

SUBJECT:

Update to the FTA Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) for Cherokee Area Transportation System (CATS).

MEETING DATE:

January 2, 2024

SUBMITTED BY:

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SUGGESTED ACTION:

Consider approval of an update to the FTA Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) for Cherokee Area Transportation System (CATS).

FACTS AND ISSUES:

As a recipient of funds from both FTA and GDOT for the operation of public transportation services, Cherokee County is required to establish and maintain a safety plan - the Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP). Board of Commissioners approval of the plan is also required.

Cherokee Area Transportation System (CATS) establishes this plan as the agency's commitment to system-wide safety and Safety Management Systems (SMS) principles. The plan objectives are:

- Increase the safety of the transportation system by proactively identifying, assessing and controlling risks;
- Continually improving safety performance;
- Improving the commitment of transportation leadership to safety; and
- Fostering a culture of safety awareness and responsiveness.

CATS is committed to implementing a systematic and comprehensive safety program. Leadership will visibly demonstrate its commitment to safety by monitoring hazards, enforcing and supporting safety programs, and promoting an open and transparent environment to discuss and address safety issues.

This update is in accordance with an FTA mandate for transportation systems nationwide. The updates include minor changes such as new performance numbers including vehicle revenue miles and vehicle revenue trips.

The recommendation is to adopt the updated Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP).

ATTACHMENTS:

[PTASP 2023.pdf](#)