

## NC Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

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Staff Report

## Agenda Date: 11/4/2021 To: Executive B

Agenda Item: 5.4

## Public Transportation Agency Safety Performance Measures and Targets Crystal Odum, MPO Staff

On July 19, 2018, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) published the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Final Rule, which requires certain operators of public transportation systems that receive federal funds under the FTA's Urbanized Area Formula Grants to develop safety plans that include the processes and procedures to implement Safety Management Systems (SMS). The rule applies to all operators of public transportation systems that are recipients and sub-recipients of federal financial assistance under the Urbanized Area Formula Program (49 U.S.C. § 5307) and all rail transit operator recipients. Agencies were originally required to have a certified Agency Safety Plan that met statutory requirements no later than July 20, 2020, which includes safety performance targets and sharing targets with their MPO and State. Because of COVID, the date of compliance for the agencies was moved to July 20, 2021. All regional transit agency partners have shared safety plans on file.

Per 23 C.F.R. § 450.306, the MPO is required to collaboratively set regional performance targets for each performance measure no more than 180 days after the transit agency establishes their performance targets (originally required by January 20, 2021 extended to July 20, 2021). As such CAMPO staff has discussed collaboratively with the transit providers, the DCHC MPO and the State (NC DOT IMD) staff individual agency safety plans, the regional partner's data sharing agreement and initial and final safety performance measures and targets. For the regional PTASP goal setting, the providers agree to follow the written, regional procedures established for Transit Asset Management in the original CAMPO Board action dated September 19, 2018 with the exception of establishing unrequired annual regional performance measures and targets.

On May 19, 2021, the CAMPO Executive Board adopted the initial regional transit agency safety performance targets to meet compliance deadlines and as the basis for continued partner discussions and collaboration. After receiving all certified agency safety plans including benchmark targets that are based on data years 2015 - 2019 and meeting with partners on August 3, 2021, staff is recommending the TCC recommend final 2021 regional transit agency safety targets per Attachment B for Executive Board adoption and subsequent inclusion into the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)/TIP.

The TCC recommends approval of this item.

**Requested Action:** Adopt the transit agency safety plans performance targets.