



## Recap of TBRPC Council Meeting

Talking points to assist Board Members with their reports on Council activities.

**Meeting Date: March 13, 2017**

- ❖ **TBRPC Hosts Successful Transportation Summit**

On February 16th, the Tampa Bay RPC hosted a regional transportation summit entitled "Innovations in Transportation". More than 200 people attended from the Tampa Bay Region. Featured speakers included the Federal Highway Administration Division Administrator, Florida District 7 Secretary James Christian and Executive Director of the San Diego Association of Governments, MPO's and Transit Authorities Gary Gallegos. Transportation funding and technological innovations were discussed throughout the day.
- ❖ **25<sup>TH</sup> Annual Future of the Region Awards **CALL FOR ENTRIES** Available Now!**

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**25<sup>TH</sup> Annual Future of the Region Awards Breakfast- Invitation Coming Soon!**  
When: Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017  
Where: Hilton Carillon Park Hotel, 950 Lake Carillon Drive, St. Petersburg, FL
- ❖ **Stormwater Management Public Education and Training Opportunity**

Environmental Planner Heather Young provided an overview of the TBRPC/FDOT stormwater management public education and training committee which included a list of current projects and a projected timeline for the FY 2018 grant funding opportunity.
- ❖ **University of South Florida Tampa Hazard Identification and Consequence**

TBRPC conducted a Hazard Identification and Consequence Analysis (HIRA) for USF Tampa. The HIRA provides a summary of the natural, technological, and human-caused hazards that have the potential to impact USF's Tampa campus and USF Health facilities located in Downtown Tampa. Staff provided a summary of the project.
- ❖ **Tourism in the Tampa Bay Area: Facts and Figures**

At the request of the Council, TBRPC staff provided an update on the economic impacts of tourism in the Tampa Bay region. With its world-class beaches, balmy weather and recreational assets, the Tampa Bay area is one of the most attractive tourism draws in the state of Florida. Tourism employs thousands of workers in several related industries with employees earning a regional average of around \$35,446.00 and accounts for about 8 % of all regional employment.
- ❖ **April is Florida Water Conservation Month**

Florida's water management districts are calling upon each citizen and business to help protect our precious resource by practicing water saving measures and becoming more aware of the need to save water.

All presentations, pertinent links and minutes of the meetings can be found on the Council website at [www.tbrpc.org](http://www.tbrpc.org). Contact: Wren G. Krahl, Director of Administration/Public Information, [wren@tbrpc.org](mailto:wren@tbrpc.org).