

OFFICE OF.
SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION

October 17, 2017

Steven K. Howsare, Executive Director Southern Alleghenies Planning Commission 3 Sheraton Drive Altoona, PA 16601

Dear Mr. Howsare:

The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) established a system of national goals and performance management measures designed to ensure the effective use of Federal transportation funds. 23 CFR 490 Subpart B establishes five performance measures for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP):

- (1) Number of fatalities
- (2) Rate of fatalities
- (3) Number of serious injuries
- (4) Rate of serious injuries
- (5) Number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries.

The targets in Table 1 of the enclosure reflect the 2017 Strategic Highway Safety Plan goal of reducing fatalities and serious injuries by 2%. In cooperation with our federal partners, PennDOT has established these targets which are effective August 31, 2017.

MPOs/RPOs must establish targets for each performance measure for the same calendar year within 180 days of PennDOT establishing targets (February 27, 2018) either by agreeing to plan and program projects in support of PennDOT targets, or by committing to their own quantifiable targets. FHWA will determine annually whether PennDOT has met, or has made significant progress toward meeting, established performance targets. More information about this is available through FHWA's website at https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/hsip/spm/mpo factsheet.cfm

Plans updated after May 27, 2018 including Metropolitan Long-Range Transportation Plans and Transportation Improvement Programs, and Statewide Transportation Improvement Programs must include a description of how the plans support and contribute to achieving the established performance targets.

To ensure compliance with 23 U.S.C. §134, please respond to this letter by selecting one of the 2 options below by December 29, 2017.

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Please select one of the following options:

X	The MPO/RPO decision-making body agrees to support the state targets by planning and programing projects that contribute to meeting or making significant progress toward the established PennDOT safety targets. See Table 2 of the enclosure to see an example of what the corresponding values would look like in Southern Alleghenies RPO should they agree to support the statewide targets.				
	The MPO/RPO decision-making body commits to establishing their own quantifiable targets and has attached their methodology. MPOs/RPOs that establish their own targets will report the methodology, including VMT estimate, used to develop their targets.				
Concurre	ence: Authorized MRO/RPO Spokesperson Date: 12/15/2017	7			

Should you have any questions, please contact Kristin Mulkerin, Transportation Planning Manager, at 717.783.2430 or via email at kmulkerin@pa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Secretary for Highway Administration

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Table 1: Statewide Targets:

	5-year Rolling Averages			
Performance Measure	TARGET	ACTUAL	BASELINE	
	2014-2018	2014-2018	2012-2016	
Number of Fatalities	- 1,177₄6		1,220.2	
Fatality Rate	1.161		1.220	
Number of Serious Injuries	3,799.8		3,434.0	
Serious Injury Rate	3.746		3.433	
Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Serious	654.4		602.4	
Injuries	4.40	4:	002,4	

^{*} Future VMT estimated to be 1% higher per year starting in 2017

Table 2: Southern Alleghenies RPO Supporting Values:

	5-year Rolling Averages			
Performance Measure	TARGET 2014-2018	ACTUAL 2014-2018	BASELINE 2012-2016	
Number of Fatalities	30.7		36.2	
Fatality Rate	1.116		1.338	
Number of Serious Injuries	83.3		80.6	
Serious Injury Rate	3.029		2.978	
Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Serious	10.8		7.8	
Injuries				

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