

Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board Meeting Agenda January 15, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission
112 MacTanly Place, Staunton, VA 24401

1. Call to Order
2. Approval of Minutes of the December 4, 2024, Policy Board Meeting*
3. Public Comment
4. Approval of the SAWMPO Boundary Adjustment (Board Action Form #25-01)*
5. Approval of the 2025 SAWMPO Safety Targets (Board Action Form #25-02)*
6. Approval of the 2050 LRTP Project Scoring Methodology and Draft 2050 LRTP Project List (Board Action Form #25-03)*
7. FY25 5310 VPAS Application (Board Memo #25-01)
8. Agency Updates
 - VDOT
 - DRPT
 - BRITE & Afton Express
 - Localities
9. Other Business
10. Upcoming Meetings
 - February 5, 2025 – Technical Advisory Committee Meeting at 2:00 p.m., virtual
 - February 19, 2025 – Policy Board Meeting at 10:00 a.m., virtual
11. Adjournment

*Action Required

Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2024, 10:00 a.m.

Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission
112 MacTanly Place, Staunton, Virginia

| Voting Members | | Non-Voting Members | | Other Attendees | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| City of Staunton | | VDOT | | Staff (CSPDC) | |
| ✓ | Amanda Kaufman | ✓ | Shane McCabe (Alt) | ✓ | Ann Cundy |
| ✓ | Brad Arrowood (Chair) | | Cody Huffman (Alt) | ✓ | Zach Beard |
| | John Blair (Alt) | DRPT | | | Devon Thompson |
| Augusta County | | | Grace Stankus | ✓ | Paula Melester |
| ✓ | Tim Fitzgerald | Virginia Regional Transit | | | |
| ✓ | Carolyn Bragg | | Steve Wilson | ✓* | Garreth Bartholomew |
| | Pam Carter (Alt) | | Phil Thompson (Alt) | | |
| City of Waynesboro | | Department of Aviation | | | |
| ✓ | Jim Wood (Vice Chair) | | Rusty Harrington | Others | |
| ✓ | Todd Wood | FHWA and FTA | | | |
| | Michael Hamp (Alt) | | Chelsea Beytas | | |
| VDOT | | | Kevin Jones | | |
| | Todd Stevens | | | | |
| | Brad Reed (Alt) | | | | |
| ✓ | Don Komara (Alt) | | | | |
| | Cody Huffman | | | | |

* Virtual Participants

Call to Order

The SAWMPO Policy Board meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by Mr. Brad Arrowood, Chair. Pursuant to §2.2-3708.2 of the Code of Virginia, SAWMPO Policy Board members may participate in meetings of the SAWMPO or its committees through electronic communication means. Those who attended virtually are indicated by an asterisk; all others attended in-person.

Public Comment

Chair Arrowood opened the meeting for public comment. There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes

Chair Arrowood presented the minutes from the October 2, 2024 Policy Board meeting.

Ms. Carolyn Bragg moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Ms. Amanda Kaufman. The Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Approval of the 2025 SAWMPO Meeting Schedule (Board Action Form #24-10)

Mr. Zach Beard presented the proposed 2025 meeting schedule, which includes a modification to adjust the TAC and Board meeting dates. The proposed change would move the TAC meetings to the beginning of the month and the Policy Board meetings to the third Wednesday of each month. Mr. Beard noted that all localities confirmed the proposed meeting schedule adjustment.

Ms. Carolyn Bragg moved to approve the 2025 SAWMPO meeting schedule; seconded by Mr. Tim Fitzgerald. The Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Approval of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Goals (Board Action Form #24-11)

Mr. Beard presented the 2050 LRTP update process and noted that staff has worked with TAC to update and prioritize the plan goals to reflect regional transportation priorities. Mr. Beard reviewed the 2045 LRTP goals compared to the draft 2050 goals. Key changes to the goals include: combining the former Connectivity and Accessibility goals under a single "Accessibility" goal; changing "Quality of Life" to "Environmental Sustainability" for more specific focus; and explicitly including the term "congestion" under "Efficient System Management."

Mr. Beard presented the prioritization results from each locality and highlighted that all three localities ranked Safety as the first priority and Efficient System Management as third. The cities ranked Accessibility higher than the county, particularly for multimodal and bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure. The final prioritized goals list is:

- 1) Safety (unanimous top priority)
- 2) Efficient System Management and Accessibility (tied)
- 3) Land Use Coordination
- 4) Economic Development
- 5) Environmental Sustainability

Mr. Beard explained that having Safety as the top priority reflects recent MPO discussions about increasing fatal and severe injury crashes post-COVID, and represents a shift from the 2045 plan where Economic Development was the top priority.

Mr. Todd Wood moved to approve the 2050 LRTP prioritized goals list; seconded by Mr. Carolyn Bragg. The Board approved the motion by unanimous vote.

Agency Updates

VDOT

Mr. Don Komara provided the following updates:



- The Barterbrook Road project is ahead of schedule.
- The Waynesboro Southern Corridor project is approximately 20% complete.
- Weyers Cave project bid results for climbing lanes on either side of Route 235 included four submissions, with the lowest bid from Branch Civil at \$61,385,000. The CTB is expected to award the contract in December with construction likely starting in spring.
- The Staunton widening project is progressing well with significant earthwork complete, and I-81 improvements include approximately \$200 million of work through Staunton and Weyers Cave areas.

DRPT

Mr. Beard provided the following update on behalf of Ms. Grace Stankus:

- Tiffany Robinson is the new DRPT Director and assumed the position on November 10. Ms. Robinson has 15 years of experience in state and local governments and most recently served as deputy chief of staff in the Governor's office.

BRITE Transit

Mr. Beard provided the following updates on behalf of Ms. Devon Thompson:

- A micro-transit feasibility study kicked off last month at the BRITE Transit facility with regional stakeholders. Kimley Horn is providing technical assistance to determine demand and potential service models
- The Lewis Street Hub construction is complete and fully operational with Dominion having connected the lights.
- Service changes implemented November 1st include:
 - Staunton North and West loops changed from two half-hour loops to one one-hour loop
 - Modified hours of operation
 - Added a new stop at Middlebrook Avenue/Moore Street
 - Downtown Trolley picked up three stops from the old North and West loops

Afton Express

Mr. Beard provided the following updates on behalf of Ms. Devon Thompson:

- As of September 23, all UVA-affiliated riders can ride Afton Express for free in coordination with the launch of Wahoo Commute.

Locality Updates

Augusta County

- Mr. Tim Fitzgerald discussed a letter for support regarding I-81 improvements between Route 262 and I-64. The County submitted a letter requesting consideration of adding an auxiliary lane in this section while contractors are already mobilized for other I-81 work. The Board agreed to submit a letter of support for this request.



City of Waynesboro

- Mr. Jim Wood reported that the traffic garden project opening is delayed until spring, though it is now used informally. The delay will allow for better weather conditions during the official opening.

Other Business

Ms. Ann Cundy noted that the Virginia Passenger Rail Authority is submitting another grant application for ADA upgrades to the train station after their first attempt was not funded. They requested a new letter of support for the Federal-State Partnership for Intercity Passenger Rail grant program.

Upcoming Meetings

Chair Arrowood said that the next TAC meeting is scheduled for December 18, 2024 and the next Board meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2025.

Meeting Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Arrowood adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paula Melester".

Paula Melester
Director of Transportation

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TO: Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro MPO (SAWMPO) Policy Board
FROM: Zach Beard, Program Manager
MEETING DATE: January 15, 2025
RE: **Board Action Form #25-01: SAWMPO Metropolitan Planning Area
Boundary Expansion**

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend that the Policy Board approve VDOT's proposed SAWMPO Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) boundary modifications based on the 2020 Census urban area delineations. The TAC recommended approval at the December 18, 2024 TAC meeting.

BACKGROUND

In 2023, VDOT completed a review of Metropolitan Planning Organization Area boundaries to comply with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements following the 2020 Census. This update incorporates new Census-designated urban areas and includes areas anticipated for urbanization within the next 10 years through a smoothing process which adjusts boundaries to follow natural features and infrastructure like roads and rivers for the planning area.

VDOT proposed boundary modifications for the SAWMPO would expand the current MPO by approximately 1.704 square miles (1,090 acres), incorporating several key growth areas:

- Three areas along US 340 south of Crimora
- One area north of Wilson Workforce Rehabilitation Center
- One area along US 11 at the southern boundary
- Two areas along Route 262 on the south side
- One area in the northwest near the Middle River

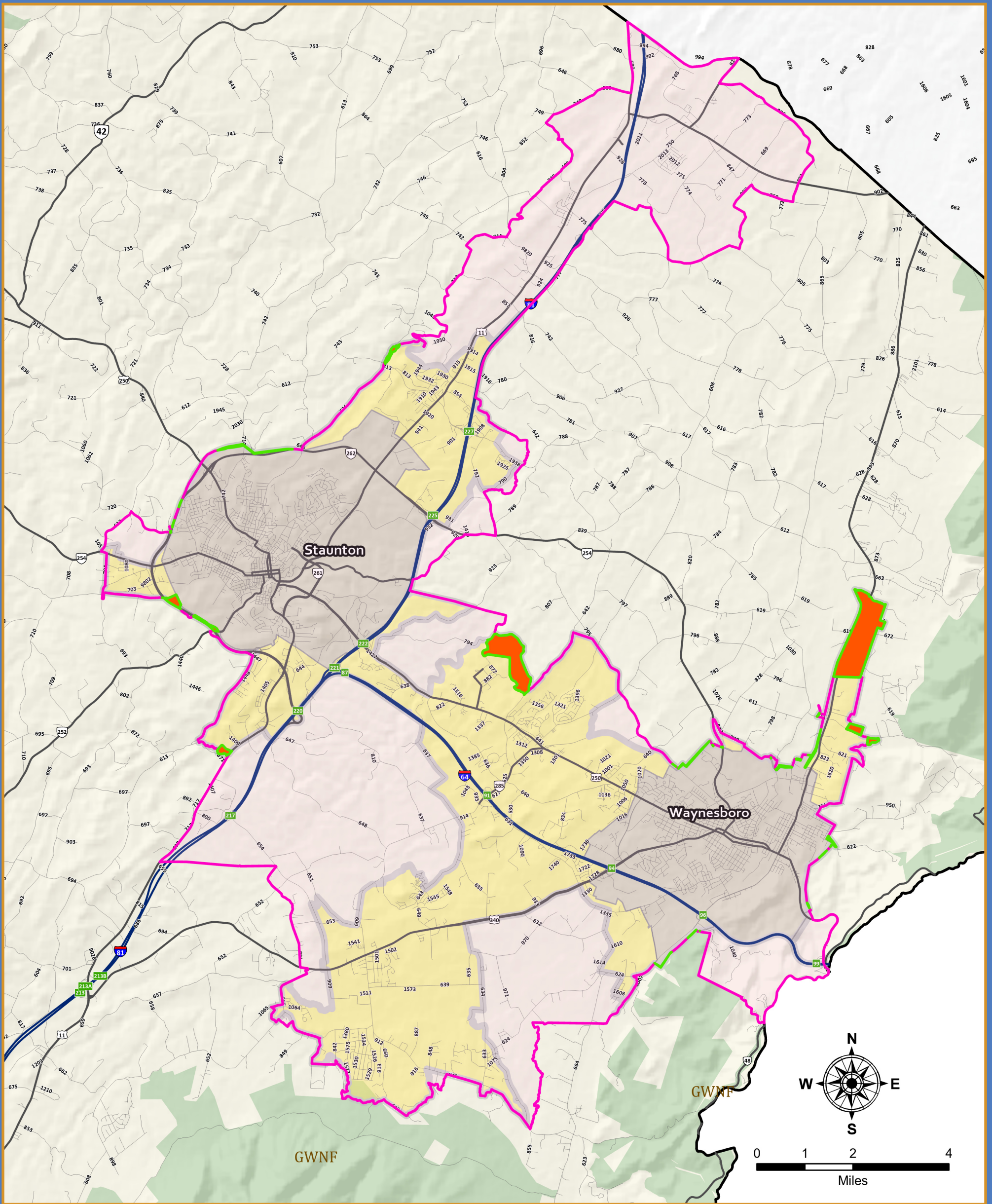
NEXT STEPS

Upon Policy Board approval, VDOT will submit the revised boundaries to FHWA as part of the 2020 Census update process.

ATTACHMENT

[Map of Proposed SAWMPO Boundary Expansion](#)

Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro MPO: 2020 Metropolitan Area Extension



Transportation

- Interstate
- US / State Road
- Secondary Roads
- Railroad
- Interstate Exit

- City Boundary
- SAW MPO Boundary
- 2020 Urbanized Area
- 2020 Urbanized Area Outside MPO
- Proposed SAWMPO Boundary Extensions

Data Source(s):
Commonwealth of VA, USGS,
US Census Bureau, Augusta County.

Map prepared and produced by
Central Shenandoah PDC.
Map to be used for planning purposes only.
December 2024



TO: Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro MPO (SAWMPO) Policy Board
FROM: Zach Beard, Program Manager
MEETING DATE: January 15, 2025
RE: **Board Action Form #25-02: SAWMPO 2025 Safety Performance Targets**

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend that the Policy Board approve the 2025 Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) safety performance targets. The TAC recommended approval at the December 18, 2024 TAC meeting.

BACKGROUND

In 2016, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) established National Performance Measures for Safety Performance for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) to assess fatalities and serious injuries on public roads. The FHWA requires that state DOTs and MPOs set annual safety percentage targets for reducing the number and rate of fatalities and serious injuries. The SAWMPO must concur with VDOT’s safety targets or set MPO-specific targets by February 28, 2025.

STATEWIDE TARGETS

Approved Targets

In July 2024, the CTB approved OIPI’s proposed methodology and statewide targets for calendar year 2025. OIPI’s methodology establishes targets from statistical models that project future safety performance based on expected crash reductions from completed projects and five-year trends of the annual number of fatalities, serious injuries, non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries, and vehicle miles traveled (VMT). **Table 1** summarizes the CTB’s 2025 statewide safety targets.

Table 1: 2025 Approved CTB Statewide Safety Targets

| Safety Measure | Statewide Safety Targets |
|---|--------------------------|
| Number of Fatalities | 819 |
| Rate of Fatalities per 100 million VMT | 0.894 |
| Number of Serious Injuries | 6,829 |
| Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT | 7.457 |
| Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries | 619 |

The CTB established no change for the percentage reduction in statewide fatal, serious, and non-motorized injuries, which is the first time that the CTB set percentages that did not project an increase in any category based on five-year averages, with the exception of total statewide VMT, which is projected to increase by 2.4%.

SAWMPO TARGETS AND CRASH TRENDS

The SAWMPO began setting safety targets in 2018 based on Virginia DMV data provided by OIPI. Until 2020, the number of fatalities, serious injuries, and non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries in the MPO were below the targets; however, motorized fatalities and serious injuries have been increasing above safety thresholds in the region since 2021 (see **Table 2**).

The MPO recorded 12 fatalities in 2021, which exceeded the annual safety target of 8 fatalities, and recorded 18 fatalities in 2022, which exceeded the annual safety target of 7. Unofficial data from 2023 noted 11 fatalities, which exceeded the MPO target of 8. From January 1 through September 30, 2024, unofficial data indicates that the SAWMPO recorded 7 fatalities, which is slightly below the annual target of 8 fatalities.

While fatal crashes have consistently exceeded safety targets since 2021, serious injuries have been at or below MPO safety targets. Serious injuries fell below MPO targets in 2020, 2021, and 2023, but slightly exceeded the target in 2022 (see **Table 2**). In 2024, according to unofficial data, there were 84 incidents with serious injuries from January 1 through September 30, 2024.

Non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries have been consistent over the five-year period, though the SAWMPO continues to have several fatal injuries every year.

Table 2: Safety Targets and Actual Numbers, 2020 – 2024

| | 2020 Target | 2020 Actual | 2021 Target | 2021 Actual | 2022 Target | 2022 Actual | 2023 Target | 2023 Actual | 2024 Target | 2024 Actual | 2025 Target [^] |
|---|-------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|----------------|-------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|--------------------------|
| Fatalities | 10 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 7 | 18 | 8 | 11* | 8 | 7** | 9 |
| Rate of Fatalities per 100 million VMT | .93 | .45 | .77 | 1.14 | .74 | 1.55 | .75 | NA | .77 | NA | .77 |
| Serious Injuries | 119 | 87 | 117 | 96 | 109 | 115 | 108 | 100 | 99 | 84** | 98 |
| Rate Serious Injury Per 100 million VMT | 11.5 | 9.7 | 11.11 | 9.14 | 10.7 | 9.91 | 10.1 | NA | 9.7 | NA | 8.76 |
| Non-motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries | 10 | 8 (0 fatal) | 10 | 8 (3 fatal) | 9 | 9 (4 fatal) | 9 | 7 (2 fatal)* | 8 | 4 (3 fatal)** | 8 |

*Unofficial data from VDOT PowerBI

**Unofficial data from VDOT Power BI from January 1 through September 30, 2024

[^] Proposed SAWMPO 2025 Safety Performance Targets

NEXT STEPS

Pending Policy Board approval of the safety targets, SAWMPO Staff will send a concurrence letter to VDOT by the February 28, 2025 deadline.

ATTACHMENTS

- [Draft VDOT Safety Targets Letter](#)
- [CTB OIPI Safety Performance Targets Presentation, June 2024](#)
- [CTB Safety Performance Targets Resolution, July 2024](#)



TO: Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro MPO (SAWMPO) Policy Board
FROM: Zach Beard, Program Manager
MEETING DATE: January 15, 2025
RE: **Board Action Form #25-03: Approval of the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan Project Scoring Methodology and Draft Project List**

RECOMMENDATION

Recommend that the Policy Board approve the 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) project scoring and project list. The TAC recommended approval at the December 18, 2024 meeting.

PROJECT SCORING

Staff has been working with Kimley-Horn, VDOT, and locality staff to develop the plan goals, project scoring process, and draft projects list to prepare for the second phase of public engagement beginning in February 2025. The TAC developed the prioritized goals list and the Policy Board approved the final list at the December 4, 2024 Board meeting.

The prioritized goal list informed the project scoring factors and weighting (see **Table 1**). SAWMPO staff worked with Kimley-Horn and VDOT District Planning to develop a project scoring methodology for evaluating projects and studies based on the SAWMPO goals and SMART SCALE scoring factors.

The SAWMPO project scoring methodology is based on SMART SCALE and will use a benefit/cost score to determine the most beneficial and cost-effective projects. Each of the five scoring factors – which are same as the SAWMPO LRTP Goals – are weighted to reflect the MPO’s prioritized goal list and other considerations such as system performance data and public input.

Table 1. 2050 Project Scoring Factors and Corresponding Weight

| SAWMPO 2050 LRTP Scoring Factors | Project Scoring Weight |
|--|------------------------|
| Safety. Measures the expected reduction in fatal and injury crashes after implementation. | 35% |
| Accessibility. Measures increased access to jobs within certain distance and awards points for multimodal projects and if the project serves disadvantaged populations. | 25% |
| Land Use Coordination. Evaluates areas with high non-work accessibility (like shopping, healthcare, etc.) and measures both current and future (2030) population/employment density near the project. | 17% |
| Economic Development. Assesses how project supports nearby economic development sites and their readiness/market potential, evaluates access to freight networks, ports, airports, and improvements to travel time reliability. | 13% |
| Environmental Sustainability. Benefits to air quality and reduction in greenhouse gas emissions, impacts to natural/cultural resources (wetlands, historic sites, etc.) within the project buffer. | 10% |

Draft Project List

The draft project list is a list of unprioritized candidate projects eligible for inclusion in the in the LRTP 2050 Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP) project list, which documents funded and planned projects over the next 25 years. Projects included in the CLRP list are prioritized by the project scoring methodology.

The [2045 CLRP](#) included 22 projects that were not yet funded. The [draft 2050 CLRP](#) project list includes 28 not yet funded projects, with 15 projects in Augusta County, 7 projects in Staunton, and 6 projects in Waynesboro.

Projects that do not meet 1) a SAWMPO goal, 2) a statewide VTrans Need, 3) a deficiency related to congestion, safety, freight access, or multi-modal connectivity, or 4) do not have a current study will be included in a list of studies for the MPO, VDOT, and DRPT to consider in the next five years. This approach follows SMART SCALE, which requires an engineering study and evaluation of alternatives prior to project funding.

NEXT STEPS

Upon Board approval of the project evaluation methodology and project list, the public will have an opportunity to review each project during Phase II of the LRTP public engagement process. After public review, Kimley Horn will score each project to inform the final CLRP project list.

ATTACHMENTS

- [Draft 2050 LRTP Project Evaluation Methodology](#)
- [Draft 2050 LRTP Project List](#)



2050 LRTP CLRP Candidate Projects

| Locality | Project Name | Project Description | Type | Previous/New |
|---------------------------|---|---|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Augusta County | US 250 / I-81 Exit 222 Interchange Ramp Improvements | Richmond Road Corridor Study North and Southbound Ramp Improvements | Intersection | Previous CLRP Project |
| Augusta County | US 250 at VA 792 (Sangers Lane/Brand Station Road) | Intersection improvements to add pedestrian signal heads, crosswalks, and formalized transit stops with supporting sidewalks | Intersection | Previous CLRP Project |
| Augusta County | US 250 (Jefferson Highway) STARS Study Improvements | Addition of raised median, sidewalk, revision of signal phasing and systemic signal safety improvements | Corridor | Previous CLRP Project |
| Augusta County | US 11 spot improvements from Christian's Creek Road to Staunton Corporate Limits | Shoulder widening, intersection improvements, median additions, sidewalk improvements | Corridor | Previous CLRP Project |
| Augusta County | Wayne Avenue Pedestrian Improvements | New and upgraded sidewalk and multi-use path | Bike/Ped | Previous CLRP Project |
| Augusta County | Howardsville Turnpike/Hodge Street Pedestrian improvements | Install sidewalk and upgrade signal head | Bike/Ped | Previous CLRP Project |
| Augusta County | WWRC Long-term Access Improvements | 3,700 feet of new alignment, 2-lane roadway with a shared use path to connect US 250 to the WWRC Campus | New Location | Previous CLRP Project |
| Augusta County/Waynesboro | Crozet Tunnel Shared Use Path | Paved 10 ft path from Waynesboro City Limits to Tunnel western portal | Bicycle & Pedestrian | Previous CLRP Project |
| Augusta County | Draft Avenue Pedestrian Improvements - Stuarts Draft Highway to Cold Springs Road | Infill missing sections of sidewalk, provide ADA-compliant crossings, provide pavement markings to delineate bicycle lanes/sharrows, pedestrian crossings and designated parking spaces, and construction of approximately 3,700 feet of sidewalk from the RR crossing south to Cold Springs Rd | Bicycle & Pedestrian | New Project |
| Augusta County | Route 256 and Route 11 Intersection Safety Improvements | Remove traffic signal phase for southwest gas station, restrict access with right-in/left-in/right-out access, add median on Route 256, reconstruct Ridgetop Drive | Intersection | New Project |
| Augusta County | Route 256 and Route 11 Single-Lane Roundabout | Reconfigure intersection to single-lane roundabout (150 ft diameter with 16' circulating lanes), restrict gas station access to right-in/right-out, improve Ridgetop Drive | Intersection | New Project |
| Augusta County | I-81 Exit 235 Northbound and Southbound Ramp Teardrop Roundabouts | Reconfigure northbound and southbound I-81 Exit 235 ramp intersection to single-lane teardrop roundabout (160 ft diameter with 16' circulating lanes) | Intersection | New Project |
| Augusta County | Patton Farm Road Bridge | Replace low water culverts with bridge | Bridge | New Project |
| Augusta County | I-81 Exit 235 Three-Lane Bridge Deck Widening | Widen I-81 Exit 235 bridge deck to three lanes, reconfigure both ramp intersections with new left-turn lanes for both ramps | Bridge/Intersection | New Project |
| Augusta County | Laurel Hill Road and I-81 Exit 227 Northbound Ramp Roundabout | Convert intersection to single-lane roundabout with dedicated eastbound through lane and left turn lane, add lighting at Laurel Hill Road at the I-81 Exit 227 NB ramps | Intersection | New Project |
| Staunton | Greenville Avenue, Coalter Street, Commerce Road Intersection | Eliminate eastbound left turn/through movement, allow right turns only with signal | Intersection | Previous CLRP Project |

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| Staunton | Greenville Avenue, Statler Road, Ritchie Boulevard Safety Improvements | Extend island, signalize turns, add crosswalks and medians | Intersection | Previous CLRP Project |
| Staunton | Greenville Avenue Multimodal Safety and Access (Barterbrook to Amherst) | Access management improvements, turn lane modifications, median installation | Corridor | Previous CLRP Project |
| Staunton | George Cochran Parkway Extension | New two-lane facility with shared use path | Bike/Ped | Previous CLRP Project |
| Staunton | W Beverley Street at N Jefferson Street Mini-Roundabout | Convert signalized intersection to single-lane mini roundabout with 50ft diameter | Intersection | New Project |
| Staunton | North Coalter Street and Statler Boulevard Signal and Safety Improvements | Remove channelized right turn, convert left turns to FYA, add overlap phases, install HVSB, adjust signal timing, add Do Not Block signing, add lane drop striping, replace signal at North Coalter Street and Statler Boulevard | Intersection | New Project |
| Staunton | Churchville Avenue and Thornrose Avenue Short-Term Safety Improvements | Remove right-turn channelization to/from Thornrose Ave, modify intersection geometry at Churchville Avenue and Thornrose Avenue | Intersection | New Project |
| Waynesboro | Delphine Ave (VA 340) at Hopeman Pkwy | Realign approaches and incorporate westbound approach into signal control, add sidewalks | Intersection | Previous CLRP Project |
| Waynesboro | Lew Dewitt/Rosser Connector | New roadway connection with bike, sidewalk, and greenway facilities | New Location | Previous CLRP Project |
| Waynesboro | S. Delphine Ave at I-64 Exit 96 WB Ramp Improvements | Short-term improvements include restripe for SB right turn lane, construct WB right turn lane, add lighting at S. Delphine Ave at I-64 Exit 96 WB Ramp. Long-term improvements include Widen for dedicated SB right turn lane (in addition to two through lanes) at S. Delphine Ave at I-64 Exit 96 WB Ramp. | Intersection | New Project |
| Waynesboro | S. Delphine Avenue at Windsor Road Access Management Option 1A | Add SB right turn lane on Windsor Rd, restrict Mountain Rd to right-in/right-out | Intersection | New Project |
| Waynesboro | Transit Access Project | Enhance bus stops at Walmart, Walmart Market, Mountain View apartments, DMV-Food Lion, Speedway, and Kroger. Improvements include: Bus shelters, ADA ramps, new sidewalks, crossing signs and rectangular rapid flashing beacons (RRFBs), right-of-way, pavement markings, and site grading and retaining walls | Transit | New Project |
| Waynesboro | Lew Dewitt Pedestrian Project | Construct approximately 6,045 ft of sidewalk along the west side of Lew Dewitt from West Main St. to Lucy Lane. Includes a signalized pedestrian crossing at Lucy Lane and two new signalized pedestrian crossings at Sheppard Court | Ped | New Project |



TO: Staunton-Augusta-Waynesboro MPO (SAWMPO) Policy Board
FROM: Paula Melester, Director of Transportation
MEETING DATE: January 15, 2025
RE: **Board Memo #25-01: FY26 FTA 5310 VPAS Application**

BACKGROUND

The FTA 5310 program provides federal funding for capital and operational transportation assistance for the elderly and persons with disabilities through local non-profit organizations and requires organizations to notify MPOs of grant requests.

In the SAWMPO there is one non-profit applying for FY26 FTA 5310 capital assistance. Pending project award, the SAWMPO will incorporate the project in the FY24 - 27 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). FTA 5310 applications do not require a financial commitment from the MPO.

VPAS APPLICATION

Valley Program for Aging Services (VPAS) is requesting funds in the amount of \$52,559 to support new vehicles and operating cost assistance. The VPAS program provides transportation to individuals 60 years and older to non-emergency medical appointments and other non-medical destinations such as the grocery store, bank, and other community integration and socialization destinations.

DRPT and the provider are requesting that the MPO include the 5310 project in the SAWMPO FY24-27 TIP if the application is funded. Staff will adjust the TIP as necessary pending project award in spring 2025

ATTACHMENT

[VPAS 5310 Application Notification Letter](#)