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VIRTUAL PUBLIC **MEETING**

OCTOBER 29, 2025 | 5-6PM HELP SHAPE COLLIER'S 2050 LRTP!

REGISTER HERE!

Join the Collier MPO for a virtual public meeting to help shape the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Your input is essential!

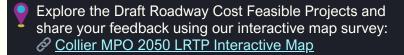
The LRTP is a federally required planning document that guides transportation projects and priorities throughout Collier County, including Naples, Marco Island, and Everglades City. Updated every five years, it ensures the County remains eligible for federal transportation funding while guiding investments that improve mobility, safety, access, and quality of life for residents and visitors.

The 2050 LRTP will incorporate other key MPO plans, including the Congestion Management Process, Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan, Safety Action Plan, and Transit Development Plan. Developed in collaboration with Jacobs Engineering, this update will help identify fransportation needs and prioritize projects for future the Transportation Improvement Program.

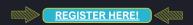


MEETING TOPICS INCLUDE:

- Overview of the 2050 LRTP and why it matters
- How to review the draft plan
- Ways to participate via surveys and public comment
- Ways to share your feedback leading up to and during the December 11, 2025 MPO Board meeting



Your insights can make a difference. Help us build a smarter, safer, and more connected future for Collier County!





NATIONAL SCHOOL BUS SAFETY WEEK October 20-24, 2025

National School Bus Safety Week is an active and evolving public education program and excellent way for parents, students,

teachers, motorists, school bus operators, school administrators, and other interested parties - to join forces and address the importance of school bus safety. Designed to promote school bus safety, school districts throughout the country observe School Bus Safety Week. Looking for school bus safety tips all year round? Click here for some great tips from NHSTA.

FDOT **PUBLIC HEARING** FDOT District 1's Draft Five-Year Work Program

FDOT District One is hosting a public hearing for the public to review and comment on its Draft Tentative Five-Year Work Program, outlining proposed transportation improvements for fiscal years 2026/27 through 2030/31.

- **Attend an in-person meeting:** 11 a.m. Friday, October 24, 2025, at both the Bartow office (801 N. Broadway Avenue) and Fort Myers office (10041 Daniels Parkway).
- Appointment: FDOT will be available October 20-24, 2025, to review project materials with the public. Contact the Bartow office at 863-519-2907 or Fort Myers office at 239-225-1900 to schedule,
- Self-guided: (ePublic Hearing): SWFLRoads.com and fdot.gov/wpph/district1 October 20-24, 2025.

Comments accepted until October 24, 2025, COB by mail to James Driggers, Jr, P.E., District Secretary, FDOT, 10041 Daniels Parkway, Fort Myers, FL 33913, attention H. Wayne Gaither, Southwest Area Office Director, or email to <u>wayne.gaither@dot.state.fl.us</u>.



NEXT STOP, YOUR FEEDBACK!

CAT'S 10-YEAR TDP PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Collier MPO and Collier Area Transit have partnered to create a draft Major Update to the Transit Development Plan (TDP) for 2026-2035, as required by FDOT. This provides strategic direction for public transportation in Collier County over the next decade.

The TDP outlines community mobility needs, projects future costs and revenues, recommends service improvements, and includes a 10-year roadmap for proposed transit initiatives. Its scheduled to be presented to the Board of County Commissioners for approval on December 9, 2025.

Community input is a vital part of the planning process. Review the draft and provide your comments by November 16, 2025!



READ THE DRAFT TDP READ THE TDP Appendix

Submit your comments via email, phone, or in person:

Email: <u>rideCAT@collier.gov</u>

Phone: 239-252-7777

Hearing Impaired Assistance by telephone to 1-800-955-1339

TRANSPORTATION TRIVIA

The distinctive yellow color of buses is officially called National School Bus Glossy Yellow,

D UPCOMING MEETINGS



Autumn 2025 Schedule

- October 21 | BPAC
- October 27 | TAC/CAC
- November 14 | MPO
- November 19 | CMC

Welcome to COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

chosen for its visibility in low-light conditions.

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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