

October 21, 2026



The Rapides Area Planning Commission (RAPC), serving as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Alexandria–Pineville Metropolitan Planning Area, invites the public to review and comment on the following proposed transportation planning action:

2027 Highway Safety Performance Measures (PM1) – Support of LADOTD Statewide Targets and Corresponding Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Amendment

Purpose of the Public Review

LADOTD has established its 2027 statewide highway safety performance targets using a 1% annual reduction in each of the five federally required measures. The 2027 numerical values shown below are the statewide performance targets resulting from that reduction approach; they are not Alexandria–Pineville MPO-specific targets. Consistent with its previous practice, RAPC proposes to agree to plan and program transportation projects that contribute toward achieving LADOTD's statewide targets, and to incorporate this commitment into the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Table 1: LADOTD 2027 Statewide Highway Safety Performance Targets

Performance Measure	Annual Targeted Change	2025 Baseline (5-year average)	2027 Statewide Target (5-year average)
Number of fatalities	1% reduction	841	824
Number of serious injuries	1% reduction	2,911	2,853
Fatality rate per 100 million VMT	1% reduction	1.522	1.492
Serious injury rate per 100 million VMT	1% reduction	5.276	5.170
Non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries	1% reduction	623	610

In accordance with 23 CFR 450.316 and the Alexandria–Pineville MPO Public Participation Plan, the proposed action will be available for public review and comment for a minimum period of 14 days.

The public comment period will begin October 21, 2026, and continue through November 4, 2026.

Review the Proposed Documents

The proposed MTP amendment and LADOTD's October 19, 2026, safety target-setting memorandum may be reviewed online at www.rapc.info/transportation. Printed copies are available upon request from

RAPC, 803 Johnston Street, Alexandria, Louisiana 71301, by calling (318) 487-5401 or emailing jmcbride@rapc.info.

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Submit Comments

By Mail: Rapides Area Planning Commission, Attn: Jae McBride, 803 Johnston Street, Alexandria, LA 71301

By Email: jmcbride@rapc.info

Online: APMPO Public Comment Form at www.rapc.info/transportation

All written comments must be received no later than November 5, 2026.

Comments received during the public review period will be documented and provided to the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) before final action. The Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) will consider a recommendation on November 4, 2026. The TPC will consider the proposed MTP amendment following the close of the public comment period.

Table 2: Public Comment and Adoption Schedule

ACTIVITY	DATE	LOCATION / ACCESS	PURPOSE
Public Review & Comment Period	October 21– November 4, 2026	Online: www.rapc.info/transportation Hard copies: RAPC, 803 Johnston Street, Alexandria, LA 71301	Public review of proposed support for LADOTD 2027 PM1 targets and related MTP amendment. Written comments: jmcbride@rapc.info .
Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC)	Wednesday, November 4, 2026 Time: See published TAC agenda	RAPC, 803 Johnston Street, Alexandria, LA 71301 See meeting agenda for access details	TAC review and recommendation to TPC. Public comment period remains open through November 5.
Transportation Policy Committee (TPC)	Wednesday, December 2, 2026 10:00 AM	RAPC, 803 Johnston Street, Alexandria, LA 71301 Zoom access: See published TPC agenda	Consider all comments received, take formal action on proposed support of statewide targets and corresponding MTP amendment.

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