Initial Issues

This listing is for discussion purposes and does not represent a complete list of issues. During the Advisory Council meeting, you will use this list as a starting point and add, delete, modify issues as appropriate.

- **Program Delivery/Funding**
  - How should we prioritize and where do we implement needed capacity improvements with limited funding?
  - How can we better align highway improvement priorities among DOTD and local governments?
  - How can we improve project delivery and implementation time of transportation improvements?
  - What are effective ways to handle pre-planning functions (corridor preservation, land use controls, etc.) prior to funding availability?
  - Need for alternative funding sources

- **Connectivity/Integration**
  - How can we better connect/integrate highways with other transportation modes and programs?

- **Changing Conditions**
  - How can the transportation system better accommodate population shifts (hurricanes, growth in metro areas?) and demographic changes (aging population, migration of young people)?

- **Coordination/Cooperation**
  - What should be DOTD’s role in assisting local governments with planning, implementing and funding highway improvements?
  - How do we improve coordination between DOTD and local jurisdictions?
  - How can we better coordinate and communicate the availability and eligibility requirements of various federal and state funding sources?
How can we effectively coordinate, communicate and address transportation needs with the varying boundaries/jurisdictions of DOTD Districts, MPOs, RPDs, State Police, etc.?

How do we improve the varying responsibilities and disconnect between the MPO planning philosophy and DOTD engineering/implementation focus?

**Other Issues**
- Condition of Assets: How can we improve poor conditions and safety on roads/bridges? (now part of new Highway Operations and Maintenance AC but was previously addressed by RPO)
- Efficiency/Mobility: How can we make our existing highway system more efficient? (now part of new Highway Operations and Maintenance AC but was previously addressed by RPO)
- Trucking: How can we handle impacts of increased truck traffic on highways (agriculture, shale, regular trade) (may be part of Trucking AC too)