

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Charlottesville-Albemarle Metropolitan Planning Organization (CA-MPO) Technical Committee  
**From:** Taylor Lowery, Director of Transportation  
**Date:** June 2, 2026  
**Subject:** CA-MPO Agenda Overview and Staff Updates

**Purpose:** To review current agenda items under consideration and inform Policy Board members of CA-MPO programs and activities.

### 1. Call to Order

- a. Call to Order, Roll Call – *Vice Chair, Alberic Karina-Plun & Gorjan Gjorgjievski*
- b. \*Remote Participation of Voting Members

### 2. Matters from the Public – *Vice Chair, Alberic Karina-Plun*

- a. Comments by the public are limited to three minutes per speaker.

### 3. \*General Administration – *Vice Chair, Alberic Karina-Plun*

- a. \*Review and Acceptance of Agenda
- b. \*Approval of April 7, 2026, Meeting Minutes
- c. \*\* CA-MPO Bylaws and Public Engagement Plan Revisions
- d. Slate of Officers

### 4. New Business – *Vice Chair, Alberic Karina-Plun*

- a. SMART SCALE Round 7 CA-MPO and Rural Projects – *Taylor Lowery*  
CA-MPO staff will provide an update on Round 7 SMART SCALE projects for the CA-MPO, and provide an overview of pre-applications submitted by rural jurisdictions in the Thomas Jefferson Planning District.
- b. STARS and Project Pipeline Study Process – *Sandy Shackelford*  
VDOT staff will present an overview of the STARS and Project Pipeline study process. The presentation will focus on location selection, differences between the STARS and Project Pipeline studies, study phases, and roles and responsibilities associated with each program.
- c. \*\*STARS and Pipeline Study Locations  
Staff from the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County will present the proposed study locations for their respective jurisdictions, consistent with each jurisdiction's priorities and planning objectives.
- d. US29 STARS Study Update – *Sandy Shackelford*  
VDOT staff will provide a presentation on the US 29 Corridor and US 29/250 Bypass Interchange STARS studies. Key elements of the presentation will include the study goals and objectives, preliminary/advanced alternatives evaluated, and alternatives for the public surveys.
- e. FY24-27 TIP Adjustments – *Gorjan Gorjievski*  
CA-MPO staff will present adjustment requests received from the Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) and the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) for the PATH Mobility Management program and an urban bridge replacement project. The TIP adjustments are presented as informational only.

## 5. Staff Updates

### a. Staff Report – *Taylor Lowery*

#### • **Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A)**

TJPDC/CA-MPO staff collaborated with two jurisdictions to submit applications for the FY26 round of SS4A. TJPDC applied in partnership with Greene County, VA, and the Stanardsville Volunteer Fire Department to purchase critical fire and rescue equipment. Staff also collaborated with Albemarle County on the development of application materials for a County-submitted project for the Hydraulic Road Corridor including the following improvements:

- Construction of a continuous Green-T intersection configuration near Georgetown Green;
- Improvements to the existing substandard shared-use path;
- Pedestrian safety and accessibility upgrades;
- Access management improvements along Hydraulic Road;
- ADA-related improvements and corridor safety enhancements.

#### • **TJPDC Rural Transportation Advisory Committee**

The Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC) held its final meeting of the fiscal year on May 5, 2026. RTAC members received a presentation from the VDOT Office of Land Use on Access Management Principles, Regulations, Standards, and Innovative Intersections.

#### • **Charlottesville-Albemarle Regional Transit Authority**

The Charlottesville-Albemarle Regional Transit Authority (CARTA) will host a special meeting on Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. The CARTA Board will welcome Virginia Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) Director Mariia Zimmerman and have presentations on the following topics:

- Charlottesville-Albemarle Regional Transit Authority Overview (TJPDC)
- Statewide Transit Funding Overview (Grant Sparks, DRPT)
- Central Virginia Transportation Authority (CVTA) Overview (Chet Parsons, CVTA)
- Roundtable Transit Updates

Once posted, meeting materials can be accessed at <https://ca-mpo.org/carta/>.

#### • **CA-MPO Regional Travel Demand Model**

CA-MPO staff received the first draft of the regional travel demand model and participated in a one-day training on Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. The travel demand model has entered the “testing” phase and will tentatively be approved by VDOT for use by the end of June.

#### • **Partnership for Accessible Transportation Help (PATH)**

Operated by TJPDC, PATH is a mobility management program dedicated to improving access to transportation for seniors and individuals with disabilities in Virginia’s Region 10. In May, the PATH program launched outreach to Volunteer Driver Programs (VDPs) operated nationwide with a goal of developing guidance for establishing VDPs in the TJPDC region. VDP operators will complete a short survey about their programs, and selected operators will participate in follow-up discussions with PATH staff.

#### • **Commonwealth Transportation Board – April Meeting**

At the April 22, 2026, Action Meeting of the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB), the Board voted to approve a change in SMART SCALE project eligibility to allow innovative intersections as an eligible feature type for the High Priority Projects (HPP) Program.

#### • **Office of Intermodal Planning and Investment (OIPI) Quarterly MPO Meeting**

CA-MPO staff attended an OIPI Quarterly MPO coordination meeting on April 23, 2026. At the meeting, OIPI staff provided a presentation on SMART SCALE Round 7 changes following action taken by the CTB at its April meeting.

- **VDOT Statewide Multiuse Trails Plan**

In May, the VDOT State Trails Office released the Statewide Multiuse Trails Plan. The plan assesses the state of the multiuse trail network in Virginia, which includes more than 1,500 miles of existing multiuse trails and more than 2,900 miles of planned multiuse trails. The plan establishes a foundation for the development of a system of connected multiuse trail networks across Virginia. Access the ArcGIS StoryMap and PDF versions of the plan [here](#).

- **TJPDC Office Improvements**

TJPDC office renovations began on January 5, 2026. Staff have returned to an in-office schedule, with the week of May 4, 2026, marking the first full week of office reopening.

b. **FY27 Meeting Schedule – Gorjan Gjorgjievski**

- i. August 4, 2026
- ii. October 6, 2026
- iii. December 1, 2026
- iv. February 2, 2027
- v. April 6, 2027
- vi. June 1, 2027

**6. Other Business – Vice Chair, Alberic Karina-Plun**

- a. Roundtable
- b. Next Regular Meeting: August 4, 2026, at 10am

**7. Additional Matters from the public – Vice Chair, Alberic Karina-Plun**

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**8. Adjournment – Vice Chair, Alberic Karina-Plun**