Technical Advisory Committee Liaison’s Report - April 3, 2019

1. **TPA Transition Schedule Update:** In response to a TPA Board request on February 21, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) formally committed to a $1.7M initial authorization of PL funds for FY 20. This will allow the TPA to commence construction on its new office and meeting space as soon as it receives a building permit.

2. **April is Distracted Driving Awareness Month:** Go to [https://www.nsc.org/road-safety/get-involved/distracted-driving-awareness-month](https://www.nsc.org/road-safety/get-involved/distracted-driving-awareness-month) or Google “National Safety Council, Distracted Driving Awareness Month” to learn more.

3. **2019 FHWA Joint TMA Certification Site Visit:** Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) staff will be conducting a Joint Federal Transportation Management Area Certification site visit with the Palm Beach TPA on April 10-11 that will focus on the organization of the TPA; Transportation Performance Management; transit; interested parties for outreach and public participation; interested parties for Title VI and related requirements; prior certification findings; and the 2040 and 2045 Long Range Transportation Plans (LRTP).

4. **Florida Bicycle Month Recap:** TPA staff would like to thank everyone who participated in Florida Bicycle Month activities including the TPA’s Bike to Work Day Ride on March 15. A total of 12 Proclamations were adopted in Palm Beach County, up from 7 last year.

5. **LRTP 2045 Update:** Goals, objectives and measures were approved unanimously by the TPA Governing Board on March 21. The TPA is currently undertaking the LRTP Desires Plan as the next step, which is an analysis of existing facilities and gaps based on the approved Goals, and will include a cost analysis.

6. **Funding Programs Project Field Visits:** TPA and FDOT staff will be meeting one-one-one with consultants to visit each Transportation Alternatives (TA) and Local Initiatives (LI) project between April 22-24. Please note staff will be contacting applicants soon to schedule an exact date, time and meeting place.

7. **Public Information Workshop:** FDOT is holding a Public Information Workshop on Tuesday, April 30 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at the West Boynton Branch Library, 9451 Jog Road, Boynton Beach, FL 33437 to discuss the proposed improvements at SR 804/Boynton Beach Boulevard from Lyons Road to east of Florida’s Turnpike.

8. **Bicycle-Pedestrian-Trailways Advisory Committee (BTPAC) Seeking Disability Community Representative:** TPA staff encourages members of the committee to recommend a new member to the BTPAC who can represent the disability community and is aware of the challenges commonly faced by mobility-impaired users of our transportation system.

9. **April TPA Governing Board Meeting:** The next TPA Governing Board Meeting will be held on April 18 at 9:00 a.m. at the Delray Municipal Golf Club, 2200 Highland Avenue, Delray Beach, FL 33445.

10. **Upcoming Conferences:** The TPA has updated their ‘Conferences’ page to provide information about upcoming conferences that are of interest for transportation planners, engineers, officials and advocates at [PalmBeachTPA.org/Conferences](http://www.PalmBeachTPA.org/Conferences).