

Transportation Committee Annual Report

Committee charge

The Committee serves as a working committee to both the MPO Policy Committee and the CMAP Board and will consider recommendations and policy decisions prior to MPO Policy Committee action.

Goals and objectives

The Committee's vision is: "Promote a regional Transportation system that is safe, efficient, and accessible while sustaining the region's vision related to the natural environment, economic and community development, social equity, and public health."

Summary of work

Work to date

For 2022, the Committee's focus has been on the ON TO 2050 Update and the many pieces that feed into the update which include the financial plan, regionally significant projects (RSPs) and their evaluation, the system performance report, plan indicators, the socioeconomic forecast, transportation modeling and the air quality conformity as well as the FFY 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

The committee reviews and approves amendments to the TIP which is one of the main responsibilities of a Metropolitan Planning Organization and provides a five-year financial picture for the federal transportation dollars in the region along with regionally significant projects.

In February, at the request of Secretary Osman and the MPO Policy Committee, the Transportation Committee held a special meeting to discuss and approve the Unified Work Plan (UWP) which provides federal transportation planning funds to the region. The Committee discussed the newly approved IJA funding and the known and unknown affects that the legislation will have on transportation planning and the functions of the Metropolitan Planning Organizations across the country. In addition, the committee discussed some of the new programming related to safe and complete streets, ADA transition planning, and funding for core and competitive programs.

The committee continues to be actively engaged in the conversation about traffic safety in the region. In 2019, safety rose to one of the top priorities of the committee which ultimately led to the creation of the Safety Action Agenda.

Other topics and presentations covered so far this year include ITS Architecture, RTA Strategic Plan, Mobility Recovery, Pavement Management Plan and National Science Foundation sidewalk inventory project.

Discussion on performance measures

The performance measures discussed by the Committee revolve around the National Performance Management Measures which cover transportation asset condition, system performance, and safety.

Baselines

See the [System Performance Report Plan Appendix](#).

Current levels

See the [System Performance Report Plan Appendix](#).

Outstanding work

The Committee is scheduled to meet on September 16, November 18 and December 16, 2022. The work of the Committee will include ON TO 2050 Update approval recommending the plan to the MPO Policy Committee and CMAP Board for adoption, the mobility recovery work, federal safety performance measures and the approval of TIP amendments along with the discussion of prioritized transportation investments resulting from Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

Future work

Safe systems approach to transportation, ADA Transition Plans, transit recovery, implementation of IJJA, climate issues and the newly proposed greenhouse gas emissions performance measures will be of particular interest to the Committee.