

**CONGESTION MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE of the  
COLLIER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  
MEETING MINUTES**

**September 18, 2024, 2:00 p.m.**

1. Call to Order

**Mr. Goicoechea** called the meeting to order at approximately 2:01 p.m.

2. **Roll Call**

**Ms. Miceli** called the roll and confirmed a quorum was present in the room.

**CMC Members Present In-Person**

Leandro A. Goicoechea, Vice-Chair

Don Scott

Dan Hall

Karen Homiak

Omar De Leon

Dave Rivera

**CMC Members Absent**

Alison Bickett

Dayna Fendrick

John Lambcke

Justin Martin

**MPO Staff**

Anne McLaughlin, Executive Director

Sean Kingston, Principal Planner

Suzanne Miceli, Operations Support Specialist II

**Others Present**

Mike Harris, Kimley Horn

Christopher Ordonez, Collier County Traffic Operations

Lorraine Lantz, Collier County Transportation Planning

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

*Mr. De Leon moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Rivera seconded. Carried unanimously.*

4. **Approval of the March 20, 2024 Meeting Minutes**

*Ms. Homiak moved to approve the March 20, 2024 minutes. Mr. Rivera seconded. Carried unanimously.*

**5. Public Comments for Items not on the Agenda**

None.

**6. Agency Updates**

**A. FDOT**

Not present.

**B. MPO**

None.

**C. Other**

**(i) City of Naples**

**Mr. Rivera** said that Mooring Line Drive from US 41 to the east side of Mooring Line Bridge had been repaved and bicycle symbols were added, and that 8th Street South from 5th Avenue South to 12th Avenue South, would be closed for street milling and paving in the upcoming week.

**(ii) Collier County Public Transportation & Neighborhood Enhancement (PTNE)**

**Mr. De Leon** said PTNE's major Transit Development Plan was underway in coordination with Collier MPO. At the end of October, PTNE would host "Mobility Week" in partnership with The Florida Department of Transportation, as transit would be a part of the initiative. In coordination with the Collier County Supervisor of Elections, PTNE would be hosting, "Try Transit" day on November 2, 2024, in honor of Mobility Week, offering free transit on the last day of early voting in Collier County.

**(iii) Collier County Traffic Management Center (TMC) Operations**

None.

**(iv) Lee County MPO**

**Mr. Scott** said that Lee MPO was working on their Long Range Transportation Plan, Safe Streets 4 All (SS4A) Safety Action Plan, the CR 951 Extension project, and would be discussing the upcoming Collier-Lee joint congestion management scope.

**7. Committee Action**

## **A. Discuss Joint Lee County/Collier MPO Congestion Management Plan Scope**

**Ms. McLaughlin** said that the impetus for a joint Collier-Lee Congestion Management Plan (CMP) scope was in response to the recently proposed House Bill 7409, directing Collier and Lee MPOs to conduct a consolidation feasibility study. To proactively demonstrate coordinated regional planning efforts already in place between Collier and Lee, as well as address the legislature's concerns that there was a lack of progress in improving traffic congestion on major corridors linking the two regions, the idea arose that rather than develop a joint CMP in totality, it might be more expedient to jointly develop a regional component for inclusion in each region's CMP. Committee feedback would be an important element of developing the regional component of the CMPs.

**Mr. Scott** said that the scope would be aimed at the adopted regional network. Collier's urbanized area had made its way up to Alico Rd, so the focus could be from Alico Rd to Immokalee Rd., where Collier's urbanized area is absorbed into Lee's area. The scope could follow that segment and include projects that had already been adopted between the two MPOs, as the regional network.

A group discussion followed, and **Mr. Scott** passed around a copy of the Collier-Lee Regional Roadway Network adopted in 2017, attached to these minutes. The group reviewed the map, and noted that updates to the map to include planned roads, as well as some current facilities, were needed. Certain areas of concern in the network, achieving traffic signalization concurrence between regions, and the benefit of preparing traffic model runs were discussed. The MPOs would exchange the names of the consultants that would be working on their individual CMPs for a smooth workflow. The scope would need to be finalized in the near future. There would be further discussion at the November 20, 2024 CMC meeting.

*This item was presented for review and discussion only.*

## **B. Review FY25-29 SU Funded Projects for Viability and Prioritization Regarding Programming Construction Costs**

**Ms. McLaughlin** said that FDOT met with Collier MPO and Collier County Transportation Planning to review project priorities in the FY25-29 Work Program cycle. FDOT provided a spreadsheet of SU-funded projects with notes of concern for the future of certain projects due to budgetary constraints, which can be viewed in the September 18, 2024 CMC Agenda. With the rise of construction costs, FDOT's ability to cover costs had diminished and project priorities would need to be reassessed for each jurisdiction within the Collier region. Timelines for projects in the design phase that were moving toward construction would need to be reconsidered. **Ms. McLaughlin** said she would be reaching out to Committee members and the local municipalities to review and reassess programmed projects in their jurisdictions.

**Mr. Scott** said that FDOT had also requested that Lee reprioritize their programmed projects, suggesting that each jurisdiction have no more than two to three projects moving into construction.

A group discussion followed, regarding considerations for possible alternative project funding sources and project completion strategies, how project categorization could qualify some projects for

certain specified additional funding, reexamining design phase costs, and that recent legislation calling for more Right of Way requirements was necessitating some projects be modified in order to move forward.

There would be further discussion at the November 20, 2024 CMC meeting.

*This item was presented for review and discussion only.*

**8. Reports and Presentations**

None.

**9. Member Comments**

**Mr. Scott** said that the CR 951 Extension feasibility study was ongoing and that the project would probably cost close to \$2 billion due to several issues, including going through environmental land. More conversations would be had.

**10. Distribution Items**

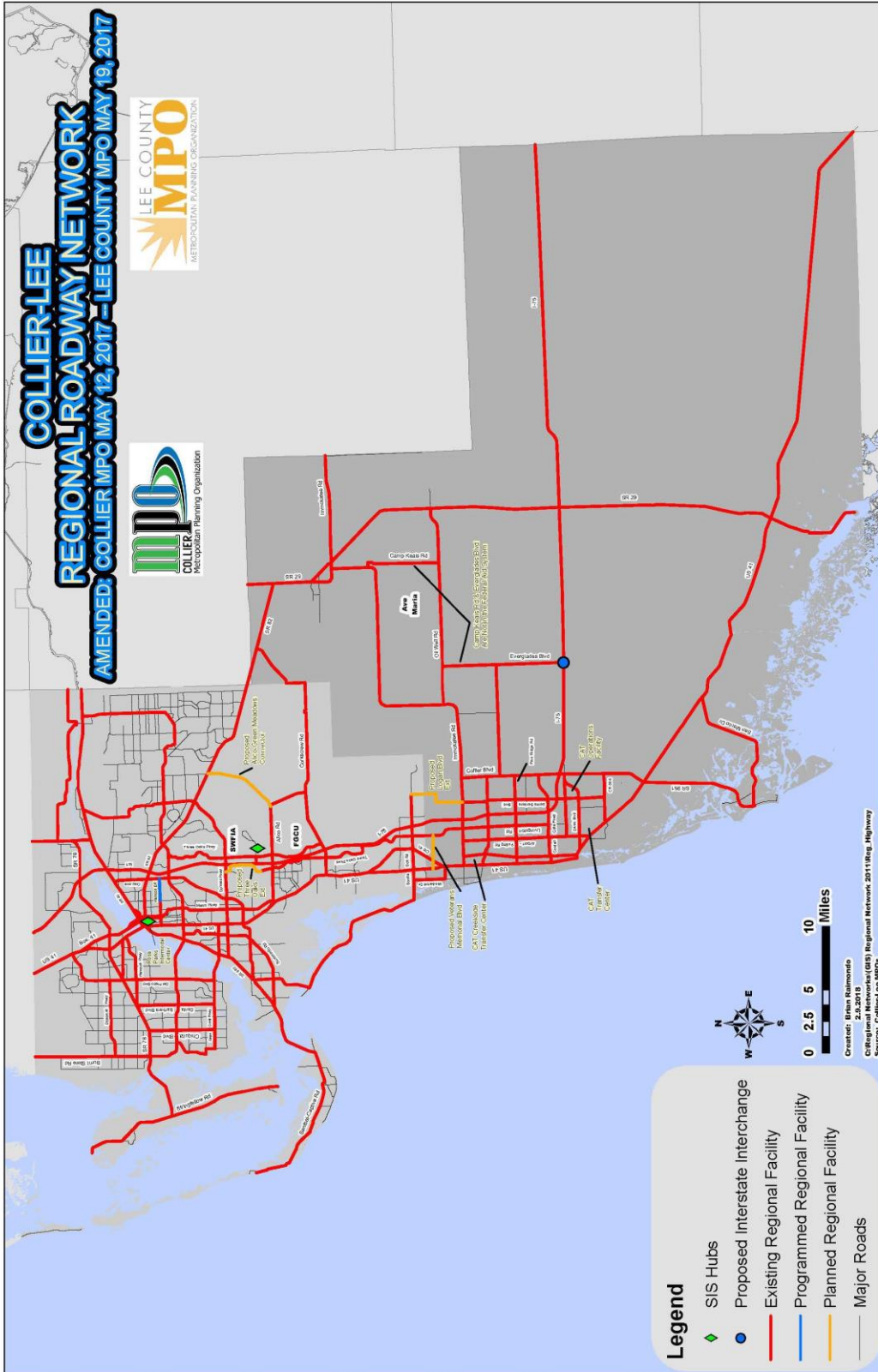
None.

**11. Next Meeting Date**

*November 20, 2024, 2:00 p.m. –Transportation Management Services Bldg. South Conference Room, 2885 S. Horseshoe Dr., Naples, FL, 34104 – in person.*

**12. Adjournment**

There being no further comments or business to discuss, **Mr. Goicoechea** adjourned the meeting at 2:57 p.m.



Map can be viewed in Collier MPO FY25-29 TIP, Appendix B, p195