

Memorandum

REPORT TO: Gallatin Valley MPO - Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee

FROM: Jeff Butts, MPO Manager

SUBJECT: Approve the Memorandum of Agreement for Cooperative Performance Based Planning Measures and Targets and Authorize the Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee Chair to Sign

MEETING DATE: July 22, 2026

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Administration

RECOMMENDATION: **Consider the Motion:** *I move to approve the Memorandum of Agreement for Cooperative Performance Based Planning Measures and Targets and authorize the Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee Chair to sign.*

STRATEGIC PLAN: 1.3 Public Agencies Collaboration: Foster successful collaboration with other public agencies and build on these successes.

BACKGROUND: Federal transportation performance measures and target-setting requirements were established under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) and continued under the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA). Metropolitan planning organizations must coordinate with state and transit partners to either support their performance targets or establish separate quantifiable targets. The attached Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) documents coordination among the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT), Gallatin Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), and Gallatin Valley Urban Transportation District (GVUTD). The Transportation Policy Coordinating Committee (TPCC) previously approved this agreement for a two-year term. The updated MOA would continue support for applicable MDT and GVUTD targets for a perpetual term. The MPO and GVUTD do not currently maintain the methodology and data needed to establish separate targets. Approximately four months remain before completion of the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Establishing separate MPO targets at this stage would involve additional methodology development, technical analysis, staff time and other organizational resources. Continuing the current approach would allow available resources to remain focused on completing the LRTP while preserving the MPO's ability to consider local targets in the future. The MOA may also be altered or supplemented through written agreement of the signatory parties. Staff recommends approval.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None.

ALTERNATIVES: As suggested by the committee.

FISCAL EFFECTS: No direct fiscal impact.

Attachments:

[GVMPO Performance Based Planning Agreement_Update 2026.pdf](#)

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