

1. Please rate each session you attended using the following scale:

5 – Excellent 4 – Above Average 3 – Average 2 – Below Average 1 – Poor

	<u>5's</u>	<u>4's</u>	<u>3's</u>	<u>2's</u>	<u>1's</u>	<u>Score</u>
Efficient Transportation Decision Making						
Planning & Programming Screens	14	5	6	0	0	4.3
Environmental Screening Tool	9	3	2	0	0	4.4
Linkages of Planning to Project Development	10	9	2	1	0	4.3
Safety in Planning						
Planning for Safety	8	5	1	0	0	4.5
Innovative Design Strategies	7	5	0	0	0	4.6
Bike/Pedestrian Safety	6	5	0	0	0	4.5
Quality of Service						
Auto/Truck Level of Service	4	7	2	0	0	4.2
Transit/Bike/Pedestrian Level of Service	10	4	1	0	0	4.6
Open Forum on Quality of Service	5	7	3	0	0	4.1
Public Involvement						
Using Technology	8	4	7	1	0	4.0
Communication Strategies	15	0	0	0	0	5.0
“Placemaking” in Transportation	11	3	0	0	0	4.8
Metropolitan Regional Planning						
Visual Preference Surveys	8	10	3	0	0	4.2
Regional Coordination in MPO Planning	3	6	4	1	0	3.8
Visioning and Land Use in MPO Planning	7	4	2	0	0	4.4
Rural Planning						
Snapshot of Rural Transportation Planning	2	3	4	0	0	3.8
Statewide Planning						
Open Forum	10	3	1	0	0	4.6
Personal Development Workshop						
	7	2	0	0	1	4.4
Plenary Session (Wednesday)						
	15	15	5	0	0	4.3
Luncheon Speaker (Thursday)						
	15	9	1	0	0	4.2
Exhibits (Thursday & Friday)						
	5	7	8	2	1	3.6

2. Do you have any suggestions for TRANSPLEX 2005?
(i.e. session topics, format, location, length, theme)

- Hold it in 2004.
- Invite private providers, private enterprise, private partners.
- Involve the legal community (city/county councils/land use attorney's).
- Length is good.
- Panel session on "Transportation Demand Management".
- Commute modes also include ride sharing (carpool and vanpool) and teleworking. While communication with the public determines long range, TDM can be introduced as a "free" immediate solution for the general public to traffic congestion, consistently ranked as a top community concern. TDM needs to be an intricate part of the agency transportation planning process and permitting standards.
- The length was about right. But I suggest a wrap up session for all.
- Participants for an hour or so at the end to highlight some of the high points.
- Just build on this success. Continue multi-modal emphasis.
- Focus on planning issues of the day, current issues.
- Should be annual. Next should be 2004.
- Lower registration fee to allow greater participation. If it is to be held near a theme park, hold it during the summer so families can take advantage.
- Longer break after luncheon and next set of sessions.
- Case histories in corridor management/access management. Local Studies and problems/solutions encountered. Include speaker on Current FL Law and what is possible & should be accomplished.
- Session Topics: Transportation and land use planning public transportation, rural transportation issues alternative transportation methods and planning.
- Good hotel, length, etc. I'm too new to transportation planning to suggest topics.
- Needs two full days; a bit cramped. Make copies of research materials would be nice. Exhibits a bit weak.
- Case studies with stakeholders/partnership.
- Sessions could be 1 hour, with 15 min. breaks to allow for more sessions.
- Good variety of topics/sessions. Orlando good – centrally located – lots of reasonably priced hotel options – liked length of 2003 conference – not too long. Scheduling 30 minutes between sessions good. Hotel nice – but not walkable to other places easily.
- The future (& use of technology) in RCI.
- Merge with EMO conference.
- Too many FDOT sponsored exhibits, need more vendors.
- Location other than Orlando.
- Suggest extending invitation to other State DOT's.
- Would like to see 2 full days & a ½ day.
- When you have a personal development session – have more than one so it can be attended.
- Need a session dealing with PL funds.
- Please put all presentations on website so we can download them.
- How about some "training" sessions?

Suggestions for TRANSPLEX 2005 (continued)

- Legislation updates – how impacts DOT (from current session) just finished.
- Financial session (Hwy funds – Transit funds).
- Title VI sessions.
- MPO funds (for MPOs & Liaisons).
- Land use & planners.
- More safety sessions.
- Freight sessions & commercial vehicles.
- Location was nice. The first day Plenary should be shorter.
- Encourage participation by CAC and TAC chairpersons to broaden conference dialogue, and perhaps, develop some sessions for this group.
- Consider having a distinct time for the exhibits. They were at a disadvantage competing against the sessions.
- Glad to see that someone was taking pictures and hope there will be on the website along with the slide presentations. It was well prepared for the first one to be held. Was impressed that more agencies were involved.
- Continue with personal interaction sessions like what Carvajal did.
- Excellent conference including the topics, format, location, themes, etc.
- I liked seeing presentations from NJ and others adding a different point of view. I really liked learning about Florida issues. It was an eye opener.
- More vendors, exhibits, sponsors. Needs to be more exciting after conference events.
- Keep it similar to this. Just right.
- Allow at least twenty minutes for Q & A for each session.
- Have a few sessions or methods that are working in other states that Florida could look to as a model.
- Orlando great location.
- Good quality speakers.
- Make it an annual meeting.
- I like format.
- ETPM was boring & repetitive. Transit was of significant interest, was lost in open forum – need more transit sessions next time. Plenty for MPOs, heavy on FDOT. Nice to have more local governments too. More professional development. Professional development – good presentations, dealing with difficult people, effective public meetings.
- Sessions should be one hour, not 1 1/2 start at 9am, not 8:30:
 - 8:00 – 9:00 Continental breakfast/exhibits
 - 9:00 – 10:00 Sessions
 - 10:00 – 10:30 Break/exhibits
 - 10:30 – 11:30 Sessions
 - 12:00 – 1:30 Lunch
 - 2:00 – 3:00 Sessions
 - 3:00 – 3:30 Break/Exhibits
 - 3:30 – 4:30 Sessions
 - 4:30 – 6:00 Reception/Exhibits

Suggestions for TRANSPLEX 2005 (continued)

- Good to have 3 concurrent sessions, 4 sets per day – allows enough variety and good distribution of people.
- It would be nice to include a computer area or simulation class, rather than in exhibit hall.
- More on collaboration, co-ordination and more of Regional Coordination in MPO Planning.
- Reception not up to standard, well below average, needs help here.
- Merge with Transtat.
- “Selling Transportation” ... in order to better communicate transportation’s importance.
- Keep personal development workshop.
- Keep interactive forum format.
- Replace Exhibits with something more innovative – How to workshops or demos of new technology.
- More “How – To” Workshops.
- Better publicize within FDOT.

3. Do you have any comments about the conference overall?

- Good format.
- Create a “computer lab” for FDOT and local software advancements.
- Improve exhibit format and food.
- Central location is good (timing in calendar is good).
- Focus on transportation planning.
- Keep “partnerships” as an underlying theme.
- GREAT FIRST CONFERENCE!!!
- Good job: To use the Transplex website for copies of presentations.
- Will pictures of conference also be included?
- AM breaks (coffee only) and especially opening recognition (cheese, fruit and snacks).
- It looked like F & B was the area for cutting conference costs, but measured against the registration fee should have been better.
- One of the panelists mentioned a “speaker honorarium”. Most “industry” Conferences do not pay for panelists that are part of the involved industry.
- Hotel Concerns – Room door lock did not work correctly, door was off center; room phone service buttons non-working.
- Mistake on final bill.
- Morning wake up service coffee missed on second morning. For a conference hotel for a 1 day and 2 half day conference this required more time to resolve than should have been necessary. This may not be a concern for tourists, but they do become important issues for a “conference hotel”.
- It was good. Good location – good sessions. Could have had some sessions on technical stuff like good practices for developing TIPs, UPWPs, LRTPs.
- How to survive a TMA certification review. Also, maybe an executive session.
- Enjoyed the 3 – theme format for each time slot. Conference was a great idea, as witnessed by the participation. Very useful – both for learning and networking. Nice Job!

Overall comments (continued)

- I think Metroplan Orlando and FDOT did an excellent job!
- Effective, interesting panelists for the plenary session.
- Very good overall. Blend of Federal, State & Local topics and speakers were good.
- Very good hotel facilities.
- Excellent facilities; very well organized, good choice of topics and good presenters. Forums offered a good opportunity to hear other perspectives.
- Continental breakfast – not nutritious, but “counts” as a meal for travel reimbursement. Perhaps have some fruit, bagels, yogurt next time.
- Coffee in proximity to meeting areas less disruptive to session.
- Excellent job!!! A pleasure being part of it.
- Session Topics or presentations should be held several times or at least two in case someone wants to attend more than one offered at a time.
- Very informative.
- Very good conference. I enjoyed the presentations and learned a lot.
- This has been sorely needed for a while – don’t know why it took so long to hold a conference for planning community! Need the opportunity to network and communicate among people that actually do the work, not just the higher ups! Orlando good, but might consider moving the location around the state, maybe have each district host the conference over a span of years. Overall good conference, much needed, please continue to present/create opportunities for planners to connect statewide. Many heads are always better than 1, and we can learn from each other & no recreate the wheel!
- Great training.
- Yes – we definitely need to do more not end with this one!
- Having outside speakers was great & we need more!
- It was great!!
- Good choice of topics.
- You’ve done an excellent job with organizing the conference – lots of worthwhile topics.
- Outstanding! It really came together well.
- Need to have the area where the exhibits, closer to the sessions. Speakers need to be away from the screen to allow everyone to see the screen/slide presentation. Room temperature too cold.
- The theme and topics were well represented. Timing was excellent; all speakers kept to a good schedule. Rooms were too cold.
- I was very impressed by the quality of the conference & enjoyed Orlando very much.
- Good, excellent speaker.
- Great organization & the topics were very timely.
- GREAT JOB!
- Was informative, but lacked on the role of public transit to the state of Florida.
- Enjoyable, High quality. Include session on Corridor Planning/Right-of-way preservation techniques and more on Transit Development Plan.
- Great Job – thanks for all the hard work!

Overall comments (continued)

- Lunch was nice, continental breakfast could have been better (fresh fruit). Good meeting facility. Need to have exhibits open longer (i.e. after 5pm during pm reception). Breakfast and breaks weren't enough time for computer simulations.
- Good to have 3 concurrent sessions, 4 sets per day – allows enough variety and good distribution of people.
- Excellent staff and technical support for speakers. Good preparation prior to conference.
- More pictures, less print.
- Good start, I felt I learned in several area items I was not aware of.
- Including Rural was good idea.
- Worked out great for the first time.
- Facility was great!
- FBT President Doug Callaway was outstanding! (Invite him back in 2005)
- Excellent conference – well organized.
- Excellent! Good job OPP!