# **MPO**Requirements



Florida Department of Transportation Office of Policy Planning

### Transportation Performance Management

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#### **OVERVIEW**

This document highlights key target setting provisions of Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) performance management requirements for state Departments of Transportation (DOT), Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO), and public transportation providers.\*

#### TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

Federal transportation law requires state DOTs and MPOs to implement Transportation Performance Management (TPM), a strategic approach to making investment and policy decisions to achieve performance goals. TPM uses past performance levels and

PM1
HIGHWAY
SAFETY

PM2
BRIDGE AND PAVEMENT

PM3

SYSTEM
PERFORMANCE
AND FREIGHT
MOVEMENT

TRANSIT
ASSET
MANAGEMENT
(TAM)

TRANSIT SAFETY

forecasted conditions to measure progress toward strategic goals as a means to guide investments.

Three FHWA Performance Measures (PM) rules and two FTA transit rules establish various performance measures to assess highway safety (PM1), bridge and pavement condition (PM2), system performance and freight movement (PM3), transit asset management (TAM), and transit safety. The FHWA and FTA Planning Rule and the performance measures rules also specify how MPOs should set targets, report performance, and integrate performance management into their Long Range Transportation Plans (LRTP) and Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP).\*

#### Long Range Transportation Plans

The LRTP must:

- » Describe performance measures and targets used in assessing the performance of the transportation system.
- » Include a System Performance Report that:
  - Evaluates the performance of the transportation system with respect to performance targets.
  - Documents the progress achieved by the MPO in meeting the targets.
- » Integrate the goals, objectives, performance measures, and targets described in other plans and processes required as part of a performance-based program.

#### Transportation Improvement Programs

The TIP must:

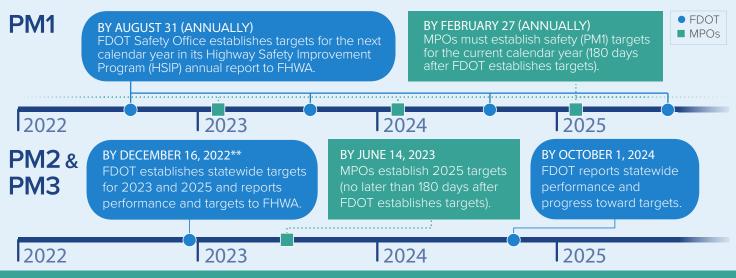
- » Reflect the investment priorities established in the LRTP.
- » Be designed such that once implemented, it makes progress toward achieving the performance targets.
- » Include a description of the anticipated effect of the TIP toward achieving

the performance targets, linking investment priorities to performance targets.

FDOT and the
Metropolitan Planning
Organization Advisory
Council (MPOAC) have
developed model
language for inclusion
of performance
measures and targets
in LRTPs and TIPs

<sup>\*</sup>Please refer to the five accompanying fact sheets to obtain key information for the three FHWA performance measures rules and two FTA transit rules.

#### **TIMELINE FOR MPO ACTIONS**



#### **TIMEFRAME**

#### TRANSIT ASSET MANAGEMENT AND TRANSIT SAFETY

# PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROVIDERS TAM Update TAM Plan/Group TAM Plan every 4 years Update TAM targets annually Transit Safety Update TAM targets annually Transit Safety Reflect MPO targets and public transportation provider(s) current targets in each updated TIP

#### **TARGET SETTING OPTIONS**

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), the MPOs, and public transportation providers set their respective performance targets in coordination with one another. All MPOs establish a target for each applicable performance measure by one of two options:

## Support the target established by FDOT or the public transportation provider(s).

The MPO agrees to plan and program projects so that they contribute toward the accomplishment of the state or public transportation provider(s) target.



#### Establish own target.

The MPO coordinates with FDOT or the public transportation provider(s) regarding the methodology used to develop the target and the proposed target prior to establishing a final target.

For the **PM1**, **PM2**, and **PM3** measures, MPOs must establish their targets no later than 180 days after FDOT sets its targets. For the **transit asset management and safety measures**, MPOs are not required to establish transit targets annually each time the public transportation provider(s) establishes targets. Instead, MPO transit targets must be established when the MPO updates the LRTP. MPOs will reflect current public transportation provider(s) targets in the updated TIP.

#### ASSESSMENT OF SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS

FHWA will not assess MPO target achievement. However, FHWA and FTA will review MPO adherence to performance management requirements as part of periodic transportation planning process reviews.

#### FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT

<sup>\*\*</sup> FHWA changed the due date from October 1, 2022 due to a technical issue with the reporting system.