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## Martin MPO Seeks Public Input on Bike and Pedestrian Master Plan

Stuart, FL – Walking and cycling are favorite activities for many Martin County residents, who will have the opportunity to give their ideas to the Metropolitan Planning Organization and its Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee at a public meeting on March 22.

“We welcome the community’s input on our Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Master Plan,” says Beth Beltran, MPO Administrator. “Our Advisory Committee is looking to the general public for suggestions that are economically feasible, address the needs of our residents, and have community support.”

The Public Meeting will be held from 4 to 6 p.m. on Thursday, March 22, at the Wolf Technology Center on the Chastain Campus of Indian River State College.

The Bicycle, Pedestrian and Trails Master Plan builds on the foundation of the MPO’s 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan. That plan is available on the Martin County MPO Moving Martin Forward web site, [www.martinmpo.com](http://www.martinmpo.com). Residents are invited to take a survey on the web site to provide ideas and feedback to the Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee members.

Updates and ongoing information are available on the MPO Facebook page Moving Martin Forward. The public can also get information by calling 772-288-5412. “We are committed to getting ongoing feedback from our stakeholders on completed projects and any gaps that may exist in the plan,” Beltran adds.

### About the Martin County Metropolitan Planning Organization

The Martin MPO works to coordinate the improvement of all facets of the transportation network in Martin County. This effort includes the monitoring and evaluation of existing conditions, the development of improvement strategies, the facilitation of meaningful public input, and the implementation of evaluated and funded strategies.

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of MPOs was to ensure projects were developed according to “continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative” transportation planning – the “3C” planning approach.

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