

10. 2025 TAC NOMINATING COMMITTEE AND NOMINATION PROCESS

BACKGROUND

The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Bylaws instruct the Chair of the TAC to select a Nominating Committee each year. The Nominating Committee is responsible for considering all nominations for TAC Officers, which include Chair, First Vice Chair, and Second Vice Chair. The Nominating Committee is also responsible for reviewing nominations and making recommendations for the following subcommittees of the TAC:

- Pedestrian-Bicyclist
- Regional Transportation Plan
- Regional Transit Coordination
- Transportation Air Quality
- Transportation Improvement Program
- Transportation Systems Management and Operations

CURRENT SITUATION

The 2025 TAC Nominating Committee will review and consider all nominations for TAC Officer positions and membership positions on the six subcommittees of the TAC. Nominations for these roles will open after the February 2024 TAC meeting, as this will be the first meeting of the 2025 TAC, and will be due March 7, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. The TAC Nominating Committee will then convene prior to the March 2025 TAC meeting to review the nominees and develop a slate of recommendations for the TAC Officers and TAC Subcommittee primary and alternate members. The Nominating Committee will present the 2025 slate of recommendations at the March 2025 TAC meeting for approval.

The outgoing TAC Chair recommended the following TAC members to serve as the 2025 TAC Nominating Committee:

- Perri D'Armond (Fort Bend County Transit) - Chair
- David Wurdlow (City of Houston)
- Amy Skicki (BayTran)
- Wael Tabara (Brazoria County)
- Brian Alcott (Harris County Toll Road Authority)

ACTION

For information only.

BYLAWS AND OPERATING PROCEDURES OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S SUBCOMMITTEES

(Amended, 05/13/20)

The following rules shall govern the procedures and composition of the Subcommittees of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC):

A. Purpose

The purpose of the subcommittees of the TAC is to advise the TAC in its development of the Unified Planning Work Program and the Metropolitan Transportation Plan as well as promote coordination of other transportation planning activities. The subcommittees assist with the development of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), including the review of and recommendations on candidate projects for the TIP. In addition, subcommittees also review various current and future transportation policies, programs, and projects specific to the topics and goals of each subcommittee.

B. Voting Membership

Each subcommittee shall be comprised of members of the TAC, their representatives or persons nominated to serve who have expertise or interest in transportation planning and related issues.

Membership should reflect the diversity of transportation modes and interests affected by transportation policy decisions to assure transportation planning decisions are considered in their broadest context. Meetings of TAC subcommittees shall be open to public attendance. The voting membership for each subcommittee are defined in the subcommittee descriptions.

Members shall serve at the pleasure of the appointing agency for a term of one (1) year. Membership shall be appointed or confirmed by majority vote of the TAC in attendance at a regularly scheduled meeting with a quorum of TAC members. Engineering, planning, or other consultants, who are for-profit or have financial interest in transportation projects are not eligible to serve as a member due to potential conflict of interest.

C. Alternate Members

Each voting member may have a designated alternate member who may serve at any subcommittee meeting in the voting member's absence. Alternate members must be appointed in the same manner as the voting member. Appointed alternate members will have the voting rights and privileges of members when serving in the absence of the subcommittee voting member.

D. Ex-Officio Members

The Transportation Advisory Committee Chair may appoint such other nonvoting ex-officio representatives as may be appropriate, subject to approval of a majority of the voting

membership. Ex-officio members may include Railroads, Rail Districts, Ports, Transit Agencies, or other agencies as appropriate that are not already included in the voting members.

E. Officers

Each subcommittee shall elect a Chair and Vice-Chair, each to serve for a term of one year and no more than 2 consecutive years in any single position. Elections shall be held at the first meeting of each calendar year after the appointment of the subcommittee. Preferably, the Chair and Vice-Chair will be members of the TAC. The current Chair shall bring before the subcommittee a slate of officers for consideration. In the event the Chair is unable to serve the entire term of office, the Vice Chair shall succeed to the office of Chair and the new Chair shall appoint a subcommittee member to serve as Vice Chair for the remainder of the term. This appointment shall be subject to approval by the majority of the subcommittee members present at the next called meeting.

F. Vacancies

Each member shall be eligible to serve during the term as long as the member occupies the position held at the time of his or her appointment to the subcommittee. In the event that a voting member becomes ineligible or unable to serve, a new member must be appointed in the same manner as the previous voting member.

G. Quorum

Fifty percent of the total committee voting membership shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at all meetings.

H. Meetings

Robert’s Rules of Order shall govern all meetings. Each subcommittee shall meet at least quarterly or more frequently as need arises. Notice of each meeting shall be provided to each member at least one week prior to the meeting. Opportunities for public comments shall be provided subject to the guidelines of the Transportation Advisory Committee.

I. Minutes

Minutes of all meetings shall be kept and recorded by H-GAC staff furnished to the Subcommittee for this purpose.

J. Administrative Support

H-GAC as the designated MPO, shall provide administrative support to the TAC subcommittees.

SUBCOMMITTEES OF THE TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC)
DESCRIPTIONS AND MEMBERSHIP

(Amended, 05/13/20)

TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT AND OPERATIONS (TSMO)
SUBCOMMITTEE

Purpose

The Transportation Systems Management and Operations Subcommittee will provide guidance on the development of Regional ITS architecture and a Regional Automated and Connected Vehicle Strategy.

Meeting Schedule

Meetings will be held quarterly.

Membership

The OTF Subcommittee membership are nominated and appointed by the TAC and are representatives of the various stakeholders involved with Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS). This shall include technically qualified professionals; local, county and state agency engineers and planners; as well as members of the TAC knowledgeable in ITS standards. A maximum of seventeen (17) voting members shall comprise the Subcommittee.

Table 1: Membership of the TSMO Subcommittee

Category or Organization	Agency Represented	Number
Local Governments	Cities and/or Counties, and other transportation management agencies	11
Transit Agency	Transit Agencies	2
Ports	Ports	2
State Government	TxDOT (Houston & Beaumont Districts)	2
Total Members		17

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PEDESTRIAN-BICYCLIST SUBCOMMITTEE

Purpose

The Pedestrian-Bicyclist Subcommittee's purpose is to accomplishing the following tasks: review and approve the Active Transportation Plan, guide and review the FHWA Connectivity Measures Pilot, guide the Regional Safety Campaign, guide reinvigoration of counter program, guide the creation of and review the ATP Toolbox, and develop naming conventions for sidewalk layer.

Meeting Schedule

Meetings are held quarterly, or more frequently as needed.

Membership

Committee members are stakeholders involved with pedestrian and bicyclist issues. This shall include advocacy, safety, user groups, local, county representatives of economic development, developers or management districts, state agencies, engineers, land use planners, community organizations, and interested citizens. A maximum of twenty-two (22) voting members shall comprise the Subcommittee, which shall include any TAC representative.

Table 2: Current Membership of the Pedestrian-Bicyclist Subcommittee

Category / Organization	Appointing Agency
Local Governments	Cities and/or Counties
Transit	Transit Authorities / Agencies
State Government	TxDOT (Houston & Beaumont Districts)
Management Districts	Management Districts
Citizen Advocates	Advocacy / Activity Groups
Non-Profit	H-GAC
Total Members	22

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REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN (RTP) SUBCOMMITTEE

Purpose

The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) Subcommittee’s purpose is to:

The purpose of the RTP Subcommittee is to:

- Provide guidance to TAC in the development of the RTP; and sub-regional plans
- Review and revise the performance measures and targets and outcomes used to measure the ability of potential projects/activities to support the vision, goals, objectives strategies of the RTP;
- Provide recommendations to TAC on fundamental planning assumptions, data and methodologies used in development of the RTP;
- Provide guidance on the development of a Congestion Management Plan; and
- Provide guidance for major amendments to the RTP.

Meeting Schedule

Meetings held quarterly or more frequently as needed.

Membership

The RTP Subcommittee shall be comprised of members of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) or their representatives who have expertise or interest in developing transportation and land use plans. A maximum of twenty-three (23) voting members shall comprise the Subcommittee.

Table 3: Membership of the RTP Subcommittee

Category or Organization	Appointing Agency	Number
Local Governments	Cities and/or Counties	9
State Government	TxDOT (Houston & Beaumont Districts)	2
Transit Agency	Transit Agencies	3
Environmental	TAC	1
Planning	TAC	1
Citizen	TAC	1
Business	TAC	1
Ports	TAC	2
Active Transportation	TAC	1
Toll Roads	TAC	1
Airports	TAC	1
Total Members		23

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TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) SUBCOMMITTEE

Purpose

The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Subcommittee's purpose is

- Provide guidance to TAC in the development of the 10-Year Plan, and the Transportation Improvement Program;
- Define strategies to link the RTP, the 10 Year Plan investment plan, and the TIP;
- Recommend strategies to create a predictable project development and delivery pipeline; and
- Provide guidance for major amendments to the 10 Year Plan/TIP.
- Review and tracking of the progress on performance measures and targets

Meeting Schedule

Meetings held monthly; Additional special meetings are called, as needed to address specific task items.

Membership

The TIP Subcommittee is composed of Transportation Advisory Committee members with project implementation experience who are appointed by the TAC. However, all members of the TAC, primary and alternate, may participate. A maximum of twenty-two (22) voting members shall comprise the Subcommittee.

- TIP Subcommittee members must be members of the TAC;
- Only official members of each subcommittee may vote during subcommittee meetings;

Table 4: Membership of the TIP Subcommittee

Category or Organization	Agency Represented	Number
Local Governments	Cities or Counties	13
State Government	TxDOT (Houston & Beaumont Districts)	2
Transit Interests	Transit Agency	3
Ports	TAC	2
Active Transportation	TAC	1
Planning	TAC	1
Total Members		22

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TRANSPORTATION AIR QUALITY SUBCOMMITTEE

Purpose

The Transportation Air Quality Subcommittee’s purpose is to assist H-GAC staff in the:

- Identification and analysis of the most cost-effective on-road transportation emission reduction measures;
- Development of a list of committed Transportation Control Measures to be implemented by the deadline outlined in updated NAAQS for the next SIP;
- Development of a list of new or expanded on-road transportation VMEPs that must be accomplished in a strictly voluntary manner;
- Expansion of existing TDM programs and projects and the development of new programs for TIP consideration;
- Monitor implementation of those TDM projects or programs that are consistent with and meet or exceed the Clean Vehicle and Commute Solutions Cost-Benefit Analysis.
- Provide guidance to programs funded through CMAQ funds such as Clean Vehicles program.

Meeting Schedule

Meetings will be held quarterly or until SIP revisions are complete and approved by EPA.

Membership

The Transportation Air Quality Subcommittee will be comprised of representatives of the Regional Air Quality Planning Committee (RAQPC), local government, transit providers, private sector, and environmental, public interest or TDM professionals.

Table 5: Membership of the Transportation Air Quality Subcommittee

Category or Organization	Appointing Agency	Number
Local Governments	Cities and/or Counties	5
State Government	TxDOT (Houston & Beaumont Districts)	2
TCEQ	TCEQ	1
Transit Agency	Transit Agencies	2
Environmental/Public Interests/TDM Professionals	H-GAC	3
Private	TAC	3
H-GAC	TAC	2
Ports	TAC	1
Total Members		19

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REGIONAL TRANSIT COORDINATION SUBCOMMITTEE (RTCS)

Purpose

The Regional Transit Coordination Subcommittee's purpose is to:

- Provide guidance related to the implementation of regional transit coordination pilot projects that were identified in the regional transit coordination action plan;
- Assist with tasks related to the development of regional transit planning initiatives that focus on identifying opportunities for expanding transit services in the region for all, as well as improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the current regional transit system;
- Promote regional coordination among existing and future public and private transportation providers, social service and health and human service agencies.

Meeting Schedule

Meetings quarterly or more frequently as needed.

Membership

The RTCS subcommittee membership will include appointees from the TAC for each of the implementing transit agencies in the region and representatives of social service agencies as well as other transit professionals. State government (TxDOT Houston, Beaumont, Yoakum, and Bryan Districts) shall serve as Ex-Officio members. A maximum of eighteen (18) voting members shall comprise the Subcommittee.

Table 6: Membership of the RTCS Subcommittee

Category or Organization	Appointing Agency	Number
Transit	Transit Agencies	9
Local Governments	Cities and/or Counties	3
Social Services/HHS Agencies	TAC and/or H-GAC	4
Citizen and Business Interests	TAC	2
Total Members		18

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11. SAFETY PERFORMANCE MEASURES

BACKGROUND

The Federal Highway Administration requires an annual submission of safety performance measures by state department of transportation and metropolitan planning organizations. The five federal safety performance measures are listed below.

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 serious injuries (pedestrians and bicyclists).

The Houston-Galveston Area Council uses a methodology of a five-year rolling average to determine safety performance measures. The data used to determine the measurements are derived from the Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) and the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Crash Record Information System (CRIS) data.

CURRENT SITUATION

The table below shows the H-GAC safety performance measures:

Year	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Five Year Average
Number of Fatalities	734	838	824	796	767	792
VMT (100 million miles)	563.35	586.2	612.31	641.50	665.98	
Rate of Fatalities	1.30	1.43	1.35	1.24	1.15	1.29
Number of Serious Injuries	3418	4377	4281	4274	4099	4090
Rate of Serious Injuries	6.07	7.47	6.99	6.66	6.15	6.67
Number of Non-motorized Fatalities and Non-motorized Serious Injuries	676	786	804	893	821	796

Data generated on 01/06/2025 from CRIS.

ACTION REQUESTED

Request recommendation to TPC for approval of the Safety Performance Measures.

Performance Measures and Targets

Total number of traffic fatalities

Decrease the expected rise of fatalities to no more than a five-year rolling average of 792 fatalities in 2025. The 5-year average is as follows:

Year	Actual Data	Source
2020	734	CRIS
2021	838	CRIS
2022	824	CRIS
2023	796	CRIS
2024	767	CRIS
5-year average		792

Total number of serious injuries

Decrease the expected rise of serious injuries to no more than a five-year rolling average of 4,090 serious injuries in 2025. The 5-year average is as follows:

Year	Target or Actual Data	Source
2020	3,418	CRIS
2021	4,377	CRIS
2022	4,281	CRIS
2023	4,274	CRIS
2024	4,099	CRIS
5-year average		4,090

Fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled

Decrease the expected rise of fatalities per 100 million VMT to no more than a five-year rolling average of 1.29 fatalities per 100 million VMT in 2025. The 5-year average is as follows:

Year	Target or Actual Data	Source
2020	1.30	CRIS
2021	1.43	CRIS
2022	1.35	CRIS
2023	1.24	CRIS
2024	1.15	CRIS
5-year average		1.29

Target: Serious Injuries per 100 million vehicle miles traveled

2025 Target: Decrease the serious injuries per 100 MVMT to no more than a five-year rolling average of 6.67 serious injuries per 100 MVMT in 2025. The 2025 Target expressed as a 5-year average is as follows:

Year	Target or Actual Data	Source
2020	6.07	CRIS
2021	7.47	CRIS
2022	6.99	CRIS
2023	6.66	CRIS
2024	6.15	CRIS
5-year average		6.67

Target: Total number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries

2025 Target: Decrease the expected rise of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries to not more than a five year rolling average of 796 non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries in 2025. The 2025 Target expressed as a 5-year average is as follows:

Year	Target or Actual Data	Source
2020	676	CRIS
2021	786	CRIS
2022	804	CRIS
2023	893	CRIS
2024	821	CRIS
5-year average		796

As noted in the table above, the calendar year target for 2025 would be 796 non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries.