Regional Council of Governments

Mission: To serve as the forum for regional decision-making

- Build consensus
- Develop short and long range strategic plans
- Acquire, analyze, and allocate funding resources for measureable results
- Provide information and leadership on a broad range of topics that effect our Region's quality of life:
 - Transportation
 - Affordable Housing
 - Regional Economic Development
 - Land Use and Redevelopment

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Goals:

- ▶ To function as the "Region's" consolidated MPO
- To consolidate organizations like the Tampa Bay Area Regional Transportation Authority (TBARTA) within the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC)
- ► To establish an oversight Board for the Region
- To better link and clarify relationships between this regional entity, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), and member local governments from participating Counties
- ► To serve as the forum for regional decision-making
 - Remedy fragmented decision making process
 - Reduce inefficient use of funding / redundancies

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Board of Directors

- Composed of Pinellas, Hillsborough, and Pasco County
- Board comprised of: Mayors, County Commissioners, Councilmembers, Business/Private Sector Leaders, Advisory Executive Members from Staff
- Policy Advisory Committees comprised of: professional staff from MPO's, Governments, Planners, etc.

Legislative Program Input

Federal

- Establish appropriate funding levels
- Transit investment and reform
- Process improvements
- Access to resources

<u>State</u>

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- Transit investment and reform
- Process improvements
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Local

- Legislative priority coordination
- Cohesive regional discussions
- Key Environmental issues:
 - Sewer capacity
 - Stormwater
 - Habitat restoration
- Legislation and/or policies that promote governmental efficiencies and cost savings

Transportation

Multimodal Impacts

- Roads
- Trails / Pedestrian
- Bus
- Ferry Service
- CPT / Elevated Transit
- Ports

Aviation

Provider Coordination

- PSTA / HART
- Tampa/Hillsborough Expressway Authority (THEA)
- Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (TBRPC)

