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R1 Gathers Survey Data for RMTD Sustainability Efforts

ROCKFORD, IL — Region 1 Planning Council (R1) on behalf of the Rockford Mass Transit District (RMTD), is seeking public participation for a rider survey. The survey will focus on gathering input on ridership and the current or potential climate change impacts on RMTD passengers and services. The rider survey is available in paper and digital format and is available for completion now until December 31, 2021.

This survey is part of a data gathering process to create RMTD's first Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory and Climate Action Plan, a joint project between RMTD and R1, as the region's Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). Additionally, RMTD is executing this sustainability plan as part of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) [Sustainable Transit for a Healthy Planet Challenge](#) to further advance the organization's sustainability initiatives. The survey will identify climate vulnerabilities and impacts as reported by RMTD riders. RMTD has set a goal of a zero emissions fleet by 2036. The Climate Action Plan will help RMTD meet and exceed this goal.

The digital survey can be taken [here](#).

A paper survey can be picked up at and returned to the R1 Planning Council at 127 N. Wyman St., Suite 101, Rockford, IL 61101, between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday-Friday except for the following days which we are closed for the holidays: December 23, 24, 30, and 31.

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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