Memphis MPO
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Strengthening Regional Transportation

Memphis Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Transportation Policy Board (TPB) Meeting

Thursday, July 30, 2026, 1:30 PM

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel – Memphis

5069 Sanderlin Avenue, Memphis, TN 38117

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1) **Call to Order**

2) **Approval of February 26, 2026, Minutes** ⇐ ACTION

3) **Memphis MPO's Administrator's Report**
   a) ADA Compliance Date Extension
   b) Household Travel Survey Extension
   c) Sunbelt-Atlantic Rail (Atlanta-Chattanooga-Nashville-Memphis passenger rail corridor update)
   d) New Staff Introduction

4) **Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Performance Measures (PM3) Targets** ⇐ PRESENTATION + ACTION
   a) Unified Tri-State Targets (Peak-Hr. Excessive Delay & Non-SOV Travel) & Individual Statewide Targets (Emissions)

5) **Adoption of the 2026 Memphis MPO Safety Action Plan (SAP)** ⇐ PRESENTATION + ACTION
   a) The 2026 Memphis MPO Safety Action Plan (SAP) is available on the **Memphis MPO website**

6) **Moving Together: 2055 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update** ⇐ PRESENTATION
   a) 2055 RTP Funding Approach

7) **Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) & State Departments of Transportation** ⇐ UPDATE
   - TDOT will provide project updates on the America's River Crossing (I-55 Bridge), resurfacing projects, and the HELP truck expansion ⇐ PRESENTATION

8) **Open Grant/Funding Opportunities**
   a) **TDEC Medium – and Heavy – Duty Vehicles Grant Program**
      - **Sponsoring Organization** - Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC)
      - **Application Deadline** - August 21, 2026
      - **Summary** – The Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles Grant Program offers funding to help public, nonprofit, and private fleets in Tennessee cut nitrogen oxide emissions by replacing or upgrading older medium- and heavy-duty vehicles. Eligible projects might include switching vehicles to alternative fuels

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such as propane, natural gas, hybrid, or all-electric, or repowering them with alternative-fuel or all-electric engines or drivetrains. Eligible vehicle types include Class 4–7 local freight trucks, Class 8 local freight and port drayage trucks, and Class 4–8 transit, shuttle, and school buses.

- **Funding Available** - $4.3 million in total funding
- **Application & Eligibility Website** - **Medium- and Heavy-Duty Vehicles Grant Program**

b) **TDOT Statewide Partnership Program (SPP) – 10-Year Project Plan**

- **Sponsoring Organization-** Tennesse Department of Transportation (TDOT)
- **Application Deadline -** August 31, 2026
- **Summary –** The Statewide Partnership Program (SPP) is part of TDOT's annual 10-Year Project Planning process, established following the 2023 Transportation Modernization Act. The program allows local stakeholders through their MPOs and RPOs to submit transportation project priorities for consideration in TDOT's fiscally constrained 10-Year Project Plan. Projects are evaluated based on performance, readiness for delivery, cost, and local financial commitment. This year's application also includes Sidewalk and Bikeway Projects previously submitted through the Multimodal Access Grant (MMAG) and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), simplifying the application process by focusing on project need and local commitment.
- **Funding Available -** Funding is determined through TDOT's fiscally constrained 10-Year Project Plan; no specific funding amount has been announced.
- **Application & Eligibility Website – TDOT Statewide Partnership Program (SPP)**

9) Other Business

a) Next Scheduled TPB Meeting: December 10, 2026, 1:30 PM, Location: DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel Memphis, 5069 Sanderlin Ave, Memphis, TN 38117

10) Adjourn

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SUMMARY OF MINUTES

Mayor Rhea "Skip" Taylor called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM. In addition to Mayor Taylor, the following voting members were present:

Mayor Paul A. Young	*Memphis*	Dale Perryman	*Collierville*
Matt Meservy	*TDOT/ Rep. Governor*	Mayor Mike Palazzolo	*Germantown*
Brandon Akins	*TDOT*	Mayor Chip Johnson	*Hernando*
Kelsie Sullivan	*MDOT/ Rep. Governor*	Andrew Hockensmith	*Horn Lake*
Perry Brown	*MDOT*	Paul Luker	*Lakeland*
Bennie Hopkins	*DeSoto County*	Katherine Webb	*Millington*
Cliff Norvile	*Shelby County*	Andy Swims	*Olive Branch*
Steve Hill	*Arlington*	Mayor Adrian Wiggins	*Oakland*
John Horne	*Bartlett*	Randy Richardson	*Port Commission*

The following interested individuals were present:

Ann Marie Anway	*TDOT*	Anna McQuiston	*MidSouth Development District*
Emmily Tiampati	*TDOT*	James Ratner	*MidSouth Development District*
Ashley Owens	*TDOT*	Kelsey Huse	*Citizen*
Stacy Morrison	*TDOT*	Susan Moresi	*Citizen*
Zach Barrett	*MDOT*	Ben Ledsinger	*SSR*
Manny Belen	*Memphis*	Ellen Kinnane	*SSR*
David Oppong	*Memphis*	John Lancaster	*HDR*
Ben Womble	*Millington*	Antonia White	*SCHD*
Lydia Sokoll	*MidSouth Development District*	Tiena Gwin	*MATA*

The following MPO staff members were present:

Pragati Srivastava	Kate Horton	Sajid Hossain
Mavrick Fitzgerald	Torey Sanders	Sagorika Zannat
Tejal Shah	Joyanta Basak	Anna Parr

A quorum was present.

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1) **Call to Order**

Mayor Rhea "Skip" Taylor called the meeting to order at 1:32 PM.

2) **Approval of September 11, 2025 Minutes**

Mr. Cliff Norville moved to approve the minutes as presented; Mr. Randy Richardson seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

NO DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

3) **Memphis MPO's Administrator's Report**

a) 2025 State of the MPO Annual Report
b) 2025 Safety Action Plan (SAP) - Update
c) 2025 Freight Stakeholder Survey
d) Functional Classification Final Approval
e) Transportation Bill - Reauthorization

NO DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

4) **Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and State Departments of Transportation**

Mr. Brandon Akins provided an update for TDOT regarding the 10-Year Plan update, which will be available for review in April 2026. Mr. Matt Meservy provided an update on Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), which is under federal review and anticipated to be completed in April 2026. Governor Bill Lee's budget request included approximately, $425M to help accelerate the 10-Year Plan. Additionally, TDOT is working on Phase II of the Statewide Long-Range Plan, and the draft is anticipated to be available by December 2026.

NO DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

5) **Performance Measure Targets**

Ms. Pragati Srivastava gave an overview of the 2022-2026 PM1 Safety Targets.

Mr. Cliff Norville moved to approve the PM1 Safety Targets as presented; Mr. Steve Hill seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

NO DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

6) **Moving Together: 2055 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Update**

a) Goals & Objectives

b) Socio-Demographic Data

Ms. Pragati Srivastava gave a presentation on the Moving Together: 2055 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

Mayor Rhea "Skip" Taylor moved to approve the Moving Together: 2055 RTP's Socio-Demographic Data as presented; Mr. Cliff Norville seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

Mr. Steve Hill asked about the high population growth in DeSoto County. Ms. Pragati responded that the projection is based on a number of factors, including the most recent census data, alignment with DOT projections, and annual growth rate.

7) **Approval of Functional Classification Amendment –** Red Banks Road (Marshall County, MS)

Ms. Pragati Srivastava gave an overview of the Functional Classification Amendment for Red Banks Rd. in Marshall County.

Mayor Chip Johnson moved to approve the Functional Classification Amendment as presented; Mr. Bennie Hopkins seconded the motion, and the motion carried without dissent.

NO DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

8) **Open Grant/Funding Opportunities**
   a) **Healthy Built Environments Grant Program**
      - **Sponsoring Organization -** Tennessee Department of Health
      - **Application Deadline -** March 13, 2026 (Letter of Intent); May 22, 2026 (Full Application by invitation)
      - **Summary -** Grant program supports projects that create healthy built environments promoting physical activity, access to healthy foods, and community resilience in historically underserved communities. Eligible applicants include local and state government entities and non-profit organizations with 501(c)(3) status. Eligible projects include planning, assessment, and infrastructure construction such as sidewalks, bikeways, greenways, walking tracks, parks, and related active transportation facilities.
      - **Funding Available -** $860,000 total available; individual grants up to $50,000 (Phase A - Planning) or $80,000 (Phase B - Construction)
      - **Application & Eligibility Website: https://www.tn.gov/health/funding-opportunities.html**

Ms. Susan Moresi provided a public comment expressing the need for transit access to the Memphis International Airport.

Ms. Kelsey Huse provided a public comment regarding the reconsideration of the non-motorized safety targets.

9) **Other Business**
   a) Next Scheduled TPB Meeting: July 30, 2026, 1:30 PM, Location: Double Tree by Hilton Hotel Memphis, 5069 Sanderlin Ave, Memphis, TN 38117

DISCUSSION OR QUESTIONS

Mayor Mike Palazzolo requested the formation of a working group to explore the development a joint data hub with the Mid-South Development District and the Memphis MPO. Mayor Paul A. Young ressponded that will move forward with the recommendation of the working group.

Ms. Pragati Srivastava announced the TN APA Award for the MPO's Mid-South Regional Pedestrian and Bicycle Greenprint Plan and the TPB took a picture with the award following the meeting.

10) **Adjourn**

Mayor Adrian Wiggins moved to adjourn; Mayor Rhea "Skip" Taylor seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 2:23 PM

Note: *The meeting minutes are a summary of the meeting. If you would like to review the tape recording of the entire meeting you may do so by scheduling an appointment with Kate Horton, Transportation Planner at (901) 636-7218.*

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

The following is reference material to aid in the discussion of performance measure targets for PM3, which will be presented for adoption at the July 2026 board meeting.

PM3 - CMAQ

PM3 (System Performance) - Assessing traffic congestion and on-road mobile source emissions for the purpose of carrying out the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program is included as part of the PM3 Performance Measure targeted setting. This round of target setting begins the 2026-2030 Performance Period. The following PM3 CMAQ targets were discussed and agreed upon at the ETC workshop in June and will be proposed for adoption at the July 30, 2026, ETC and TPB meetings.

Subpart G (Traffic Congestions) – The regulation requires a **single, unified target for the entire Memphis, TN-MS-AR Urbanized Tri-State Area**. TDOT, MDOT, ArDOT, West Memphis MPO & Memphis MPO must agree on one single target for Peak-Hour Excessive Delay (PHED) AND Percent of Non-Single Occupancy Vehicle (Non-SOV) Travel Measures.

Subpart G: Traffic Congestion – Memphis, TN-MS-AR Urbanized Area		
	2-Year Target (2028)	**4-Year Target** (2030)
Annual Hrs. of Peak-Hr. Excessive Delay (PHED) per Capita	10.8 Hours	10.8 Hours
Percentage of Non-Single Occupancy Vehicle Travel	19.9%	19.9%

Subpart H (On-Road Mobile Source Emissions) – The regulation **requires individual statewide targets**. Tennessee and Mississippi set separate targets, which apply to CMAQ funded projects. For the Memphis MPO this includes reduced emissions for Nitrogen Oxides (NOx) & Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs).

Subpart H: On-Road Mobile Source Emissions - Tennessee		
	2-Year Target (2028)	**4-Year Target** (2030)
Total Emissions Reductions (VOC) kg/day	2.188	4.376
Total Emissions Reductions (NOx) kg/day	11.790	23.580

Subpart H: On-Road Mobile Source Emissions - Mississippi		
	2-Year Target (2028)	**4-Year Target** (2030)
Total Emissions Reductions (VOC) kg/day	≥ 0	≥ 0
Total Emissions Reductions (NOx) kg/day	≥ 0	≥ 0

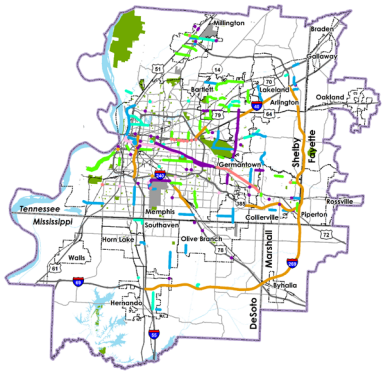
2055 RTP: Funding Approach

MOVING TOGETHER
2055 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

2055 RTP Revenue Estimate = $12.6B (over 25+ years)

TPB Item #6

Based on historical funding levels from the past three TIP cycles for federal, state, and local funding programs



FY 2020-23 TIP

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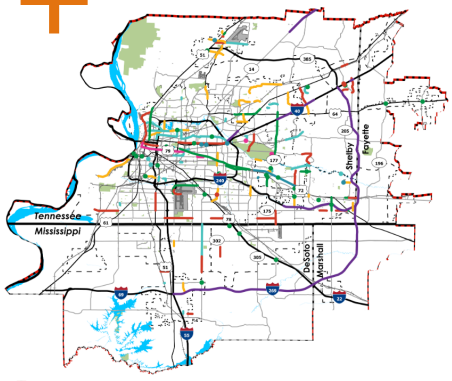

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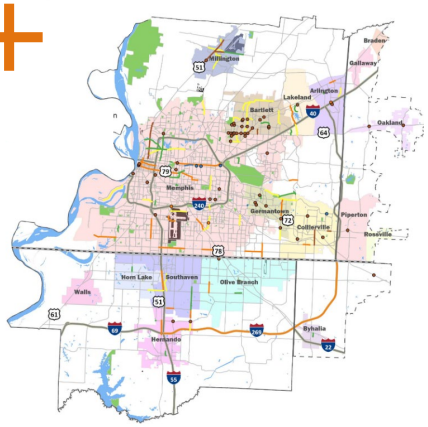

FY 2026-29 TIP

Alignment with short range investments in the TIP

Balanced funding approach, based on needs assessment, public input and stakeholder feedback.

- Maintain existing infrastructure (ie: roads, bridges, ped/bike infrastructure, transit)
- Improve the safety and performance of our roadways
- Complete on-going projects + new project priorities
- Bolster multi-modal accessibility (walking, biking, and transit), complete streets, and projects that improve the air quality
- Support local and regional planning efforts (ie: Greenprint Plan, MPO Freight Plan, Transit Vision, TIP)

What's Next?

- Preparation of the draft plan for the initial state and federal reviews and the air quality conformity analysis for inter-agency consultation review
- Public review of the draft plan and estimated adoption summer 2027