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To: Reading Area Transportation Study Technical and Coordinating Committees
From: Michael D. Golembiewski, Transportation Modeler
Re: PM3 CMAQ Congestion and System Performance Management Written
Procedures Addendums
Date: September 9, 2026

At the September 17, 2026, Joint Technical and Coordinating Committee meeting, anticipated action will be taken to cooperate with the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC) and Lehigh Valley Transportation Study (LVTS) in setting Performance Measure Targets for Peak Hour Excessive Delay (PHED) and Non-Single Occupancy Vehicle (Non-SOV) Travel (PM-3) in the respective portions of the Philadelphia, PA-NJ-DE-MD Urban Area and the Allentown-Bethlehem, PA-NJ Urban Area that extend into Berks County. In May 2019, the Reading MPO and PennDOT formally agreed to written provisions for how we cooperatively develop and share information related to various performance data and targets, and in 2022 Addendums were signed by RATS to cooperate with the LVTS. Due to updates in Urban Area boundaries after the 2020 Decennial Census, an Addendum must now be signed with DVRPC and that with LVTS must be amended due to changes in signatory parties.

Attached are two (2) Addendums that need to be approved. One is for RATS to execute with the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC). The second is for execution with the Lehigh Valley Transportation Study (LVTS). Each of these MPO's serves as the lead MPO covering their respective Urban Areas. It should be noted that these actions are for PM3 Measures only and do not supersede any other MPO planning responsibilities held by RATS in Berks County.

Staff is requesting action at the September 17th Joint Committee Meeting to approve the CMAQ Traffic Congestion System Performance Management Addendum for the Allentown-Bethlehem, PA-NJ Urban Area and the Philadelphia, PA-NJ-DE-MD Urban Area and forward to LVPC, DVRPC, and PennDOT. PennDOT will be forwarding all PM3 materials from the affected planning regions statewide to FHWA by the October 1, 2026, deadline.

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

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Attach: --CMAQ Traffic Congestion System Performance Management Addendum for
the Philadelphia, PA-NJ-DE-MD Urban Area
--CMAQ Traffic Congestion System Performance Management Addendum for
the Allentown-Bethlehem, PA-NJ Urban Area