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Introduction

Federal laws and regulations require metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) to be designated for each urban area with a population greater than 50,000 people [23 CFR 450.310(a), 23 USC 134(d)]. This designation is accomplished by agreement between the Governor and the affected units of local government. The federal rules allow the states and units of local government to largely determine the specific composition of the MPOs. In Florida, Section 339.175, Florida Statutes, provides the requirements for MPO membership composition and apportionment of the voting membership.

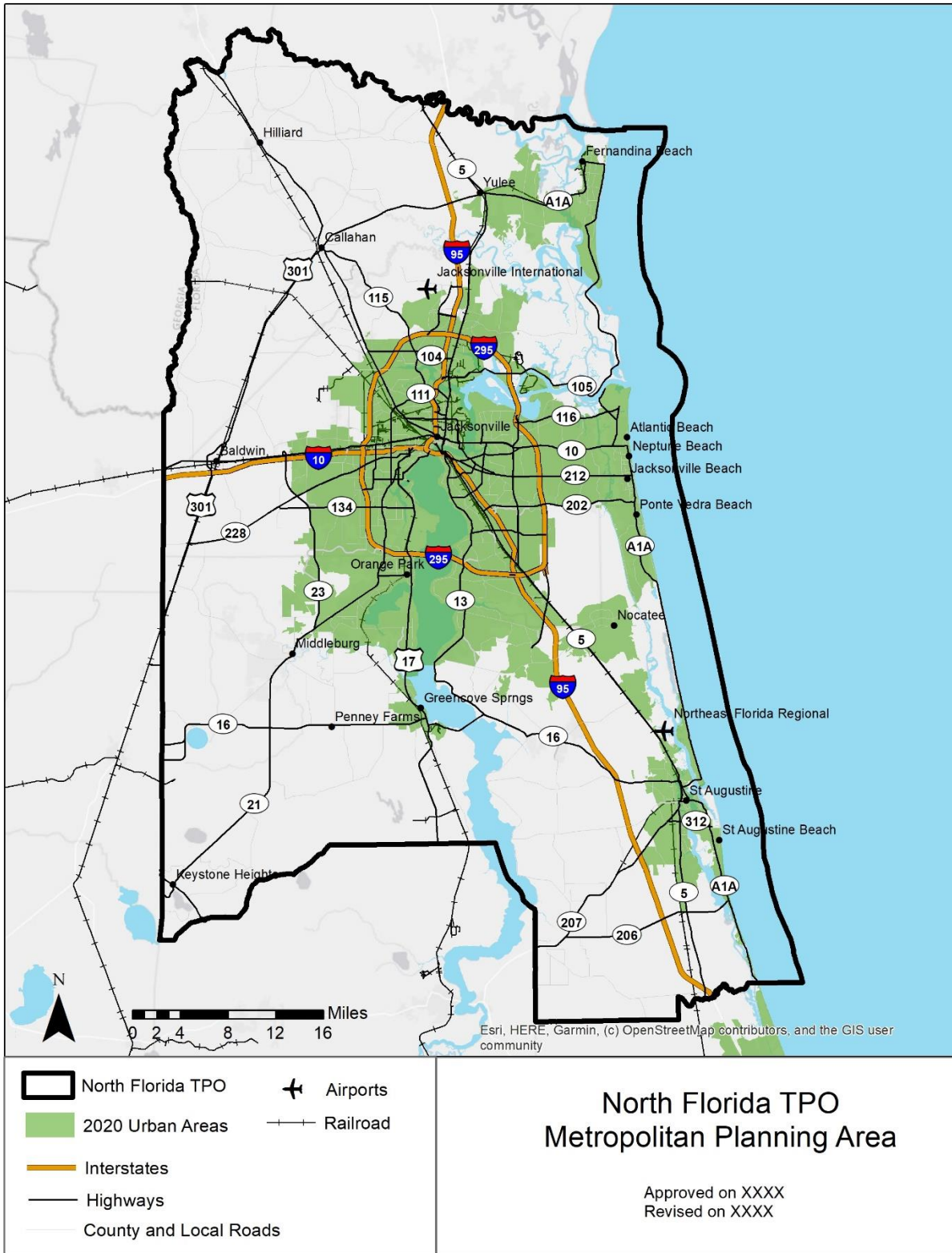
In July 1979 the Florida Legislature enacted §334.214, Florida Statutes requiring *metropolitan planning organizations* be established in designated urbanized areas by January 1980. In compliance with this directive the **Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Jacksonville Urbanized Area** was subsequently created. In March 2000 the MPO officially changed its name to the **First Coast Metropolitan Planning Organization (First Coast MPO)**, and in September 2008 was rebranded as the **North Florida Transportation Planning Organization (North Florida TPO)**.

Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary

The boundaries of the MPA are determined by agreement between the MPO and the Governor and, at minimum, encompass the entire existing urban area (as defined by the Census Bureau) plus the contiguous area expected to become urban within a 20-year forecast period (23 CFR 450.312).

The North Florida TPO is located in Northeast Florida encompassing Clay, Duval, Nassau and St. Johns counties. The TPO boundary remains unchanged from the 2010 update spanning approximately 3,000 square miles and containing three Urban Areas with over 50,000 population. These areas include the Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Fernandina Beach/Yulee Urban Areas. The TPO boundary contains 14 municipalities and according to the United States Bureau of the Census, has a 2020 population of 1,577,589. A map of the TPO's planning area boundary is provided in Figure 1.

Figure 1: North Florida TPO Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary Map



MPO Population

The table below show changes in population in the North Florida TPO area between the 2010 Census and the 2020 Census.

Table 1: North Florida TPO MPA (MPO Area) Population

	2010 Population	2020 Population	Increase (2010 – 2020)	Percent Increase
Clay	190,865	218,245	27,380	14
Duval	864,263	995,567	131,304	15
Nassau	73,314	90,352	17,038	23
St. Johns	190,039	273,425	83,386	44
Total	1,318,481	1,577,589	259,108	20

Current & Proposed MPO Membership

Currently, the North Florida TPO board is comprised of 18 members (15 voting), as shown in Table 2. These members represent the counties of Clay, Duval, Nassau and St. Johns, the incorporated cities of Atlantic Beach, Neptune Beach, Jacksonville Beach, St. Augustine, St. Augustine Beach, Fernandina Beach, Green Cove Springs, Keystone Heights and the towns of Baldwin, Callahan, Hillard, Orange Park and Penney Farms. The voting membership also includes five authority members and three non-voting members from the Florida Department of Transportation, the United States Navy and Baker County. The composition was agreed to by the MPO members in a membership apportionment plan approved by the Governor in 2010. There are no proposed changes to the North Florida TPO membership or voting structure from the 2010 adopted apportionment plan.

Table 2: Current & Proposed MPO Membership

Jurisdiction/Agency/Entity	Current and Proposed Membership		
	Number of Voting Members	Number of Non-Voting Members	Percent of Total Votes
Clay County Commissioners	2		10.5
Jacksonville Mayor or Designee ¹	1		10.5
Jacksonville City Council Members ¹	3		31.6
Beaches Mayor (Atlantic Beach, Jacksonville Beach or Neptune Beach rotating at their convenience)	1		5.3
Nassau County Commissioner	1		5.3
St. Augustine Mayor or Designee	1		5.3
St. Johns County Commissioner	1		5.3
Jacksonville Aviation Authority	1		5.3
Jacksonville Port Authority	1		5.3
Jacksonville Transportation Authority	1		5.3
Nassau County Ocean Highway and Port Authority	1		5.3

¹ Double weighted votes

Jurisdiction/Agency/Entity	Current and Proposed Membership		
	Number of Voting Members	Number of Non-Voting Members	Percent of Total Votes
St. Augustine-St. Johns County Airport Authority	1		5.3
FDOT District 2 Secretary or Designee		1	
Highest Ranking Member of the United States Navy or Designee		1	
Baker County		1	
Total	15	3	100 ²

² Due to rounding percentages do not sum to exactly 100%

Attachments



RESOLUTION NO. 2023-6

**A RESOLUTION OF THE NORTH FLORIDA TPO
SUPPORTING THE ADOPTION OF THE MPO
MEMBERSHIP APPORTIONMENT PLAN.**

WHEREAS, the North Florida TPO is the agency designated to conduct a continuing, coordinated, and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Fernandina Urban Areas; and

WHEREAS, Section 134 Title 23 of the United States Code requires the designation of MPOs in urban areas, as defined by the United Census Bureau of the Census; and

WHEREAS, Section 134 of Title 23 of the United State Code sets forth membership requirements for MPOs designated for transportation management areas with a population of 200,000 or more residents; and

WHEREAS, the North Florida TPO met on October 12, 2023 to review its voting composition and agreed on the composition presented herein; and

WHEREAS, Section 339.175(4)(a), Florida Statutes, requires the Governor to review the composition of the Metropolitan Planning Organizations membership in conjunction with the decennial census.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the North Florida TPO approves the **submittal of a MPO Membership Apportionment Plan to the Governor’s Office.**

PASSED and DULY ADOPTED by the North Florida TPO on October 12, 2023

Attest:

The Honorable Mike Cole, Chairman

Jeff Sheffield, Executive Director