Bicycle, Trailways and Pedestrian Advisory Committee Liaison Report – July 13, 2017

1. **New County Engineer:** On June 8th, Palm Beach County announced the selection of David L. Ricks as the incoming County Engineer/Public Works Director. Mr. Ricks begins his post on July 17th, and will succeed George Webb, who is retiring on August 31st. Mr. Ricks served as Public Works Director for Norfolk, VA and has previously served as Director of Facilities and Transportation Services for Fulton County, GA and Director of Public Works for Montgomery County, OH in addition to a distinguished career as a naval officer.

2. **Bicycle Helmet Fitting Training:** PBSO, Palm Beach County Fire Rescue and Safe Kids Palm Beach County are offering a free bicycle helmet fitting training. This training will allow participants to become certified Bicycle Helmet Fitters. Training is Tuesday, July 25th, 2017, from 1 p.m until 4 p.m. at 2995 S. Jog Road, Greenacres, FL 33467.

3. **US 1 Multimodal Corridor Study Public Meetings:** Public outreach meetings have been completed in the two southernmost sections of the US 1 corridor and this month the project team will be heading to Lake Worth to cover the Lake Worth, Lantana and Hypoluxo section of the corridor. Please visit the project website, [http://www.us1pbcorridorstudy.com/](http://www.us1pbcorridorstudy.com/), for more information. Below is a summary of the upcoming July meetings:
   
   1. July 22nd Workshop from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Lake Worth Art Center, 1121 Lucerne Avenue
   2. July 24th-26th Open Studio/Charrettes from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Lake Worth Art Center

4. **FDOT Open House:** FDOT staff will be holding an open house to discuss upcoming improvements that will be made on Lyons Road between Norte Lado and Pine Springs Drive (south of Glades Road) on Tuesday, July 18th from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the Palm Beach County Library (Glades Road Bran), 20701 95th Avenue S., Boca Raton.

5. **Upcoming Conferences:** The MPO website has been updated with a ‘Conferences’ page ([www.palmbeachmpo.org/conferences](http://www.palmbeachmpo.org/conferences)) to provide information about upcoming conferences that are of interest for transportation planners, engineers, officials and advocates.

6. **TIP Project Follow Up:** The Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council provided a corrected location for the South Central Florida Express (4392291) rail extension in South Bay and Belle Glade that was presented in the FY 2018 Construction Map in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) during the June MPO committee meetings. The correct termini connect two separate rail systems (Clewiston and Bryant) in the southern portions of Belle Glade and South Bay. The displayed location along the existing FEC rail line north of Conners Hwy was incorrect.
7. **2016 Florida Greenbook Adopted:** As of June 19th, 2017, the Florida Greenbook provides criteria for public streets, roads, highways, bridges, sidewalks, curbs and curb ramps, crosswalks, bicycle facilities, underpasses, and overpasses used by the public for motor vehicular, bicycle and pedestrian travel is available. This manual is intended for all transportation facilities off the state or national highway systems. It is available at the following link: [http://www.fdot.gov/roadway/FloridaGreenbook/FGB.shtml](http://www.fdot.gov/roadway/FloridaGreenbook/FGB.shtml)

8. **BTPAC Meeting Schedule:** As a reminder, there are no MPO Committee/Board meetings in August. The BTPAC will next meet on September 6th.