



North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority

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Joint Meeting Agenda

August 19, 2024

10:30 AM

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- I. Roll Call
 - II. Approval of Minutes
 - III. Regional Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) Report – David Antonio, Essex County
 - IV. Presentation: BikeNewark: The City of Newark’s Bicycle Plan – Delores Martinez Wooden, Director of Engineering, City of Newark
 - V. Action Items

Planning and Economic Development Committee

1. FY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) Modification — Angellita Young, Central Staff

2. Adjusted Percent Non-Single Occupant Vehicle Travel Target for the Philadelphia Urbanized Area — Keith Miller, Central Staff

Project Prioritization Committee

1. Modification to the FY 2024 – 2027 Transportation Improvement Program to Add Federal Funds to the Monmouth County Bridge S-31 (Also known as Bingham Avenue Bridge) over Navesink River, CR 8A as Requested by the NJTPA – John Witsch, Central Staff

VI. Information Items

1. Update on Congestion Management Process, Accessibility and Mobility Regional Reassessment — Eugene McGuinness, Central Staff

VII. Executive Director's Update – Dave Behrend, Central Staff

VIII. Written Information Items

1. Regional Capital Investment Strategy (RCIS) Refinement and Strategy Effectiveness Project Update – Keith Miller, Central Staff
2. Resiliency Improvement Plan — Blythe Eaman, Central Staff
3. Project Prioritization and Scoring Process Update – John Witsch, Central Staff
4. Local Safety and High Risk Rural Roads Programs – Sascha Frimpong, Central Staff

IX. Other Items

X. Next Meeting: October 21, 2024, 10:30 a.m. at the NJTPA in Newark.

XI. Adjournment



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VIII. Written Information Items

Regional Capital Investment Strategy (RCIS) Refinement and Strategy Effectiveness Project Update – Keith Miller, Central Staff

The consultant has delivered a draft RCIS policy document, which will form the basis for a chapter/appendix for the upcoming Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Building on the RCIS policy document in Plan 2050, the document describes updated NJTPA priorities for regional transportation planning and spending. It consists of a presentation of investment principles, performance outcomes and measures, project categories, funding allocations, impacts, and guidelines.

Currently, work is underway on web pages that will help to explain and explore the various aspects of the RCIS.

Resiliency Improvement Plan – Blythe Eaman, Central Staff

The NJTPA is partnering with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey to prepare a Resiliency Improvement Plan (RIP) for our region. A RIP, developed by states or metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) and submitted to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), is a voluntary component of the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program. The FHWA PROTECT program was created through the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

The 2024 PROTECT grant Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is expected to open this month. The NJTPA's RIP will allow NJTPA subregions and municipalities that are applying for 2024 PROTECT grants to take advantage of a lower non-federal match and will improve the competitiveness of their applications. The team has developed an outline and is working to complete the draft RIP in the next month.

Project Prioritization Scoring Process Update – John Witsch, Central Staff

The NJTPA has started the update of its project prioritization criteria and scoring process which is used to develop a ranking of projects for inclusion in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), aligning with the LRTP, RCIS, and federal performance measures. This project involves a collaborative effort among key personnel at NJTPA, its subregions, NJDOT, and NJ TRANSIT.

The first project task is underway, involving research of best practices nationwide and a review of the decision-making processes at the NJDOT and NJ TRANSIT. The project's Technical Advisory Committee and the RTAC will assist in the development of the new project prioritization criteria. Later this year, RTAC members will begin participating in a series of virtual voting exercises to determine the goal areas, criteria, and weights. The project is anticipated to be completed in June 2026.

Local Safety and High Risk Rural Roads Programs – Sascha Frimpong

A friendly reminder that the NJTPA has extended the deadline for applications to the FY 2025 Local Safety and High-Risk Rural Roads programs. Participating Subregions have until Tuesday, **October 15, 2024, at 3 p.m.** to submit an application to either program. The guidelines and application are for both programs and can be found on the NJTPA website at <https://www.njtpa.org/Projects-Programs/Local-Programs/Local-Safety-Program.aspx>.

Should you have any questions, please contact Christine Mittman at (973) 639-8448 / cmittman@njtpa.org or Patricia Newton at (973) 877-8128 / pnewton@njtpa.org.

**Joint Project Prioritization Committee (PPC) and
Planning and Economic Development Committee
(PEDC) Virtual Meeting Notice
VIA ZOOM**

**August 19, 2024, 10:30 a.m.
(Agenda Package Attached)**

The agenda package for the June Joint PPC/PEDC meeting is attached, and log-in information follows below. If needed, please refer to the next page for more detailed instructions.

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