

Lackawanna/Luzerne Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization

MEMORANDUM

To: Lackawanna/Luzerne Transportation Study MPO Coordinating Committee

Lackawanna/Luzerne Transportation Study MPO Technical Committee Lackawanna/Luzerne Transportation Study MPO TAC Committee

From: LLTS MPO Transportation Planning

Re: MPO Meeting Date: 7.8.2025

The Lackawanna Luzerne Transportation Study Metropolitan Planning Organization (LLTS MPO) Technical and Coordinating Committees will meet on Tuesday, July 8th at 1:00 PM at the: **Barry J. Centini Conference Room at the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton International Airport in Avoca, PA.** The meeting will be hybrid, conducted both in person and virtually. For virtual participants, the Microsoft Teams information will be provided in the Microsoft Outlook invitation, along with the necessary documentation for the meeting.

It is the policy of the LLTS MPO not to discriminate based on race, color, religion, sex, national origin, disability, or age. Those wishing to obtain the webinar invitation or those requiring special accommodations may contact the ADA coordinator, Dan Reese at the Luzerne County Planning Commission daniel.reese@luzernecounty.org or call (570) 825-1566. More information about the meeting is available on the MPO website www.lltsmpo.com.

The Committees will review and make recommendation on the following items:

1. Public Comment – Discussion of the items not listed on the agenda. (Dean Roberts)

2. Action Items

- a. Approval of the <u>April 8, 2025, Combined Technical and Coordinating Committee</u>
 <u>Meeting Minutes</u> (Dean Roberts)
- b. 2025 TIP and Actions [Vote required for amendments only Actions will not be covered individually. Please reach out to us prior to or after the meeting with any questions.] (Steve Fisher/Dean Roberts)
 Amendments:
 - ➤ MPMS 122736 SR 11 & SR 92 Intersection Improvement.
 - ➤ MPMS 122573 Dunmore Borough Keystone Industrial Park Transportation Enhancements.

Transit Amendments: LCTA

3. Discussion Items

- a. Summer Project Commencement (Robert Manzella/Eric Middleton)
 - > MPMS 118429 Dickson City Boro Multimodal Revitalization TASA
 - ➤ MPMS 85812 SR 435 over Van Brunt Creek
 - ➤ MPMS 121083 Centerpoint South Commerce & Trade Park Impr.
- b. Scranton to NYC Amtrak line update (Larry Malski)
- c. Improvement Program for Lackawanna County (Dave Bulzoni)
- d. <u>Transit MOU</u> Signed MOU for the Federal Certification Review (Dan Reese)

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- e. Update for 2025 Planning Partners (Dean Roberts)
- f. Safe Streets and Roads for All [SS4A] Progress updates

 <u>Lackawanna</u> County: (Mary Liz Donato)

 <u>Luzerne County: (Dan Reese)</u> → Take Survey
- g. LLTS MPO website update (and social media) (Dan Reese)
- h. UPWP 2025-2027 published uploaded (Rob Manzella)
 - > FHWA/FTA approval received on April 24, 2025
 - ➤ PennDOT approval & <u>Supplemental funding</u> added on May 5, 2025
- i. General Procedural and Financial Guidance 2027 (Dean Roberts)
 - ➤ 2027 Financial Guidance
 - ➤ 2027 Procedural Guidance
 - > 2027 Guidance Highlights
 - ➤ 2027 Tip Update Schedule
- j. <u>NEVI Community Charging Program</u> (survey ends July 31) (Dan Reese) Survey results so far
- k. Long Range Transportation Plan Update (Michael Baker International)
- 1. Eastern PA Freight Alliance (Mary Liz Donato)
 - > new website created
 - > draft MOU
- m. Funding/Grant Opportunities (Robert Manzella)
 - -<u>Walkworks</u> Justin R. Lehman Capacity-Building Pre-Planning Assistance Program (Applications deadline 7/18/2025)

Applicants should have an interest in applying for funding to develop an Active Transportation Plan but lack the knowledge, professional support, or resources needed to assemble an application.

Luzerne County is considered a "priority" community.

(Actual ATP grant application deadline 3/20/2026)

-Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA)

Provides funding for projects and activities defined as transportation alternatives, including on- and off-road pedestrian and bicycle facilities. Only happens once every other year. Start planning your proposals.

- > TASA Timeline
- > TASA Guidance
- -<u>Transportation Systems Management and Operations (TSMO)</u> Capital Funding Initiative. This program provides funding to resolve key mobility and safety issues in transportation. Ex: Traffic signal lights and connections.

4. Progress Reports

- a. LCTA Update: BRT Study update (Kathy Bednarek)
- b. 2025 LLTS MPO Hybrid Meeting Schedule:
 - > October 7th, 2025

5. Other Business

If you need any further information, please contact us at 570.825.1564