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# The MPOoverview

March 2022



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## PUBLIC MEETINGS AND EVENTS

All meetings, unless otherwise posted, will meet in Conference Room B1-501, County Administration Building B, 1800 27th Street, Vero Beach, FL 32960

- TAC & CAC - 4/5/2022 at 2:00 pm
  - MPO - 4/13/2022 10:00am
- BAC - 4/26/2022 at 2:00 pm
- TDLCB - 5/26/2022 at 10:00am

## Final Land Use Visioning Presentations at April MPO Meetings

The Indian River County MPO and Kimley-Horn and Associates invite the public to attend a final presentation and discussion on the Future Land Use Visioning Study. There are two opportunities to attend. The first opportunity will be at the combined April TAC and CAC meeting on April 5, 2022 at 2:00 pm, and the second opportunity will be at the MPO meeting on April 13th at 10:00 a.m. Both meetings will be conducted in Conference Room B1-501, County Administration Building B, 1800 27th Street, near the tax office.

The following six visioning principles are proposed to guide future planning efforts:

- 1. Conservation of sensitive environmental lands**
- 2. Diversity of housing types that include affordable options**
- 3. Infrastructure improvements that provide mobility and multimodal transportation options**
- 4. Promote a healthy economy**
- 5. Maintain agriculture**
- 6. Maintain rural character**

## Land Use Visioning Study Workshop Update

The Indian River County MPO and Kimley-Horn and Associates hosted the second Land Use Visioning Workshop on Thursday,

February 3, 2022 from 10:00am to 12:00pm at the Indian River County Intergenerational Center. The Consensus Building Workshop was well-attended with 113 participants. Participants consisted of business owners, developers, neighborhood associations, government leaders, community advocates, and private citizens. Also, a presentation was given to the Planning and Zoning Commission on February 24, 2022.



The February workshop built upon prior feedback from the meeting on October 14, 2021, where breakout groups reviewed land use and development policies, developed and evaluated alternate future land use scenarios for the County's undeveloped land that will inform the MPO's next Long Range Transportation Plan.

**For more information, please visit our website.**

Based on the feedback provided at the visioning workshops, top consensus items include:

- Keep, protect, and preserve the Indian River Lagoon.
- Allowing more flexible uses in agricultural areas, particularly along SR 60 and near major freeway interchanges.
- Encouraging solar and alternative energy farms in agricultural areas.
- Promote economic development to attract and retain young people.
- Encouraging Accessory Dwelling Units on existing properties to provide affordable and multi-generational housing options as an alternative to sprawl.
- Modifying the subdivision regulations to allow single property owners more flexible options with respect to "splitting" property into two parcels.

Schedule of the upcoming activities for the visioning study:

- Final Consultant Presentations at the TAC/CAC and MPO Meetings – April 2022
- Summary Report – April/May 2022
- Implementation Steps – Summer 2022

## March is Florida Bicycle Month

[Click here to view our 30-second Public Service Announcement](#)



March is Florida Bicycle Month, a time to encourage, celebrate, and recognize bicycling as an important role in providing transportation and recreation to millions of Florida's residents and visitors annually.

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More people are cycling than ever before, especially in Florida's beautiful weather. The Indian River County MPO and FDOT is committed to reducing crashes, fatalities, and serious injuries involving pedestrians and bicyclists. FDOT has adopted a target of zero traffic fatalities and serious injuries in the state. This initiative is in line with the Complete Streets Policy and Program's Bicycle Friendly State report card.

For safety tips and resources for Florida Bicycle Month, visit [Bicycle Safety \(fdot.gov\)](https://www.fdot.gov/bicycle-safety).

For more information on bicycle and pedestrian safety, visit [Home - Alert Today Florida](https://www.alerttodayflorida.com).

## Draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Now Available

The Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) lists all of the MPO's anticipated planning activities over a two-year period starting July 1, 2022. The Draft UPWP for FY 2022/23 – 2023/24 is now available for review. If you have any questions or comments on the Draft UPWP, please contact Brian Freeman by April 13, 2022 at (772) 226-1455 or by email at [bfreeman@ircgov.com](mailto:bfreeman@ircgov.com).

[View the Draft Work Program](#)

## Cycling Safety Course

On February 12, 2022, the MPO and Bike-Walk Indian River County (BWIRC) hosted a cycling safety course, which is a prerequisite for the League of American Cyclist's instructor certification.



Challenge yourself and take BWIRC's free online safety course:

[Bike Safety Courses for Adults and Teenagers \(bikewalkirc.org\)](https://www.bikewalkirc.org)

[Become an Instructor | League of American Bicyclists \(bikeleague.org\)](https://www.bikeleague.org)

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