



READING AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

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To: Reading Area Transportation Study Technical and Coordinating Committees

From: Michael D. Golembiewski, Transportation Modeler

Re: Request for Appointment to Active Transportation Plan (ATP) Steering Committee

Date: September 8, 2026

Staff has begun efforts to update the 2020 Bicycle and Pedestrian Transportation Plan, as amended, with the creation of an Active Transportation Plan. Active Transportation encompasses non-motorized modes of transportation including walking, rolling, and bicycling, but also emphasizes accessibility, safety, access to transit, and the associated health benefits of not using a motor vehicle.

Part of these efforts is the formation of a Steering Committee to assist in preparing the Plan. Like that formed as part of the Long Range Transportation Plan, membership of the Committee is varied and includes (but is not limited to) PennDOT District and Central Office, municipalities, nonprofit organizations, CommutePA, transit, and representatives from both Tower Health and Penn State Health. Steering Committee meetings will be quarterly with the first one scheduled for Tuesday, September 29th, starting at 1:30 p.m. Meetings will all be virtual via Microsoft Teams. Staff's goal is to conclude the ATP process with anticipated adoption by the MPO in November 2027.

Staff is requesting action at the September 17th Joint Committee Meeting to appoint a Coordinating Committee member to serve as the MPO representative to the Active Transportation Plan Steering Committee. Upon receipt of the appointee's name, an MS Teams invitation will be forwarded.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out.

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