

COLLIER MPO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, ANNE MC LAUGHLIN RETIRES

Executive Director, Anne McLaughlin is retiring after 10 years at the Collier MPO.



L-R Anne, with her sister Claire on a recent trip to Banff National Park in Canada

Arriving from Santa Fe, New Mexico in 2016 with her husband Glenn Condon, Anne made her home in Collier County and led the MPO for 10 years, working her way through 2 Long Range Transportation Plans, 2 TMA Certification Reviews, and a slew of other plans and projects.

Anne says, "I'm looking forward to taking many more wonderful trips like this one to Banff, Canada, last August with my sister, Claire. My husband and I want to see more of the world and spend time with our three sons and their families, which means traveling to Gijon, Spain, New York City and Berlin, Germany. We also plan on doing a lot of kayaking right here in Florida, and I'm looking forward to having more time to paint!"

We wish Anne the best in her retirement.



Naples Pathways Coalition's 20th Annual Naples Bike Brunch and Walk

is Southwest Florida's biggest and best spring ride. Join us at Cambier Park on Sunday, March 1, 2026. Choose from 62, 30, 20, 10, and 5-mile bike routes, plus a 3-mile walking option. Children under 12 ride or walk FREE with a paid adult on 5 and 10-mile bike routes or walk.

*Participants riding Pedal-Assist Electric Bikes, Tandems, and Trikes are welcome. Helmets and closed-toe shoes are required for every rider. No exceptions. *Registration open until the day of event, with tiered price increases.

Learn more on the [Naples Bike Brunch registration page](#)

WHAT'S ALL THIS TALK ABOUT ROUNDABOUTS?

With FDOT's design projects in Collier County such as SR 29 from CR 846 E to SR 82, roundabouts are being considered more often as part of roadway improvements. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) identifies them as a proven safety countermeasure because they can significantly reduce crashes that cause serious injuries or fatalities.



Roundabouts enhance safety by promoting lower speeds and reducing conflict points, which decreases both the likelihood and severity of crashes, improve traffic flow, and adapt well to a wide range of conditions because their design can be tailored to the surrounding environment. Watch [FHWA's Roundabout Rules Video](#) to learn how to safely navigate roundabouts!

TRANSPORTATION TRIVIA

The Benz Patent-Motorwagen built in 1885 by the German engineer Karl Benz, is widely regarded as the first practical automobile and was the first car put into production



MPO UPCOMING MEETINGS

Winter 2026

- March 4 | LCB
 - Annual Public Workshop
 - Regular Meeting
- March 13 | MPO Board
- March 18 | CMC



MEET THE NEW COLLIER MPO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, CARMEN MONROY

The Collier MPO welcomes Carmen Monroy, a transportation leader with more than 35 years of experience shaping multimodal, community focused mobility solutions across Florida, as its new Executive Director.



Carmen's background includes leadership roles at the Florida Department of Transportation, where she served as statewide Director of Policy Planning and as the District 1 Director of the Fort Myers Urban Office/Southwest Area Office. Carmen has previously held positions with Lee County Transit as their Financial Business Manager and a consultant. She also serves as an Adjunct Professor with the Florida State University Florida Center for Public Management. Throughout her career, Carmen has been recognized for advancing safety, fostering collaboration, and ensuring transportation planning reflects the needs of the public.

Carmen says, "My vision is to support a growing MPO that serves the people of Collier County by addressing transportation needs and advancing common sense, safety first solutions. I'm committed to strengthening our multimodal network, improving public engagement and transparency, securing sustainable funding, and working across jurisdictions to meet the needs of residents and visitors throughout the vibrant and evolving Collier region."

Calling All Paratransit Community!

We want to hear from you!

The Local Coordinating Board for the Transportation Disadvantaged (LCB) is a committee dedicated to you. Attend the LCB's Annual Public Workshop and tell us how the Collier County Paratransit system is working for you!

When

March 4, 2026 | 1:30PM

Where

Collier County Government Center
Building F
IT Training Room, 5th Floor
3299 Tamiami Trail East
Naples, FL 34112

Questions?

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To learn more, go to colliermopo.org



This is an in-person meeting. There is no registration needed.

2050 LRTP VIDEO PRESENTATION BY JACOBS ENGINEERING

Collier MPO 2050 LRTP Consultant, Jacobs Engineering, created a video presentation of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Check out the video!



Watch it here!
colliermopo.org/lrtp/



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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