

Facts



The Sarasota/Manatee MPO area encompasses the entire counties of Manatee, Sarasota and a portion of Charlotte, nine (9) cities, the Sarasota-Bradenton International Airport and Port Manatee Seaport



July 1, 2005 U.S. Census population Sarasota 366,256 and Manatee 306,779



Sarasota 572 square miles and Manatee 741 square miles



Sarasota has 2,277 of centerline miles and Manatee has 1,437 of centerline miles



The Sarasota/Manatee MPO 2030 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) projects a funding deficit of \$2.82 billion



The Sarasota/Manatee MPO Pipeline Project Priority List will take another 97 years in Sarasota County and 43 years in Manatee County to complete at current funding levels

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Legislative Positions

Position "1"



Continue and Enhance Transportation Funding Programs



Increase funding of MPO Project Priorities and hurricane evacuation corridors for non SIS roadways



Continue funding of Transportation Regional Incentive Program (TRIP) and County Incentive Grant Program (CIGP)



Increase funding of regional public transportation programs and public education to promote use



Provide necessary funds to stabilize and progress in FDOT's Five Year Work Programs and MPOs Five Year Transportation Improvement Programs



Create new funding opportunities for transportation



Support funding of Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) program



Continue to preserve and protect the State Transportation Trust Fund to assure funds are used only for transportation purposes

Position "2"

Support Local Option Revenue Sources



Enable local option gas tax indexing



Provide fiscal accountability of gas taxes paid and assure a proportionate return of gas tax revenue to the counties where taxes were paid



Enable flexibility by local jurisdictions in the use of gas tax revenues for operation, maintenance or capital



Support enabling legislation and policies promoting toll roads and other transportation user fees

Position "3"

Support "Red Light Camera" Legislation

