

To: CRCOG Transportation Committee
 CRCOG Policy Board

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Subject Support for CTDOT 2022 Annual Safety Targets

In accordance with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) has established five safety performance targets for calendar year 2022. FHWA requires Metropolitan Planning Organizations to either support the State’s targets or set their own targets within 180 days of the setting of state-level targets. To achieve this deadline, CRCOG will need to endorse safety targets no later than February 27, 2022. Historically, CRCOG has supported CTDOT’s targets, considering that selecting specific targets for the Capitol Region would require substantial data collection and analysis efforts as well as dedicated resources for attaining said targets.

The table below shows CTDOT’s 2022 target values, compared to previous years’ targets. It should be noted that the term “Target” is used in accordance with the Federal Register. The ultimate goal is to reduce the number of traffic related serious injuries and deaths to zero.

Measure	2018 Target	2019 Target	2020 Target	2021 Target	2022 Target
Number of Fatalities	257	274	277	270	270
Fatality Rate (per 100 million VMT)	0.823	0.873	0.883	0.885	0.850
Number of Serious Injuries	1,571	1,574	1,547	1,360	1,300
Serious Injury Rate (per 100 million VMT)	5.03	5.02	4.93	4.30	4.30
Number of Non-Motorist Fatalities and Serious Injuries	280	290	307	300	280

CRCOG staff recommends Transportation Committee endorsement and Policy Board approval to support the CTDOT 2022 Annual Safety Targets.

**RESOLUTION
SUPPORTING TARGETS FOR
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, 2021; and

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

- (1) Number of fatalities: 270
- (2) Rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT): 0.850
- (3) Number of serious injuries: 1,300
- (4) Rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT: 4.30
- (5) Number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries: 280; and

WHEREAS, the CTDOT coordinated the establishment of safety targets with the eight Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Connecticut at a coordination meeting on May 4, 2021; and

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

WHEREAS, the CRCOG Transportation Committee has discussed and endorsed CTDOT's 2022 targets for the five safety performance measures identified above,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CRCOG Policy Board has agreed to support CTDOT's 2022 targets for these five safety performance measures; and

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

CERTIFICATE

I certify the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Policy Board at its meeting held on December 15, 2021.

BY: _____ DATE: _____
Lori L. Spielman, Secretary