



## WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The Collier MPO Bicycle Pedestrian Master Plan (BPMP) guides project funding for bicycle and pedestrian projects in unincorporated Collier County, the cities of Naples and Marco Island, and Everglades City. Every 5 years the BPMP is updated, and we want you to be a part of the process for the 2024 update!

Participate in the [Collier MPO Bicycle-Pedestrian Master Plan Committee Survey](#) and use your voice to influence the future of bike-ped transportation!

## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT COLLIER MPO?

Collier MPO is preparing to kick-off their 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP), Safe Streets For All (SS4A) Comprehensive Safety Action Plan, Transit Development Plan (TDP) Major Update, as well as preparing for a federal review occurring in July 2024.

Executive Director, Anne McLaughlin, has signed on with Collier MPO for up to another year. Although announcements were made regarding her retirement in March 2024, she has extended her contract until March 2025. The MPO Board approved her contract extension at their February 9, 2024 meeting.

## How well do you know Florida Rules of the Road?

[TAKE THE QUIZ](#)

## FDOT'S DISTRICT ONE SAFETY WEBPAGE

District One's new forward-facing webpage, [swflroads.com/d1safety](http://swflroads.com/d1safety) has information on District One's coalition, programs, and safety projects. FDOT plans to add an area where you can submit safety concerns. Test your knowledge and take the ["How well do you know Florida Rules of the Road" quiz!](#)



## CAT'S "BEACH BUS" IS BACK FOR THE SEASON!

Collier Area Transit's Paradise Beach Trolley shuttles passengers from the Conner Park parking lot on Bluebill

Avenue to Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Park, and Vanderbilt Beach, from February 16, 2024, through April 28, 2024, every Friday, Saturday, Sunday.

The Beach Trolley operates from 8am to 3pm, then again from 4:30pm to 7pm. The free service is offered Fridays through Sundays with approximately a 30-minute frequency. View the trolley's real-time location at [rideCAT.com](http://rideCAT.com). Learn more about the trolley on [CAT's Beach Bus webpage](#).



## BRIGHTLINE: NEXT STOP, SWFL?

A smooth 3 hour and 30-minute ride from Miami to Orlando on Brightline made previously doubtful State Representative Karen Gonzalez Pittman a believer in the benefits of high-speed rail. "You could feel what this was going to do to our state, how this was going to bring people closer."

The first-term lawmaker is now working to bring high-speed rail to Tampa. She's submitted a request for \$50 million in state funding for an extension along the Interstate 4 corridor, where Brightline aims to use the median at speeds of up to 150 mph.

In January, Senator Nick DiCeglie of Pinellas County, filed a bill that would require FDOT to preserve the rail corridor during the \$2 billion I-4 expansion that begins later this year. Read more at [Mass Transit](#).

# MPO UPCOMING MEETINGS

## Winter 2024 Schedule

- February 20 | BPAC *CANCELLED*
- February 26 | TAC/CAC *CANCELLED*
- March 6 | LCB Public Workshop
- March 8 | MPO Board *CANCELLED*
- March 19 | BPAC



## INTERESTED IN JOINING A COMMITTEE?

The Collier MPO Board is advised by five committees. Committee members are either citizen volunteers, jurisdictional staff, or agency representatives. Check out our [Committees](#) webpage to see if you might be eligible to become a member and fill vacancies for the Citizens Advisory Committee or Local Coordinating Board for the Transportation Disadvantaged!

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