

MAP-21 and FAST Act Related Rule-Making

Agenda Item IX

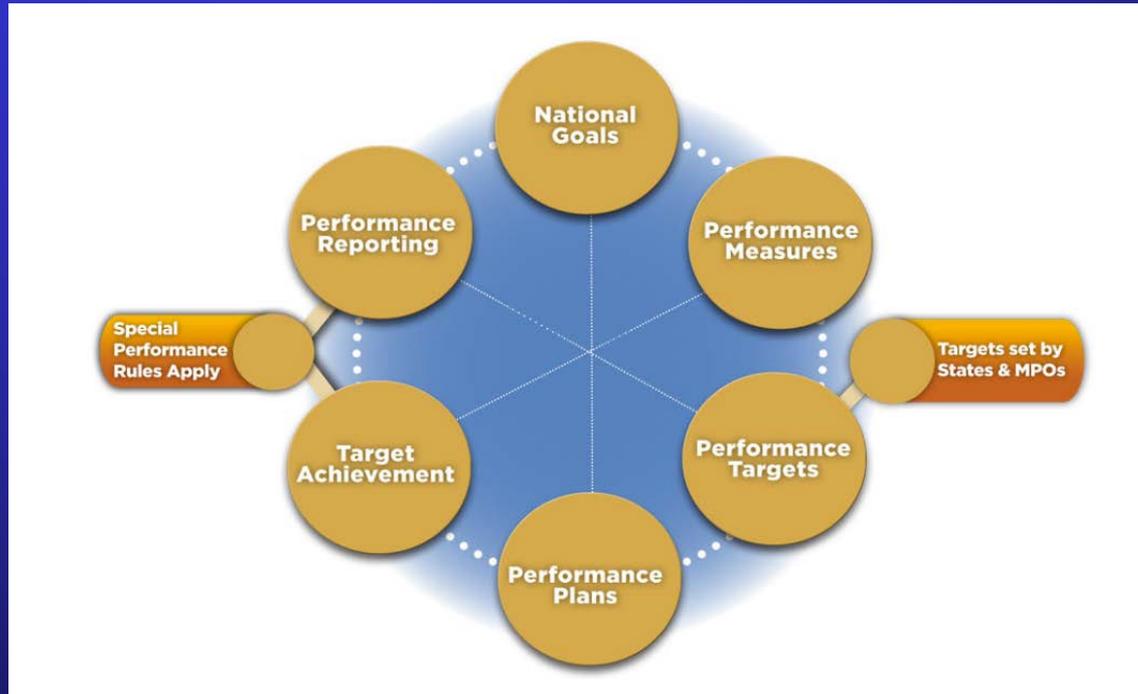
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MAP-21 and FAST Act Rulemaking

At a Glance:

- ◆ *Federal Rulemaking and Proposed Rulemaking focusing on:*
 - ◆ *System Performance and Target Setting*
 - ◆ *MPO Coordination*

Transportation Performance Management



What is Transportation Performance Management?

- ◆ Use system information to make investment and policy decisions
- ◆ Strategic, regular ongoing process
- ◆ Use of performance measures and targets
- ◆ Communications tool

National Goals and System Performance

- ◆ Safety
- ◆ Infrastructure condition
- ◆ Congestion reduction
- ◆ System reliability
- ◆ Freight movement
- ◆ Economic vitality
- ◆ Environmental sustainability
- ◆ Reduction in project delivery delays

System Performance NPRM

- ◆ NPRM released April 22, comments due August 20
- ◆ Proposed national performance management measures to assess performance of
 - ◆ National Highway System (NHS)
 - ◆ Freight movement on the Interstate System
 - ◆ Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program
- ◆ Comments due by August 20, 2016
- ◆ RTC worked with WSDOT to draft technical comments

MPO Coordination and Planning Reform NPRM

- ◆ NPRM released June 27, comments due August 26
- ◆ RTC coordinating with Metro on comments
 - ◆ Both agencies to submit comments

MPO Coordination and Planning Reform NPRM



Federal Stated Purpose:

- ◆ Improve transportation planning process
- ◆ Strengthen coordination of MPOs and states
- ◆ Promote use of regional approach
- ◆ Recognize role of MPO in providing for region's economic well-being
- ◆ Strengthen voice of MPOs in planning process

MPO Coordination and Planning Reform NPRM



RTC & Metro; 2 MPOs, 1 contiguous urbanized area

- ◆ Proposed federal rules would require:
 - ◆ Possible consolidation of 2 MPOs into 1
 - ◆ Jointly established performance targets
 - ◆ Joint planning products; RTP and TIP
 - ◆ Memorandum of Agreement; coordination strategies, dispute resolution
- ◆ Governor and MPOs retain decision authority regarding retaining the 2 MPOs

MPO Coordination and Planning Reform NPRM

- ◆ RTC draft comments on NPRM focus on:
 - ◆ Support for coordination – but best encouraged not forced
 - ◆ History of coordination in this region
 - ◆ Reciprocal voting membership (included in charters and by-laws)
 - ◆ Bi-State Coordination Committee
 - ◆ Memorandum of Understanding between Metro and RTC
 - ◆ Structural challenges in merging agencies and/or planning products in multi-state regions
 - ◆ Offer constructive solutions for multi-state MPOs, echoing Metro's draft comments
- ◆ **Today, we welcome RTC Board input/comments**