



U.S. Department
Of Transportation
**Federal Transit
Administration**

Headquarters

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Dear Colleague,

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) continues to advance efforts to implement a performance based approach to planning. I am sending this letter to remind you of up-coming timeframes to meet requirements of the Transit Asset Management (TAM) Final Rule that became effective on October 1, 2016 and the Metropolitan and Statewide and Nonmetropolitan Transportation Planning Final Rule (Planning) that became effective on June 27, 2016.

The TAM Final Rule requires transit providers to set performance targets for state of good repair (SGR) by January 1, 2017. The Planning Rule requires each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to establish targets not later than 180 days after the date on which the relevant State or provider of public transportation establishes its performance targets. This is a reminder that transit providers must provide those performance targets to their respective MPOs so that the MPOs can establish their SGR targets before June 30 2017.

The Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act of 2012 (MAP-21) required the FTA and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to develop a performance-driven and outcome-based program that provides a greater level of transparency and accountability, improved project decisionmaking, and more efficient investment of Federal transportation funds. The Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act of 2015 (FAST Act) further affirmed the transition to performance management.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Dwayne Weeks, Director of FTA's Planning Programs at (202) 493-0316 or Dwayne.Weeks@dot.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lucy Garliauskas".

Lucy Garliauskas
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