



Hillsborough MPO
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Integrating Land Use & Transportation

Tampa Bay Transportation Management Area (TMA) Leadership Group

2018 Top Priorities

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❖ Interstate Modernization Projects

Status: Funding is requested for reconstruction of two interchanges, I-275/SR 60 and I-275/I-4 pending completion of the reevaluation of Tampa Interstate Study EIS, which is underway; interstate modernization including technology; reevaluation of Tampa Interstate Study EIS; and for locational studies for transit centers in the Gateway and Fletcher/Fowler areas. Environmental impact studies are underway, and construction is funded for the Howard Frankland Bridge replacement.

❖ Regional Transit Catalyst Project(s) which may include:

- a. Central Avenue BRT, St. Petersburg downtown to beaches;
- b. Westshore Multimodal Center with fixed guideway connections to downtowns and airports;
- c. Further development of the Regional Transit Feasibility Plan;
- d. Regional Express Bus - opportunities include SR 60/Gulf-to-Bay Blvd, the Veterans Exwy/Suncoast Pkwy, the Gandy/Selmon Exwy corridor, the SR 54/56 corridor, and as a part of Tampa Bay Next; and expansion of regional farebox system to adjoining counties;
- e. Elevated transit in the SR 60 corridor – pilot project from downtown Clearwater to Clearwater Beach.
- f. CSX Rail Corridors – Funding is requested for right-of-way preservation for development of potential commuter routes.
- g. Waterborne Transportation Projects – Funding is requested for regional waterborne transportation priority projects, which could include the Cross-Bay Ferry, waterborne service from south Hillsborough County to MacDill Air Force Base, and other regional projects.

❖ SR 54/56 Corridor, from US 19 to Bruce B. Downs – Funding is requested to complete a Multimodal Concept and Corridor Assessment/Impact Study.

❖ I-75 Improvements:

- a. I-75 at Overpass Road – new interchange (Funding requested for Construction)
- b. I-75 at Big Bend Road – interchange reconfiguration