



MEETING NOTICE

There will be a Transportation Policy Committee meeting held on:

DATE: **Wednesday January 21, 2026**

TIME: **1:30 p.m.**

PLACE: **This meeting will be held at the WMSRDC Office in the Terrace Plaza Building.**

If you are unable to attend, please email Brian Mulnix at bmulnix@wmsrdc.org

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WESTPLAN TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

JANUARY 21, 2026

- I. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL
- II. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES (DECEMBER 17, 2025)
(ATTACHMENT I) (ACTION)
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT **(AGENDA ITEMS)**
- IV. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
 - A. FY2026-2029 TIP AMENDMENT 4 **(ATTACHMENT II) (ACTION)**
- V. 2050 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP)
(INFORMATION)
- VI. WESTPLAN NEAR-MISS INITIATIVE **(INFORMATION)**
- VII. WESTPLAN MPO POLICY COMMITTEE ELECTION OF OFFICERS
(ACTION)
- VIII. NEW BUSINESS/MPO ROUNDTABLE **(INFORMATION)**
 - A. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
 - B. MDOT UPDATE
 - C. AIR QUALITY UPDATE
 - D. WESTPLAN UPDATES
- IX. PUBLIC COMMENT
- X. ADJOURNMENT

ATTACHMENT I

WEST MICHIGAN METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROGRAM (WESTPLAN) POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

MEETING MINUTES

December 17, 2025

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Kim Arter called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m. A quorum was present.

II. ATTENDANCE

Members Present

Kim Arter, Laketon Township, Chairperson
Richard Carlson, Mayor of Ferrysburg
Bob Hires, City of Montague
Field Reichardt, Ottawa County Road Commission
Roger Vanderstelt, Village of Fruitport
Diane Goodman, City of Roosevelt Park
Michelle Hazekamp, Muskegon County Board of Commissioners
Robert Monetza, City of Grand Haven
Paul Black, Muskegon County Rural Township
Heather Bowden, MDOT
Scott Borg, Harbor Transit
Ryan Kelly, Crockery Township
Jack Kennedy, Muskegon County Road Commission
Tom Ziemer, City of Whitehall
Josh Brugger, Ottawa County

Members Not Present

Ron Jenkins, City of Muskegon Heights
Luke Walters, MDOT
Chris McGuigan, Muskegon County (MATS)
Wally Delameter, Village of Spring Lake
Jenny Staroska, FHWA, Excused
Roger Morgenstern, City of Norton Shores
Bill Mogren, City of North Muskegon

Others Present

Blake Wright, MDOT
Marc Frederickson, MDOT
Steven Sinoki, MCC
Bob Lukens, MATS

Staff Present

Lauryn Blake, WMSRDC
Joel Fitzpatrick, WMSRDC
Brian Mulnix, WMSRDC
Jack Grice, WMSRDC

III. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes were reviewed from the November 19, 2025, meeting. A motion was made and supported to approve the minutes of November 19, 2025, with corrections made to the attendance list. Motion approved. *M/S Hazeckamp/Hires*

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

The WestPlan Public Participation Plan procedure was followed to achieve public participation for this meeting. No members of the public spoke.

V. TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

B. FY2026-2029 TIP AMENDMENT 3 – Mr. Brian Mulnix and Mr. Marc Frederickson discussed the details of the amendment with the committee. Job Numbers 220535 and 220537 are budget increase and year changes for the bridge replacement over Norris Creek. Job Numbers 221352, 224888, 225096, 225097 are all jobs pertaining to different portions, phases, and years of US-31 projects. Job Number 225769 is a Safe Routes to School project in Montague. Job Number 214102 is a year change for a non-infrastructure job for a new Harbor Transit facility. A motion was made and supported to approve the FY2026-2029 TIP Amendment 3. Motion carried. *M/S Kelly/Gruber*

VI. 2050 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP)

The commission will begin preliminary work on the MTP in February 2026 where review of the population, employment rates, and other variables will occur. This will be completed in the spring of 2027.

VII. FY2026 MDOT SAFETY PERFORMANCE TARGETS

Mr. Brian Mulnix summarized the FY2026 MDOT Safety Performance Targets and their purpose, as well as suggested that we continue to use MDOT's target recommendations. *M/S Hires/Monetza*

VIII. NEW BUSINESS/MPO ROUNDTABLE (INFORMATION)

E. PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION – Mr. Bob Lukens discussed the MATS transit numbers on behalf of MATS. He elaborated on the numbers that were distributed to the committee regarding the minor decrease in transit usage, but a significant increase in micro transit numbers. Currently, there is an RFP out for micro transit services – their current 5-year contract with Via is ending in 2026. Mr. Lukens moved on to updating the committee on the Muskegon airport, stating that November had 7 total cancellations, and some occurred in December. There will be a new flight schedule introduced during the

work week. He added that conversations with Denver Air Connection regarding a potential future DET connection has begun.

Mr. Scott Borg added an update for Harbor Transit, stating that their environmental review process for their new facility has concluded and they expect to be breaking ground in the spring.

F. MDOT UPDATE – Ms. Heather Bowden announced that the FY 2027 Federal Aid Buyout CFP is out now and that there is now \$50 million available instead of the \$45 million that was initially expected. Ms. Bowden explained the benefits of applying for this program and proceeded to recommend getting applications in sooner rather than later as it is a first-come first-served program. Acceptance into this program starts January 6, 2026 and closes January 23, 2026.

G. AIR QUALITY UPDATE – Ms. Lauryn Blake mentioned that the WMCAC is meeting on Friday, December 19, to discuss budget and joint purchases, as well as to discuss the upcoming Clean Air Action season preparations.

H. WESTPLAN NON-MOTORIZED PLAN – Mr. Joel Fitzpatrick restated that the first quarterly meeting with the WestPlan non-motorized committee occurred in November. Currently activities include looking into local funding to create more conceptual visuals for the STAG plan. There is potential for up to \$20,000 from MDOT.

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

The WestPlan Public Participation Plan procedure was followed to achieve public participation for this meeting. No members of the public spoke.

X. ADJOURNMENT – The meeting was adjourned at 2:22p.m.

December 17, 2025 minutes continued

FY2026-2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
AMENDMENT III

WestPlan MPO staff are recommending approval of this amendment, which was reviewed and approved by the WestPlan MPO Technical Committee at their December 4, 2025, meeting. Please review and discuss it with your Technical Committee representative if you have questions.

Fiscal Year	Job#	Responsible Agency	Project Name	Limits	Comments	Primary Work Type	Project Description	Phase	Fund Source	Template Name	Fed Estimated Amount	State Estimated Amount	Local Estimated Amount	Total Estimated Amount	Total Job Cost	Federal Amendment Type
2026	220535	Muskegon County	Farr Rd	Str #13474, over Norris Creek, Muskegon County	Budget Increase	Bridge Replacement	Bridge Replacement	CON	BFPO	HIP - Bridge	\$1,144,000	\$0	\$156,000	1,300,000.00	\$1,300,000.00	Phase Budget equal or over 24%
2026	220537	Muskegon County	Ryerson Rd	Str #7651, over Cedar Creek, Muskegon County	Budget Increase	Bridge Replacement	Bridge Replacement	CON	BFPO	HIP - Bridge	\$1,680,000	\$315,000	\$105,000	2,100,000.00	\$2,100,000.00	Phase Budget equal or over 24%
2026	221352	MDOT	US-31BR/M-120	from 1st Street to South Branch of Muskegon River; M-120 Causeway	New Job	Road Capital Preventive Maintenance	Cape Seal	PE	NH	Road - Capital Preventive Maintenance	\$40,925	\$9,075	\$0	50,000.00	\$1,968,000.00	Phase Added
2027	221352	MDOT	US-31BR/M-120	from 1st Street to South Branch of Muskegon River; M-120 Causeway	New Job	Road Capital Preventive Maintenance	Cape Seal	CON	NH	Road - Capital Preventive Maintenance	\$1,569,883	\$348,117	\$0	1,918,000.00	\$1,968,000.00	Phase Added
2026	224886	MDOT	US-31	from 3rd Street north to north of Van Wagoner Road	New Job	Road Capital Preventive Maintenance	Milling and One Course Asphalt Overlay	PE	NH	Road - Capital Preventive Maintenance	\$49,110	\$10,890	\$0	60,000.00	\$2,298,000.00	Phase Added
2027	224886	MDOT	US-31	from 3rd Street north to north of Van Wagoner Road	New Job	Road Capital Preventive Maintenance	Milling and One Course Asphalt Overlay	CON	NH	Road - Capital Preventive Maintenance	\$1,831,803	\$406,197	\$0	2,238,000.00	\$2,298,000.00	Phase Added
2026	225096	MDOT	US-31 NB	from CSX Railroad to Fruitvale Road	New Job	Road Rehabilitation	Hot mix asphalt cold milling, crushing and shaping, and resurfacing	PE	NH	Road - Rehabilitation and Reconstruction	\$2,046,250	\$453,750	\$0	2,500,000.00	\$20,150,000.00	Phase Added
2029	225096	MDOT	US-31 NB	from CSX Railroad to Fruitvale Road	New Job	Road Rehabilitation	Hot mix asphalt cold milling, crushing and shaping, and resurfacing	CON	NH	Road - Rehabilitation and Reconstruction	\$14,446,525	\$3,203,475	\$0	17,650,000.00	\$20,150,000.00	Phase Added
2027	225097	MDOT	US-31 SB	from CSX Railroad to Fruitvale Road	New Job	Road Rehabilitation	Hot mix asphalt cold milling, crushing and shaping, and resurfacing	PE	NH	Road - Rehabilitation and Reconstruction	\$1,227,750	\$272,250	\$0	1,500,000.00	\$20,000,000.00	Phase Added
2028	225768	Montague	Hancock St	Citywide, City of Montague	New Job	Roadside Facilities - Improve	Safe Routes to School Pedestrian/Bicycle Improvements	CON	TAL	Transportation Alternatives	\$1,200,000	\$0	\$242,096	1,442,096.00	\$1,442,096.00	
2026	214102	Harbor Transit Multi-Modal Transportation System	Transit Capital	Areawide	Moved from FY25 to FY26	SP1201-admin/maintenance facility construction	FY26 CMAQ 5307 Construct new transit facility	NI	CM	Transit	\$572,000	\$143,000	\$0	715,000.00	\$715,000.00	GPA over or over 25%

ATTACHMENT II

FY2026-2029 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

AMENDMENT IV

Fiscal Year	Job#	County	Responsible Agency	Comments	Project Name	Limits	Primary Work Type	Phase	Fund Source	Fed Estimated Amount	State Estimated Amount	Local Estimated Amount	Total Estimated Amount
2026	214048	Ottawa	Ottawa County	Budget Increase	Lincoln St	Intersection of Lincoln and 144th	Traffic Safety	CON	STUL	\$190,333	\$0	\$556,557	746,890.00
2026	214048	Ottawa	Ottawa County	Budget Increase	Lincoln St	Intersection of Lincoln and 144th	Traffic Safety	CON	CM	\$450,000	\$0	\$612,084	1,062,084.00
2026	214856	Ottawa	Ottawa County	Budget Decrease	120th Ave	120th from Fillmore St to M45	Road Rehabilita	CON	EDD	\$0	\$99,136	\$0	99,136.00
2026	214856	Ottawa	Ottawa County	Budget Decrease	120th Ave	120th from Fillmore St to M45	Road Rehabilita	CON	STL	\$597,000	\$0	\$103,864	700,864.00
2026	226015	Muskegon	Michigan Shore	New Job	Lincoln St	At Michigan Shore Railroad in th	Railroad	CON	STRH	\$60,796	\$6,755	\$0	67,551.00
2028	226025	Muskegon	LakeWood Club	New Job	Kenwood Rd	Automobile Road to Russell Roa	Road Rehabilita	CON	STUL	\$420,000	\$0	\$232,500	652,500.00