



**North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Inc.**

**PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

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**PROJECT PRIORITIZATION COMMITTEE**

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**Revised Agenda**

**October 21, 2019**

**10:00 AM**

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- I. Roll Call
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  - III. Approval of Minutes
  - IV. Presentation: I-80 Rockfall Mitigation Project – New Jersey Department of Transportation
  - V. RTAC Update – Mark Jehnke, Ocean County
  - VI. Action Items

Planning and Economic Development Committee

Support for 2020 Safety Performance Measure Targets Set by the New Jersey Department of Transportation in Collaboration with the NJTPA and Other Metropolitan Planning Organizations in New Jersey – Keith Miller, Central Staff (PEDC Action Item Attachment)

**Project Prioritization Committee**

**Approval of a Minor Amendment to the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program as Requested by the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey to Utilize Disaster Recovery and Resilience Program Funding (PPC Action Item Attachment)**

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- VIII. Written Information Items
  - 1. Local Safety/High Risk Rural Roads Programs Solicitation – Christine Mittman, Central Staff
  - 2. Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program Update – Doug Greenfeld, Central Staff
  - 3. Together North Jersey (TNJ) Update – Jeff Perlman, Central Staff

IX. Other Items

X. Next Meeting: December 9, 2019

XI. Adjournment



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Joint Meeting Agenda

**Written Information Items**

**October 21, 2019**

**10:00 AM**

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**VIII. Written Information Items**

**1. Local Safety/High Risk Rural Roads Programs Solicitation**

Christine Mittman, Central Staff

The solicitation for Fiscal Year 2020 Local Safety and High Risk Rural Roads Programs (LS/HRRR) is currently open. Projects must either be identified on high crash network screening lists prepared by the NJDOT or propose eligible systemic safety improvements. Project sponsors must complete Highway Safety Manual and benefit/cost analyses as part of the application process. NJTPA's Pilot Consultant Assistance program can provide help to subregions with these analyses or other work such as traffic counts, etc. Please contact Patricia Newton at (973) 877-8182 with questions or to request further information about the Pilot Consultant Assistance Program. Applicants must give consideration to modern roundabouts for all new intersection and intersection upgrade projects when responding to the LS/HRRR solicitation. Further detailed Information about the programs was e-mailed to the PPC and RTAC on July 26. The solicitation for these programs closes December 5 at 3 PM. Please contact Christine Mittman at (973) 639-8448 or Patricia Newton at (973) 877-8128 with questions or requests for further information.

**2. Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program**

Doug Greenfeld, Central Staff

Under the NJTPA's FY 2020 Complete Streets Technical Assistance Program, the NJTPA contracted with the Sustainability Institute at the College of New Jersey (SJ@TCNJ) and Rutgers Voorhees Transportation Center to support the delivery of both training and technical assistance services.

Three all-day training sessions on implementing complete streets at the local level will be delivered at the NJTPA in Newark on October 16, 2019, at the Highlands Council in Chester on October 24, 2019, and at Rowan College of South Jersey – Cumberland Campus on January 9, 2020. These sessions are free and open to anyone interested in learning more about complete

streets, including municipal officials, planners, engineers, community groups and the general public. The training is funded in part by the NJ DOT and was organized in collaboration with the South Jersey Transportation Planning Organization (SJTPA). Event registration is at <http://bit.ly/2019CompleteStreets>.

We are currently accepting applications from municipalities within the NJTPA region for free complete streets technical assistance services for a specific project related to advancing complete streets initiatives in their communities. The types of services municipalities can choose from are Bicycle Corridor or Network Planning, Complete Streets Conceptual Rendering, Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) Safety Audit and Site Assessment, Temporary Demonstration Project Guidance, and a Walkable Community Workshop (WCW). Additional details are in the online application at <http://bit.ly/2019CompleteStreets>. The application deadline is December 20, 2019.

### **3. Together North Jersey (TNJ) Update** Jeff Perlman, Central Staff

A Forum of the entire TNJ Initiative took place at the NJTPA offices on September 17. The Plenary Session Panel focused on Building Healthy Communities, with speakers covering a variety of topics related to access to healthcare, health and place-making, and aging communities. The TNJ task forces also convened to discuss continuing initiatives and new activities for the next six months.

Application for participation in the Local Technical Assistance Program was due on September 30. The program provides technical assistance services to support local initiatives that advance the focus areas and strategies recommended in the Together North Jersey Plan and is open to municipal governments, county governments and non-profit, community-based or non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in the Together North Jersey region. NJTPA staff and VTC are currently reviewing proposals and will notify applicants in November.

The TNJ Training Institute is planning a number of upcoming workshops this fall designed to enhance the capacity of stakeholder organizations to advance the TNJ initiatives. An upcoming training on Roundabouts is scheduled to be held at the NJTPA offices on November 7. This training will be conducted in partnership with FHWA. Other upcoming workshops include developing community leadership around Crime Prevention and Environmental Design and Brownfields. Dates for these workshops have yet to be determined.



*Angel G. Estrada, Chair*  
*Mary D. Ameen, Executive Director*

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## **PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

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### **Joint Meeting Minutes August 19, 2019**

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#### **I. Roll Call of Members**

Beverly Morris, Central Staff, called the roll. Fourteen members of the Project Prioritization Committee and 13 members of the Planning and Economic Development Committee were present.

#### **II. Approval of Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2019 meeting was made by Middlesex County, seconded by Somerset County and carried unanimously

#### **III. Presentation – NJTPA Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Accompanying Air Quality Conformity Determination**

Ted Ritter, Central Staff, reported that the 30-day formal public comment period for the FY 2020-2023 TIP and Air Quality Conformity Determination was in progress until August 26. As part of that process, legal notices were placed in the region's newspapers of record, the draft documents were mailed to the state libraries network, and notices were posted on social media and the NJTPA website. A workshop on Air Quality Conformity and a public meeting were held on August 8. Mr. Ritter said the Board would be provided with a summary of all comments received and responses prior to their September 9 meeting.

Ann Ludwig, Central Staff, said the nearly yearlong TIP development process involved project meetings with NJDOT, project scoring, and staff and subregional review of the unconstrained Transportation Capital Program from which the fiscally constrained TIP is derived. She said nearly \$12 billion is programmed over the four years of the TIP. For FY 2020, about \$1.63 billion is programmed for highway and bridge projects, and \$1.27 billion is programmed for NJ

TRANSIT projects and programs. Ms. Ludwig distributed a Summary of Changes to the draft TIP reflecting the reinstatement of nine PATH disaster relief funded programs.

Liz DeRuchie, Central Staff, said The NJTPA has determined that the TIP and Plan 2045, the Regional Transportation Plan for northern New Jersey, conform to air quality standards established by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP). She explained that the Air Quality Conformity process is guided by an Interagency Consultant Group, consisting of the Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, US Environmental Protection Agency, NJDEP, NJDOT and NJ TRANSIT. She noted that emissions results were well below NJDEP standards.

#### IV. Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) Update

RTAC Chair Mark Jehnke, Ocean County, reported that, at their August meeting, the Committee was briefed on the draft FY 2020-2023 TIP and Air Quality Conformity Determination, the proposed FY 2020 Local Concept Development studies and the NJTPA's Title Six Implementation Plan. Also at the meeting, the RTAC heard a presentation from Ryan Sharp, Transportation Director of the City of Hoboken, on the city's Complete Streets Design Guide, a project that was part of the NJTPA's Planning for Emerging Centers Program. The RTAC also was briefed on collaboration between the NJTPA and the New Jersey Innovation Institute at NJIT, which produced a roundabout simulation. Mr. Jehnke said Central Staff also updated the RTAC on the Complete Streets Technical Assistance program and Together North Jersey activities.

#### V. PPC Action Items

##### 1. Approval of the FY 2020 North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority Self-Certification

Ann Ludwig, Central Staff, said the Board must self-certify the NJTPA planning process each time the TIP is adopted. This action confirms that the NJTPA complies with all relevant federal regulations and maintains the region's eligibility to receive federal transportation funding.

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Passaic County, seconded by Essex County and carried unanimously.

##### 2. Approval of the FY 2020-2023 Transportation Improvement Program and the Accompanying Air Quality Conformity Determination

Ms. Ludwig distributed a summary of changes to the draft TIP which shows that nine PATH Disaster Relief funded programs that could not be authorized in 2019 were to be reinstated in the new TIP. She said, at the request of the FTA, the PANYNJ Cross Harbor project in the New York Metropolitan Transportation Council TIP will be listed in Appendix B of the NJTPA draft TIP.

Freeholder Jason Sarnoski, Warren County, said the construction phase of the Routes 57/519 intersection improvement project has been deferred again until 2023 although stakeholders had been told at multiple meetings with NJDOT that construction could potentially begin in 2021. The Freeholder also said the need for the \$58 million Rte. 80 WB Rock Fall Mitigation project in Warren County has not been justified, the cost seems excessive, and the project design will severely diminish the historic and natural aesthetic of the region. He asked that the construction phase of the Rte. 57/519 project be moved back to 2021 and the Rte. 80 project be deferred until a better solution can be found.

Freeholder Angel Estrada, Union County, inquired about meetings with NJDOT about the Rte. 80 project. Eric Powers, NJDOT, said formal comments about the project have been received and a full environmental assessment will be conducted, affording all parties the opportunity for further review. Concerning the Rtes. 57/519 project, Mr. Powers said the project is undergoing environmental assessment and still must undergo final design. He said right-of-way acquisition could take as long as 18 months, and construction in 2021 does not seem realistic. Freeholder Sarnoski noted that the Rte. 57/519 intersection remains Warren County's most dangerous and the project has been "on the table" since 1991.

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Passaic County, seconded by Middlesex County and carried unanimously.

### 3. Approval of the FY 2020 NJTPA Local Concept Development (LCD) Phase Studies

Sarbjit Kahlon, Central Staff, said nine applications were submitted for the FY 2020 LCD phase of the Local Capital Project Delivery Program, and Staff from NJTPA and NJDOT reviewed the applications, conducted site visits and scored the projects. A review committee recommended five studies totaling about \$2.4 million for approval:

- Bergen County – the Oradell Avenue Bridge over the Hackensack River in the Borough of Oradell;
- Middlesex County – the County Route 516, Old Bridge-Matawan Road Bridge over Lake Lefferts in Old Bridge Township, Matawan Borough, and Aberdeen Township (Monmouth County also will participate in the Middlesex County-led effort);
- Monmouth County – The Corlies Avenue Bridge over Deal Lake in the Borough of Allenhurst and the Township of Ocean;
- Morris County – the East Main Street County Route 644 Bridge over Rockaway River in Rockaway Borough; and
- Somerset County – the Great Road, County Route 601 Bridge over Bedens Brook in Montgomery Township

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Middlesex County, seconded by Bergen County and carried unanimously.

## PEDC Action Items

### 4. Approval of the FY 2020 Study & Development Program

Rich Stoolman, Central Staff, said he worked with RTAC members on developing the FY 2020 Study & Development program, which consists of projects in the Concept Development phase and includes planning, environmental reviews and other activities that prepare projects to be considered for capital funding and possible inclusion in the TIP. He noted that 18 projects in last year's program graduated into the FY 2020-2023 draft TIP. This year's program includes 44 new projects, 46 continuing projects that are progressing to Preliminary Engineering, and five projects that were reprogrammed from the 2018 TIP to allow for additional required work. About half of the 95 are bridge projects and half are roadway.

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Ocean County, seconded by Somerset County and carried unanimously.

### 5. Approval of the NJTPA Title VI Implementation Plan

Gabrielle Fausel, Central Staff, reported that, in response to last November's Federal Certification Review, the NJTPA developed a Title VI implementation plan which demonstrates compliance with federal regulations to ensure that traditionally underserved populations are included in the planning process and have access to MPO activities. The NJTPA plan establishes a framework for compliance with Title Six of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and related statutes, such as Environmental Justice. It demonstrates the commitment to providing opportunities for involvement by all people in the region, particularly for minorities, senior citizens, the disabled, those with low incomes or limited English proficiency and people in zero-vehicle households. The NJTPA's Compliance Manager, currently Karen Rosenberger of Central Staff, serves as the Title VI program officer.

A motion to approve the resolution was made by the PANYNJ, seconded by the City of Newark and carried unanimously.

## VI. Information Items

### 1. UpNext North Jersey Advisory Group Update

Mr. Ritter reported that the NJTPA is recruiting for the UpNext Advisory Group, which will give young adults a better voice in the work of the NJTPA, including input into the next long-range plan. So far, 25 people from six NJTPA subregions in the 18- to 30-year-old age range have applied to join. Mr. Ritter said the NJTPA hopes to have at least one representative from each subregion, and plans to hold a kickoff event early this fall. More information on this initiative is available on the NJTPA website. Initially, group members will be asked to provide some input on the next Long-Range Transportation Plan and participate in some meetings and events. More information is available at [www.njtpa.org/upnext](http://www.njtpa.org/upnext).



## 2. Trans-Hudson Update

Dave Behrend, Central Staff, reported that New Jersey and New York formalized legislation that forms a joint commission tasked with pursuing federal and other funding for delivering the Gateway program set of projects. The legislation also confirms that the two states will share the costs of Gateway equally. He said there is still no federal funding commitment for the projects.

## 3. Federal Transportation Policy Update

Mr. Behrend said the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works has unanimously passed the America's Transportation Infrastructure Act on June 29. The bill, which covers funding for Federal Highway Administration programs and projects and is likely to change, features an emphasis on pedestrian safety and speaks to climate change and new approaches to electric vehicle infrastructure, among other things. He noted that the bill explicitly states that MPOs that share urbanized areas do not have to produce a common long-range plan or transportation improvement program but encourages collaboration. Mr. Behrend said the bill calls for authorizing \$287 billion for the Transportation Trust Fund over five years – a significant increase over current levels – and would increase Transportation Alternatives Program funding. As yet, there is no indication of funding sources to support the bill.

Mr. Behrend also reported that earlier this month NJTPA Board members, Freeholder Estrada and Freeholder Joseph DiVincenzo, Essex County, joined Congressman Bill Pascrell and Congresswoman Mikie Sherrill for a site visit at the Kingsland Avenue Bridge over the Passaic River between Nutley in Essex County and Lyndhurst in Bergen County. This Local Capital Project Delivery program project will move from Concept Development to the Preliminary Engineering phase soon. Mr. Behrend said the project is a good example of how the NJTPA puts federal dollars to work on implementing county transportation projects. He thanked Central Staffers Sascha Frimpong, Director, Local Project Development and Sarbjit Kahlon, Principal Planner, Local Programs, for their efforts.

VII. Next Meeting: October 21, 2019

VIII. Adjournment

At 10:55 a.m., a motion to adjourn was made by Ocean County, seconded by Passaic County and carried unanimously.

**JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING  
ATTENDANCE  
August 19, 2019**

**Project Prioritization Committee**

VOTING MEMBERS	
Hon. Kathy DeFillippo (Chair)	Morris County
Hon. Charles Kenny	Middlesex County
Hon. John Bartlett	Passaic County
Hon. Angel Estrada	Union County
Joseph Baladi	Bergen County
David Antonio	Essex County
Byron Nicholas	Hudson County
Adam Bradford	Hunterdon County
Inkyung Englehart	Monmouth County
Tom Drabic	Sussex County
Lauren LaRusso	Governor's Authorities Unit
Eric Powers	NJDOT
Vivian Baker	NJ TRANSIT
Jared Rodriguez	Citizens' Representative

**Planning and Economic Development Committee**

VOTING MEMBERS	
Hon. John Bartlett (Chair)	Passaic County
Hon. John Kelly	Ocean County
Hon. Angel Estrada	Union County
Hon. Jason Sarnoski	Warren County
Adam Bradford	Hunterdon County
Barkha Patel	Jersey City
Trevor Howard	City of Newark
Walt Lane	Somerset County
Lauren LaRusso	Governor's Authorities Unit
Eric Powers	NJDOT
Vivian Baker	NJ TRANSIT
Jay Shuffield	PANYNJ
Jared Rodriguez	Citizens' Representative

Also In Attendance	
Anna Aleynick	AECOM
Liz Archer	
William Masol	French & Parello
Bob Werkmeister	GPI

George M. Ververides	Middlesex County
Shilpa Bhojappa	Monmouth County
Gerald Rohsler	Morris County
Frank Scarantino	Mott MacDonald
Mark Jehnke	Ocean County
John Ernst	Ocean County
Elizabeth Ward	Passaic County
Peter Palmer	Somerset County
Ken Wedeen	Somerset County
Liza Betz	Union County
Various members of Central Staff	NJTPA

## PEDC Action Item Attachment

**DRAFT RESOLUTION: SUPPORT FOR 2020 SAFETY PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS SET BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN COLLABORATION WITH THE NJTPA AND OTHER METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS IN NEW JERSEY**

**WHEREAS**, the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Inc. (NJTPA) has been designated by the Governor of New Jersey as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the northern New Jersey region; and

**WHEREAS**, Title 23, Section 134 of the United States Code requires that each MPO undertake a transportation planning process that shall provide for the establishment and use of a performance-based approach to transportation decision-making to support national goals; that each MPO shall establish performance targets that address the performance measures, tracking progress toward attainment of critical outcomes for the region; and that each MPO shall integrate those targets into their planning documents and processes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) published the final rule, (23 CFR Part 490), on the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) on April 14, 2016, requiring the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) to annually develop and adopt targets assessing number of motor vehicle crash-related serious injuries and fatalities; serious injuries and fatalities per vehicle miles traveled (VMT); and number of serious injuries and fatalities of non-motorized users; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 27, 2016 the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued a final rule on metropolitan planning (23 CFR 450 & 771 and 49 CFR 613), under which MPOs must adopt safety targets by February 27, 2018 and each year thereafter; and

**WHEREAS**, the final rule also requires that MPOs coordinate with NJDOT to set performance targets for the specified measures and integrate those targets into their planning documents and processes; and

**WHEREAS**, the NJTPA coordinated with NJDOT, the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety, and the other MPOs in New Jersey on analyzing trends and developing appropriate safety targets; and

**WHEREAS**, the final rule on metropolitan planning states that MPOs have the option to (1) agree to program investments in support of NJDOT's targets, or (2) set their own quantifiable targets; and

**WHEREAS**, the statewide targets appropriately reflect and will serve as suitable benchmarks for the planning goals and desired outcomes for the projects and programs of the NJTPA Long Range Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program; and

**WHEREAS**, no action authorized by the NJTPA shall have force or effect until ten (10) days, Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays excepted, after a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees has been delivered to the Governor for review, unless prior

to expiration of the review period the Governor shall approve same, in which case the action shall become effective upon such approval; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the NJTPA hereby supports the 2020 statewide targets for each of the safety performance measures set by NJDOT from the National Performance Management Measures: Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP); Final Rule (23 CFR 490); and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the NJTPA will program investments that support the achievement of the performance targets in support of the NJDOT HSIP; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the New Jersey Department of Transportation for submission to the Federal Highway Administration.

## Summary of Action

### **Support for 2020 Safety Performance Measure Targets Set by the New Jersey Department of Transportation in Collaboration with the NJTPA and Other Metropolitan Planning Organizations in New Jersey**

**Action:** Support for 2020 Safety Performance Measure targets set by NJDOT in collaboration with NJTPA and other MPOs in New Jersey. The NJTPA will program projects that will help the state meet these targets.

**Background:** FHWA established national performance measures for the purpose of carrying out the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) and for State DOTs and MPOs to use in assessing serious injuries and fatalities. Since 2017, State Departments of Transportation (DOTs) and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) must annually create and report performance data on safety targets for these measures as required by federal Safety Performance Management rules. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) will assess whether State DOTs have met or are making significant progress toward their targets.

The five safety performance measures are the five-year rolling averages of:

- Number of Fatalities
- Rate of Fatalities per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)
- Number of Serious Injuries
- Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT
- Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Non-motorized Serious Injuries

These measures include crashes on all public roads regardless of functional classification or ownership.

On August 31, 2019, NJDOT set annual targets for the calendar year 2020 in its HSIP Annual Safety Report (ASR) submitted to FHWA. The NJTPA is required to establish targets 180 days after NJDOT, by either establishing a specific numeric target or targets for the NJTPA region, or by agreeing to plan and program projects that support the attainment of the state targets.

NJDOT's statewide safety targets for the five measures were established based on a collaborative process with the New Jersey Division of Highway Traffic Safety and the three New Jersey MPOs. The targets were set after analyzing past trends in crash data and are consistent with the New Jersey Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) long-term goal of reducing serious injuries and fatalities annually by an average of 2.5 percent. The 2018 baseline and 2020 targets are shown in the following table.

## New Jersey Statewide 2018 Baseline and 2020 Targets for Safety Performance Measures

PERFORMANCE MEASURE	2018 BASELINE 2014–2018 (5 YEAR ROLLING AVERAGE)	2020 TARGET 2016–2020 (5 YEAR ROLLING AVERAGE)
Number of Fatalities	581.6	582.8 <sup>3</sup>
Fatality Rate	0.759 <sup>1</sup>	0.744
Number of Serious Injuries	1110.8 <sup>2</sup>	1167.9 <sup>4</sup>
Serious Injury Rate	1.449 <sup>1,2</sup>	1.489
Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries	392.7 <sup>1</sup>	407.9 <sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Based on projected VMT for 2018, as final data not yet available.

<sup>2</sup> Based on projected Serious Injuries for 2018, as final data not yet available.

<sup>3</sup> Based on an overall decrease of 0.9% in annual fatalities, from 565 in 2018 to 560 in 2020.

<sup>4</sup> Based on an overall decrease of 6.4% in annual serious injuries, from a projected 1,270 in 2018 to 1,189 in 2020.

<sup>5</sup> Based on an overall decrease of 4.4% in annual non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries, from a projected 424 in 2018 to 410 in 2020.

As noted in the footnotes above, the targets for the 2016–2020 five-year averaging period represent slight increases over the 2014–2018 (baseline) averages for all of the “number of” measures (but not the “rate” measures). However, these targets still imply a reduction in the annual fatalities, serious injuries, and non-motorized fatalities plus serious injuries in 2020 (compared to the 2018 annual value). The targets for the rate of fatalities (per 100 million vehicle miles traveled) and the rate of serious injuries measures represent a reduction in both the five-year average and the annual values.

The NJTPA’s action on targets (either specific numeric targets or support for the state targets) is to be reported to NJDOT and must be available to FHWA, if requested. While the NJDOT can face corrective actions for failing to meet or make substantial progress toward meeting their statewide safety targets, no specific regulatory penalties apply to MPOs. (Each year that FHWA determines a State has not met or made significant progress toward meeting its performance targets, the State will be required to use obligation authority equal to the baseline year HSIP apportionment only for safety projects. States must also develop a HSIP Implementation Plan, documenting how they plan to meet their targets in the future.) The ramifications of not meeting statewide targets were factored into the decision-making process for establishing the targets.

**Preliminary data shows that New Jersey has “met or made significant progress” toward NJDOT’s 2018 targets** (which the NJTPA Board endorsed in November 2017). (FHWA’s formal determination will not be finalized until December 2019 and reported to NJDOT by March 2020.) The data demonstrates, for at least four of the five safety performance measures, that either the 2018 target was achieved or the 2018 value was less than that for 2016 (the “baseline” year for the 2018 targets). Specifically, the below table shows that New Jersey achieved three of the 2018 targets (number of fatalities, fatality rate, and serious injury rate). For the other two measures for which the target was not achieved, the actual value was better than the baseline for one (number of serious injuries), but not for the other measure (number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries).



**Preliminary New Jersey Significant Progress Determination for CY 2018 Targets  
(As of April 5, 2019)**

<b>PERFORMANCE MEASURE</b>	<b>2018 TARGET</b> <i>2014–2018 (5 YEAR ROLLING AVERAGE)</i>	<b>2018 ACTUAL</b> <i>2014–2018 (5 YEAR ROLLING AVERAGE)</i>	<b>2016 BASELINE</b> <i>2012–2016 (5 YEAR ROLLING AVERAGE)</i>	<b>TARGET ACHIEVED?</b>	<b>BETTER THAN BASELINE?</b>	<b>MET OR MADE SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS?</b>
<b>Number of Fatalities</b>	586.0	581.6	571.0	YES	N/A	YES
<b>Fatality Rate</b>	0.778	0.759	0.762	YES	N/A	YES
<b>Number of Serious Injuries</b>	1105.0	1110.8	1135.6	NO	YES	YES
<b>Serious Injury Rate</b>	1.467	1.449	1.516	YES	N/A	YES
<b>Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries</b>	386.5	392.7	390.3	NO	NO	NO

**Justification for Action:** The NJTPA is required to establish safety targets within 180 days after they are identified by NJDOT, by either setting a specific numeric target or targets for the NJTPA region, or by agreeing to plan and program projects that support the attainment of the state targets. The statewide safety targets were developed in collaboration with NJTPA staff based on an analysis of historic crash data, and reflect the long-term goal of the SHSP to reduce serious injuries and fatalities annually by an average of 2.5 percent. Preliminary data shows progress in addressing prior targets. Given these factors, it is appropriate for the NJTPA to support the New Jersey statewide targets by agreeing to plan and program projects that help the state meet its targets.

**Staff Recommendation:** Central Staff recommends approval of this action.

## PPC Action Item Attachment

**DRAFT RESOLUTION: MINOR AMENDMENT TO THE FY 2020 – 2023  
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AS  
REQUESTED BY THE PORT AUTHORITY OF NEW  
YORK & NEW JERSEY TO UTILIZE DISASTER  
RECOVERY AND RESILIENCE PROGRAM FUNDING**

**WHEREAS**, the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority, Inc. (NJTPA) has been designated by the Governor of New Jersey as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the northern New Jersey region; and

**WHEREAS**, the NJTPA formally adopted the FY 2020 – 2023 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) on September 9, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, the NJTPA is anticipating approval of the FY 2020 – 2023 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which includes the NJTPA TIP, by the United States Department of Transportation; and

**WHEREAS**, the NJTPA on September 24, 2012 approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) among the NJTPA, the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT), and NJ TRANSIT on procedures to amend and modify the State Transportation Improvement Program and the NJTPA TIP; and

**WHEREAS**, the TIP may be revised any time; and

**WHEREAS**, according to the MOU the addition of a project to the TIP or the addition of federal funds to a project where none are currently programmed and a new air quality conformity determination is not required constitutes a minor amendment; and

**WHEREAS**, the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey (PANYNJ) is requesting the addition of a project: Replacement of Harrison Station South West Head House and Platform (DB# PA1910) to be programmed with federal (Section 5324) funds; and

**WHEREAS**, the PANYNJ is recommending the reprogramming of Section 5324 funding from unobligated FFY 2019 funds and from the following project: Trackwork Repair and Restoration (DB# PA1419) to support the reinstated project; and

**WHEREAS**, this minor amendment is exempt from an air quality conformity determination and does not impact the current conformity determination; and

**WHEREAS**, Congestion Management Process requirements do not apply to this action; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2020 TIP conforms to the MAP-21/FAST Act performance-based planning requirements; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with NJTPA public participation procedures, the NJTPA has provided opportunities for review of these actions; and

**WHEREAS**, no action authorized by the NJTPA shall have force or effect until ten (10) days, Saturdays, Sundays and public holidays excepted, after a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Trustees has been delivered to the Governor for review, unless prior to expiration of the review period the Governor shall approve same, in which case the action shall become effective upon such approval.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority hereby approves the specified amendment to the FY 2020 – 2023 Transportation Improvement Program.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that a copy of this resolution is forwarded to the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey for submission to the Federal Transit Administration upon USDOT certification of the FY 2020 State Transportation Improvement Program.

## **Summary of Action**

### **Minor Amendment to the FY 2020 - 2023 Transportation Improvement Program As Requested by the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey to Utilize Disaster Recovery and Resilience Program Funding**

**Action:** In order to advance the following project, the Port Authority of New York & New Jersey (PANYNJ) has requested amending the FY 2020 – 2023 TIP to program federal funds.

**Background:** According to the *TIP Memorandum of Understanding*, when a project is added to the TIP or when federal funds are added to a project where none are currently programmed, and a new air quality conformity determination is not required, this constitutes a minor amendment, and action is required by the NJTPA Project Prioritization Committee and the NJTPA Board of Trustees. The following revisions are for the utilization of Disaster Recovery and Resiliency Program federal funds (Section 5324 Public Transportation Emergency Relief Program Funds) and PANYNJ matching funds. They are exempt from an air quality conformity determination and do not impact the current conformity determination.

#### **Minor Amendment:**

- **Replacement of Harrison Station South West Head House and Platform, Hudson County DB# PA1910**  
This project is able to advance in FFY 2020 and can be funded with available resources from the program listed below (in FFY 2020, \$9.515 million of federal SECT 5324 funds and \$1.057 million of PANYNJ funds) and from unobligated FFY 2019 funds originally programmed to DB# PA1910 (\$31.200 million of federal SECT 5324 funds and \$3.470 million of PANYNJ funds). The delay from FFY 2019 resulted from State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) comments on the reconfiguration of the Harrison Station. Additional funding requests result from refined engineering estimates.

#### **Modifications:**

- **Trackwork Repair and Restoration, Hudson and Essex Counties DB# PA1419**  
There has been a reduction in the anticipated project cost; therefore, funds are available for the advancement of DB# PA1910 (in FFY 2020, SECT 5324 funds are reduced by \$9.515 million and PANYNJ funds are reduced by \$1.057 million).

The attached documents provide further details on each of these projects.

**Justification for Action:** Approval of this minor amendment to the FY 2020 – 2023 TIP will allow the funds to be secured and the project to advance.

**Staff Recommendation:** Central Staff recommends approval of this action.

PENDING ACTION

## NJTPA

### Transportation Improvement Program Fiscal Years 2020 - 2023

**Routes:** Mileposts: N/A DBNUM: PA1419

**Name:** Trackwork Repair and Restoration

This program element includes repair or replacement of track work, ties, welded rail, power rail, breakers, cabling, heater crossovers, drainage and related equipment within the entire PATH right of way and in stations including but not limited to Hoboken and Exchange Place Station for program elements such as but not limited to the replacement of the Hoboken under-platform fans, and the Exchange Place Pump Room projects to repair damaged infrastructure by floodwaters and related debris as well as saltwater damage.

**Counties:** Hudson Essex

**Municipalities:** Various

**Project Type:**

**RCIS Category:** Transit Preservation

**Sponsor:** PANYNJ

**Est. Total Project Cost:** (Million)

**TIP:**

#### CURRENT

FY 2020 - 2023 TIP Cost: (Million) \$16.046

Unconstrained  
Information Year

MPO	PHASE	SOURCE	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024-2029
NJTPA	CON	PANYNJ	\$1.605				
NJTPA	CON	SECT 5324	\$14.441				
			\$16.046				

#### PENDING

FY 2020 - 2023 TIP Cost: (Million) \$5.474

Unconstrained  
Information Year

MPO	PHASE	SOURCE	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024-2029
NJTPA	CON	PANYNJ	\$ .548				
NJTPA	CON	SECT 5324	\$4.926				
			\$5.474				

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## NJTPA

### Transportation Improvement Program Fiscal Years 2020 - 2023

**Routes:** **Mileposts:** N/A **DBNUM:** PA1910

**Name:** Replacement of Harrison Station South West Head House and Platform

Replace Harrison Station South West head house and platform to provide a new flood resilient head house and platform. The investment will protect the critical elements of the station from damage in the event of another major storm.

**Counties:** Hudson

**Municipalities:** Harrison Town

**Project Type:**

**RCIS Category:** Not Available

**Sponsor:** PANYNJ

**Est. Total Project Cost:** (Million)

**TIP:**

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**FY 2020 - 2023 TIP Cost:** (Million) \$45.242

Unconstrained  
Information Year

MPO	PHASE	SOURCE	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024-2029
NJTPA	CON	PANYNJ	\$4.527				
NJTPA	CON	SECT 5324	\$40.715				
			\$45.242				

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