

MPO Technical Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 22, 2026 – 10:00 am

Region 1 Planning Council

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

Agenda

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment
4. Discussion Items
 - a. Preliminary Scoring of Attributable Funds (STBG, TAP, CRP)
 - b. Traffic Signal Coordination and Timing Study for Perryville Road
5. Action Items
 - a. Approval of the October 30, 2025 Meeting Minutes
 - b. Adoption of the Federally-Required Performance Management Targets (Resolution 2026-01)
6. R1 Staff Reports
7. Agency Reports
8. Other Business
9. 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

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	\$4,037,092
			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	

BCCD Long Prairie Trail Bridge Replacement Phase One

Sponsor Agency: Boone County Conservation District

Functional Class: N/A

Project Partner: IDOT

Funding Request: \$203,073.00 – 8%

Funding Source Applying for: TAP

Local Match: \$50,768.40 – 2%

Project Limits: Illinois Route 76 East to the Boone and McHenry County Line

State Funds: \$2,284,578.00 – 90% (ITEP)

Project Length: 8.5 Miles

Total Project Cost: \$2,538,420.00

Programming Year: FY 2027

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: N/A

Activity Type: Bicycle/Pedestrian - Any project that primarily benefits bicycle and pedestrian transportation.

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: Shared Use Path – One Side

Project Description:

BCCD received Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) funding to replace five deteriorating bridges along the Long Prairie Trail. Replacing these bridges is a vital step toward preserving the Long Prairie Trail as a safe, reliable, and accessible corridor for alternative transportation well into the future. System performance is improved by promoting alternative transportation modes for users. This project will improve connectivity for cyclists and pedestrians in an existing commercial and industrial area. Environmental resiliency is present in providing alternative travel options to single occupant vehicle.



Bell School & Olde Creek Road Roundabout

Sponsor Agency: Winnebago County

Functional Class: Minor Arterial

Project Partner Agency: City of Rockford and Rockford Township

Funding Request: \$1,290,000 – 55%

Funding Source Applying For: Carbon Reduction

Local Match: \$1,020,000 - 45%

Project Limits: 1,000 feet on each leg of intersection

Total Project Cost: \$2,310,000

Project Length: .75 miles

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: Raised Median, Paved Shoulder, Curb & Gutter

Programming Year: FY 2028

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: Sidewalks – One Side, with shared use path, Unsignalized Marked Crosswalks, High-Visibility Crosswalks, Raised Crosswalks, Lighting, Landscaping.

Activity Type: Intersection – Projects that improves the safety or operations of an

Project Description:

This project will construct a roundabout to replace the existing span wire traffic signals with no turn lanes at the intersection in an existing commercial area. Pedestrian accommodations will be included alongside enhancements for all automobiles and bicycles. The existing configuration creates a lot of congestion and vehicle idling. The roundabout will move traffic safely and efficiently. ADA pedestrian accommodations, lighting and storm sewer will be included. This project improves system performance through added capacity and transportation alternatives and relieves bottlenecking traffic. Proposed safety measures include but are not limited to, crosswalk visibility enhancements, appropriate speed limits, medians and refuge islands, reduced left-turn conflict intersections, and lighting. This project will incorporate environmental resiliency in the form of storm water management techniques and streetscaping.



Bob's Park Streetscape

Sponsor Agency: City of Belvidere

Project Partner: Belvidere Park District

Funding Source Applying For: Transportation Alternatives

Project Limits: Bob's Park which is surrounded by Meadow Street on the north, East Locust Street on the south, Warren Avenue on the east and Nebraska Street on the west

Project Length: 1,216 linear feet

Programming Year: FY 2027

Activity Type: Bicycle/Pedestrian – Any project that primarily benefits bicycle and pedestrian transportation

Functional Class: N/A

Funding Request: \$518,148.00 – 80%

Local Match: \$129,538.00 – 20%

Total Project Cost: \$647,686.00

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: Curb & Gutter, On Street Parking – One Side

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: Shared Use Path – One Side, Unsignalized Marked Crosswalks, Lighting, Landscaping

Project Description:

In cooperation with the Belvidere Park District, this project will replace deteriorated sidewalk around Bob's Park with a 10' wide multipurpose path that will connect to the existing path at the intersection of Warren Avenue and Meadow Street that runs along the river all the way to Belvidere Park. This project will improve system performance through the promotion of alternative transportation modes which will also increase multimodal connectivity. Proposed safety measures added by the project are improved walkways and lighting. There are no proposed economic benefits to this project and environmental resiliency improvements are found in the streetscaping elements of the project.



Harrison Avenue Reconstruction

Sponsor Agency: City of Rockford

Funding Source Applying for: STBG

Project Limits: IL-2 (Main Street) to IL-251 (Kishwaukee Street)

Project Length: 1.13 miles

Programming Year: FY 2028

Activity Type: Capacity – Projects that increase the motor-vehicle capacity or result in operational changes

Functional Class: Principle Arterial

Funding Request: \$9,000,000.00 – 60%

Local Match: \$6,000,000.00 – 40%

Total Project Cost: \$15,000,000.00

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: Left Turn Lane, Right Turn Lanes, Continuous Center Turn Lane, Curb & Gutter

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: Sidewalks – One side with shared use path, Signalized Crosswalk, Lighting, Landscaping

Project Descriptions:

Roadway reconstruction and road diet from 4 lanes to 3 lanes. Sidewalk and multi-use path where none currently exist and added decorative lighting. Also included in this project is water main improvements and rail road crossing improvements. System performance is improved by alternative transportation promoting, added emergency vehicle preemption, added pedestrian crossing detection, and updated intersection geometry. Safety is improved through lighting, appropriate speed limits, and backplates with retroreflective borders. Road safety is improved with dedicated right and left turn lanes, reduced left turn conflict intersections, and road dieting. This project will improve connectivity for road vehicles, pedestrians, and bicycles in a commercial and industrial area. Environmental resiliency is present in reduced impervious surface ground cover, and new streetscaping.



Highcrest Multiuse Path

Sponsor Agency: City of Rockford

Funding Source Applying for: Transportation Alternatives

Project Limits: IL-251 (2nd Street) to Augustana Dr

Project Length: 1.8 miles

Programming Year: FY 2028

Activity Type: Bicycle/Pedestrian – Any project that primarily benefits and pedestrian transportation

Functional Class: N/A

Funding Request: \$1,271,066.00 – 18%

Local Match: \$2,728,934.00 – 39%

Other Federal Funds: \$3,000,000.00 – 43% (ITEP)

Total Project Cost: \$7,000,000.00

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: N/A

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: Shared Use Path – One side, Signalized Crosswalk, Landscaping

Project Description:

Installation of a separated, 10' wide multi-use path along the south side of Highcrest connecting the existing path at IL-251 (2nd Street) to the bicycle route at Augustana Drive. Represents important strategic connection within the region's bikeways plan, connecting the Rock River Recreational Path to the neighborhood bike route east of Alpine Road, leading to the Spring Brook bike lanes and ultimately to the Perryville Path. This project improves system performance by promoting alternative transportation and adding pedestrian crossing detection. Safety additions are a intermittent road diets and added walkways and improve connectivity for walkers and bikers and connect commercial areas. Environmental resiliency is present in alternative travel routes and 1:1 tree replacement from construction.



Irene/Newburg Road Improvements

Sponsor Agency: City of Belvidere

Project Partner: Belvidere Township & IDOT

Funding Source Applying for: STBG

Project Limits: Irene Road from the Union Pacific Railroad crossing north to Newburg Road and Newburg Road at the Irene Road intersection

Project Length: 4,405 linear feet

Programming Year: FY 2027

Activity Type: Capacity - Projects that increase the motor-vehicle capacity or result in operational changes.

Project Description:

The Irene improvements will widen the existing two-lane rural township roadway to a three lane, 80,000 lbs truck route to support the existing and proposed industrial development in that area. The Newburg Road/Irene Road intersection will be improved with designated turn lanes and traffic signals. The intersection improvement will also include relocating the access to Belford North Drive. A sidewalk along the north side of the intersection will serve pedestrians. System performance is improved by adding capacity, improved intersection geometry, emergency vehicle preemption, improved sightlines, and relieving bottlenecks. Safety is improved by lighting, walkways, appropriate speed adjustments, and dedicated left and right turn lanes. This will improve connectivity for motor-vehicles in a commercial and industrial area. Environmental resiliency is present in added stormwater management techniques and traffic flow improvements.

Functional Class: Major Collector

Funding Request: \$3,917,600.00 – 80%

Local Match: \$856,975.00 – 17.5%

State Funds: \$122,425.00 – 2.5% (TARP)

Total Project Cost: \$4,897,000.00

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: Left/Right Turn Lanes, Continuous Center Turn Lane, Curb & Gutter

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: N/A



Latham/Ralston Corridor Widening & Rehabilitation

Sponsor Agency: Winnebago County

Functional Class: Minor Arterial

Project Partner: Village of Machesney Park

Funding Request: \$6,160,000.00 – 80%

Funding Source Applying for: STBG

Local Match: \$1,690,000.00 – 17.5%

Project Limits: Old River Rd to IL-251

Total Project Cost: \$7,850,000.00

Project Length: 1.25 miles

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: Continuous Center Turn Lane, Curb & Gutter

Programming Year: FY 2027

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: Sidewalks – One Side with Shared Use Path, Unsignalized Marked Crosswalks, High-Visibility Crosswalks, Raised Crosswalks, Signalized Crosswalks, Lighting, Landscaping

Project Description:

This project will rehabilitate and widen the existing two lanes to 3 lanes; it will provide a sidewalk and a multi-use path on the other side of the road with ADA enhancements. System performance is improved through new signal timing, improved intersection geometry, added capacity, emergency vehicle preemption, deploying intelligent transportation systems, and promoting alternative transportation systems. Safety countermeasures that will be added are but not limited to, appropriate speed limits, crosswalk visibility enhancements, dedicated left & right turn lanes, yellow change intervals, and new lighting. This project will improve connectivity for motor vehicles, bikes, and pedestrians in an existing commercial and industrial area. Environmental resiliency is present in improved water infiltration on porous and impervious surfaces alongside streetscaping and traffic flow improvements to prevent idling.



Major Intersection Emergency Vehicle Preemption Purchase & Repairs

Sponsor Agency: Village of Machesney Park

Project Partner: North Park Fire Protection District, Harlem-Roscoe Fire Protection District, Winnebago County Sheriff Office

Funding Source Applying for: Carbon Reduction

Project Limits: 10 Intersections

Project Length: N/A

Programming Year: FY 2027

Activity Type: Intersection - Projects that improves the safety or operation of an intersection, not

associated with a larger roadway capacity or preservation project.

Functional Class: Principle Arterial

Funding Request: \$41,745.00 – 80%

Local Match: \$10,437.00 – 20%

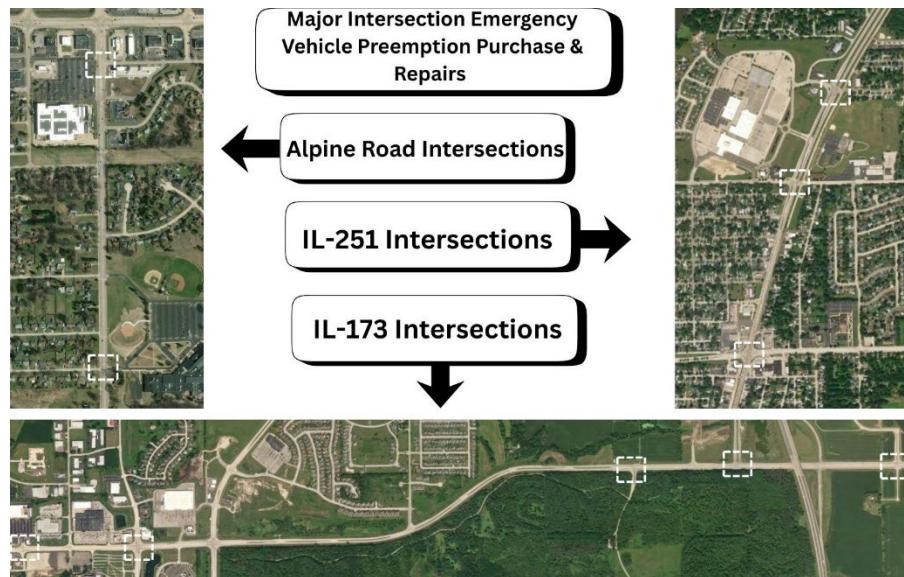
Total Project Cost: \$52,181.00

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: N/A

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: N/A

Project Description:

This project will upgrade traffic signal operations and safety across 10 key intersections within Machesney Park. System and safety performance is enhanced by improving traffic signal timing, adding emergency vehicle preemption, and improved traffic incident management. This project improves connectivity for motor vehicles in an existing commercial and industrial area. Environmental resiliency is present in improved traffic flow to reduce vehicle idling.



Poplar Grove North Boone School Bike Lane

Sponsor Agency: Boone County

Project Partner: Village of Poplar Grove

Funding Source Applying for: TAP

Project Limits: South: IL 173/Village of Poplar Grove; North: North Boone School Rd

Project Length: 2.75 miles

Programming Year: FY 2028

Activity Type: Bicycle/Pedestrian - Any project that primarily benefits bicycle and pedestrian transportation.

Functional Class: Major Collector

Funding Request: \$1,319,000.00 – 78%

Local Match: \$371,000.00 – 22%

Total Project Cost: \$1,690,000.00

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: N/A

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: Bike Lane – Both Sides

Project Description:

This project will be a monodirectional asphalt bike lane on both sides of Poplar Grove Road. This project provides alternate transportation Bike Lanes on Poplar Grove Road connecting the North Boone School Campus to the Village of Poplar Grove. System performance is improved by the addition of an alternative transportation mode. Safety is improved by providing a dedicated bike lane for cyclists on the road and creating wider edge lines on the road. This project is proposed near a development listed in their comprehensive plan.



Roscoe Road Shared Use - Path

Sponsor Agency: Winnebago County

Project Partner: Village of Roscoe

Funding Source Applying for: TAP

Project Limits: Roscoe Road from Leanna Dr/Sprague Rd to the Rock River

Project Length: 1.6 miles

Programming Year: FY 2028

Functional Class: Minor Arterial

Activity Type: Bicycle/Pedestrian - Any project that primarily benefits bicycle and pedestrian transportation.

Funding Request: \$1,616,000.00 – 80%

Local Match: \$434,000.00 – 20%

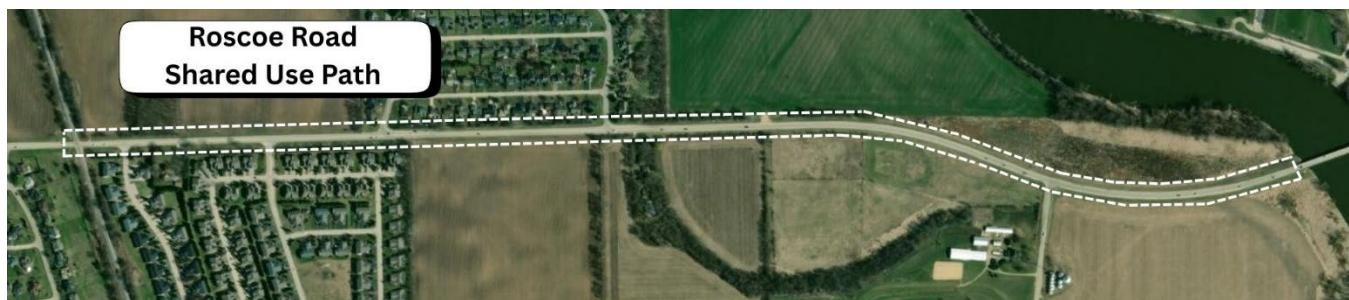
Total Project Cost: \$2,050,000.00

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: N/A

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: Shared Use Path – One Side, High-Visibility Crosswalks, Signalized Crosswalks, Lighting, Landscaping

Project Description:

The proposed project includes a paved multi-use path along Roscoe Road. It is part of a plan to eventually connect the west side of the Rock River with the existing path system on the East side and to the village of Roscoe downtown area. The system is enhanced by added capacity and promoting alternative transportation modes. Safety is improved by enhanced crosswalk visibility, appropriate speed limits, improved lighting, and leading pedestrian intervals. This project improves connectivity for bicyclists and pedestrians in existing commercial and industrial areas. Environmental resiliency is present with new stormwater management techniques, maximized water infiltration on porous and impervious sites, and streetscaping.



Townhall & Spring Creek Road Extension

Sponsor Agency: Boone County

Functional Class: Minor Arterial

Project Partner: Belvidere Township & IDOT

Funding Request: \$9,077,398.00 – 48%

Funding Source Applying for: STBG

Local Match: \$4,722,602.00 – 25%

Project Limits: Spring Creek & Townhall Road intersection throuw IL-76/Caledonia Road to Woodstock Road

State Funds: \$5,200,000.00 – 27%

Project Length: 2.5 miles

Proposed Roadway Characteristics: Left/Right Turn Lanes, Paved Shoulder

Programming Year: FY 2028

Proposed Transportation Enhancements: Both Lane – Both Sides, Lighting, Landscaping

Activity Type: Capacity - Projects that increase the motor-vehicle capacity or result in operational changes.

Project Description:

This project is the construction of a new minor arterial roadway between the Spring Creek & Townhall Road intersection to a new roundabout joining Caledonia Road & IL-76 and eventually ending at Woodstock Road. System performance will be improved by added capacity, a new roundabout, and improved sight distance. Proposed safety countermeasures in this project are but not limited to, appropriate speed limits, a bike lane, rumble strips or stripes, pavement friction management, and dedicated left and right turn lanes. This project will improve connectivity for bicycle users in a development listed in their comprehensive plan. Environmental resiliency is present in the form of new storm water management techniques, maximized water infiltration for porous and imperious surfaces, improved streetscaping, and provides alternative travel options to single occupant vehicles.



MPO Technical Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Thursday, October 30, 2025 10:00 am

Region 1 Planning Council, 127 N. Wyman St. Suite 100, Rockford, Illinois 61101

1) Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Tim Verbeke at 10:00 am.

2) Roll Call

Members Present: Justin Krohn, Boone County Highway Department; Ellen Webber, Boone County, Planning Department; Josh Sage, Boone County Conservation District; Brent Anderson, City of Belvidere Public Works Department; Shannon Messinger, City of Loves Park, Public Works Department; Scott Capovilla, City of Rockford, Community Development; Jeremy Carter, City of Rockford Public Works Department; Matt Campbell, Four Rivers Sanitation District; Faith Duncan, IDOT District 2; Dan Egelkes, Rockford Mass Transit District; Izzy Mandujano, Village of Machesney Park Community Development; Mitch Hilden, Village of Machesney Park Public Works Department; Brandon Boggs, Village of Roscoe (10:07am); Karl Palmquist, Winnebago County Community Development(10:19 am); Carlos Molina, Winnebago County Highway Department; Dennis Anthony, Winnebago county Soil & Water Conservation District; Doug Delille, IDOT Division of Urban Planning an Programming; Henry Guerriero, IL Tollway; Patricia Diduch, City of Byron

Members Absent: Chicago/Rockford International Airport; City of Belvidere, Planning Department; City of Loves Park, Community Development; City of Loves Park, Public Works Department, Forest Preserves of Winnebago County; Rockford Park District; Village of Machesney Park, Public Works; Forest Preserves of Winnebago County; Village of Winnebago; Boone County Transit; IDOT Division of Public Transportation; Ogle County Highway Department; SLATS; Stateline Mass Transit District.

Other Present: Tim Hinkens, City of Rockford, Public Works; Brandon Rucker, Eric Tison, Sarah Renicker, Tim Verbeke, Jackson Sitter, Marilla Smith, Chloe Barnes, John Mac, Keagan Carlson of Region 1 Planning Council.

3) Public Comment

No public comments were brought forward at this time.

4) Discussion Items:

a) Call for Projects and Priority Tim Verbeke announced the opening of the Call-for-Projects, and that there is an FAQ sheet included in the meeting packet. He then explained that this Call-for-Projects encompasses both MPO projects as well as EDD/CEDs project for FY27-FY28. He then explained the breakdown of the funding allocations for STBG, TAP & CR programs, indicating that 2 years of funding can be requested with about \$12 million in reserve for STBG, \$4.5 million for TAP, and \$1.1 million for CR programs (which remains contingent on federal government direction.) He then explained that the application portal (Survey Alchemer) on the R1 website would remain open until December 1, 2025. He went on to describe the scoring categories included in the meeting packet and the weight out of 112 points, with focus on economic vitality and project readiness. An application workshop will be held at R1

on November 20, 2025 from 2:30-4:30pm to assist any who would like to participate. Scoring will begin on December 1, with a preliminary presentation of scoring on January 22, 2025, followed by a 45-day public comment period. Final recommendations will be made at the March CAF meeting. Mr. Verbeke then clarified that the max amount that can be requested is \$9.5 million over two years, and that construction ready means that work begins in FY27 or very early 2026. A member asked for clarification about reserve funds, and if there is an expiration date on those. Mr. Verbeke and Mr. Delille explained that there is not, however it's encouraged to allocate those funds first, so as not to "bog down" project schedules.

b) Addition of Voting Member to MPO Technical Committee- Mr. Verbeke announced that the MPO Policy Committee will be voting on adding the City of Byron as a voting member of the MPO Technical Committee. He also clarified that this addition will not extend to the Policy committee. He then indicated any questions and concerns should be emailed to him directly. Ms. Diduch then explained that Byron is within the MPO boundary and is happy to have a seat at the table and to participate.

5) Action Items:

a) Approval of the August 21, 2025 Meeting Minutes

Mr. Verbeke called for the approval of the 9/25/2025 meeting minutes. Ms. Mandujano, Village of Machesney Park, Community Development motioned, seconded by Mr. Molina, Winnebago County Highway Department. With no further discussion, motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

b) Amendment to the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (Resolution 2025-18) Mr. Verbeke described this amendment as addressing updates for various IDOT projects, the 15th Ave. bridge, minor splits in timing for City of Rockford Projects (Mr. Hinkens added these are a reaction to IDOT's multi-year program). Mr. Verbeke then indicated that the HSIP award to Winnebago County can be added at any time. Mr. Verbeke called for a motion. Mr. Molina, Winnebago County Highway Department, motioned, seconded by Mr. Capovilla, City of Rockford Community Development, vote passed by unanimous voice vote.

6) Staff Reports-

- **Call for Projects**-Again the application process is open, as of October 1, 2025 and will close on December 1, 2025.
- **UWP FY25 Project Updates:** Mr. Verbeke explained that any funds that were not used by end of the FY25 fiscal year, have rolled over and can be used up until the end of the year. Projects included to spend down those funds are the Main St. Corridor Study from Park to Bauer Parkway; SW Rockford Traffic Safety Study at Leving's and Clarence Hicks Parks facilities, and the Water Resources study. All projects will be wrapping up in the next 2 months, and be complete by December 31, 2025.
- **R1 Governing Board Meeting**-The next R1 Governing Board meeting is on November 13, 2025 at 8:00 am. A representative from IDOT will be present to give an update on the passenger rail project, which is still planning to be open by December of 2027.
- **Rail Station Design**- R1 will be looking at a station design project, outside of the platform purview, and will be seeking recommendations as well as adding a design consultant. Stakeholder meetings will kick off in Early December of 2026.

- **Reconnecting Communities-SW Rail Study** is moving along. Consultant AECOM will be meeting with railroads to talk about stake and what they would like to see, and explore their openness to possibly offloading properties to landbank.

6) Agency Reports

- a.) **Boone County Highway Department:** n/a
- b.) **Boone County Planning Department:** n/a
- c.) **Boone County Conservation District:** Phase 1: Engineering for ITEP project, includes 5 bridges.
- d.) **Boone County Transit:** n/a
- e.) **Chicago/Rockford International Airport:** No Report
- f.) **City of Belvidere, Public Works:** n/a
- g.) **Loves Park, Community Development:** n/a
- h.) **Loves Park, Public Works Department:**
- i.) **City of Rockford Community Development:** No Report
- j.) **City of Rockford, Public Works Department:** Whitman St. Project is complete and open to traffic. North Main/Auburn roundabout will remain 1 lane and has been restriped. RAISE grant property has been signed off on to begin Phase 1 & 2 of agreement, waiting on final signatures.
- k.) **Four Rivers Sanitary District:** No Report
- l.) **IDOT, District 2:** No Report
- m.) **Rockford Mass Transit District:** Winnebago St. Project paused until November 10, 2025.
- n.) **Rockford Park District:** No Report
- o.) **Machesney Park, Community Development:** No Report
- p.) **Machesney Park, Public Works Department:** No Report
- q.) **Village of Roscoe:** No Report
- r.) **Winnebago County Community & Economic Development:** No Report
- s.) **Winnebago County Highway Department:** Riverside project-half way with land acquisition-letting early 2026; Owen Center-Phase 1 Engineering complete, working on Right of way acquisition; Roscoe Rd. Bridge- public meeting coming up, bridge will likely be closed for 5 months creating need for alternate traffic considerations; ITEP-Perryville Path-looking at 2026 start; HSIP-Forest Hills south of River Lane-sidewalk project.
- t.) **Winnebago County Soil & Water Conservation:** n/a
- u.) **FHWA, IL Division:** No Report
- v.) **IDOT, Division of Urban Planning and Programming:** Reminder that Safety Targets sent out, and any action taken needs to be by February 2026.
- w.) **Illinois Tollway:** Detour has been picked up near Spring Creek Rd, completed toll plaza work.

Other Business: Mr. Verbeke announced that the regions Complete Streets Policies were ranked 7th in the country and that ours was the only MPO included in the top 10.

7) Adjournment

Mr. Verbeke entertained a motion to adjourn. Mr. Carter, City of Rockford Public Works motioned; seconded by Mr. Krohn, Boone County Highway Dept. A unanimous voice vote to adjourn at 10:38 am

Meeting minutes prepare 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 30th day of January 2026.

Chairman Joseph V. Chiarelli
MPO Chair

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

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