Planning Regulations For Metropolitan Planning **Organizations**

23 CFR 450.300

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Effective Date:

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Changes Reflect:

- MAP-21 and FAST Act
- Clarification and organization improvements



- 12-New definitions
- Expanded focus on performance management
- 2-New planning factors
- Expanded MPO structure
- Strengthened support for transit
- Phase-in schedule

23 CFR 450.104 Definitions



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12 – NEW Definitions

Asset management	Performance target
Expedited grant agreement	Public transportation agency safety plan
Highway safety improvement program	Regional transportation planning organization
Metropolitan planning agreement	Scenario planning
Performance measure	Transit asset management plan
Performance metric	Transit asset management system

23 CFR 450.300 Purpose



National Policy for MPOs:

- Performance-based multimodal transportation system
- Promotes the safe and efficient development, management and operations of surface transportation systems
- Including...intermodal facilities that support intercity transportation, including intercity buses and intercity bus facilities and commuter vanpool providers and...
- Take into account resiliency needs

23 CFR 450.306 Scope of the Planning Process

Planning Factors – 450.306(a)

- (9) Improve the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate stormwater impacts of surface transportation
- (10) Enhance travel and tourism

Consideration and analysis-450.306(c)

Based on...transportation system development, land use, employment, economic development, human and natural environment and housing and community development

Performance-based approach – 450.306(d)

Target setting, performance measures, decision-making, Integrate measures/targets from other transportation plans 6

23 CFR 450.310 MPO Designation



TMA Structure – 450.310 (d)

- (1)(ii) Officials of public agencies that administer or operate major modes of transportation in the metropolitan area, including representation by providers of public transportation;
- (3)(ii) Subject to the bylaws or enabling statute of the MPO, a representative of a provider of public transportation may also serve as a representative of a local municipality.

23 CFR 450.314 Metropolitan Planning Agreements

Review and Update -450.314(b)

States, MPO(s) and providers of public transportation should periodically review and update agreements

Data and Information –450.314(h)(1)

- Cooperatively develop and share information and data related to performance
- MPOs, State, and public transportation providers jointly agree and develop specific written provisions



Expanded list of agencies to involve - 450.316(a)

- Public Ports
- Private Transportation Providers: Intercity bus operators, employer-based commuting program, vanpool program, transit benefit program, parking cash-out program, shuttle program or telework program

Expanded list of agencies to consult - 450.316(b)

Tourism, natural disaster risk reduction

23 CFR 450.320 Programmatic Mitigation Plans



Optional Framework - 450.320(a)

- To address potential environmental impacts of future transportation projects.
- MPOs consult with FTA/FHWA and agency with jurisdiction over the resource to determine scope

Alternate processes allowed - 450.320(b)

Includes consultation, public review of the draft

Use in NEPA - 450.320(d)

Substantial weight to recommendations if plan adopted

23 CFR 450.322 Congestion Management Process



Describes travel reduction strategies – 450.322(a)

including intercity bus operators, employer-based commuting programs such as a carpool program, vanpool program, transit benefit program, parking cash-out program, shuttle program, or telework program

Congestion Management Plan - 450.322(h)

(h) A MPO serving a TMA *may* develop a plan that includes projects and strategies that will be considered in the TIP.



Performance measures – 450.324(f)(3)

A description of the performance measures and performance targets used in assessing the performance of the transportation system

Performance report – 450.324(f)(4)

A system performance report and subsequent updates evaluating the condition and performance of the transportation system with respect to the performance targets



Other Safety Plans – 450.324(h)

Integrate into the LRTP the priorities, goals, countermeasures, strategies or projects in the HSIP/SHSP or Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan

Scenario Planning – 450.324(i)

An MPO may, while fitting the needs and complexity of its community, voluntarily elect to develop multiple scenarios for consideration as part of LRTP development.

23 CFR 450.326 Transportation Improvement Program

Performance Targets – 450.326(c)

The TIP shall be designed such that once implemented, it makes progress toward achieving the performance targets

Linking Investments to Performance – 450.326(d)

A description of the anticipated effect of the TIP toward achieving the performance targets identified in the metropolitan transportation plan, linking investment priorities to those performance targets

23 CFR 450.340 Phase-In of New Requirements

Deadline – 450.340(a)

May 27, 2018

FHWA/FTA Action – 450.340(c)

FHWA and the FTA will take action (*i.e.*, conformity determinations and STIP approvals) on an *updated or amended TIP* developed under the provisions of this part, *even if* the MPO *has not* yet adopted *a new metropolitan transportation plan* under the provisions of this part, *as long as the underlying transportation planning process is consistent with the requirements in the MAP-21*

Planning Regulation vs. Performance Management Regulations

Performance Management Phase-in – 450.340(e)

Two years from the effective date of each rule establishing performance measures under 23 U.S.C. 150(c), 49 U.S.C. 5326, and 49 U.S.C. 5329 FHWA/FTA will only determine the conformity of, or approve as part of a STIP, a TIP that is based on a metropolitan transportation planning process that meets the performance based planning requirements in this part and in such a rule.

STIP Phase In Example With Safety PM

Date	Action	What Requirements are Needed?
Aug 31, 2017	FDOT sets Safety Performance Measure Targets in HSIP Annual Report	
Dec 30, 2017	MPO Amends TIP & FDOT Amends STIP	Same Requirements Used Today in Effect
Feb 27, 2018	MPO sets Safety Performance Measure Targets	
April 18, 2018	Safety Performance Measures Established (2 Years from Rule Date)	
May 27, 2018	Planning Requirements for S/TIP and LRTP Expected to be Met	
June 1, 2018	MPO Amends TIP & FDOT Amends STIP	New Planning Requirements In Effect for TIP, STIP and Underlying Process & Address the Safety Performance Measures in STIP
Oct 1, 2018	New STIP Approval Requested	New Planning Requirements In Effect for TIP, STIP and Underlying Process & Address the Safety Performance Measures in STIP

LRTP Phase In Example With Safety PM

Date	Action	What Requirements are Needed?
Mar 15, 2017	Okaloosa Walton Adopts LRTP	Same Requirements Used Today in Effect
Aug 31, 2017	FDOT sets Safety Performance Measure Targets	
Feb 27, 2018	MPO sets Safety Performance Measure Targets	
April 18, 2018	Safety Performance Measures Established (2 Years from Rule Date)	
May 27, 2018	Planning Requirements for S/TIP and LRTP Expected to be Met	
June 1, 2018	Sunshine MPO Amends LRTP	New Planning Requirements In Effect for LRTP & Address the Safety Performance Measures in LRTP
Oct 2019	Palm Beach and Miami-Dade Adopt LRTP	New Planning Requirements In Effect for LRTP & Address the Safety Performance Measures in LRTP

The MPO is not required to change their LRTP update cycle to address the planning or performance measure requirements.

Other Notable Changes in Planning

Strengthened planning and environmental linkages

- Linking Planning and Project Development 23 CFR 450.318
- Development of programmatic mitigation plans 23 CFR 450.320

 Linking the Transportation Planning to NEPA Appendix A

Resources



- Planning Requirements (23 CFR 450):
 - https://www.federalregister.gov/articles/2016/05/27/2016-11964/statewide-and-nonmetropolitan-transportation-planning-metropolitan-transportation-planning#sec-450-100
- National Performance Measures: Highway Safety Improvement: https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-03-15/html/2016-05202.htm
- FHWA's FAST Act Home Page: http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/fastact/guidance.cfm

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