

**MEMORANDUM**

**To:** Transportation Committee

**From:** CMAP Staff

**Date:** July 23, 2024

**Subject:** Transportation Performance Measures Update

**Action Requested:** Discussion

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Performance measures and targets are a key part of a performance-based planning and programming. Targets that align with the goals of the regional transportation plan guide transportation investment decisions. Regular monitoring and reporting of performance outcomes are required to track progress towards achieving the established targets. Staff are currently updating various data sets in preparation for the next round of target setting as part of the Regional Transportation Plan update in 2026.

CMAP tracks plan progress with two sets of measures; [plan indicators](#) and federally required [performance measures](#). Federal performance measures have significant overlap with the “mobility” plan indicators and cover five areas: Roadway Safety, Highway Asset Condition, System Performance (congestion), Transit Asset Condition, and Transit Safety.

Staff were preparing to adopt a new target for greenhouse gas emissions on the National Highway System in June following adoption of a target by IDOT. However, the rule requiring targets was vacated by a judge in March. This will allow time for staff to align greenhouse gas target setting with the multi sector targets being set as part of the Climate Action Plan expected in summer 2025.

Similar ongoing planning efforts will inform the target setting for other measures. Our asset condition work is closely tied to our financial plan. System performance and congestion will be evaluated as part of the congestion management strategy. Safety is discussed annually, and future target setting will build on the County Safe Streets for All (SS4A) work that is underway.

Staff will preview a new dashboard for Federal Performance Measures. A dashboard for Plan Indicators has existed for several years providing the most recent data available on progress toward goals, but federal measures have lacked this feature. This new dashboard will provide more timely updates and allow for mapping of performance measure data.