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Washington Conference



Congressional Visits

Monday, March 14, 2016:

- **1 p.m.** – Meeting with Beth Day, FTA at JW Marriott
- **2 p.m.** – Jenifer Nawrocki, Legislative Director, and Congressman David Jolly
- **3 p.m.** -- Senator Bill Nelson, 716 Hart
- **4:30 p.m.** – Melissa Robel, Legislative Assistant, and Congressman Dennis Ross
- **5:30 p.m.** – Congressman Gus Bilirakis





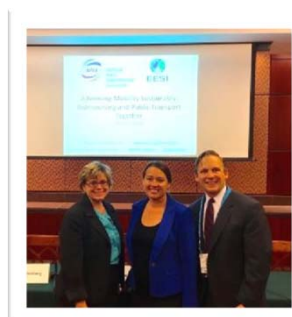
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Tuesday, March 15, 2016:

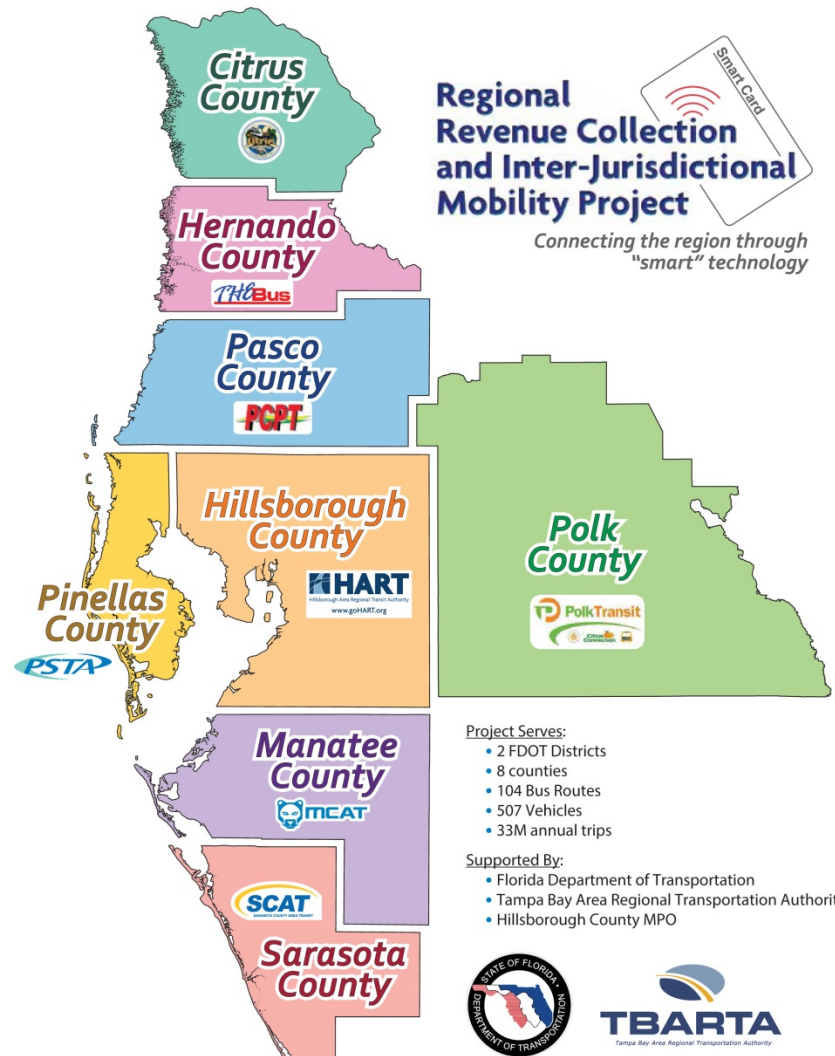
- 1:30 p.m. – Congresswoman Kathy Castor, 205 Cannon
- 2:00 p.m. -- Clay Hollis, Legislative Assistant, and Congressman Tom Rooney
- 3:00 p.m. – APTA/UBER press conference





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- Congresswoman Kathy Castor
- Congressman David Jolly
- Congressman Gus Bilirakis
- Congressman Vern Buchanan
- Congressman Tom Rooney
- Congressman Dennis Ross
- Congressman Richard Nugent
- Congressman Alan Grayson
- Congressman Daniel Webster
- Senator Bill Nelson
- Senator Marco Rubio



House Appropriations Committee Hearing Congressman David Jolly, Feb. 24, 2016

* <https://youtu.be/dFL9uOQBrYc?t=1h21m26s>

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Federal Transportation Authority and Bus Rapid Transit



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FTA/BRT Updates

Meeting: Beth Day, Director, FTA Office of Planning



- The Office of Planning is responsible for working with applicants seeking a Small Starts grant and making recommendations on projects to the FTA Administrator.
- The PSTA team outlined steps taken to advance the Central Avenue BRT project to Project Development, the first stage of the FTA Small Starts process.
- Ms. Day acknowledged the revised schedule fit within the Small Starts program and knew of no “showstoppers.”
- She expressed interest in coming to Pinellas County.



Low- and No-Emission Vehicles



LoNo Updates

- FTA does not expect to announce 2015 LoNo selections until this summer.
- The LoNo Program will move out of the FTA Research Office to FTA's Capital Program Office, beginning with the 2016 grant cycle.
- The 2016 LoNo RFP was issued on March 29. Applications are due by May 13, along with Bus and Bus Facilities RFP.
- FTA hopes to make the 2016 awards by the end of the year.





Congressional Appropriations and Budget Update



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