

Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Membership Apportionment Plan

Introduction & Purpose

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 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. Pursuant to these state and federal rules, the Broward MPO was created in 1977.

The purpose of the apportionment plan is to establish, adjust, or reaffirm an MPO's urban boundary and voting composition following each decennial census. The following sections describe what changes, if any, the Broward MPO intends to make to either its urban boundary or voting composition as a result of the 2020 Census.

Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary

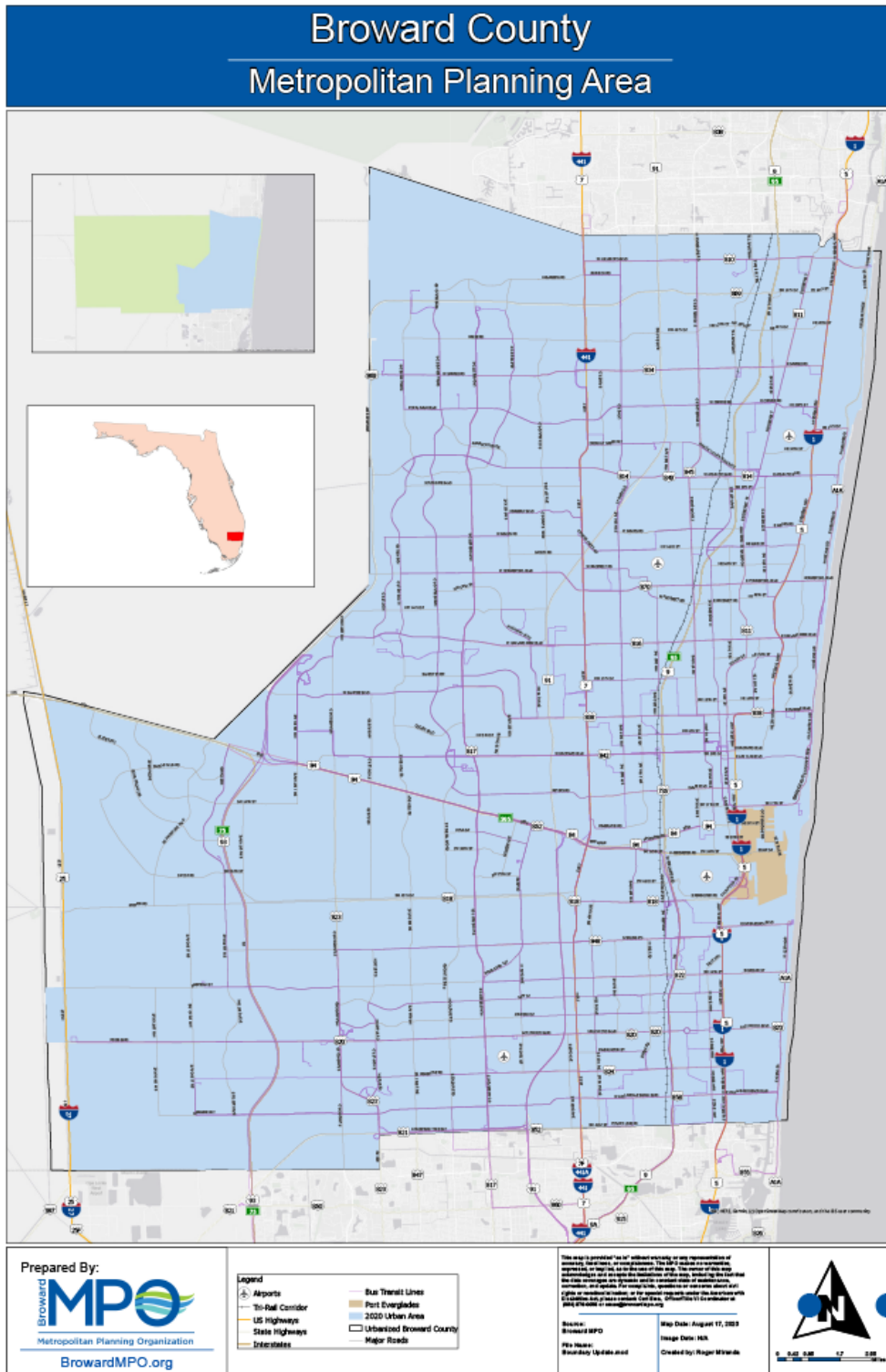
The boundaries of the metropolitan planning area (MPA) are determined by agreement between the MPO and the Governor and, at minimum, encompass the entire existing urban area (as defined by the Census Bureau) plus the contiguous area expected to become urban within a 20-year forecast period (23 CFR 450.312).

In comparing the results of the 2020 Census with the previous (2010) Census (viewable here: <https://fdot.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=9ed8524968cc4ac9a08ac175119fd46d>), it appears that only minimal differences exist with regard to the identified urban areas (with the majority of the changes occurring in the southwest portion of urbanized Broward). However, as part of the apportionment plan, the MPO is tasked with adjusting this urban area from the Census Bureau to include “the contiguous area expected to become urbanized within a 20-year forecast period for the metropolitan transportation plan.” Therefore, the southwestern urban area in the proposed MPA boundary map in Figure 1 has been extended out to US 27 to account for potential future development.

Metropolitan Planning Area Description:

“Broward County is located on the east coast of south Florida. Broward County is comprised of 32 local government jurisdictions (31 municipalities and Broward County Government which has jurisdiction over the County’s unincorporated areas) and approximately 1,202 square miles in size, Broward is geographically the seventh largest county in Florida. According to the United States Bureau of the Census, the eastern half of the county is urbanized, and with a 2020 population of 1,944,375, it is Florida’s second most densely populated county. A map of the MPO’s planning area boundary is provided in Figure 1.”

Figure 1: Broward MPO Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary Map



MPO Population

The table below shows changes in population in the Broward MPO area between the 2010 Census and the 2020 Census.

Table 1: MPA (MPO Area) Population

MPA Area	2010 Population	2020 Population
Total	1,748,066	1,944,375

Current & Proposed MPO Membership

Currently, the Broward MPO board is comprised of 38 members (25 voting members and 13 alternates), as shown in Table 2, representing 31 municipal governments, the Broward County Board of County Commissioners, the South Florida Regional Transportation Authority (SFRTA), the School Board of Broward County, and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) (as a non-voting technical advisor). The composition of the Board was agreed to by the MPO Members in the Third Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement for the Creation of the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization. The proposed Broward MPO Board membership in this apportionment plan remains unchanged at 25 voting members, 13 alternate voting members who are eligible to vote when members are absent, and one non-voting member (Table 2).

Table 2: Current & Proposed MPO Membership

Jurisdiction/Agency/ Entity	Current Membership				Proposed Membership			
	Number of Voting Members	Number of Alternate Voting Members	Number of Non-Voting Members	Percent of Total Votes (of Voting Members)	Number of Voting Members	Number of Alternate Voting Members	Number of Non-Voting Members	Percent of Total Votes (of Voting Members)
Coral Springs	1			4%	1			4%
Tamarac	1			4%	1			4%
Margate	1			4%	1			4%
North Lauderdale	1			4%	1			4%
Parkland		1				1		
Pompano Beach	1			4%	1			4%
Deerfield Beach	1			4%	1			4%
Coconut Creek	1			4%	1			4%
Lighthouse Point		1				1		
Lauderdale-By-The-Sea		1				1		
Hillsboro Beach		1				1		
Fort Lauderdale	2			8%	2			8%
Sunrise	1			4%	1			4%
Plantation	1			4%	1			4%
Lauderhill	1			4%	1			4%
Oakland Park	1			4%	1			4%

Lauderdale Lakes		1				1		
Wilton Manors		1				1		
Sea Ranch Lakes		1				1		
Lazy Lakes		1				1		
Hollywood	1			4%	1			4%
Hallandale Beach	1			4%	1			4%
Dania Beach		1				1		
Pembroke Pines	1			4%	1			4%
Miramar	1			4%	1			4%
Davie	1			4%	1			4%
Weston	1			4%	1			4%
Cooper City		1				1		
West Park		1				1		
Southwest Ranches		1				1		
Pembroke Park		1				1		
Broward County Board of County Commissioners	4			16%	4			16%
Broward County Appointee to South Florida Regional Transportation Authority	1			4%	1			4%

School Board of Broward County	1			4%	1			4%
Fl. Dept. of Transportation			1	0%			1	0%
Total	25	13	1	100%	25	13	1	100%

Conclusion

In summary, based on the results of the 2020 Census, the Broward MPO proposes to adopt the identified urban area from the Census Bureau with an extension of the southwestern urban area out to US 27 (to account for potential future development) and retain the current voting membership (which increased to the State-regulated cap of 25 with the adoption of the Third Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement for the Creation of the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization in 2016).

Attachment

RESOLUTION NO. 2023-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BROWARD METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION SUPPORTING THE ADOPTION OF THE MPO MEMBERSHIP APPORTIONMENT PLAN.

WHEREAS, the Broward Metropolitan Planning Organization (BMPO) is the agency designated to conduct a continuing, coordinated, and comprehensive transportation planning process in Broward County, Florida; 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 BMPO met on October 12, 2023 to review its voting composition based on the results of the 2020 decennial Census 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 BMPO approves the submittal of an MPO Membership Apportionment Plan to the Governor's Office.

PASSED and DULY ADOPTED by the BMPO on October 12, 2023.

Attest: BMPO

By: _____

GREGORY STUART
BMPO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

By: _____

MAYOR FRANK ORTIS
BMPO CHAIR