

ITEM 10 – Information
October 16, 2024

Safety Event Announcement

Background: The board will be updated on the status of current planning efforts for the Safety Summit to be held in the Fall. The Summit has been proposed to highlight regional concern around recent roadway fatality and serious injury trends.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Transportation Planning Board
FROM: Andrew Meese, TPB Systems Performance Planning Program Director
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SUBJECT: Update on 2024 TPB Regional Roadway Safety Summit
DATE: October 10, 2024

This memorandum provides an update on the planning efforts for a TPB Regional Roadway Safety Summit.

The half-day event is scheduled for Thursday, October 31, 2024, from 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. at the American Physical Therapy Association (APTA) Centennial Center in Alexandria, Virginia. More information on summit logistics, registration, and participation will be announced soon.

Staff, with the input of TPB officers and consultants, have developed an agenda featuring a series of panel sessions that will emphasize hearing from board members and providing opportunities for the TPB to consider action, with a limited number of staff and technical presentations to provide context. The proposed panel discussions are anticipated to address the following themes with the respective content:

- **Session 1: What Is the Current State of Transportation Safety in the National Capital Region?**
Speakers will provide an overview of crash trends and contributing systemic factors, to inform the discussion in Session 3.
- **Session 2: The National Roadway Safety Strategy, Allies in Action, and the Safe System Approach**
Speakers from the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) and the Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health will speak about the Safe System Approach and its integration into federal roadway safety policies and initiatives, such as the National Roadway Safety Strategy and Allies in Action, the USDOT's call to action campaign. In addition, speakers will highlight roadway safety success stories that may be emulated in the region.
- **Session 3: Development of Recommendations for TPB Action**
TPB board members will have the opportunity to discuss and consider potential actions the TPB can take to reduce regional traffic fatalities and serious injuries.

Feedback and suggestions on discussion topics to address in Session 3 are welcome. As they become available, the most current details about the event will additionally be posted on the COG website at: <https://www.mwcog.org/events/2024/10/31/2024-tpb-transportation-safety-summit/>.