

To: CRCOG Transportation Committee

From: Roger Krahn, Principal Transportation Engineer

Date: November 8, 2019

Subject: Performance Measures – 2020 Annual Safety Targets

In accordance with FHWA requirements, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) established 5 safety performance targets for calendar year 2020. FHWA requires Metropolitan Planning Organizations to either support the Department’s targets or to set their own. CTDOT has requested CRCOG to adopt a resolution endorsing CTDOT’s targets, no later than February 27th, 2020. This will result in compliance with FHWA’s requirement for MPO’s to establish their performance targets no more that 180 after CTDOT’s August 31, 2019 submission of targets.

| Measure | 2020 Target |
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| Number of Fatalities | 277 |
| Fatality Rate (per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT)) | 0.883 |
| Number of Serious Injuries | 1,547 |
| Serious Injury Rate (per 100 million VMT) | 4.93 |
| Number of Non-Motorist Fatalities and Serious Injuries | 307 |

CTDOT chooses to set a 2020 target that maintains the five-year moving average. A detailed description of the data, trends, and rational of each target, were presented and discussed at the October 21, 2019 Transportation Committee Meeting.

CRCOG staff recommends committee action to endorse CTDOT’s 2020 safety targets and recommends submitting the attached Resolution to the CRCOG Policy Board for approval.

CRCOG will continue to promote regional safety efforts, including:

- Supporting the efforts of CTDOT (and their consultant) in preparation of a Regional Transportation Safety Plan report, that will document the top crash corridors and intersections in each Town in the region, and identify countermeasures.
- Supporting the Safety Circuit Rider program and working in partnership with UConn’s Technology Transfer Center to collaborate in addressing safety on local roads and incorporating safety countermeasures in projects.
- Integrating highway safety in the standard work tasks, and special studies and projects, that are included in the CRCOG Unified Planning Work Program.

RESOLUTION REGARDING TARGETS FOR FIVE SAFETY PERFORMANCE MEASURES ESTABLISHED BY CTDOT

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) has been designated by the Governor of the State of Connecticut as the Metropolitan Planning Organization responsible, together with the State, for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning process for the Capitol Region; and

WHEREAS, the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) final rule (23 CFR Part 490) requires States to set targets for five safety performance measures by August 31, 2019, and

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) has established targets for five safety performance measures 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, and

WHEREAS, the CTDOT coordinated the establishment of safety targets with the eight Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Connecticut at the June 4, 2019 COG Coordination meeting, and

WHEREAS, the CRCOG may establish performance targets by agreeing to plan and program projects that contribute toward the accomplishment of the State's targets, or establish its own target within 180 days of the State establishing and reporting its performance targets, and

WHEREAS, the CRCOG wishes to maintain and enhance its focus on transportation safety in the region, and

WHEREAS, the CRCOG Transportation Committee has previously discussed and endorsed CTDOT's 2020 targets for the five safety performance targets,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CRCOG Policy Board has agreed to support CTDOT's 2020 targets for the five safety performance targets.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the CRCOG Policy Board will plan and program projects that contribute to the accomplishment of said targets.

CERTIFICATE: The undersigned duly qualified CRCOG Board Member certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the voting members of the CRCOG Policy Board on November 20, 2019.

Lori L. Spielman, Secretary
Capitol Region Council of Governments

Date