



Coordinating Committee 2022 Annual Report

Committee charge

The Coordinating Committee is charged with contributing to the agency's mission and supporting the implementation of the agency's strategic direction and the long-range transportation plan.

Goals and objectives

The goals and objectives of the Coordinating Committee include:

- Broadening regional awareness of and support for the agency's initiatives
- Assisting the agency's leadership in the decision-making process by providing needed information
- Creating a space for cross-collaboration between the transportation, climate, and regional economy committees, and the Board representatives
- Evaluating the alignment of the agency's work with CMAP's core values of serve with passion, pursue equity, foster collaboration, lead with excellence, and drive innovation
- Monitoring the agency's progress in advancing key performance measures identified by the transportation, climate, and regional economy committees

Summary of work

Work to date

In 2022, each of the committee meetings focused on work that exemplified one of CMAP's core values (driving innovation, serving with passion, fostering collaboration, leading with excellence, pursuing equity), and one of the focus areas: transportation, climate, and regional economy.

The committee's first meeting of 2022 focused on the Strategic Direction, as well as the core values of driving innovation, and serving with passion. The committee received a presentation on CMAP's Strategic Direction, and subsequent committee realignment, as well as the role of the Coordinating Committee in aligning CMAP's work to the agency's core values and three focus areas. During this meeting the committee also heard about the Regional Infrastructure Accelerator program, which aims to accelerate the development of projects like bridge rehabilitation, as well as electric vehicle infrastructure, and ADA projects.

In May the committee's work focused on the theme of regional economy and fostering collaboration. The committee received a presentation on the agency's draft Strategic Direction,

which led to a discussion about opportunities to exchange ideas and information among working level committees through annual reporting. During this meeting the committee also received an overview of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), and CMAP's role in facilitating regional coordination around funding opportunities. The presentation included an overview of the implementation of the IIJA's formula and competitive programs.

The following meeting focused on the theme of transportation and leading with excellence. Committee liaisons from the Transportation Committee presented their annual report. In addition, the committee received an overview of CMAP's ADA transition planning work. This included an overview of a multifaceted program that CMAP is currently creating, which includes education and training, outreach, technical assistance as well as tools and resources that can help communities in the region improve accessibility and integrate people with disabilities.

The last committee meeting of 2022 focused on the theme of climate and pursuing equity. Committee liaisons from the Climate Committee presented their annual report, and the committee discussed the need for more synergy between the topic of climate and freight movement, especially in areas of the region that are experiencing a growth in logistics facilities. The Climate Committee report also led to a discussion about CMAP's recently released greenhouse gas emissions inventory for communities across the region.

Following the Climate Committee's annual report, committee members also received an overview of the Community Alliance for Regional Equity (CARE), which aims to create deeper partnerships between community-based organizations and CMAP. CARE is part of a multi-year investment to make the agency's engagement more equitable and inclusive of communities that are traditionally excluded from the planning process. The Committee discussed examples of successful engagement efforts in their communities, as well as examples from partner organizations, like RTA's strategic plan effort and Cook County's Equity Fund Taskforce.

[Discussion on performance measures](#)

Because of the Coordinating Committee's unique role in providing opportunities for cross collaboration between working level committees and Board representatives, the Committee is charged with monitoring the agency's progress in advancing key performance measures identified by the transportation, climate, and regional economy committees.

Throughout the last year committee members received updates on performance measures from each of the working level committees in the form of committee reports. These measures contribute to the agency's Strategic Direction and implementation of ON TO 2050 recommendations.