

## MPO Policy Committee Meeting

**Friday, January 30, 2026 – 8:30 am**

Region 1 Planning Council

127 N. Wyman St., Ste 100, Rockford, IL 61101

### Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment
4. Discussion
  - a. Preliminary Scoring of Attributable Funds (STBG, TAP, CRP)
  - b. Traffic Signal Coordination and Timing Study for Perryville Road
  - c. Regional Water Quality Study
  - d. Southwest Rockford Recreation Traffic Impact Study at Levings Park and Clarence Hicks Sports Complex
  - e. Rockford North Main Street Corridor Housing Study
5. Action Items
  - a. Approval of the Meeting Minutes of October 31, 2025
  - b. Adoption of the Federally-Required Performance Management Targets (Resolution 2026-01)
6. Directors' Reports
7. Other Business
8. Adjournment

*Opportunities for public comment will be afforded on all agenda items.*

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## Project Evaluation

### Surface Transportation Block Grant

ID	Name	Sponsor	Activity	Amount Requested		Score
				Year Requested	Requested	
03-02	Harrison Avenue Reconstruction	City of Rockford	Capacity R	2028	\$9,000,000	85.0
13-01	Townhall/Spring Creek Extension	Boone County	Capacity N	2028	\$9,077,398	84.0
02-01	Latham/Ralston Corridor Widening & Rehabilitation	Winnebago County	Capacity W	2027	\$6,160,000	78.9
14-02	Irene/Newburg Road Improvements	City of Belvidere	Capacity W	2027	\$3,917,600	60.9

### Transportation Alternatives Program

ID	Name	Sponsor	Activity	Amount Requested		Score
				Year Requested	Requested	
03-	Highcrest Multiuse Path	City of Rockford	Bicycle/Pedestrian	2028	\$1,271,066	73.5
18-01	Long Prairie Trail Bridge Replacement Phase One	Boone County Conservation District	Bicycle/Pedestrian	2027	\$203,074	70.0
14-01	Bob's Park Streetscape	City of Belvidere	Bicycle/Pedestrian	2027	\$518,148	69.5
02-	Roscoe Road Shared-Use Path	Winnebago County	Bicycle/Pedestrian	2027	\$1,271,066	64.8
13-	Poplar Grove North Boone School Bike Lane	Boone County	Bicycle/Pedestrian	2027	\$1,271,066	51.6

### Carbon Reduction Program

ID	Name	Sponsor	Activity	Amount Requested		Score
				Year Requested	Requested	
05-	Major Intersection Emergency Vehicle Preemption Purchase & Repair:	Village of Machesney Park	Intersection	2027	\$41,745	81.1
02-05	Bell School/Olde Creek Roundabout	Winnebago County	Intersection	2028	\$1,290,000	71.7

**Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)**

STBG Remaining FY25-FY26	\$3,178,698
STBG FY26	\$4,754,287

**FY 2027 FY 2027**

ID	Name	Sponsor	Activity	Amount	
				Requested	Amount Awarded
	Latham/Ralston Corridor Widening & Rehabilitation	Winnebago County	Capacity W	\$6,160,000	\$4,037,092
				STBG Available FY27	\$7,932,985
				STBG Remaining FY27	\$3,895,893

**FY 2028 FY 2028**

ID	Name	Sponsor	Activity	Amount	
				Requested	Amount Awarded
	Harrison Avenue Reconstruction	City of Rockford	Capacity R	\$9,000,000	\$4,349,410
	Townhall/Spring Creek Extension	Boone County	Capacity N	\$9,077,398	\$4,300,770
			STBG Available FY28	\$8,650,180	\$8,650,180
			STBG Remaining FY28	\$0	\$0

### Transportation Alternative Program (TAP)

TAP Remaining F25-FY26	\$3,903,449.71
New TAP from FFY25	\$635,533.00

#### **FY 2027**

ID	Name	Sponsor	Activity	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
	Long Prairie Trail Bridge Replacement Phase One	Boone County Conservation District	Bicycle/Pedestrian	\$203,074	\$203,074
	Bob's Park Streetscape	City of Belvidere	Bicycle/Pedestrian	\$518,148	\$518,148
	Roscoe Road Shared-Use Path	Winnebago County	Bicycle/Pedestrian	\$1,271,066	\$1,271,066
	Poplar Grove North Boone School Bike Lane	Boone County	Bicycle/Pedestrian	\$1,271,066	\$1,271,066
			TAP Available	\$4,538,982.71	\$3,263,353.60
			TAP Remaining		\$1,275,629.11

#### **FY 2028**

ID	Name	Sponsor	Activity	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
	Highcrest Multiuse Path	City of Rockford	Bicycle/Pedestrian	\$1,271,066	\$1,271,066
			TAP Available	\$1,911,162.11	\$1,271,066.00
			TAP Remaining		\$640,096.11

**Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)**

CRP Remaining from FY25-FY26	\$465,254
New CRP from FFY25	\$645,279

**FY 2027**

ID	Name	Sponsor	Activity	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
	Major Intersection Emergency Vehicle Preemption Purchase & Repairs	Village of Machesney Park	Intersection	\$41,745	\$41,745
			CRP Available	\$1,110,533	\$41,745
			CRP Remaining	\$1,068,788	

**FY 2028**

ID	Name	Sponsor	Activity	Amount Requested	Amount Awarded
	Bell School/Olde Creek Roundabout	Winnebago County	Intersection	\$1,290,000	\$1,290,000
			CRP Available	\$1,714,067	\$1,290,000
			CRP Remaining	\$424,067	

## MPO Policy Committee

### Meeting Minutes

Friday, August 22, 2025

127 N. Wyman St. Suite 100, Rockford, IL 61101

#### a. Call to Order

With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Chiarelli at 8:30 am.

#### b. Roll Call

**Members Present:** Chairman Chiarelli, Winnebago County; Mayor Thomas McNamara, City of Rockford; Chairman Karl Johnson, Boone County; Faith Duncan, IDOT District 2; President Steve Johnson, Village of Machesney Park; Michael Stubbe, Rockford Mass Transit District.

**Members Absent:** Clint Morris, City of Belvidere; Greg Jury, City of Loves Park

**Other Present:** Doug Delille, IDOT OOP; Michael Dunn, Tim Verbeke, Brandon Rucker, Chloe Barnes, Jackson Sitter, Sarah Renicker, Marilla Smith, Hallela Wagner, and Keagan Carlson Region 1 Planning Council.

#### c. Public Comment

There were none present who wished to address the committee.

#### d. Discussion

##### a. Call for Projects and Project Priority List

Mr. Verbeke announced that applications for various projects opened on October 30, 2025 and will be open until December 1, 2025. Projects span MPO-COG-CEDs including STBG, TAP & CR funding. R1 will also be hosting an application workshop for those seeking technical assistance on November 20, 2025 from 2:30-4:30 pm. The packet has more information on scoring and timeline. Anticipated presentation of recommendations will be presented to the MPO Policy Committee at the March meeting.

#### e. Action Items

##### b. Approval of Meeting Minutes of August 22, 2025

Chairman Chiarelli entertained for a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of the August 22, 2025 for MPO Policy Committee. Motion by Mayor McNamara, seconded by Chairman Johnson with no discussion. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

##### c. Amendment FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (Resolution 2025-18)

Mr. Verbeke explained that the Transportation Improvement Plan amendment concerns the addition of the 15<sup>th</sup> Ave bridge project. Chairman Chiarelli entertained a motion to approve Resolution 2025-17. Motion made by Chairman Johnson, Boone County, seconded by Mayor Johnson, Village of Machesney Park. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

##### d. Approval of the Additional MPO Technical Committee Voting Member (Resolution 2025-19)

Mr. Verbeke explained the recommendation to add the City of Byron to the voting members of the MPO Technical Committee. With no objections, Mayor Johnson, Village of Machesney Park motioned, second by Chairman Johnson, Boone County. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

f. **Director Reports**

- **FY 25 Project wrap-up:** Mr. Verbeke gave an update on the FY 25 projects that would be wrapping up by the end of the year, including: the Water Quality Study, the Main Street Housing Corridor Study, Southwest Rockford Traffic Study at Leving Park/Clarence Hicks Sports Complex.
- **South West Railyard:** There will be a stakeholder meeting to discuss station design for the Rockford and Belvidere stations, to discuss options surrounding rail platforms and what those structures will look like.
- **November R1 Governing Board Meeting:** Thursday, November 13, 2025 at 8:00 am at R1. A representative from IDOT will be in attendance to give an update on the passenger rail project schedule to be complete December 2027.
- **Complete Streets:** Complete Streets submitted has been recognized as the 7<sup>th</sup> best plan in the country, with ours being the only MPO in the top 10.

g. **Adjournment**

Chairman Chiarelli entertained a motion to adjourn. Motion by Mayor McNamara, City of Rockford, second by Mayor Johnson, Village of Machesney Park. Meeting adjourned at 8:43 am.

Meeting minutes prepared by: Sarah Renicker

Minutes approved by action of the Board: \_\_\_\_\_

## REGION 1 PLANNING COUNCIL MPO POLICY COMMITTEE

### MPO RESOLUTION 2026-01

**RE:** Adoption of the Safety (PM1) and Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Performance Management Targets Set by the Illinois Department of Transportation

**WHEREAS** the Federal Highway Act of 1962, as amended, and the Urban Mass Transportation Act of 1964, as amended, provides for an urban transportation planning process; and

**WHEREAS** the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) currently authorizes funding to improve our nation's transportation system for highways, highway safety, public transit, alternative non-motorized forms of transportation, and freight; and

**WHEREAS** the IIJA and its predecessors, require a long-range Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) as well as Transportation Improvement Program (TIP); and

**WHEREAS** the Region 1 Planning Council is the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Rockford Metropolitan Area, and the MPO Policy Committee has the specific responsibility to direct and administer the continuing urban transportation planning process; and

**WHEREAS** the Statewide and Nonmetropolitan Transportation Planning; Metropolitan Transportation Planning final rule (23 CFR Parts 450, 613, 771) requires integration of performance measures and performance targets within the MTP and TIP; and

**WHEREAS** the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has adopted targets for the following performance measures categories:

- 1) Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) (PM1) final rule (23 CFR 490): Two percent (2%) annual reduction criteria and ordinary least squares regression reduction for performance management targets as delineated in Attachment A.

**WHEREAS** the Rockford Mass Transit District (RMTD) has adopted targets for the following performance measures categories:

- 1) Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) (49 C.F.R. Part 673): Annual reduction criteria for the safety performance management targets as listed in Attachment A; and

**WHEREAS** MPOs must establish Performance Management targets by either adopting the State's and Transit Providers' targets, or establish its own targets within 180 days of the State and Transit Providers establishing and reporting their performance management targets; and

**WHEREAS** the MPO Technical Committee has recommended the adoption of the performance management targets set by IDOT and the Rockford Mass Transit District to the MPO Policy Committee; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

the MPO Policy Committee has agreed to support the Illinois Department of Transportation's (IDOT) performance management targets for Safety (PM1) and Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) performance management targets set by the Illinois Department of Transportation and the Rockford Mass Transit District; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

that the MPO Policy Committee directs the MPO, through the comprehensive, cooperative and continuing (3C) transportation planning process, to plan for and program projects that contribute to the accomplishment of said targets.

We hereby certify the foregoing has been approved by a majority of the MPO Policy Committee Members on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of January 2026.

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Chairman Joseph V. Chiarelli  
MPO Chair

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Chairman Karl Johnson  
MPO Vice-Chair

Number of members authorized to vote \_\_\_\_\_

Ayes \_\_\_\_\_

Nays \_\_\_\_\_

Abstain \_\_\_\_\_

## Attachment A:

### **Safety (PM1)**

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) has established targets for five safety performance measures based on five year rolling averages for:

- (1) Number of Fatalities
- (2) Rate of Fatalities per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)
- (3) Number of Serious Injuries
- (4) Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT
- (5) Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Non-Motorized Serious Injuries

#### **IDOT PM1 Target:**

Two percent (2%) annual reduction criteria for the number of fatalities, rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT), and number of non-motorized fatalities. Ordinary least squares regression reduction for the number of serious injuries, rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT, and non-motorized serious injuries.

### **Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP)**

The public transportation providers for Rockford Urbanized Area, Rockford Mass Transit District (RMTD) and Stateline Mass Transit District (SMTD), have established safety performance measure targets in the following categories:

- (1) Fatalities: Total number of fatalities reported to NTD and rate per total vehicle revenue miles (VRM) by mode.
- (2) Injuries: Total number of injuries reported to NTD and rate per total VRM by mode.
- (3) Safety Events: Total number of safety events reported to NTD and rate per total VRM by mode.
- (4) System Reliability: Mean distance between major mechanical failures by mode.

#### **Rockford Mass Transit District Targets:**

*Based on the safety performance measures established under the National Public Transportation Safety Plan*

<b>Mode of Service</b>	<b>Fatalities (Total)</b>	<b>Fatalities (per 100k VRM)</b>	<b>Injuries (Total)</b>	<b>Injuries (per 100k VRM)</b>	<b>Safety Events (Total)</b>	<b>Safety Events (per 100k VRM)</b>	<b>System Reliability (Failures/VRM)</b>
Fixed Route	0	0	12	1.2	0	0	3,000 miles
Paratransit/Demand-Response	0	0	8	.8	0	0	10,000 miles