

## **Agenda Item Summary**

**To:** Policy Board  
**From:** Roger Krahn, Principal Transportation Engineer  
**CC:** Matt Hart, Rob Aloise, Cara Radzins  
**Meeting Date:** November 19, 2025  
**Subject:** 2026 Annual CTDOT Safety Performance Targets

**Background:** In accordance with Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) requirements, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) has established five safety performance targets for calendar year 2026. CRCOG is required to either support the State's targets or set their own targets.

### **Benefit to Member Towns/CRCOG:**

Support for safety targets shows our collaboration with CTDOT to reduce serious injuries and traffic deaths.

### **Financial/Operational Impact:**

In the past, CRCOG has supported CTDOT's targets, considering that selecting specific targets for the Capitol Region would require substantial data collection and analysis efforts. FHWA provides funding for all programs in the Uniform Planning Work Program.

### **Project Schedule:**

CRCOG needs to endorse the safety targets or set their own targets by February 27, 2026.

### **Recommendation:**

At the October 20 meeting, the Transportation Committee endorsed the CRCOG staff recommendation for Policy Board to approve the attached Resolution.

### **Attachments:**

- a. Resolution Supporting 2026 Targets for Safety Performance Measures Established by CTDOT

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING 2026 TARGETS FOR  
SAFETY PERFORMANCE MEASURES ESTABLISHED BY CTDOT**

**WHEREAS**, the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) has been designated by the Governor of the State of Connecticut as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) responsible, together with the State, for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning process for the Capitol Region; and

**WHEREAS**, as outlined in 23 CRF 490.207 (a), MPOs shall establish annual performance targets for each of the measures identified in the National performance management measures for the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP); and

**WHEREAS**, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) has established the following targets for five safety performance measures:

- (1) Number of fatalities: 270
- (2) Rate of fatalities per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT): 0.850
- (3) Number of serious injuries: 1,300
- (4) Rate of serious injuries per 100 million VMT: 4.30
- (5) Number of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries: 280; and

**WHEREAS**, CTDOT submitted the above five targets to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) by August 31, 2025 and MPOs have until February 27, 2026 (180 days) to either support the Department's targets or set their own; and

**WHEREAS**, CRCOG strives to reduce the number of roadway fatalities and serious injury crashes in the region; and

**WHEREAS**, the CRCOG Transportation Committee has endorsed CTDOT's 2026 targets for the five safety performance measures identified above,

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the CRCOG Policy Board has agreed to support CTDOT's 2026 targets for these five safety performance measures; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the CRCOG Policy Board will plan and program projects that contribute to the accomplishment of the targets.

**CERTIFICATE**

I certify the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Policy Board at its meeting held on November 19, 2025.

BY: \_\_\_\_\_  
Jason Bowsza, Secretary

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_