



Recap of the TBRPC Council Meeting

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

Meeting Date: Monday, September 9, 2019

❖ Project Phoenix 11

TBRPC Staff have reached out to each of the 6 County Emergency Managers in the Tampa Bay Region to request their participation on a steering committee for the Hurricane Phoenix II project. We have been awarded a \$175,000 competitive federal government grant that will provide staff the opportunity to develop a simulated Category 5 hurricane that makes landfall in the Tampa Bay Region. A portion of the focus of this project will be to estimate hurricane impact to small business in the region. We have targeted a May 2020 table top exercise and subsequent video simulation. Hurricane Dorian has certainly reinforced the need for all Floridians to be prepared for a possible disaster during Hurricane season.

❖ Envision 2030 TBARTA

Mr. David Green, Executive Director for TBARTA will provide an overview of TBARTA along with a presentation on *Envision 2030*. *Envision 2030* is Tampa Bay's first Regional Transit Development Plan. It is both a vision and a strategy to improve the quality of life in Tampa Bay through world-class regional transit service connecting Hernando, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco and Pinellas Counties.

❖ TBRPC Executive Director Visits Capitol Hill

On July 25th Mr. Sullivan visited Capitol Hill in Washington D.C. with several colleagues from the National Association of Regional Councils. Prior to meetings on the Hill the group met with the Executive Director of the National Association of Counties and the Federal Advocacy Director of the National League of Cities where they were briefed on each organization's legislative priorities. Mr. Sullivan met with Congressional and Senate committee staff to express the need for federal support for ongoing initiatives in the areas of transportation, housing and resilience.

❖ Boca Ciega Aquatic Preserve Turns 50!

Ms. Terry Fortner with Friends of the Aquatic Preserves issued an invitation to Council Members to attend the 50th Anniversary Celebration of the Boca Ciega Aquatic Preserve which will take place on Sept. 9th, 2019 at the St. Pete College, Seminole Campus. The TBRPC is the premier sponsor of the educational event.

❖ 2019 Official Disaster Planning Guides

The 2019 Official Disaster Planning Guides are now available. The Guides which have been published are in both English and Spanish. The first in the nation, the Guide has been published annually by the TBRPC for over 30 years.

All presentations, pertinent links and minutes of the meetings can be found on the Council website at www.tbrpc.org

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