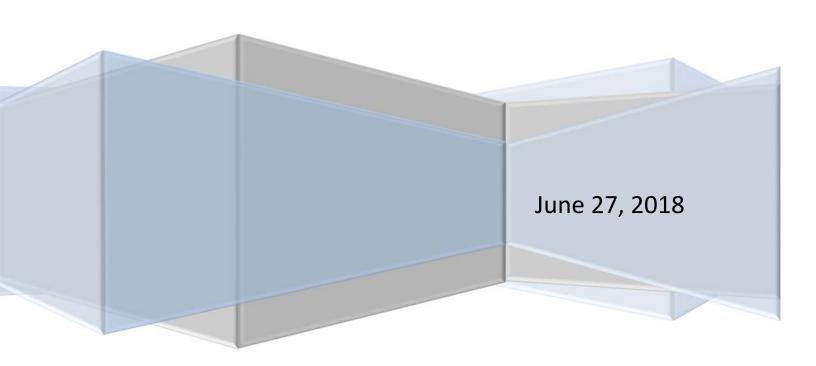
# **TOTAL MOBILITY PLAN**

## 2040 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

# **Appendix B**





### Resolution to Amend the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan of the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO)

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation promulgated transportation planning regulations in 23 CFR 450.340; and

WHEREAS, regulations in 23 CFR 450.340 state a two year phase period (on or after May 27, 2018) from the effective date of each rule establishing performance measures under 23 U.S.C. 150(c), 49 U.S.C. 5326, and 49 U.S.C. 5329 where MPOs can only adopt an update, amendment, or conformity determination for a long-range plan, STIP, or TIP, if it has been developed according to the provisions and requirements of the Final Planning Rule (23 CFR 450); and

WHEREAS, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) desires to adopt an amendment to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) for the CORE MPO transportation planning area to meet federal regulations (23 CFR 450) which require that the Metropolitan Transportation Plan support the adopted Safety Performance Management Targets as part of the Performance Based Planning and Programming process for urbanized areas; and

WHEREAS, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) has been designated by the Governor of Georgia as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Savannah urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, the proposed MTP amendment clarifies how the MTP incorporates performance based planning and programming and supports the following adopted GDOT Safety Performance Management Targets:

- Number of Fatalities To maintain the 5-year rolling average for traffic fatalities under the projected 1,593.3 (2014 2018) 5-year average by December 2018.
- Rate of Fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT) To maintain the 5-year rolling average for the rate of traffic fatalities per 100 million VMT under the projected 1.32 (2014 – 2018) 5-year average by December 2018.
- Number of Serious Injuries To maintain the 5-year rolling average for serious injuries under the projected 19,642.8 (2014 – 2018) 5-year average by December 2018.
- Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT To maintain the 5-year rolling average for the rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT under the projected 16.318 (2014 2018) 5-year average by December 2018.
- Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries To maintain the 5-year rolling average for non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries under the projected 1,027.2 (2014 2018) 5-year average by December 2018.

WHEREAS, CORE MPO, in accordance with the adopted Participation Plan, has completed a 15-day public review and comment period for the proposed MTP amendments and has addressed all received comments; and

WHEREAS, CORE MPO has conducted a public hearing for the proposed amendments, and has taken into consideration comments made at the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, CORE MPO desires to complete the plan amendment process to incorporate the proposed changes into the 2040 MTP.



### Resolution to Amend the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan of the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO)

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization adopts the amendment to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan as shown in the summary of MTP amendment report with any corrections based upon the motion of the June 27, 2018 regularly scheduled meeting.

Approved this day, June 27, 2018.

Albert J. Scott, Chairman

Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

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### Introduction

This document is meant to serve as a bridge as CORE transitions from the currently adopted long range transportation plan, 2040 Total Mobility Plan to the 2045 LRTP to be completed in 2019. The document amends the 2040 Total Mobility Plan to incorporate newly established safety targets as well as serve as the CORE MPO Safety System Performance Report. This document describes:

- Federal Requirements
- National Goal Areas and Measures
- Safety Goals and Targets
- Safety Data and Strategy Implementation
- Next steps for CORE MPO to build its PBPP practices, process, and policies.

## Transportation Performance Management

The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) signed into law in 2012 and the Fixing American's Surface Transportation Act (FAST ACT) signed into law in 2015 requires that all state departments of transportation and metropolitan planning organizations use a performance based planning and programming approach as part of a Transportation Performance Management (TPM) program transforming transportation decision making into a performance-driven and outcome based process.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) defines TPM as a strategic approach that uses system information to make investment and policy decisions to achieve national performance goals (see Figure 1). Performance management has been increasingly utilized over the past two decades. This process provides key information to decision makers allowing them to understand the consequences of investment decisions across transportation assets and modes. It is also credited with improving project and program delivery and providing greater transparency and accountability to the public.

#### **Transportation Performance Management:**

- Is systematically applied on a regular ongoing basis;
- Provides key information to help decision makers allowing them to understand the consequences of investment decisions across transportation assets or modes;
- Improves communications between decision makers, stakeholders and the traveling public; and
- Ensures targets and measures are developed in cooperative partnerships and based on data and objective information.

Figure 1: Transportation Performance Management



## Transportation Performance Management

#### Focusing on Performance for Safe, Reliable Journeys

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Source: FHWA

## Performance Based Planning and Programming

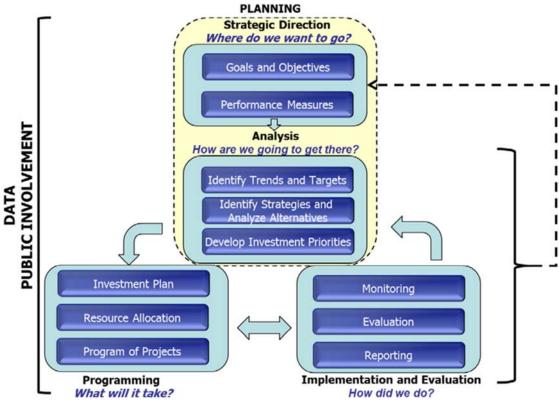
Performance-based planning and programming (PBPP) refers to transportation agencies' application of TPM as a standard state of the practice in the planning and programming processes. The goal of PBPP is to ensure that transportation investment decisions, both long-term planning and short-term programming, are based on performance and the ability to meet established goals.

The process for MPOs includes incorporating PBPP into the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) which evaluates transportation system performance and is the MPO's long-range investment document, as well as the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which is the subset of the MTP and the MPO's short-term programming document outlining the anticipated projects the MPO intends to implement with federal funding in the next four fiscal years.

PBPP requires the following elements (see Figure 2) be incorporated into the metropolitan planning process:

- measurable goals and objectives for the transportation system;
- performance measures and targets for desired performance outcomes;
- data collection to monitor and analyze trends;
- performance measures and data collection to inform investment decisions; and
- monitoring, analyzing, and reporting decision outputs and performance outcomes.

Figure 2: Performance Based Planning and Programming Process



Source: FHWA

PBPP will assist the CORE MPO's decision-makers to make both policy and project decisions. Transportation needs continue to outweigh resources available for transportation improvements. Implementing PBPP assists decision makers with these difficult decisions by utilizing tradeoff analysis and focusing on data specific performance outcomes. The results will be the enhanced accountability and transparency of the MPO planning process.

#### National Goal Areas

A key feature of MAP-21 and the FAST ACT is the establishment of a performance and outcome-based program. The objective of this performance- and outcome-based program is for States to invest resources in projects that collectively will make progress toward the achievement of the national goals (see Table 1) established by Congress<sup>1</sup>.

## **Highway Performance Goals**

Through the federal rulemaking process, FHWA is requiring state DOTs and MPOs to monitor the transportation system using specific performance measures. These measures are associated with the national goal areas prescribed in MAP-21 and the FAST Act. The goals address three areas of concern which include safety, state of good repair and system efficiently. The following table describes these national goal areas, rulemakings, performance areas, and prescribed measures.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> [§1203; 23 USC 150(b)]

**Table 1: Federal Highway Program Performance Goals** 

	National Goal	Performance Area	Performance Measure				
PM1	Safety - To achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.	Injuries & Fatalities	1. Number of Fatalities 2. Rate of Fatalities per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) 3. Number of Serious Injuries 4. Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT 5. Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Non-motorized Serious Injuries				
PM2	Infrastructure Condition - To maintain the highway infrastructure asset system in a state of good repair	Pavement	1. Percentage of pavement on the Interstate System in Good condition 2. Percentage of pavements on the Interstate System in Poor condition 3. Percentage of pavements on the non-interstate national Highway System (NHS) in Good condition 4. Percentage of pavements on the non-Interstate NHS in Poor Condition				
		Bridge Condition	Percentage of NHS bridged classifieds as in Good condition     Percentage of NHS bridges classified as in Poor condition				
	Congestion Reduction - To achieve a significant reduction in congestion on the National Highway System	Performance of the National Highway System	Percent of person miles traveled on the Interstate System that are reliable     Percent of the person miles traveled on the non-Interstate NHS that are reliable				
	<b>System Reliability</b> - To improve the efficiency of the surface transportation system	Freight Movement of the Interstate System	1. Truck Travel Time Reliability				
РМЗ	Freight Movement and Economic Vitality - To improve the national freight network, strengthen the ability of rural communities to access national and international trade markets, and support regional economic development.	Traffic Congestion	Annual hours of peak-hour excessive delay per capita     Percent of non-single occupant vehicle travel				
	Environmental Sustainability - To enhance the performance of the transportation system while protecting and enhancing the natural environment.	On-Road Mobile Source Emissions*	1. Total emissions reduction*				
	es in non-attainment or maintenance area and does not apply	to the CORE MPO at this time.					
Source: 23L	ISC §150(b)						

#### **Transit Performance Goals**

Recipients of public transit funds, which can include states, local authorities, and public transportation operators are also required to establish performance targets based on the national goals (see Table 2) for safety and state of good repair; to develop transit asset management and transit safety plans; and to report on their progress toward achieving targets. Public transportation operators are directed to share information with the CORE MPO and states so that all plans and performance reports are coordinated. The table below identifies performance measures outlined in the National Public Safety Transportation Plan<sup>2</sup> released by the

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://www.transit.dot.gov/sites/fta.dot.gov/files/docs/National%20Public%20Transportation%20Safety%20Plan\_1.pdf

Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and in the final rule for transit asset management<sup>3</sup>. The CORE MPO is required to coordinate with public transit providers to set targets for these measures.

**Table 2: Federal Transit Program Performance Goals** 

National Goal	Transit Performance Area	Performance Measure
<b>Safety</b> - To achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.	Fatalities, Injuries and Safety Events	1. Total number of reportable* fatalities and rate per total vehicle revenue miles by mode  2. Total number of reportable* injuries and rate per total vehicle revenue miles by mode  3. Total number of reportable* events and rate per total vehicle revenue miles by mode  4. Mean distance between major mechanical failures by mode
	Equipment	Percentage of vehicles that have met or exceeded their Useful Life Benchmark (ULB)
Infrastructure Condition (State of Good Repair: Transit Asset Management)	Rolling Stock	Percentage of revenue vehicles within a particular asset class that have met or exceeded their ULB
	Facilities	Percentage of facilities within an asset class rated below 3.0 on the FTA Transit Economic Requirements Model scale

## Federal Requirements

The PBPP process requires states and MPOs to set targets related to the national goals and to report on progress toward meeting those targets. The following section describes these requirements for MPOs.

### **Targets**

As part of the TPM, each state DOT and MPO must adopt targets to strive for within the planning and programming process. State DOTs and MPOs are required to set targets for a variety of performance measures related to safety, state of good repair and system performance. The process for setting targets will be taking place through 2019. The state DOT will set their targets first and the MPO has 180 days from that time to adopt their own targets. The MPO has two options in terms of setting targets. The MPO can state that it supports the state DOT targets, or it can create its own unique targets. By supporting the state's targets, GDOT will do the quantitative work and the CORE MPO will reflect the support of the target through its planning and programming activities.

GDOT, CORE MPO, and the Chatham Area Transit Authority (CAT) must coordinate throughout the target setting process to ensure consistency to the maximum extent practicable. For each performance measure, the CORE MPO Board will decide to either support statewide target(s), or to establish a quantifiable target(s) specific to the CORE MPO's planning area.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2016-07-26/pdf/2016-16883.pdf

#### Reporting

The CORE MPO's MTP must describe the performance measures and targets, evaluate the performance of the transportation system and report on progress made towards achieving the targets. The TIP must link investment priorities to the targets in the MTP and describe the anticipated effect of the program toward achieving established targets. CORE MPO must also produce a system performance report showing progress toward the achievement of targets to GDOT.

#### Assessments

FHWA and FTA will not directly evaluate the CORE MPO progress towards meeting targets for required performance measures but rather the performance will be assessed as part of regular cyclical certification review. FHWA will determine if GDOT has met or made significant progress towards attaining the selected targets for the highway system on an annual basis.

## Safety System Performance

The first set of performance measures and targets to be addressed is for safety. The Safety Performance Management (PM) Final Rule supports the state's Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) by establishing safety performance measures to assess fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.

The Safety Performance Management (PM) Final Rule establishes the following five performance measures:

- 1. **Number of Fatalities**<sup>4</sup>: The total number of persons suffering fatal injuries in a motor vehicle crash during a calendar year.
- 2. Rate of Fatalities<sup>5</sup>: The ratio of total number of fatalities to the number of vehicle miles travelled (VMT, in 100 million VMT) in a calendar year.
- 3. **Number of Serious Injuries**<sup>6</sup>: The total number of persons suffering at least one serious injury in a motor vehicle crash during a calendar year.
- 4. **Rate of Serious Injuries:** The ratio of total number of serious injuries to the number of VMT (in 100 million VMT) in a calendar year.
- 5. **Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Non-motorized Serious Injuries**<sup>7</sup>: The combined total number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries involving a motor vehicle during a calendar year.

The Safety PM Final Rule also establishes the process for state DOTs and MPOs to establish and report their safety targets, and the process that FHWA will use to assess whether State DOTs have met or made significant progress toward meeting their safety targets. Statewide targets were reported in the 2017 HSIP Annual Report

<sup>4</sup> Final FARS data is to be used if it is available, otherwise FARS Annual Report File (ARF) data may be used, which is generally available one year before Final FARS data.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Volume Data: State VMT data is derived from the Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS). Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) VMT, if applicable, is estimated by the MPO.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Serious Injury Data: State motor vehicle crash database. Agencies must use the definition for "Suspected Serious Injury (A)" from the MMUCC, 4th edition by April 14, 2019. Prior to April 14, 2019 agencies may use injuries classified as "A" on the KABCO scale through use of NHTSA conversion tables. However, agencies are encouraged to begin using the MMUCC, 4th edition definition and attributes at the beginning of 2019 for a complete and consistent data file for the calendar year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> The number of non-motorized fatalities is the total number of fatalities with the FARS person attribute codes: (5) Pedestrian, (6) Bicyclist, (7) Other Cyclist, and (8) Person on Personal Conveyance. The number of nonmotorized serious injuries is the total number of serious injuries where the injured person is, or is equivalent to, a pedestrian (2.2.36) or a pedalcyclist (2.2.39) as defined in ANSI D16.1-2007.

for calendar year 2018 and are required to be reported annually thereafter. The safety targets are applicable to all public roads regardless of functional classification or ownership and must be data driven and realistic. For common performance measures (number of fatalities, rate of fatalities and number of serious injuries), targets must be identical to the targets established for the NHTSA Highway Safety Grants program in the Highway Safety Plan. Performance management connects the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) and Highway Safety Plan (HSP) to the Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) to promote a coordinated relationship for common performance measures, resulting in comprehensive transportation and safety planning. The State DOT and MPOs in the State must coordinate when establishing targets, to the maximum extent practicable.

Each target is based on a 5-year rolling average, which is the average of five individual, consecutive points of data. The 5-year rolling average provides a better understanding of the overall data over time without eliminating years with significant increases or decreases; and provides a mechanism for accounting for regression to the mean. If a particularly high or low number of fatalities and/or serious injuries occur in one year, a return to a level consistent with the average in the previous year may occur. The targets are calculated by adding the number for the measure (fatalities and/or serious injuries) for each of the most recent 5 consecutive years ending in the year for which the targets are established, dividing by 5, and rounding to the tenth decimal place. The rate targets are calculated similarly yet rounded to the thousandth decimal place. This more accurately reveals the change from one 5-year average to another that might otherwise be obscured if the number was truncated.

Using the methods provided in the federal final rule, GDOT determined the appropriate statewide safety targets as seen in Table 3. Staff from GDOT presented their findings to all state MPOs and presented to the CORE MPO in October of 2017. After careful consideration the CORE MPO Policy Board elected to support GDOTs targets in December of 2017. Although the CORE MPO has opted to support the state's targets initially, the MPO does have the option in the future to establish regional numeric targets for the safety performance measures. The CORE targets were reported to GDOT, which must be able to provide them to FHWA, upon request. MPO targets are not included in the assessment of whether a State met or made significant progress toward meetings its targets.

For the 2018 performance period, CORE has elected to accept and support the State of Georgia's safety targets detailed in Table 3 for all five safety performance measures. CORE MPO will:

- Address areas of concern for fatalities or serious injuries within the metropolitan planning area through coordination with GDOT and incorporation of safety considerations on all projects;
- Integrate safety goals, objectives, performance measures, and targets into the planning process; and
- Describe the anticipated effect toward achieving the targets noted above within the TIP, effectively linking investment priorities to safety target achievement.

Table 3: Georgia Department of Transportation Safety Performance Measures and Targets 2018

Performa	nce Measure	Target
Fatalities	Number of Fatalities	To maintain the 5-year rolling average for traffic fatalities under the projected 1,593.3 (2014 – 2018) 5-year average by December 2018
ratanties	Rate of Fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT)	To maintain the 5-year rolling average for the rate of traffic fatalities per 100 million VMT under the projected 1.32 (2014 – 2018) 5-year average by December 2018
Serious	Number of Serious Injuries	To maintain the 5-year rolling average for serious injuries under the projected 19,642.8 (2014 – 2018) 5-year average by December 2018
Injuries	Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT	To maintain the 5-year rolling average for the rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT under the projected 16.318 (2014 – 2018) 5-year average by December 2018
Non Motorized	Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries	To maintain the 5-year rolling average for non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries under the projected 1,027.2 (2014 – 2018) 5-year average by December 2018

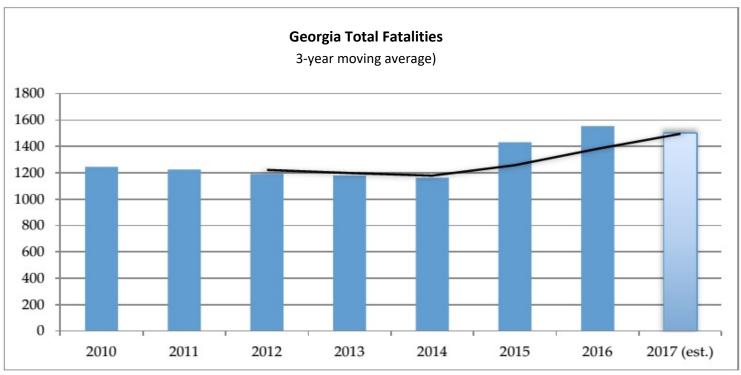
#### Safety in Georgia

After several years of trending downward, 2015was the first year in which Georgia saw a rise in fatalities (see Figure 3). Georgia's total number of fatalities increased 22% from the previous year to 1.21 fatalities per 100 million vehicles miles traveled. There was a minor rise in statewide travel (6%) and Georgia's statewide fatality rate rose for the first time in 10 years<sup>8</sup>. In 2016 the rate again rose to 1.29. The fatally rate for Georgia is higher than the National average of 1.16<sup>9</sup>. These trends are closely monitored by all highway safety professionals in Georgia and remain the focus of the state's Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP). The Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) is a statewide-coordinated safety plan that provides a comprehensive framework for reducing highway fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads. A SHSP identifies a State's key safety needs and guides investment decisions toward strategies and countermeasures with the most potential to save lives and prevent injuries.

8 https://www.gahighwaysafety.org/highway-safety/shsp/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> http://www.iihs.org/iihs/topics/t/general-statistics/fatalityfacts/state-by-state-overview

Figure 3: Georgia Total Fatalities 2010-2017



Source: https://www.gahighwaysafety.org/research/

Georgia utilizes safety data to identify safety emphasis areas and establish strategic goals, objectives, and set performance measures. The emphasis areas for the State include: aggressive driving, impaired driving, occupant protection, serious crash type, age related and non-motorized users, vehicle type, trauma systems, crash records and traffic incident management<sup>10</sup>. Georgia's 2015 SHSP, can be found at https://www.gahighwaysafety.org/highway-safety/shsp/

There are several factors to roadway safety. Many are attributed to human behaviors that are personal decisions that could only be swayed by public education and enforcement campaigns. However, there are targeted safety improvements that can be tailored to individual corridors that can provide a driver with a more forgiving roadway. These design considerations work to keep a vehicle on the road and/or allow the driver to safely recover the vehicle should it depart the roadway. By focusing scarce resources on engineering solutions, Georgia is striving to reduce fatalities and serious injuries.

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 $<sup>^{10} \ \</sup>underline{\text{https://www.gahighwaysafety.org/highway-safety/shsp/}}$ 

#### Regional Safety Data

CORE regularly collects crash data utilizing the Georgia Electronic Accident Reporting System (GEARS). The data reported in the 2040 Total Mobility Plan represented crashes from 2008-2012. As part of this amendment CORE has updated the crash data with information spanning 2012 to the current year. Data for the current year is still incomplete as noted in the tables and will be updated again with the plan update in 2019.

Traffic crashes in Chatham, Bryan Effingham Counties increased from 2012-2017, with the number of crashes and severity peaking in 2016. Data from 2017 showed a slight decrease. The number of injury crashes, fatal crashes and total number of crashes for the CORE MPO area<sup>11</sup> are shown Table 4.

Table 4: Chatham, Bryan and Effingham County Crashes

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018*
			To	tal Cashes	_		
Chatham County	13,065	15,921	16,703	19,497	20,525	19,583	4,370
Bryan County	588	430	807	987	977	1,054	315
Effingham County	691	1,036	1,335	1,515	1,650	1,532	430
Total	14,344	17,387	18,845	21,999	23,152	22,169	5,115
			Crashes I	nvolving I	njuries		
Chatham County	2,696	2,894	3,001	3,676	3,925	3,556	651
Bryan County	139	116	186	243	280	322	49
Effingham County	181	228	243	279	311	368	62
Total	3,016	3,238	3,430	4,198	4,516	4,246	762
		(	Crashes In	volving a	Fatality		
Chatham County	20	33	30	51	40	28	18
Bryan County	5	4	4	8	10	6	0
Effingham County	6	11	14	6	12	8	2
Total	31	48	48	65	62	42	20

Crashes involving a fatality in the region have begun to decrease, similar to the statewide trend in 2017 (see Figure 4). The regional percentage of statewide fatalities also dropped significantly down to 2.77% from a high of 4.85% in 2015 and 4.51% in 2016. Of the three counties that make up the region Chatham with the largest population also has the largest share of fatal crashes.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> The CORE MPO area currently consist of Chatham County, Richmond Hill in Bryan County and a small portion of unincorporated Effingham County. For the purposes this report the data collected included all three counties rather than just the MPO boundary.

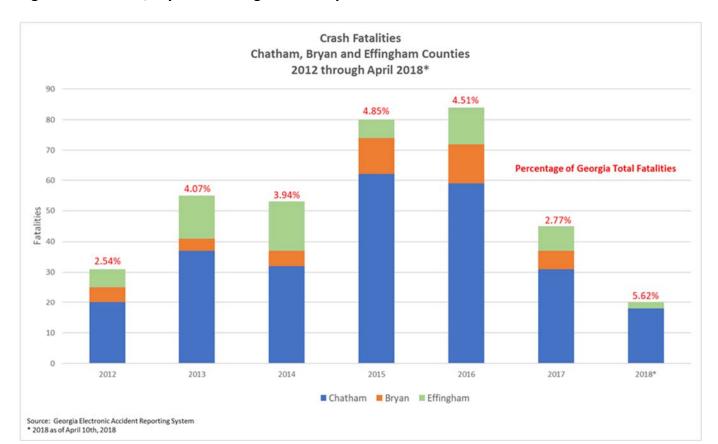


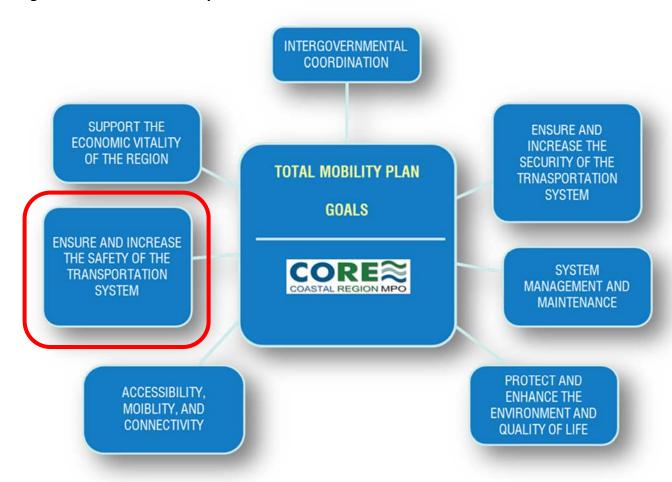
Figure 4: Chatham, Bryan and Effingham County Crash Fatalities

## Safety in the Total Mobility Plan

The goals adopted for the 2040 Total Mobility Plan explicitly include a focus on ensuring and increasing the safety and security of the transportation system for all users, including motorized vehicles, bicyclists and pedestrians.

The Total Mobility Plan goals and objectives were developed in cooperation with stakeholders and members of the public. These goals and objectives are targeted to ensure that the transportation system helps the region attain their overall vision for the future. Stakeholders and citizens worked together during meetings to identify these goals and objectives, which provide the framework for the provision of a safe, secure, efficient, multimodal transportation network that meets the mobility needs of both people and freight (See Figure 3). In addition to the safety of the roadway network, the CORE MPO also strives to coordinate with local jurisdictions to ensure the safety of all modes, including the bicycle and pedestrian users. Safety for these modal users is of critical importance, and the CORE MPO has developed a non-motorized transportation plan to address the provision of a safe, connected network.

Figure 5: 2040 Total Mobility Goals



Along with the development of the goals and objectives developed for the 2040 Total Mobility Plan, performance measures for each goal were also identified by stakeholders and members of the general public. As part of this MTP amendment the safety performance measures have been further refined to incorporate the newly adopted performance measures (see Table 5).

**Table 5: 2040 Total Mobility Safety Performance Measures** 

	Safety: Ensure and increase the safety of the transportation syste	em for all users, including motorized vehicles, bicyclists and pedestrians.
,	Objectives:	Performance Measures:
	o Eliminate at-grade railroad crossings	o Total accidents per million miles traveled, involving all user types
	o Minimize frequency and severity of vehicular accidents	o Reduce number of fatalities*
AL 2	o Minimize conflicts and increase safety for non-motorized users	o Reduce number of serious injuries*
GOAL		o Implementation of transit and other safety projects
		o Number of increased bike and pedestrian facilities
		o Number of at-grade crossings reduced
		o Reduce rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT*
		o Reduce rate of fattalites per 100 million VMT*
		o Reduce number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries*

<sup>\*</sup>Performance measures have adopted targets meeting the requirements of the FAST Act.

#### Safety Strategies

The 2040 Total Mobility Plan assesses existing safety and security conditions, explores planning considerations for safety and security, and provides recommendations for future improvements. The roadway recommendations presented in this plan represent a series of engineering enhancements that should improve traffic flow while increasing safety for all users.

General engineering strategies to maximize safety include: improving highway and road design guidelines; implementing corridor-based ITS and access management strategies; identifying appropriate intersection improvements to mitigate crashes; constructing a coordinated network of on-street bicycle facilities and offstreet trails; designing streets to be pedestrian-friendly; designating appropriately designed streets for truck freight; and maintaining adequate standards for railroad crossings.

Many safety concerns can potentially be addressed through some of the projects incorporated in the cost feasible plan. Others may qualify for and be addressed through GDOT's Quick Response program, which implements small scale projects using available safety funding. Qualifying projects are typically those ranging from intersection improvements to operational improvements, such as signal timing, and are generally less than \$750,000 for all project phases. Projects for Quick Response funding can be submitted by local governments, GDOT or the Federal Highway Administration. Submittals for eligible projects must also include information that summarizes the operational issues, supporting data, the proposed improvement, and cost estimates.

Twenty-nine strategies were identified in the financially constrained 2040 Total Mobility Plan that will help address roadway safety issues. Table 6 details each of the projects in the plan along with which targets they help address and the status of each project. These strategies will help the state achieve its targets for reducing fatalities and serious injuries. Addressing various combinations of the twenty-nine strategies identified, seventeen projects have been programmed in the 2018-2021 TIP, three projects have been let to begin (one using local funds) and one has been completed. The seventeen projects in the TIP total approximately \$443 million; averaging approximately \$148 million per year.

## **Next Steps**

The remaining FAST Act targets (PM2 and PM3) will be adopted over the next year. Those targets relate to infrastructure condition, system reliability, congestion reduction, freight movement and economic vitality, and environmental sustainability.

Once GDOT has adopted the state's targets the MPO will have 180 days to make a determination whether it will support state's targets or set its own unique targets. As CORE adopts the targets, that information will be integrated as additional addenda to this amendment and be fully integrated in the next plan update due in late 2019.

The Total Mobility Plan will continue to reflect ongoing analysis of GDOT crash data, public outreach and an assessment of changing regional needs as the CORE area experiences increased residential and commercial development and resulting growth in traffic.

**Table 6: Constrained 2040 Total Mobility Projects** 

	Constrained 2040 Total Mobility Projects													
	Identified Projects Project Status						Federal Performance Measures							
GDOT PI #	Name	Programmed in 2018-2021 TIP	Projects Let, Underway	Progressing Using Local Funds	Complete	Long Range, not yet programmed	Safety	Pavement & Bridge	Congestion	Freight	Air Quality	Transit Safety	Transit Asset Management	
0008358	I-516 @ CS/1503/DeRenne Avenue (DeRenne Blvd. Option)	х					х		х	х	х			
0008359	East DeRenne from SR 204 to Harry S Truman Parkway (East DeRenne Avenue Improvements)	х					х	х	х	х				
0010236	SR 21 from CS 346/Mildred Street to SR 204 (West DeRenne Avenue Improvements)	х					х	х	х	х				
0012722	SR 21 from SR 30 to I-95; Including Interchange (Diverging Diamond Interchange)				х		Х		х	х				
	I-95 at SR 21 / Augusta Rd Interchange Reconstruction					х	Х	х	х	х	х			
0010560	SR 26/US 80 @ Bull River and @ Lazaretto Creek					х	х	х						
0007128	CR 787/Islands Expressway at Wilmington River/Bascule Bridge		Х				Х	х	Х					
0013282	SR 25 Culvert Replacement at Pipemaker Canal	х					Х	х		х				
0002923	SR 25 Conn / Bay Street From I-516 to the Bay Street Viaduct (West Bay Street Widening)		х				х		х	х				
	US 80 / Victory Drive Improvements / Congestion Mitigation					Х	Х		х					
521855	SR 26 From I-516 to CS 188/Victory Drive (US 80 / Ogeechee Rd Widening)	x					x		×		x			
0013741	Houlihan Bridge Replacement/SR 25/US 17 @ Savannah River in Port Wentworth	Х					Х	х		х				
0013742	SR 25/US 17 @ Middle River in Port Wentworth	х					х	х		х				
0006700	Effingham Parkway from SR 119/Effingham to SR 30/Chatham	Х							х		х			
0006328	Brampton Road Connector from Foundation Drive to SR 21/SR 25/US 80	Х							х	х	х			

Table 6: Constrained 2040 Total Mobility Projects (Continued)

	Constrained 2040 Total Mobility Projects (Continued)													
	Identified Projects Project Status							Federal Performance Measures						
GDOT PI #	Name	Programmed in 2018-2021 TIP	Projects Let, Underway	Progressing Using Local Funds	Complete	Long Range, not yet programmed	Safety	Pavement & Bridge	Congestion	Freight	Air Quality	Transit Safety	Transit Asset Management	
0007885	CS 602/CS 650/Grange Rd from SR 21 to E of SR 25		х							х				
0010553	CS651/Crossgate Rd from SR 21 to NS#734150L in Port Wentworth				x			х		х				
522860	President Street / Truman Parkway Interchange Bridge and Ramp Reconstruction					х			Х					
	I-516 / Lynes Parkway Widening					Х	Х	Х	Х	Х				
	I-516 / Lynes Parkway at I-16 Interchange Reconstruction					Х	Х	Х	Х	Х				
0013160	I-516 / Lynes Parkway Widening/I-516 From CR 975/Veteran's Parkway TO I-16					х	Х	Х	Х	Х				
0012757	I-16 from I-95 to I-16	Х					Х	Х	Х	Х	Х			
0015528	I-16 from CS 565/Pooler Parkway to I-95					Х	Х	Х	Х	Х				
00012758	I-16 at I-95 Interchange Reconstruction	Х					Х	Х	Х	Х				
0013727	I-16 @ SR 307 (SR 307/Dean Forest Rd Interchange Reconstruction @ I-16)	Х					Х	Х	Х	Х				
0011744	I-16 @ Montgomery Street and @ MLK Jr BLVD - Ramp and Overpass (I-16 Exit Ramp Removal)					х		х			х			
0007259	CR 984/Jimmy DeLoach Pkwy @ SR 17 - Interchange (New Interchange at US 80)		Х						Х	Х	Х			
522790	Jimmy DeLoach Parkway Extension from I-16 to SR 26/US 80		Х						Х	Х				
	CAT Vehicle Purchase for 2015 to 2018	x										x	x	
532370	SR 144 EB from S OF CR 100 to S OF CR 154	Х					Х	Х	Х		Х			

Table 6: Constrained 2040 Total Mobility Projects (Continued)

	Constrained 2040 Total Mobility Projects (Continued)													
	Identified Projects	Project Status						Federal Performance Measures						
GDOT PI #	Name	Programmed in 2018-2021 TIP	Projects Let, Underway	Progressing Using Local Funds	Complete	Long Range, not yet programmed	Safety	Pavement & Bridge	Congestion	Freight	Air Quality	Transit Safety	Transit Asset Management	
0015977	CAT- Bus Reliability Initiative	Х										х	х	
0015978	CAT - Maintenance Equipment Upgrades	х										х	х	
0015979	CAT - Electric Bus Conversion Initiative	Х											х	
	Traffic Control Center Study and Construction					х	х		х	х	х			
0015704	SR 404 Spur/US 17 @ Back River	Х					х	х	х	х				
0015705	SR 404 Spur/US 17 From NE of Savannah Harbor Parkway to Back River	Х					х	х	х	х				
0007631	Truman Linear Park Trail - Phase II - A	Х					х				х			
0015306	Truman Linear Park Trail - Phase II - B	Х					х				х			
0010028	CS1097/DeLesseps/LaRoche Avenue From Waters Avenue to Skidaway Road (Bike/Ped Facilities)	х					х				х			
0013549	SR 21 @ CS 705/Parkside Blvd in Port Wentworth		Х								х			
	Marsh Hen Trail, Phase II			×			х				×			
	Canebrake Road Improvement Project from Gateway Boulevard to Basin Road			×							×			
0013273	CAT Bikeshare Expansion in Downtown Savannah	Х							х		Х			
ТВА	CAT Bikeshare Expansion in Downtown Savannah Phase II	×							×		×			
0015980	McQueens Island Trail Restoration and Mitigation	х					х				х			
	Hutchinson Island Riverwalk Extension and Slip Restoration					х					х			

Appendix A: Related Performance Based Planning and Programming Resolutions

# RESOLUTION BY THE COASTAL REGION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (CORE MPO)

# ADOPTION OF CORE MPO SAFETY TARGETS (Targets effective at time of adoption through February 27, 2019)

WHEREAS, federal regulations (23 CFR Part 490) require that the Metropolitan Transportation Plans and Transportation Improvement Programs include Safety Performance Management Targets for urbanized areas; and

WHEREAS, the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) of the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) in coordination with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) has reviewed the requirements to adopt Safety Performance Management Targets for use in the CORE MPO's transportation process; and

WHEREAS, the TCC at its December 7, 2017 meeting recommended that CORE MPO support the Safety Performance Management Targets approved by GDOT as follows:

- Number of Fatalities To maintain the 5-year rolling average for traffic fatalities under the projected 1,593.3 (2014 2018) 5-year average by December 2018.
- Rate of Fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT) To maintain the 5-year rolling average for the rate of traffic fatalities per 100 million VMT under the projected 1.32 (2014 2018) 5-year average by December 2018.
- Number of Serious Injuries To maintain the 5-year rolling average for serious injuries under the projected 19,642.8 (2014 2018) 5-year average by December 2018.
- Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT To maintain the 5-year rolling average for the rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT under the projected 16.318 (2014 – 2018) 5-year average by December 2018.
- Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries To maintain the 5-year rolling average for non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries under the projected 1,027.2 (2014 2018) 5-year average by December 2018.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization Board concurs with the recommendations of the Technical Coordinating Committee and agrees to support the Safety Performance Management Targets as approved by the Georgia Department of Transportation.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization Board at a meeting held on December 13, 2017.

Albert J. Scott, Chairman

Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization



#### RESOLUTION

### COASTAL REGION METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE GEORGIA ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS (GAMPO) CHAIR TO SIGN THE GEORGIA PERFROMANCE MANAGMENT AGREEMENT ON BEHALF OF THE CORE MPO

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation promulgated transportation planning regulations in 23 CFR 450.314, and

WHEREAS, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and States are required by 23 CFR 450.314 to cooperatively determine their mutual responsibilities in carrying out the performance-based planning and programming requirements established by federal law, and

WHEREAS, the 23 CFR 450.314(h) requires that MPOs and States shall jointly agree upon and develop specific written procedures for cooperatively developing and sharing information related to transportation performance data, the selection of performance targets, the reporting of performance to be used in tracking progress toward attainment of critical outcomes for the region of the MPO, and the collection of data for the State asset management plan for the National Highway System (NHS), and

WHEREAS, the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) has been designated by the Governor of Georgia as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Savannah urbanized area; and

WHEREAS, The Georgia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (GAMPO) is a fifteen-member Board of Directors representing each of the fifteen MPOs in the State of Georgia and provides a streamlined forum for MPOs in the State of Georgia; and

WHEREAS, The GAMPO directors, unanimously voted to approve GAMPO to enter into an agreement with The Georgia Department of Transportation as federally required by 23 CFR 450.314 on behalf of the Georgia State MPOs.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization authorizes the GAMPO Chairman to sign the Georgia Performance Management Agreement on behalf of the CORE MPO.

#### **CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a Resolution adopted by the Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization Board at a meeting held on May 22, 2018.

Albert J. Scott, Chairman

Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

# Appendix B: Public Participation Materials



#### **June 2018**

#### **PUBLIC NOTICE for MTP and TIP AMENDMENTS**

The Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO), the transportation planning agency for the Savannah urbanized area, is requesting the public to review and provide comments on proposed amendments to the 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and FY 2018 – 2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The MTP evaluates transportation system performance and is a source of policies, projects and actions that implement community vision of transportation improvements needed to reach the community goals. The TIP is the short-term programming document that lists transportation improvement projects to receive funding in the next four years. Reports providing details of the proposed MTP and TIP amendments are available for review at the Live Oak public libraries, the Chatham County-Savannah Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) office, the MPC website at <a href="http://www.thempc.org/Dept/Tran">http://www.thempc.org/Dept/Tran</a>, and other public review agencies. Any changes to the reports will be posted on the website.

The comment period starts on **June 1, 2018** and written comments on the proposed MTP and TIP amendments will be accepted until close of business on **June 15, 2018**. Please send your comments to Stephanie Rossi, Metropolitan Planning Commission, 110 E. State Street, Savannah, GA 31401, or via email at <a href="mailto:rossis@thempc.org">rossis@thempc.org</a>.

CORE MPO will host two separate public hearings at the June 2018 CORE MPO Board meeting – one for the proposed 2040 MTP amendments, and the other for the proposed FY 2018 – 2021 TIP amendments. Meeting time and location are listed below:

CORE MPO Board Meeting June 27, 2018 10:00 a.m. MPC Arthur A. Mendonsa Hearing Room 112 East State Street, Savannah, GA 31401

For a complete list of public review agencies or additional information regarding the proposed MTP and TIP amendments, please call (912) 651-1476.

Disclaimer: The Chatham County-Savannah Metropolitan Planning Commission (MPC) and Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (CORE MPO) are committed to the principle of affirmative action and prohibit discrimination against otherwise qualified persons on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age, physical or mental disability, and where applicable, sex (including gender identity and expression), marital status, familial status, parental status, religion, sexual orientation, political beliefs, genetic information, reprisal, or because all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program in its recruitment, employment, facility and program accessibility or services. MPC and CORE MPO are committed to complying with and enforcing the provisions of the Title VI of the Civil Rights Act and other federal and state non-discrimination authorities. CORE MPO is also committed to taking positive and realistic affirmative steps to ensure the protection of rights and opportunities for all persons affected by its plans and programs.

Appendix C: System Performance Report

## Coastal Region Metropolitan Planning Organization System Performance Report 2018

#### Background

Pursuant to the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) Act enacted in 2012 and the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) enacted in 2015, state Departments of Transportation (DOT) and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) must apply a transportation performance management approach in carrying out their federally-required transportation planning and programming activities. The process requires the establishment and use of a coordinated performance-based approach to transportation decision-making to support national goals for the federal-aid highway and public transportation programs.

On May 27, 2016, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) issued the Statewide and Nonmetropolitan Transportation Planning; Metropolitan Transportation Planning Final Rule (The Planning Rule).<sup>1</sup> This regulation implements the transportation planning and transportation performance management provisions of MAP-21 and the FAST Act.

In accordance with The Planning Rule and the Georgia Performance Management Agreement between the Georgia DOT (GDOT) and the Georgia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (GAMPO), GDOT and each Georgia MPO must publish a System Performance Report for applicable performance measures in their respective statewide and metropolitan transportation plans and programs. The System Performance Report presents the condition and performance of the transportation system with respect to required performance measures, documents performance targets and progress achieved in meeting the targets in comparison with previous reports. This is required for the following:

- In any statewide or metropolitan transportation plan or program amended or adopted after May 27, 2018, for Highway Safety/PM1 measures;
- In any statewide or metropolitan transportation plan or program amended or adopted after October 1, 2018, for transit asset and safety measures; and
- in any statewide or metropolitan transportation plan or program amended or adopted after May 20, 2019, for Pavement and Bridge Condition/PM2 and System Performance/PM3 measures.

The Coastal Region MPO (CORE MPO) Fiscal Year (FY) 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)\_ was amended on June 2018. Per the Planning Rule and the Georgia Performance Management Agreement, the System Performance Report for the CORE MPO FY 2018-2021 TIP is included, herein, for the required Highway Safety/PM1 performance measures.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 23 CFR 450.314

#### **Highway Safety/PM1**

Effective April 14, 2016, the FHWA established the highway safety performance measures<sup>2</sup> to carry out the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). These performance measures are:

- 1. Number of fatalities;
- 2. Rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled;
- 3. Number of serious injuries;
- 4. Rate of serious injuries per 100 million vehicle miles traveled; and
- 5. Number of combined non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries.

Safety performance targets are provided by the States to FHWA for each safety performance measure. Current safety targets address calendar year 2018 and are based on a five-year rolling average (2014-2018). Georgia statewide safety performance targets for 2018 are included in Table 1<sup>3</sup>. The Coastal Region MPO adopted the Georgia statewide safety performance targets on December 13, 2017. Statewide system conditions for each performance measure are also included in Table 1. System conditions reflect baseline performance, which for this first system performance report is the same as the current reporting period (2012-2016).

The latest safety conditions will be updated on a rolling 5-year window and reflected within each subsequent System Performance Report, to track performance over time in relation to baseline conditions and established targets.

Table 1. Highway Safety/PM1, System Conditions and Performance

Performance Measures	Georgia Statewide Baseline Performance (Five-Year Rolling Average 2012-2016)	2018 Georgia Statewide Performance Target (Five-Year Rolling Average 2014-2018)
Number of Fatalities	1,305.2	1,593.0
Rate of Fatalities per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled	1.148	1.320
Number of Serious Injuries	17,404.6	19,643.0
Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 Million Vehicle Miles Traveled	15.348	16.318
Number of Combined Non-Motorized Fatalities and Non-Motorized Serious Injuries	1,138.0	1,027.2

The CORE MPO recognizes the importance of linking goals, objectives, and investment priorities to stated performance objectives, and that establishing this link is critical to the achievement of national transportation goals and statewide and regional performance targets. As such, the FY 2018-20YY TIP planning process directly reflects the goals, objectives, performance measures, and targets as they are available and described in other State and public transportation plans and

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 23 CFR Part 490, Subpart B

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> https://safety.fhwa.dot.gov/hsip/spm/state\_safety\_targets/

processes; specifically, the Georgia Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP), the Georgia Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), the current Georgia Statewide Transportation Plan (SWTP), and the current CORE MPO 2040 Total Mobility Plan the region's Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

- The Georgia SHSP is intended to reduce the number of fatalities and serious injuries resulting from motor vehicle crashes on public roads in Georgia. Existing highway safety plans are aligned and coordinated with the SHSP, including (but not limited to) the Georgia HSIP, MPO and local agencies' safety plans. The SHSP guides GDOT, the Georgia MPOs, and other safety partners in addressing safety and defines a framework for implementation activities to be carried out across Georgia.
- The GDOT HSIP annual report provides for a continuous and systematic process that identifies and reviews traffic safety issues around the state to identify locations with potential for improvement. The ultimate goal of the HSIP process is to reduce the number of crashes, injuries and fatalities by eliminating certain predominant types of crashes through the implementation of engineering solutions.
- The GDOT SWTP summarizes transportation deficiencies across the state and defines an
  investment portfolio across highway and transit capacity, highway preservation, highway
  safety, and highway operations over the 25-year plan horizon. Investment priorities reflect
  optimal performance impacts across each investment program given anticipated
  transportation revenues.
- The CORE MPO 2040 Total Mobility Plan the region's MTP increases the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users as required by The Planning Rule. The RTP identifies safety needs within the metropolitan planning area and provides funding for targeted safety improvements.

To support progress towards approved highway safety targets, the FY 2018-2021 TIP includes a number of key safety investments. A total of \$443 million has been programmed in the FY 2018-2021 TIP to improve highway safety; averaging approximately \$148 million per year.