management Planning Program as well as overseeing the Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan review process. In 2005 she joined the Apalachee Regional Planning Council where she currently serves as the Director of Special Projects, assisting state and local governments on emergency preparedness and planning activities and community resilience projects. In 2016, Ms. Imbler became the Statewide Coordinator for the Florida Regional Councils Association working with Florida's 10 Regional Planning Councils supporting Economic Development, Transportation Planning and Emergency Planning initiatives as well as Regional Convening. In her free time, she enjoys tennis, sailing and a good book.

<u>Alexa – How's the City? Smart Cities Are Not Just About Transportation</u>

John Schultz, Bootleg Advisors

John Schultz is the Co-Founder and Chief Bootlegger for Bootleg Advisors. During the last 2+ decades, he has helped over 300 manufacturing locations save millions in direct costs while increasing production, improving quality, and reducing inventories. John has personally benchmarked over 1,000 locations. In summary, John has spent his entire career helping organizations "Make More, Break Less, and Didn't Spend".

Most recently, John has been focused on assisting executives with courage to bridge the gap between the needs of their business and the ability of the workforce to execute in a secure and resilient environment. John's absolute passion is in the area of developing the workforce of the future. John is very active with several organizations to define tomorrow's standards – today. This body of work has also taken John outside of the 4 walls of manufacturing, where he now finds himself applying this same unique approach to problem solving to the Smart Cities movement and as a resource to several non-profits that are being disrupted.

John holds bachelor's degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Economics from Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology. He is a Certified Maintenance and Reliability Professional (CMRP) through the Society for Maintenance and Reliability Professionals (SMRP). In addition, John has completed the training and testing/certifications for Level II or III in most Predictive Maintenance (PdM) technologies. He also has extensive experience in Reliability Centered Maintenance (RCM) and Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA), and he is an instructor and facilitator in three RCM methodologies, as well as an instructor and facilitator in RCA Cause Mapping, Logic Tree, and 5 Why. Further, John has completed detailed studies on Statistical Process Control and Six Sigma at the University of Tennessee and has attained Black Belt Status.

Jeff Winkler, United Way of Northeast Florida

Jeff joined United Way of Northeast Florida in 2006 and currently serves as the Head of Basic Needs. In this role, he administers a funding portfolio to over 40 local agencies that provide foundational services to individuals and families in poverty or who are ALICE. Jeff also oversees United Way's 2-1-1 Information, Referral and Suicide hotline and United Way's hurricane and disaster preparedness efforts. He currently is leading the effort to establish Mission United in Northeast Florida, which is a collective impact initiative that helps veterans and their families navigate and access community resources, while also improving the systems in place to help this deserving population. He is a graduate of Jacksonville University where he received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology. Jeff serves as a member of the Northeast Florida

Community Veteran Engagement Board, is a graduate of United Way Worldwide's Global Resident Fellows program, a recipient of the Jacksonville Business Journal's 40 Under 40 award, alumni of Leadership Jacksonville's Class of 2015 and current member of the Northeast Florida Regional Council's Regional Leadership Academy.

Jeff Sheffield, North Florida Transportation Planning Organization, Moderator

Jeff Sheffield, a 27-year transportation professional, is the executive director of the independent four-county North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (North Florida TPO) handling transportation planning and prioritizing in the region. He has a Master of Science in urban planning from Florida State University.

In his role, Mr. Sheffield leads regional coordination and policy development and oversees project management for the many short and long-term programs and studies prescribed by federal law.



Working with partner agencies, he has championed results-oriented investment in intelligent transportation systems (ITS), traffic incident management, safety, bicycle and pedestrian planning, freight and logistics planning, Clean Fuels Coalition and multi-modal mobility improvements. Most recently, Mr. Sheffield has focused on implementing the TPO's Smart North Florida Initiative with the goal to harness the power of smart technologies, coordinated data, and regional collaboration to improve North Florida's economic competitiveness, sustainability and quality of life. Originating as a public sector initiative while developing a Smart Region Master plan, it has expanded to include private sector and non-profit

organizations across our region by creating a platform for tech professionals, business owners, startups, and investors to connect, collaborate, and get inspired to drive innovation. Mr. Sheffield recently gave a TEDx talk entitled "The Pulse Behind a Smart City".

Mr. Sheffield is also a frequent speaker and panel moderator on infrastructure and other transportation topics and fosters strong local relationships with national organizations.

Safety is No Accident. Emerging Safety Issues in Florida

Ken Bryan, Rails to Trails Conservancy

Ken Bryan has been the Florida Director for Rails-to-Trails Conservancy for 28 years and is more excited and bullish about trails now than when starting the job as a young man coming from local government, and feels the tipping point towards achieving useful non-motorized systems for practical travel, personal health and recreation is upon us. He relishes his leadership role in lobbying for the passage of Preservation 2000, Florida Forever, Safe Paths to Schools (Routes on the national level), Conserve by Bike, Florida Greenways and Trails Act, SUN Trail funding and numerous trail friendly State budgets as well as the last 5 federal transportation reauthorization bills known as MAP-21, TEA-21, TEA3, Safetea-Lu and FAST Acts.

Peggy Smith, CSX Transportation

Peggy Smith has been with the railroad for over 20 years with a variety of positions. In 2012, she started in Community Affairs and Safety currently covering 7 states in the South. Peggy is also on the Operation Lifesaver (OL) state Board of Directors in Florida. Peggy's roles at CSX and at FL OL provide her with the opportunity to improve safety along our network through the use of the three E's: Engineering, Education and Enforcement.

Lt. Colonel Troy Thompson, Florida Highway Patrol

Lt. Colonel Troy Thompson is a 26-year veteran of law enforcement who currently serves as the Deputy Director of the Florida Highway Patrol. Lt. Colonel Thompson began his career in October 1993 assigned to the Miami District. Lt. Colonel Thompson promoted to the rank of sergeant in December 1998, lieutenant in February 2001, and then captain in August 2002. In September 2013, Lt. Colonel was promoted to the rank of chief, supervising the Commercial Vehicle Enforcement unit. In September 2017, Lt. Colonel Thompson was promoted to Deputy Director of the Florida Highway Patrol.

During his career, Lt. Colonel has served in many roles as a hazardous materials specialist, field trainer, first-line supervisor, and commander. In each of these roles, Lt. Colonel volunteered for additional duties such as training, coordinating outreach events and participating in specialized committees. In 2011, Lt. Colonel was named to the Florida Trucking Association's Hall of Fame for his outreach efforts with the industry. From April 2013 – September 2016, Lt. Colonel served as the Region II President for the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance where he served on CVSA's Board of Directors and Finance Committee.

Lt. Colonel holds a Bachelor's Degree from the University of South Florida. Lt. Colonel is also a graduate of the 2008 Federal Bureau of Investigation's National Academy, Class 234.

Chief Mark Brown, Florida Highway Patrol

Chief Mark Brown is a 20-year veteran of law enforcement who currently serves as the Special Services Commander of the Florida Highway Patrol. Chief Brown began his career with the Florida Highway Patrol in 1999 and was assigned to Charlotte County. He promoted to Corporal in 2002, assigned to Sarasota County. In 2004, Brown was promoted to Sergeant and was assigned to Manatee County, later being reassigned to Sarasota County. He was promoted to Lieutenant in 2006 and was assigned to the Tallahassee Regional Communication Center as a Shift Commander. He also served as the Troop H Operations Lieutenant responsible for the Criminal Interdiction and Traffic Homicide units.

Brown promoted to Captain in 2010 and was responsible for Gadsden, Liberty, Wakulla and Franklin Counties, serving there until late 2011, when he was appointed as the Chief of Public Affairs in General Headquarters. He was promoted to Major in 2012, serving as the Chief Training Officer at the FHP



Training Academy. Brown was promoted to the Northern Region Commander in February 2016. He transitioned into his current position in March 2019 and oversees the Training Academy, Regional Communication Centers, Air Support Unit, Emergency Operations and the Bureau of Criminal Investigations and Intelligence.

Brown is the lead instructor of the Leadership in Police Organizations program and is a graduate of the Florida Criminal Justice Executive Institute's Executive Future Studies Program and the Chief Executive Seminar.

He is a graduate of Florida Southern College and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in both Business Administration and Criminology.

David Hawk, Federal Highway Administration, Moderator

David Hawk is the Deputy Division Administrator (DDA) in the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Florida Division Office in Tallahassee, FL. He has held this position since December 2009. The FHWA supports State and local governments in the design, construction, and maintenance of the Nation's highway system (Federal-aid Highway Program). Prior to serving as the DDA, David served as a Transportation Specialist on the Program Management Improvement Team, in FHWA Headquarters in Washington D.C. He served for 4 years in the position of Program Operations Team Leader in the New Jersey Division. He also gained valuable experience while serving in various engineering positions in New Jersey and the Eastern Federal Lands Highway Divisions. David joined FHWA in 1992 as a Highway Engineer Trainee with assignments in Vermont, Western Federal Lands, Eastern Federal Lands, and Massachusetts. Originally, from southern New Jersey, he holds a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Vermont.

Walking on Sunshine. Finding a Brighter Future for Bicyclists and Pedestrians

Jack Kostrzewa, Capital Region Transportation Planning Agency

Jack has been with the CRTPA, formerly the Tallahassee-Leon County MPO, for 25 years serving in various roles from transportation modeling to project management.

Robert Paquin, Jacobs Engineering Group

Robert Paquin is a traffic safety engineer who has worked at Jacobs for nearly six years. He has primarily worked in the realm of safety planning with extensive experience supporting statewide risk-based analyses that target reducing the number of fatal and severe injury related crashes from a proactive approach. Robert also has experience in traffic operations studies which utilizes modeling software to contrast before/after scenarios due to changes in access. When not in the office, Robert enjoys cycling around town or on the many trails surrounding the Tampa Bay area. Originally from the upper Midwest, he is no stranger to camping, fishing and canoeing with his wife and two dogs.

Kate Widness, Kimley-Horn

Kate Widness has been a transportation planner with Kimley-Horn and Associates for the past 8 years in their Tallahassee office. She specializes in bicycle and pedestrian studies, trail feasibility studies, community resilience, and environmental documentation. Kate works throughout Florida and the southeast with a variety of municipalities and MPO's on better connecting and expanding their active transportation systems.

Frank Proulx, Toole Design Group

Frank Proulx, PhD, is Toole Design's Data Science Practice Lead. He is a national expert in bicyclist and pedestrian counting methods and technologies and enjoys solving tricky geospatial and math problems. Frank's research interests are broadly in traffic safety analysis, with a focus on developing improved methods for estimating bicyclist and pedestrian exposure. Prior to joining our team of researchers and data analysts, Frank consulted on transportation projects across the country, and spent four years at the UC Berkeley Safe Transportation Research & Education Center (SafeTREC) while he was in graduate school. In his dissertation, Frank developed a method to predict bicycle traffic volumes across a network by fusing together multiple datasets, including regional travel demand models, counts, crowdsourced activity data, and bikeshare usage data.

Trenda McPherson, Florida Department of Transportation, Moderator

Trenda has served as a safety program manager in the Safety Office for over fifteen years. As the State's Bicycle Pedestrian Safety Program Manager, she leads the implementation of countermeasures to eliminate traffic fatalities on Florida's roads and the delivery of practical, actionable, and replicable solutions to the challenges that our most vulnerable road users face.



Trenda also serves as an External Board Member for the Florida State University Transportation Center and as a Highway Safety Program Management Instructor for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Corridor Planning. FDOT Style

Heather Garcia, Florida Department of Transportation District 1

Heather knows how to connect the dots at FDOT! Planning and Corridor Development Manager, Public Involvement Manager, Deputy Right-of-Way Manager, she's done it! Heather is a graduate of Florida Southern College with a bachelor's degree in communications and is a longtime FDOT District 5 employee.

Bessie Reina, Florida Department of Transportation District 1

Bessie is a graduate of Florida State University, achieving a Master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning in 2012, and is also an alumni of the Fulbright Program. She started with FDOT as a Community Liaison to the Collier Metropolitan Planning Organization. Prior joining the Department, Bessie was employed by the Georgia Department of Transportation where she worked as a transportation planner in the Atlanta Branch.

Ken Spitz, Florida Department of Transportation

Ken joined FDOT in 2016 after serving thirteen years as chief executive of a transportation and stormwater management special taxing district in Illinois. Prior to that, he worked in the private sector on roadway, transit and site design projects in nine states.

Ken leads District 7 advance planning efforts, including: travel demand modeling, innovative intersections, corridor/subarea studies, Complete Streets, lane

elimination/repurposing, autonomous/connected vehicles, and resiliency/sustainability.

He also leads the District's "Mobility Innovation and Technology Team" (MITT) a multi-disciplinary group implementing new designs and technologies into FDOT projects.

In a similar role, Ken serves as a Tri-Chair of the Tampa Bay Smart Cities Alliance. The TBSCA brings public and private sector partners together to champion new technology use in the region's infrastructure projects.

Alison Stettner, Florida Department of Transportation, Moderator

Alison Stettner serves as the Director of the Office of Policy Planning. She has worked for the Florida Department of Transportation for the past 5 years serving both at District 5 as the District Planning & Environmental Management Administrator and at Florida's Turnpike as the Planning Manager. She has more than 20 years of experience in transportation planning and growth management.

Prior to her work at FDOT, Alison was the Development Services Director at Orange City, the Planning and Development Manager at Seminole County, and a transportation planner for both PBS&J and Orange County. Alison received her Bachelor of Science from Michigan State University in Environmental Science and Management and a Master's in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Florida.

Top of the Charts. Florida's Strategic Intermodal System

Martin Guttenplan, CDM Smith

Senior Transportation Planner, CDM Smith

Martin's 29 years career has focused on integrating the bicycle, pedestrian, and transit modes into all facets of transportation planning. He specializes in data driven approaches to integrate these modes into transportation and land use planning and design. Martin provided technical oversight for FDOT's new Access Management

Guide which combines older guidebooks and aligns with Context Classifications and the major updates to the FDOT Design Manual. He incorporated national best practices and employed a multimodal, context sensitive approach to best serve all modes of transportation.



Karen Kiselewski, Cambridge Systematics

Karen Kiselewski, AICP, is Principal of Cambridge Systematics (CS) with 19 years' experience in multimodal transportation planning; resilience; policy and program development and evaluation; integrating transportation planning and land use, economic, and other systems planning; and coordination, facilitation and public engagement. She has performed corridor and areawide planning studies for the Florida Department of Transportation (DOT), Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), and municipalities. She has led or supported transportation resilience studies for FDOT Central Office, Turnpike Enterprise, and District 4, the Hillsborough MPO and Tampa Bay region.

Tanner Martin, HDR, Inc.

Mr. Martin is a transportation planner with a focus on collecting, managing and analyzing transportation data to provide insight on complex planning issues for informed decision making. His specialty stems from serving Florida DOT by providing strategic guidance for the agency's transportation data analysis practices and emerging technology trends. He has helped the Florida DOT improve data quality and consistency and is currently involved in data analytics and visualization for public and agency consumption.

Mr. Martin was heavily involved with the Florida Automated Vehicles Initiative that consisted of coordination with automotive industry professionals, Federal transportation partners and stakeholders leading the implementation of AV/CV. He

is now actively assisting multiple offices within FDOT to incorporate emerging technologies into planning documents and program policies. He is recognized as a subject matter expert of emerging technologies in the Florida transportation planning and engineering community.

Gerald Goosby, Florida Department of Transportation, Moderator

Mr. Goosby possess over 10 years of experience in the field of transportation planning. Gerald is currently the Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) Planning Manager in the Systems Implementation Office (SIO). The SIS represents a high priority network of transportation facilities important to the state's economy and overall mobility. Prior to his position with FDOT, he worked as an in-house consultant in support of the SIS, with on long-range planning initiatives such as the SIS Cost Feasible Plan and Multimodal Unfunded Needs Plan. In association with these plans, Gerald developed manuals that outlined their update processes from beginning to end. Prior to his stints at FDOT, Mr. Goosby worked as a planner with the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for 11 years. During his tenure with DCA, he gained an understanding of the relationship between transportation and land use planning as it relates growth management.

If We Build It, Will They Come? Industry Insights: Investing to Grow Florida's Economy

Beth Cicchetti, Florida Economic Development Council

Beth Cicchetti is the Executive Director of the Florida Economic Development Council (FEDC), a professional association of 400+ economic, workforce and community developers whose focus is improving local communities and elevating Florida's global competitiveness. Beth is responsible for the organization's membership development, strategic planning, advocacy efforts and commitments to the Florida 2030 Blueprint.

A certified economic developer (CEcD) since 2009 accredited by the International Economic Development Council, Beth has a 34-year career in business, economic and workforce development in Florida. As a complement to her leadership of FEDC, Beth consults with communities and businesses on strategic planning, marketing, and project development. She has served communities that have announced new jobs and capital investment in the sectors of IT, Healthcare,

Energy, Advanced Materials, Warehousing/Distribution, Transportation Solutions, Backoffice and Manufacturing. These jobs have occurred in rural and urban markets, at airports, and as greenfield and expansion projects. Each project required unique and innovative solutions in the areas of workforce training, infrastructure, permitting and financing.

Beth graduated from the University of Louisiana-Monroe with a B.S. in Computer Science. She is also a graduate of the University of Central Florida with a M.S. in Engineering Systems Analysis.

Beth has led numerous Board of Directors and Committees. She is the Immediate Past Chair of CareerSource Capital Region and is a current director with the National Association of Workforce Boards. She is a 2020 member of Class V of the Florida TaxWatch Citizenship Institute focused on government operations, regulation & permitting and budget & taxation.



Beth resides in Tallahassee with her husband, Mark. Together they enjoy five adult children and four beautiful grand angels.

Sharon Smoley, Orlando Economic Partnership

Sharon Smoley is the Vice President of Advocacy and Public Policy for the Orlando Economic Partnership ("Partnership"). In her role, Sharon is responsible for creating policy on behalf of Central Florida's business community within the 7-county region. She also leads advocacy efforts and strategy on a local, state and federal level.

Sharon most recently served as the Florida State Director of Government Affairs for Charter Communications. There, she led a team whose responsibilities included local and state government relations strategies in the State of Florida.

Prior to joining Charter Communications, Sharon Smoley served as the Manager of Government Relations for Walt Disney World Parks and Resorts (WDPR) where she was responsible for the company's government relations strategy in Central Florida. A professional with a broad depth of experience in national and international affairs, she also supported WDPR's worldwide Industry Relations efforts.

Sharon has also served in several government affairs and external relations positions with Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida, KB Home and the Metro Orlando Economic Development Commission.

Sharon believes strongly in giving back to the community through service. She currently serves on the board of Leadership Florida, The Downtown Arts District, is a member of Dr. Phillips Performing Arts Center's "Circle" and is a graduate of the 37th class of Leadership Florida. Previously, she served on the boards of The West Orange Political Alliance, Central Florida Hotel and Lodging Association's PAC, The Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Metro Orlando and is a past Chair of the Kissimmee/Osceola Chamber of Commerce. She is a graduate of the Leadership Orlando, Leadership Osceola, Leadership West Orange programs and was also selected as a Florida Delegate to the 2012 Democratic Convention

Sharon graduated with her Master's in Business Administration from the Crummer Graduate School of Business at Rollins College in 2006. She received her bachelor's degree from Wheaton College in Massachusetts with a major in political science and a minor in Hispanic studies.

Bruce Lyon, Winter Haven Economic Development Council

Bruce is a 20+ year veteran in community and economic development with experience in 20 states across the US creating job opportunities and bringing new economic value to both urban and rural communities. By assisting communities, companies and real estate developers to overcome economic, regulatory and political challenges, he has helped enable hundreds of millions in new investments, establish thousands of new jobs and thousands of new affordable and market-rate housing units in communities where opportunities are sometimes challenging to identify. Bruce currently brings his vision and experience to Winter Haven, FL, which has become one of the fastest growing communities in the region over the past five years with over 3,000 new homes constructed and job expansion occurring across Winter Haven's diverse industry sectors including manufacturing/logistics, agri-tech, IT, aviation, healthcare and entertainment/hospitality. Bruce currently chairs the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta, Affordable Housing Advisory Council and has served on various transportation-related advisory committees.

Gray Swoope, VisionFirst Advisors

A recognized leader in economic development and site selection, Gray Swoope is President and Chief Executive Officer of VisionFirst Advisors. After a successful 30-year career in economic development, Gray launched VisionFirst in 2015.

VisionFirst's portfolio of client work, spanning more than 30 states, involves location advisory services, economic development strategy, organization design, incentives compliance and results-driven marketing and communications strategy. The firm's clients include five Fortune 500 companies representing a variety of industries including information technology, manufacturing and distribution. Gray is known for building highly effective teams that understand the dynamics of site selection and can deliver implementable strategy.

Prior to starting VisionFirst, Gray served in Florida Governor Rick Scott's administration (2011-2015) as Secretary of Commerce and President & CEO of its public/private economic development organization, Enterprise Florida, Inc. Under his leadership, Enterprise Florida elevated its economic development presence and delivered the best results in the organization's history. Florida announced competitive project wins during his tenure that included Amazon, Bristol-Myers Squibb, Embraer, Hertz, Navy Federal Credit Union, Northrop Grumman and Verizon.

Before joining Governor Scott, Gray served as the Executive Director of the Mississippi Development Authority (MDA) under then Governor and current VisionFirst board chair, Haley Barbour. During his tenure at MDA, Gray played a



vital role in recruiting companies such as Toyota, PACCAR, GE Aviation and SeverCorr (now Steel Dynamics) to the state. In addition, Gray's leadership following Hurricane Katrina was critical to Mississippi's recovery efforts. MDA acted as the state's fiscal agent for \$5.4 billion of the federal recovery package appropriated through the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The MDA team created many of the recovery programs being used today for natural disasters like Hurricanes Sandy, Harvey, Irma and Florence.

Gray is passionate about economic development, having served at all levels representing both urban and rural regions. A constant student of the profession, he never stops the pursuit of learning and applying this knowledge for success in today's fast- paced economy. Gray earned both undergraduate and graduate-degrees from Mississippi State University.

Mayor Matt Surrency, City of Hawthorne, Moderator

As a fifth-generation Floridian from a long line of public servants, Hawthorne Mayor Matthew Surrency has a passion for Florida's communities and the families who call them home. He is an active volunteer with numerous organizations benefitting local youth and has spent 19 years coaching sports for young people.

During his time as president of the Florida League of Cities in 2015-16, he focused on creating the Florida Regional Compact Initiative – a collaborative effort helping cities form partnerships to solve regional issues with innovative solutions. As a six-time recipient of the League's Home Rule Hero Award, he is committed

to improving Florida's cities and protecting Home Rule powers. In August 2019, Mr. Surrency was awarded the prestigious E. Harris Drew Lifetime Achievement Award that is presented to a Florida local official that has served their community with distinction and is nominated and voted on by their peers.

Mayor Surrency was president of the Alachua County League of Cities, serves on the Board of Directors for the Florida League of Cities and the National League of Cities, member of the Florida Transportation Planning Committee, Florida Strategic Intermodal Systems Planning Committee, Florida Department of Health Research Review and Advisory Committee, I-75 Relief Task Force, Northern Turnpike Corridor Planning Committee and a founding member of Hope for Hawthorne.

Mayor Surrency previously served as a trustee for the Florida Municipal Insurance Trust, Florida Municipal Investment Trust, Florida Municipal Pension Trust, Board of Directors for Azalea Health, Mentor for Take Stock in Children, Policy Committee for Florida League of Cities Energy, Environment and Natural Resources, and Policy Committee for National League of Cities Community and Economic Development. He is a graduate of Saint Leo University, and is a Financial Advisor with Edward Jones.

Are We There Yet? AV/CV 101

Robert Frye, Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority

Robert Frye is the Director of Planning and Innovation at the Tampa-Hillsborough Expressway Authority.

Eric Hill, MetroPlan Orlando

Eric Hill, a native of the State of New Jersey, has been employed in the transportation industry since 1984. Mr. Hill's career in the transportation industry includes progressively responsible positions with a transit agency, planning authority and transportation research center.

In his position at METROPLAN ORLANDO, the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Orlando Urbanized Area, including three counties. Mr. Hill is responsible for planning and implementing TSMO strategies that use information and communication technologies to enhance the transportation network within the METROPLAN ORLANDO area.

Mr. Hill received his Bachelor of Science and Master of Public Policy from Rutgers University, The State University of New Jersey. He is active with several local and national transportation committees and associations. Eric and his wife, Jocelyn reside in the City of Tampa with their Rottweiler, Nipsey and frog, Poseidon.

Paul Satchfield, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise

Mr. Paul Satchfield has served at Florida's Turnpike Enterprise since 2003. He has been the Turnpike's Program Management Administrator since 2013, and SunTrax Program Manager since 2014.



As the SunTrax Program Manager, Paul brings his nearly 20 years of highway transportation experience to overseeing the design and construction of America's new center for transportation advancement in Florida.

Paul is a champion of innovation at the Turnpike. From spearheading the \$9 million acquisition of the facility's 475-acre property, to establishing key partnerships, Paul's leadership has ensured SunTrax has evolved from concept to reality.

Paul has led the research and industry outreach for SunTrax resulting in insight from and relationships with automakers, tier-one suppliers, tech firms and other CAV proving ground groups - both nationally and internationally.

Brad Thoburn, Michael Baker International

Mr. Thoburn is the Vice President, Regional Transit and Planning Practice Lead for Michael Baker International. Brad and his team have been supporting key clients by providing a full range of transit planning services. This includes planning for the impacts of emerging mobility on public transit and supporting autonomous transit planning and implementation. Mr. Thoburn was previously the Vice President of Long-Range Planning at Jacksonville Transportation Authority where he led the planning and development of some of the Authority's highest profile initiatives Including the Route Optimization Initiative and the development of the Ultimate Urban Circulator Program. He also served as the State Transportation Development Administrator for the Florida Department of Transportation and Director of Planning and Development for the City of Jacksonville.

Jim Halley, Florida Department of Transportation, Moderator

Jim is the Statewide Planning Coordinator with FDOT's Office of Policy Planning where he is involved in the update to the Florida Transportation Plan as well as statewide public and partner involvement and outreach. Jim also leads Policy Planning's Automated, Connected, Electric, and Shared Vehicles efforts. Prior to joining Policy Planning, Jim was with FDOT's Aviation and Spaceports Office where he managed FDOT's public-use aviation system program, the Continuing Florida Aviation System Planning Process, and FDOT's airport sustainability efforts. Jim previously worked in airport operations at Palm Beach County and Ft. Lauderdale and as an airport planner with Talbert & Bright and the Lee County Port Authority. Jim spent 8 years as a U.S. Marine special operations team leader and artillery officer. He received his B.S. in Aviation Management from Florida Tech and his M.B.A. in Aviation from Embry Riddle.

Keep Calm and Carry On. Regional Approaches to Resilience Planning

Jennifer Jurado, Southeast Florida Regional Climate Compact

Dr. Jennifer Jurado leads the County's climate resilience initiatives and environmental programs focused on policy, planning and management. She has been a key figure in the advancement of prominent multi-jurisdictional initiatives advancing sea level rise adaptation, alternative water supplies, and county-wide water conservation programs. Current priorities involve future conditions modeling and economic risk assessments to inform a county-wide resilience plan. She has been a participant in the Southeast Florida Regional Climate Change Compact since its formation in 2009, and a primary contributor to water management and economic resilience focal areas. She serves on the board of directors for the American Society of Adaptation Professionals and the American Geophysical Union's Thriving Earth Exchange.

Tara McCue, East Central Florida Regional Resilience Collaborative

Tara McCue, AICP, is the Director of Planning and Community Development at the East Central Florida Regional Planning Council where she has been working for the past 17 years on a variety of regional and local projects across sectors aimed at creating healthy, resilient and sustainable communities. She has extensive experience working with regional, state and federal agencies, universities and jurisdictions to further resiliency and sustainability in East Central Florida. Tara has co-authored two white papers examining land use impacts to rising sea level. Tara has a B.S. in Marine Biology from UNCW and a Master's in Environmental Resource Management from Florida Institute of Technology.

Mike Savarese, Florida Gulf Coast University

Michael Savarese is a Professor of geoscience within the Department of Marine and Earth Sciences within Florida Gulf Coast University's Water School. He has been a faculty member there since the University's opening in the fall of 1997. Mike's teaching and research interests concern the history of environmental change in coastal settings, particularly in response to human development, climate change, and sea-level rise. Throughout his years at FGCU, he has served as a liaison between scientists and managers/decision-makers, serving in the past as the Chairperson of the Big Cypress and the Southwest Florida Restoration



Coordination Teams. More recently, he has served as a community liaison to foster coastal resilience efforts throughout Southwest Florida.

Sean Sullivan, Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, Moderator Sean Sullivan leads a team of professional planners and regional thinkers at the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council, who work throughout the six-county Tampa Bay Region to improve the quality of life for all. He has worked with elected and appointed leaders throughout the region to establish the Tampa Bay Regional Resiliency Coalition, the 18th such initiative of its kind in the United States. Mr. Sullivan has spent over 30 years working in local, regional and federal sectors in the planning, environmental and public transportation fields. He is the two-time recipient of the Federal Transit Administration Administrator's Award for his work advancing public transit. Mr. Sullivan earned a bachelor's degree in Political Science from the University of Massachusetts, Lowell and a Master's in Public Administration from Suffolk University in Boston.