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Staff Report

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CAMPO Blueprint for Safety Plan and Final Report

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The Regional Multi-Modal Safety Action Plan is a project underway and will be finalized by June 2025. The Regional Multi-Modal Safety Action Plan when completed will better inform the safety-related performance metrics for the MPO, as well as evaluate available safety data to determine priority areas for safety improvement projects across multiple modes of travel in the region. The Multi-Modal Safety Action Plan will also ensure the completed plan meets the criteria for the IIJA's Safe Streets for All Program and Increasing Safe and Accessible Transportation Options planning criteria, thus allowing member agencies to apply for additional implementation funding through that program.

The Multi-Modal Safety Action Plan (aka The Blueprint for Safety Plan) process has resulted in the creation of the Blueprint for Safety Report, which is a plan to design a safer region, and it provides the building blocks for several objectives:

- Establishes a vision and commitment to reducing fatalities and serious injuries in the CAMPO region.
- Uses data to drive decision making regarding the region's top safety issues, where they occur, and who is most impacted.
- Incorporates feedback from the local communities and members of the public regarding their safety concerns. This helps paint a fuller picture of where problems are occurring outside of what the data say.
- Implements a proactive approach to addressing safety. Even if a crash has not occurred, analyzing crash trends provides an opportunity to prevent crashes from occurring.
- Identifies strategies and actions based on short-term needs and long-term goals for NCDOT, CAMPO, and the local agencies.

In addition to these objectives, CAMPO and NCDOT have several goals included within the Blueprint for Safety plan. Each goal focuses on correcting today's safety issues and planning for a safer tomorrow in the region.

- Articulate a vision for achieving a significant reduction in fatalities and serious injuries in the region.
- Inform other regional efforts, such as the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), and statewide efforts, such as the Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP).
- Ensure consistency with the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP).
- Create inputs for future grant applications for priority safety projects.
- Build a culture of safety throughout the region.

Following the Blueprint for Safety Leadership Summit on May 14 the Blueprint for Safety Report was published and has been posted for public comment from May 19, 2025 - June 17, 2025. The TCC has recommended approval of the Blueprint for Safety.

Requested Action: Adopt the Blueprint for Safety Plan as included within the accompanying report.

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