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Public Comment Period: Complete Streets Design Standards

ROCKFORD, IL — Region 1 Planning Council (RPC), as the Rockford Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), is seeking public comment on the draft Complete Streets Design Standards. A 30-day comment period is afforded to the public to review and provide feedback on the draft. Public comments on the plan will be accepted from Monday, March 18, 2024, until Wednesday, April 17, 2024.

Comments may be submitted by email, telephone, Engage R1 website or written to:

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ABOUT THE STANDARDS – The Rockford Region Complete Street Design Standards provides a framework to guide local municipalities, counties, partner agencies, and private organizations in designing, constructing, and maintaining Complete Streets. These guidelines describe and illustrate parameters as well as providing specific information related to design in order to assist the region in planning for future investments.

Complete streets are not a one size fits all approach and encourage roadways to be designed and operated in order to provide safe and accessible travel for all users regardless of age or ability. Complete streets aim to balance the needs of motorists, pedestrians, bicyclists, transit users, emergency responders, and movement of goods.

ABOUT R1 - Region 1 Planning Council (RPC) is a special-purpose, regional government agency. Regional councils are public organizations comprised of local elected officials that promote collaboration among local governments, working across the jurisdictional silos of states, counties, and municipalities

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