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TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE ACTION FORM

SUBJECT: **ANNUAL SELF-CERTIFICATION FOR FY 2025**

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to federal regulations, each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) must self-certify that its transportation planning process is addressing the major issues in the metropolitan planning area and is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements.

In the last Ames Area MPO process review by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), **a joint report was issued finding that the transportation planning activities of AAMPO are being carried out in accordance with federal regulations, policies, and procedures.**

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Certify that the AAMPO's transportation planning process is being conducted in accordance with all applicable requirements.
2. Do not certify compliance with the applicable requirements. However, this alternative would result in a loss of access to federal funding.

MPO DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDED ACTION:

In the previous joint review, the Federal Transit Administration and Federal Highway Administration determined that the Ames Area MPO was carrying out its transportation planning activities in accordance with federal regulations, policies, and procedures. MPO staff also continuously reviews MPO processes for compliance with federal regulations. Therefore, it is the recommendation of the MPO Director that the Transportation Policy Committee adopt Alternative No. 1, as noted above.