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## MEMORANDUM

TO: Travis Halm, Iowa Department of Transportation (IADOT)  
Brandon Geber, Illinois Department of Transportation (ILDOT)

FROM: Gena McCullough, Deputy Director

DATE: February 25, 2025

RE: MPO Safety Performance Measures

Bi-State Regional Commission submits this memorandum as notification to the respective Departments of Transportation to fulfill the March 2016 Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) final rule making (23 CFR 490.207) for National Performance Measures for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) target setting requirements. The Safety Performance Measures rulemaking requires MPOs to agree to set their own targets or agree to contribute and support meeting each state's DOT's respective traffic safety targets for each of five safety measures. These include number of fatalities, rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicles miles traveled (VMT), number of serious injuries, rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT, and number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries.

The selected targets are outlined below in this memorandum. Methodologies are by each state's respective Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP). The Quad Cities Transportation Policy Committee at its January 28, 2025 meeting agreed to support the respective state-level targets of IADOT and ILDOT by geography for all five performance measures. By supporting each DOT's targets, the jurisdictions represented in the Quad Cities, IA/IL Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) as part of the federal transportation planning process agree to plan and program projects to contribute toward achieving the states' respective targets by the state side represented. The ultimate goal is to reduce fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads within Iowa and Illinois through supporting efforts in the Quad Cities, Iowa/Illinois.

The *Quad Cities Strategic Traffic Safety Plan* was adopted in November 2020, which aids local jurisdiction decision-making on emphasis areas within the MPO to aid in crash reduction through engineering, enforcement, emergency response, and education. We encourage our local jurisdictions to consider various safety programs offered by each state respectively, including the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) resources. The Quad Cities-Kewanee-Muscatine Traffic Safety Action Plan 2025 currently in development will also highlight opportunities to reduce fatal and serious injury crashes, and provide an opportunity to pursue Safe Streets and Road for All (SS4A) implementation funding for crash reductions.

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The Quad Cities MPO Policy Committee acknowledges through each state’s performance management agreement(s) between the MPO and IADOT and ILDOT, that cooperative planning and programming will require coordination related to crash data collection and sharing, target setting, and reporting. This memorandum represents notification of the Quad Cities MPO’s decision to support the statewide targets, and to report the decision related to traffic safety performance targets within 180 days after each respective DOT reports its statewide targets, prior to February 27, 2025 based on the Illinois DOT and Iowa DOT target setting.

The Iowa and Illinois statewide targets are outlined below:

<b>Iowa Statewide Safety Measures</b>	<b>Baseline</b> 2018-2022 Rolling Average	<b>Target</b> 2021-2025 Rolling Average
Number of Fatalities	338.6	365.8
Fatality Rate*	1.036	1.085
Number of Serious Injuries	1,363.2	1,496.1
Serious Injury Rate*	4.166	4.391
Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries	136.4	148.4
<b>Illinois Statewide Safety Measures</b>	<b>Baseline</b> 2018-2022 Rolling Average	<b>Target</b> 2021-2025 Rolling Average
Number of Fatalities	1,168.2	1,099.5
Fatality Rate*	1.151	1.083
Number of Serious Injuries	9,618.4	7,816.8
Serious Injury Rate*	9.401	8.046
Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries	1,459.4	1,332.4

Core Highway Safety Performance Measures Based on Rolling Average Using 2017-2021 FARS and Survey Data. \*Rates are per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT).

Please let me know if there is any additional information required as part of this notification. I can be reached at 309-793-6300, Ext. 1146 or gmccullough@bistateonline.org. The minutes from the Policy Committee meeting are posted to [www.bistateonline.org](http://www.bistateonline.org) as supporting documentation once they are approved. We look forward to continuing our cooperation with you to support crash reduction efforts in each state.