

RIVER TO SEA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION

RESOLUTION 2015-03

**RESOLUTION OF THE RIVER TO SEA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION
MAINTAINING A RAIL ENVELOPE ALONG INTERSTATE 4 THROUGHOUT THE
METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA (MPA)**

WHEREAS, Florida Statutes 339.175; 23 U.S.C. 134; and 49 U.S.C. 5303 require that the urbanized area, as a condition to the receipt of federal capital or operating assistance, have a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process that results in plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively planned development of the urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, 23 CFR 450.310, and Florida Statutes 339.175, the River to Sea Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) is the duly designated and constituted body responsible for carrying out the urban transportation planning process and programming process for Volusia County and portions of Flagler County inclusive of the cities of Flagler Beach, Beverly Beach, and portions of Palm Coast and Bunnell; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is conducting a Project Development and Environmental (PD&E) study to expand I-4 to include the addition of managed use lanes extending from the western boundary of the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) into the planning area; and

WHEREAS, FDOT is seeking input from the TPO regarding the preservation of a rail envelope to accommodate future passenger rail service and regarding the preferred limits of the project based on engineering scenarios presented to the TPO; and


NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the River to Sea TPO that:

1. The Florida Department of Transportation should continue to preserve the right-of-way needed for the future development of passenger rail service within the I-4 corridor extending throughout the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) from SR 46 eastward to I-95 (based on a logical termini); and
2. The preferred option, based on the four scenarios presented to the TPO Board, includes extending two express lanes in each direction from the western boundary of the MPA eastward to an extension of Rhode Island Avenue;

3. Chairperson of the TPO (or his designee) is hereby authorized and directed to submit FY 2014/15 - FY 2018/19 TIP to the:
 - a. Florida Department of Transportation;
 - b. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) (through the Florida Department of Transportation);
 - c. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) (through the Florida Department of Transportation);
 - d. Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) (through the Florida Department of Transportation); and the
 - e. East Central Florida Regional Planning Council (ECFRPC).

DONE AND RESOLVED at the regular meeting of the River to Sea TPO on the 28th day of January, 2015.

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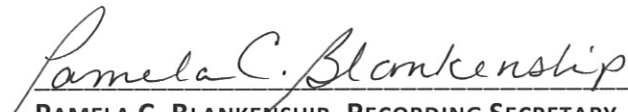
 1/28/2015

**VOLUSIA COUNTY COUNCIL MEMBER PAT PATTERSON
1ST VICE CHAIRMAN, RIVER TO SEA TPO**

CERTIFICATE:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Recording Secretary of the River to Sea TPO certified that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution, adopted at a legally convened meeting of the River to Sea TPO held on January 28, 2015.

ATTEST:



**PAMELA C. BLANKENSHIP, RECORDING SECRETARY
RIVER TO SEA TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION**