JOINT RESOLUTION 2013 - 01

JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE LEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION AND COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION IN SUPPORT OF THE REDESIGNATION OF THEIR RESPECTIVE CURRENT PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS, BASED UPON THE SIZE AND COMPLEXITY OF THEIR EXISTING MPO PLANNING AREAS.

WHEREAS, on January 11, 2013, the Lee County and Collier Metropolitan Planning Organizations (collectively, the "MPOs") each received a letter from Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Secretary Ananth Prasad, P.E., requesting the MPOs to review and evaluate whether having multiple MPOs representing Lee and Collier's shared urbanized areas is still warranted upon consideration of the 2010 Census data; and

WHEREAS, the Collier and Lee County MPOs met on March 22, 2013 at a regularly scheduled Joint Lee County / Collier MPO meeting; and

WHEREAS, that joint meeting was held in part to discuss, among other regional items, whether having multiple MPOs representing the shared urbanized area[s] is warranted or if the existing MPOs should be consolidated; and

WHEREAS, after thoughtful consideration and discussion, the MPOs determined that their respective Planning Areas comprise distinct and complex urbanized areas that are better addressed through their respective Planning Organizations, with continued regional coordination between the MPOs as necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION AND THE LEE COUNTY METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION THAT:

- 1. While the metropolitan areas of the two MPOs are contiguous, they are distinct and complex urbanized areas.
- 2. It is appropriate and in the public's best interest for the urbanized areas to retain two separate MPOs.
- 3. It is desirable and strongly urged that the Collier Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization continue to coordinate regional transportation planning and policy activities as separate MPOs.

This Resolution was PASSED and DULY ADOPTED JOINTLY by the Collier Metropolitan Planning Organization and the Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization on March 22, 2013.

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