MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

MICROSOFT TEAMS ··· JANUARY 18, 2024



AGENDA

•	Welcome, Updates and Introduction:	
	Executive Deputy Secretary Larry Shifflet and Deputy Secretary for Planning Kristin Mulkerin	1:00-1:05
•	Updates	1:05-2:10
	Municipal Associations	
	Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors	
	Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs	
	Pennsylvania Municipal League	
	Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners	
	County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania	
	 Federal Highway Administration – Veronica Feliciano 	
	 Department of Community and Economic Development – Honey Stempka 	
	 Municipal Research and Outreach – Chris Metka 	
	Municipal Services Fiscal Office – Kristen Sims	
	 Strategic Development and Implementation – Kevin Tobias 	
	Electric Vehicles – Natasha Fackler	
	Multimodal – Dave Bratina	
	 Local Traffic Count and Highway Transfer Turnback Programs – Zac Kopinetz 	
	Legislative Update	
•	Break – 5 Minutes	2:10-2:15
•	Presentations	
	 Pennsylvania's Master Plan for Older Adults – Kevin Hancock 	2:15-2:30
	 Traffic Operations: 11th Edition of the MUTCD, Outdoor Advertising Control, Mid-Block and Trail Crossing Policy, 	
	and Traffic Calming Update – Bob Pento/Jason Bewley	2:30-2:45
	 TAC Truck Parking Study – Tom Phelan 	2:45-3:00
	 Automated Red Light Enforcement (ARLE) Program Update – Steve Gault 	3:00-3:15
•	Next Meetings/Adjournment – Chris Metka	3:15

WELCOME, UPDATES, AND INTRODUCTION

EXECUTIVE DEPUTY SECRETARY LARRY SHIFFLET DEPUTY SECRETARY FOR PLANNING KRISTIN MULKERIN



MUNICIPAL ASSOCIATION UPDATES

Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors

- Joe Gerdes
- Holly Fishel

Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs

- Ron Grutza
- Ed Troxel
- Logan Stover

Pennsylvania Municipal League

- Amy Sturges
- Kaitlin Errickson

Pennsylvania State Association of Township Commissioners

• Ed Black

County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania

• Melissa Gates



FHWA UPDATE

VERONICA FELICIANO ··· JANUARY 18, 2024



Discretionary Grants Program 2024 Snapshot

		Total Awarded	Sum of Total Project
Grant Program 🚽	Projects	(\$ Million)	Cost (\$ Million)
ADCMS	1	3.91	4.88
ADS	1	8.4	11.93
ATCMTD	2	11.8	23.2
BIP	1	1.5	1.5
BUILD	4	84.69	243.3
CARSI 1	1	3.3	3.3
CARSI 2	1	15	15
INFRA	2	56.1	173.4
MEGA	1	78	136.1
NSBP	1	0.4	0.4
RAISE	5	101.48	131.97
RCP	2	3.23	5.19
RURAL	1	69	416.2
SMART	1	2	2
TIGER 7	1	10.27	36.35
TIGER 8	2	24	25.25
TIGER 9	1	12	43.3
WCPP	1	0.84	0.84
Grand Total	29	485.92	1274.11
	No. of	SS4A Award	
	Active	Amount	SS4A Total Cost
SS4A Program 📃 💌	Projects	(\$Million)	(\$Million)
Implementation	4	69.01	86.88
Planning and			
Demonstration	14	4.488	5.615
Grand Total	18	73.50	92.495
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Total Discretionary		6550 A2	61.000 CT
Grant Projects	47	\$559.42	\$1,366.61
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U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration



 \P General Discretionary Grants \P SS4A Planning and Demonstration \P SS4A Implementation

Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFOs)

Open NOFOs

- Bridge Investment Program (BIP) Small and Large
- Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE)
- Advanced Transportation Technologies and Innovative Mobility Deployment (ATTIMD) Grant – also known as ATTAIN
- Accelerated Innovation Deployment (AID)
- Saving Lives with Connectivi+9ty: Accelerating V2X Deployment grant

Upcoming NOFOs

- Prioritization Process Pilot Program
- Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) Program
- Innovative Finance and Asset Concession Grant Program
- Low-Carbon Transportation Material Grants
- Safe Street for All (SS4A)

Resources

- <u>https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity</u>
- <u>https://www.transportation.gov/grants/dashboard</u>
- http://billaunchpad.com/nofo
- <u>https://www.volpe.dot.gov/project-delivery</u>
- <u>https://www.transportation.gov/dot-navigator</u>

DCED UPDATE

HONEY STEMPKA ··· JANUARY 18, 2024



THE "EMERGING" OFFICE OF COMMUNITY PLANNING REGIONAL MAP



NORTHWEST

Honey Stempka

Joy Fronzoli

John McGranor

SOUTHWEST

Honey Stempka

Katie Wickert (as of 02/05)

TBD



CENTRAL

Lisa Mroszczyk Murphy

Rachel Reznick

Nick Cannistraci



LEHIGH VALLEY

Lisa Mroszczyk Murphy

Zach Gulden

SOUTHEAST

Lisa Mroszczyk Murphy

Zach Gulden

PENNDOT UPDATES



MUNICIPAL RESEARCH AND OUTREACH

CHRIS METKA ··· JANUARY 18, 2024



PENNDOT CONNECTS

- 2024 PennDOT Connects Municipal Outreach
 - Resources for municipalities/peer exchange
 - District Focus Staff that assist municipalities
 - PA Department of Health Resources and Funding
 - DCED and DCNR providing videos



Registration coming soon!

District	Meeting Format	Date	Time	Facility
District 1	Virtual	April 24 th	9:00-11:00 AM	Virtual
District 2	In-Person/Hybrid	March 25 th	1:00-3:00 PM	District 2 Office
District 3	Virtual	May 29 th	1:00-3:00 PM	Virtual
District 4	In-Person/Hybrid	May 7 th	9:00-11:00 AM	District 4 Office
District 5	In-Person/Hybrid	May 16 th	1:00-3:00 PM	District 5 Office
District 6	Virtual	April 22 nd	1:00-3:00 PM	Virtual
District 8	In-Person/Hybrid	May 14 th	9:00-11:00 AM	District 8 Office
District 9	Virtual	May 15 th	9:00-11:00 AM	Virtual
District 10	In-Person/Hybrid	Confirming	Confirming	District 10 Office
District 11	Virtual	March 28 th	1:00-3:00 PM	Virtual
District 12	In-Person/Hybrid	March 27 th	1:00-3:00 PM	District 12 Office

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PENNDOT CONNECTS

- Recorded Training 2024
 - Parking Considerations
 - Tax Incremental Financing
 - Traditional Neighborhood Development
- Drop-Ins Recent Examples
 - Revitalizing Spaces: Exploring Adaptive Reuse
 - Highway Occupancy Permits (HOPs) for Municipalities
 - Pursuing Transportation Grant Funding
- Tech Sheets
- On Demand Planning Assistance
 - Phone/Email
 - On Site

PennDOT Connects Webpage



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LTAP – NEW CLASSES IN DEVELOPMENT

- Trucks on Local Roads: Issues and Solutions
 - Pilot February 6th
- Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
 - Pilot Already held
- Drones Basics
 - Pilot February 20th
- School Transportation Management
 - Pilot March 20th











LTAP WEBSITE UPDATES

- New Update January 17th
 - Build a Better Mousetrap Innovation Challenge button/page
 - New Pages and Descriptions
 - Webinars
 - Drop-In Sessions



The top entries will be submitted to the national Build a Better Mousetrap recognition program. Winners of the national program will be announced at the annual LTAP national conference in the summer. ✓ Municipality, County ✓ Contact Name, Phone, and Email ✓ Name for Innovation ✓ Brief Description ✓ A Photo or Video – More are welcome

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My Training Schedule Upcoming training, completed training and completion certificates	My Technical Assistance Requests Information on your current and past tech assist requests	My User Data and Roads Scholar Status Update your user information, view Roads Scholar status, and print certificates		
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MUNICIPAL SERVICES FISCAL OFFICE

KRISTEN SIMS ··· JANUARY 18, 2024



2023 MLF ALLOCATION

- 2023 MLF allocation \$470,202,682
 - 2022 MLF allocation \$455,885,000
 - \$14,317,682 (3.1%) increase
- As of January 11, 2024 \$466,942,301.17 released to 2,518 municipalities
 - · Payments released as municipalities become certified

MLF ALLOCATION HISTORY





PRIOR MLF ALLOCATION

- 2022 MLF allocation \$455,885,000
 - As of January 11, 2024 \$454,141,484.02 released to 2,539 municipalities
 - One municipality has CRP blocks
 - Allocation will lapse June 30, 2024
 - Certified letters will be mailed in April 2024

DECEMBER 2023 PAYMENTS

- The following payments were made on December 1, 2023
 - State Police Fines and Penalties to eligible municipalities \$3,409,584 (\$2,975,445 to municipalities, \$434,139 to PSP for cadet classes)
 - County Liquid Fuels Tax Fund to all counties \$14,204,538 (3 on hold)
 - Act 44 to eligible counties (61) \$5,000,000 (2 on hold)
 - Act 89 to eligible counties (61) \$4,682,000 (2 on hold)
 - \$5 Fee for Local Use to counties who have passed the required ordinance (26)
 \$20,401,445 (2 on hold)

Questions?

STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OFFICE

KEVIN TOBIAS ··· JANUARY 18, 2024



ELECTRIC VEHICLES

NATASHA FACKLER ··· JANUARY 18, 2024



EV REGISTRATIONS IN PA

Fuel type	12/29/2023	Percent Increase since March 7, 2023
BEV	61,794	41.3%
PHEV	35,575	49.2 %
HEV	270,262	21.9 %
Fuel Cell	1	0.0%
Total	367,632	27.1 %

Source: PennDOT registration database

EV REGISTRATIONS IN PA



PENNDOT NEVI ROUND 1 CONDITIONAL AWARDS



ROUND 1 CONDITIONAL AWARDS

pennsylvania Electric Vehicle Charging Stations 2023 National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Round 1 Awards 75 Existing NEVI Creditable Stations EV Alternative Fuel Corridors Interstate Planned NEVI Creditable Stations ---- US-Highway

- 56 projects within 37 counties
- \$34.8 million
- 24 projects in or within ¹/₂ mile of a Disadvantaged Community
- Typical Project Timeline 18-24 months



ROUND 1A TIMELINE

Activity	Date
Draft Priority Locations map released	October 3, 2023
Community outreach events (6)	October-November 2023
Networking event	November 13, 2023
Funding Opportunity released	November 13, 2023
Priority Locations map finalized	November 13, 2023
Deadline to submit technical questions	December 4, 2023
eGrants system opens for online proposals	December 11, 2023
Submit utility form to electric utility	Mid-November 2023 to Mid-January 2024
Deadline to submit online proposals	January 26, 2024, at 5:00 PM EST
PennDOT proposal review	February-April 2024
Conditional award notifications	May 2024
PennDOT NEPA process	May-July 2024
Agreement execution; notice to proceed	August-September 2024



ROUND 1A PRIORITY LOCATIONS





CONTACT INFORMATION

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PennDOT's Multimodal Transportation Fund



DAVID J. BRATINA JANUARY 18, 2024



MTF TIMELINE

- Application Window: September 25, 2023 November 13, 2023
- Central Office Review: November 14, 2023 December 31, 2023
- Correct Deficiencies & Review: January 1, 2024 February 23, 2024
- Prepare applications for Reviews: February 26, 2024 March 8, 2024
- CO, District, and MPO/RPO reviews: March 8, 2024 May 17, 2024
- Develop List of Recommendations: May 20, 2024 June 14, 2024
- Award Announcement: July 2024

LOCAL TRAFFIC COUNT AND HIGHWAY TRANSFER TURNBACK PROGRAMS

ZAC KOPINETZ ··· JANUARY 18, 2024



LOCAL TRAFFIC COUNTS

- Model Inventory of Roadway Elements (MIRE)
- Local Road Network
 - 74,884 miles
- Local Road Traffic Count Locations
 - 175,900 sites
- Local Count Program
 - 14,790 sites collected in 2022 and 2023
 - 8,017 sites scheduled for 2024 collection



TURNBACK PROGRAM

- The Highway Transfer (Turnback) Program has implemented a reimbursement agreement.
- FY 2023-24
 - 9 new turnback projects currently ongoing


LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

DAVID LAPADAT ··· JANUARY 18, 2024



PA Legislative Process Overview

- Any legislator can propose a bill.
- The bill must pass the standing committee, Appropriations Committee, and be considered on three separate days in the entire chamber.
- Amendments are voted on and a single version must pass identical versions of the bill
- The bill will become a law once after 10 days or once it is signed.
- Session lasts for two years
- 102-26-1



Transportation

- Design Build Best Value (HB 1833) Passed House
- Electric Vehicles (SB 656) In House Appropriations
- Automated Enforcement
 - School Bus Stop Arm (SB 851 Act 19 of 2023)
 - Work Zones (HB 1284 Act 38 of 2023)
 - Speed Enforcement/Roosevelt Blvd (HB 1284 Act 38 of 2023)
 - School Zones (HB 1284 Act 38 of 2023)
- State Police from Motor License Fund



5 MINUTE BREAK



PRESENTATIONS

- Pennsylvania's Master Plan for Older Adults Kevin Hancock
- 11th Edition of the MUTCD, Outdoor Advertising Control, Mid-Block and Trail Crossing Policy, and Traffic Calming Update – Bob Pento/Jason Bewley
- TAC Truck Parking Study Tom Phelan
- Automated Red Light Enforcement (ARLE) Steve Gault



PENNSYLVANIA'S MASTER PLAN FOR OLDER ADULTS

KEVIN HANCOCK ··· JANUARY 18, 2024







Aging Our Way, PA

Overview of Aging Our Way, PA

- On May 25, 2023, Governor Shapiro signed Executive Order (EO) 2023-09 Pennsylvania Master Plan for Older Adults. This EO directed the Pennsylvania Department of Aging and partners to evaluate issues facing older Pennsylvanians to support the development of Aging Our Way, PA. The plan has been recently renamed Aging Our Way PA.
- This plan is meant to cover a 10-year time period from 2024 to 2034 and includes goals, objectives, and initiatives
 that promote the health, well-being, and quality of life of Pennsylvania's older adult and disabled populations. The plan is
 to be designed to prepare the Commonwealth to deal with the continual changes associated with these demographic
 groups. The design of the plan is meant to allow for fluidity and change as needs change. The goals, objectives
 and initiatives will need to be adapted as we work toward a better Commonwealth for our aging and disabled population.
- The Governor initiated this planning process because we are a state that already has a large older adult and adult with disability population and that population is growing faster than any other demographic. Pennsylvania's service system and infrastructure are not currently able to support these large numbers of older adults according to many stakeholders and service providers. This challenge to capacity mandates a strategic approach to address gaps and to understand where those gaps present the greatest risk to the health, well being, and quality of life for older adults in the Commonwealth.
- Stakeholders, including older adults, caregivers, care partners, and individuals engaged in supporting these populations, were asked to identify what should be included as priorities for the plan. The Governor's appointed steering committee as well subject matter experts in topics related to the older adult experience used this information to articulate plan strategies and initiatives to be completed over the next 10 years.



Development Process

In addition to direct engagement with stakeholders, the plan development process involved all levels of government and partners in the private sector involved in older adult programming to consider implementation requirements for identified strategies and measure for success. These government and private sector partners included, but were not limited to:

- County and local government representatives
- Members of the Pennsylvania General Assembly and their staff
- Federal partners
- Members of the Executive Branch of State Government specifically those that are engaged with services and programs that intersect with older adults and adults with disabilities.
- Regional or statewide providers of transportation, housing, healthcare, LTSS, recreation, employment services, volunteer coordination, social engagement, behavioral health services, communication, and information distribution
- Subject matter experts in issues related to diversity, equity and health equity, inclusion, social participation and engagement, housing and homelessness, home maintenance, nutrition, safety, emergency management, pedestrian and disability access and mobility, library services, voting, and outdoor recreation.



Stakeholder Engagement



Stakeholder Priorities for the Plan



Updated 1-16-2024

AARPs' Domains of Age-Friendly Communities

Our discussion today will focus on the Domains for Age-Friendly Communities developed by the World Health Organization and adapted for the United States by AARP. These 8 domains provide a framework to further analyze and understand comments and input from engaged stakeholders. These domains allow for a holistic understanding of aging in our communities.





Stakeholder Engagement

Through the network of Area Agencies on Aging (AAAs), we held at least one listening session in every county in the Commonwealth.



• Emails (322)

- Comment Cards and Letters (593)
- Online Form Submissions (907)
- Listening Sessions and Townhalls (210 Sessions with 3,164 Responses)

4,983

Needs Assessment Survey

Telephone Survey (900)Distributed Responses (6,950)

7,000+



Plan Roadmap

The stakeholder engagement process identified a roadmap to guide the implementation of plan strategies and initiatives. These initiatives are designed to be specific and measurable actions to direct resources that address the barriers faced by older adults and include policy proposals, new programs or program changes, research proposals, proposed new and changed legislation, or funding requests, to support each strategy. The key focuses of this roadmap are:

- Unlocking Access: Initiatives will focus on equitable, affordable, and available options and opportunities that older adults may choose from for healthy and engaged lives, regardless of ability; socioeconomic status; racial, ethnic, linguistic, or cultural backgrounds; or geographical location.
- Aging in Community: Initiatives will remediate barriers that prevent older adults from remaining in their own homes, maintaining familiar surroundings, staying connected to their communities, and living in secure dwellings.
- Gateways to Independence: Initiatives will promote older adults' safe, convenient, and autonomous use of transportation and unhindered mobility.
- **Caregiver Supports**: Initiatives will build a comprehensive catalogue of supports and enhancements that provide caregivers with help at home, respite, training, and navigations tools.
- Education & Navigation: Initiatives will lead a pervasive, coordinated network of community and academic partners to raise public awareness of services for older adults, provide information that reaches everyone and is understandable by all, ensure timely and streamlined connection to assistance with any need, and resolve the challenging problems that older adults face in their daily lives.



Tactics by Priority

Each priority includes strategies and tactics.

The strategies identified are critical approaches to guide the implementation of each priority.

The tactics are specific and measurable actions to direct resources that address the barriers faced by stakeholders, including policy proposals, new programs or program changes, research proposals, proposed new and changed legislation, or funding requests, to support each strategy.





Aging in Community:

- Create or expand community planning and action grants and technical assistance opportunities to coordinate funding and resources for community infrastructure projects such as sidewalk repairs, transit stops, parking enhancements, and lighting.
- Encourage more localities to seek out AARP Age-Friendly designations and consider the designation in funding decision.
- Complete an analysis of existing sidewalk inventories in the Commonwealth, establish a statewide sidewalk data standard, and identify a funding source to perform and maintain a sidewalk quality map that will inform and prioritize future investments.
- Support PennDOT's Strategic Highway Safety Plan to support older adult driving, pedestrian, bicycle and transit safety.
- Prioritize funding for sidewalks in Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) grant programs.
- Develop a plan to expand affordability of dementia-friendly communities.
- Spread and fund Shared Housing and Research Exchange (SHARE) model to additional counties and expand the model to more populations including veterans and reentrants.

Aging in Community (Continued):

- Advocate for legislation that requires higher-density options, such as Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) or Elder Cottage Housing Opportunities (ECHOs), to be considered in local zoning and planning regulations.
- Propose tax-related changes which would make housing more affordable for older adult homeowners.
- Conduct research to identify priority communities in need of strategic recreation investments to increase available green spaces.
- Use data to prioritize communities without access to recreation areas and partner with county/local planners to improve access.
- Expand and fund innovative, unique, and creative models to expand housing opportunities.
- Develop and promote the creation of easy trail loops in community and state parks.



Education and Navigation:

- Offer and Promote ageism and ablism education and training for all employers conducting business in Pennsylvania.
- Expand education and training between public partners, community organizations, and stakeholders on alternative voting methods such as emergency ballot requests and mail-in ballots.
- Launch a campaign targeting local officials regarding housing needs, options available, successful initiatives, lessons learned, and zoning reforms that would allow for more diversity in housing options.
- Improve and increase the network of local community partners, organizations and places where older adults often look for resources, to enhance their awareness and connection to the Aging Network.
- Expand awareness of protocols for emergency communication, including in multiple languages and accessible formats, such as a dedicated helpline or text message alerts, to keep older adults informed during crises.
- Create a document for community partners that guides local implementation of Aging Our Way, PA and the development of local collaboration efforts.



Gateways to Independence:

- Advocate for increase coordination, through local development authorities, zoning, or other mechanisms, between
 retirement and older adult living developments in exurban and rural areas such that proximity to a community
 hospital and fixed route bus service is required.
- Conduct an evaluation and develop toolkits for county/municipal governments with best practices and issue any
 policy initiatives or funding ideas, with the goal to maintain and increase public transit services as well as fill in gaps
 with new and alternative ideas.
- Evaluate the inclusion and engagement of older adults and people with disabilities in Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and Rural Planning Organizations (RPOs) to advance aging and disability equity.
- Increase awareness and utilization of the PennDOT Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP), one of 52 LTAP centers across the nation (one in each state, Puerto Rico and one regional center serving Tribal communities).
- Collaborate with the Pennsylvania Broadband Development Authority (PBDA)to expand broadband access to rural Pennsylvanians by implementing the PBDA Digital Equity Plan.
- Expand models that support aging in community by supporting the development of independent and "visitable" living communities of various kinds to ensure that older adults at various income levels have options for downsizing or rightsizing their housing.

Unlocking Access:

- Expand models that support aging in community by supporting the development of independent and "visitable" living communities of various kinds to ensure that older adults at various income levels have options for downsizing or rightsizing their housing.
- Explore temporary housing options for older adults with complex medical needs who are transitioning from homelessness or institutional settings to permanent housing.
- Expand accessible voting sites that allow for disabled older adults to participate in all elections.



Questions?



TRAFFIC OPERATIONS

ROBERT PENTO, P.E. AND JASON BEWLEY, P.E. – JANUARY 18, 2024



TOPICS

- 11th Edition of the MUTCD
- Outdoor Advertising Control/Illegal Signs
- Mid-Block and Trail Crossing Policy
- Traffic Calming Policy

11TH EDITION OF THE MUTCD





MUTCD HISTORY



RULEMAKING MILESTONES

Dec. 14, 2020: Notice of Proposed Amendments posted

- May 15, 2021: Public comment docket closed
- Dec. 19, 2023: Final Rule published
- Jan. 18, 2024: Final Rule becomes effective
- Jan. 2028, 2032... MUTCD v12, v13 to be issued

Source: https://mutcd.fhwa.dot.gov/

MUTCD EXPANSION



2009 864 pages



2023 1161 pages



GENERAL FHWA COMPLIANCE DATE

By Jan. 18, 2026: Adopt MUTCD via FHWA approval

Three options:

Adopt national MUTCD in totality

Develop State MUTCD

Develop State Supplement to MUTCD

→ PA choice by regulation, 67 Pa Code § 212



NOTABLE CHANGES

MUTCD Section/Topic 1B.05 Experimentation

<u>Impact</u> Adds new process, streamlining option

1D.03 Engineering Judgment Clarifies roles of engineer, inc. study prep. and review needs

2B.21-25 Speed Limits

2L.02 Applications of CMS

2L.07 Safety Campaign Messages (CMS) Adds some parameters, but little change to existing processes

Changes CMS hierarchy and PII postings for AMBER alerts

Clarifies rules for safety messages



NOTABLE CHANGES

MUTCD Section/Topic

<u>Impact</u>

3C Crosswalk Markings

3H.03 Aesthetic Treatments

4 Signals and 6 TTC

4C Signal Warrants

Clarifies and adds many TS&L requirements, VRU-sensitive

Clarifies requirements such as appropriate colors and patterns

Adds more VRU-protection for accessibility features

Changes warrants to guidance, crash warrants revisited to be more-local



NOTABLE CHANGES

MUTCD Section/Topic

4I Accessible Ped Signals

- 4J Ped Hybrid Beacons
- 4F.19 EVP

4H Bike Signals

5 Automated Vehicles

<u>Impact</u>

- Changes APS requirements, inc. VRU
- Changes warrants
- Changes requirements, more VRUsensitive
- Significant changes, VRU context, extends to lane and staging TS&L
- Major additions to accommodate technology changes



FEDERAL CONFORMANCE

23 CFR § 655.603 *Standards: "...* Where State...Supplements are required, they shall be in substantial conformance with the national MUTCD. Substantial conformance means that the...Supplement shall conform as a minimum to the Standard statements included in the national MUTCD."

MUTCD v11 Chapter 1.C.01 Definitions: "Standard—a statement of required, mandatory, or specifically prohibitive practice regarding a traffic control device. In limited, location-specific cases, the results of a documented engineering study (see Section 1D.03) might indicate a deviation from one or more requirements of a Standard provision to be appropriate. All Standard statements are labeled, and the text appears in bold type. The verb "shall" is typically used. The verbs "should" and "may" are not used in Standard statements. Standard statements are sometimes modified by Option statements.

New Compliance Dates

Table 1B-1. Target Compliance Dates Established by the FHWA			
MUTCD Section(s)	Subject Area	Specific Provision	Compliance Date
2B.64	Weight Limit Signs	Paragraph 14 - requirement for additional Weight Limit sign with the advisory distance or directional legend in advance of applicable section of highway or structure	5 years from the effective date of this edition of the MUTCD
2C.25	Low Clearance Signs (W12-2)	Paragraph 1 - Required posting of the Low Clearance Advance (W12-2) sign in advance of the structure	5 years from the effective date of this edition of the MUTCD
2C.25	Low Clearance Signs (W12-2a, W12-2b)	Paragraph 8 - Recommended posting of Low Clearance Overhead (W12-2a or 12-2b) signs on an arch or other structure under which the clearance varies greatly	5 years from the effective date of this edition of the MUTCD
3A.05	Maintaining Minimum Retroreflectivity	Implementation and continued use of a method that is designed to maintain retroreflectivity of longitudinal pavement markings (see Paragraph 1 of Section 3A.05)	September 6, 2026
8B.16	High-Profile Grade Crossings	Paragraphs 3 and 7 - Recommended installation of Low Ground Clearance and/or Vehicle Exclusion signs and detour signs for vehicles with low ground clearances that might hang up on high- profile grade crossings at locations with a known history	5 years from the effective date of this edition of the MUTCD
8D.09 through 8D.12	Highway Traffic Signals at or Near Grade Crossings	Assessment and determination of appropriate treatment to achieve compliance (preemption, movement prohibition, pre-signals, queue cutter signals)	10 years from the effective date of this edition of the MUTCD

Source: MUTCD v11



67 Pa Code § 212.2 Adoption of Federal standards

(a) General provisions. "...Department hereby adopts the MUTCD, as published by the Federal Highway Administration. The MUTCD is adopted in its totality except where this chapter clearly indicates that it is not being adopted, or that additional warrants or criteria are being provided."

(b) *Modification of Federal statutes, regulations or provisions.* "...if the MUTCD is amended or modified by the Federal Highway Administration, the amendment will take effect on the effective date specified by the Federal Highway Administration unless the Department publishes a notice in the *Pennsylvania Bulletin* stating that the amendment or modification will not apply."

NOTE: <u>PA Bulletin notice was posted Jan. 6, 2024 (Click for link)</u>



TASKS FOR PENNDOT

- Ensure compliance with federal requirements
- Review Publication 212 format and content
- Review and track changes to pubs, standards, and forms
- Collaborate with stakeholders during transition period



OAC/ILLEGAL SIGNS UPDATE





STATUS

- Policy update in effect July 19, 2023
 - Increased emphasis on identifying and removing illegal signs in ROW
 - Documenting ID and removal for FHWA reporting

Resources

- Outdoor Advertising Control website
- OAC Outreach Guide (Pub. 930)
- ROW Encroachment and Outdoor Adv. Brochure
- Guidance for Campaign Signs




Pub. 23, Chapter 11 - Sign Removal Priority

- 1. Signs that pose an immediate safety hazard
- 2. Signs attached to the Department's official traffic control devices
- Signs that imitate
 Department approved traffic signs
- 4. Nuisance objects (small temporary signs)
- 5. All other encroaching signs







MID-BLOCK AND TRAIL **CROSSING POLICY** AND TRAFFIC CALMING POLICY UPDATES



MID-BLOCK AND TRAIL CROSSING POLICY

Background

- Establish guidance to standardize use of traffic control devices at midblock crosswalks and trail crossings on state and local roads
- Create clear procedures for requesting, installing, and maintaining midblock crosswalks and trail crossings

Status

- Draft policy issued for review in Fall 2023 and comments addressed
- Need to review for compliance with MUTCD 11^{th} Edition
- Expect to issue in Spring 2024
- Coordinate with LTAP on training and awareness







TRAFFIC CALMING POLICY

Background

- Replace Pub. 383 Traffic Calming Handbook with DM 2 Chp. 18 Traffic Calming.
- Includes decision tools, toolbox for each countermeasure, updated TE form and implementation flowchart.

Status

- Draft policy vetted through internal DM2 team process in 2023
- Draft policy will **soon** be issued for statewide review including external stakeholders.
 - Check for compliance with MUTCD 11th Edition
 - Will include information video to orient reviewers
- Expect to issue in 2024 date TBD
- Coordinate with LTAP on training and awareness



TAC TRUCK PARKING STUDY: FINAL PRESENTATION

TOM PHELAN·· JANUARY 18, 2024



PRESENTATION AGENDA

- Truck Parking: the Safety Perspective
- TAC Study: Prioritizing Truck Parking Needs in PA by Corridor
- Location Criteria for New & Expanded Truck Parking Capacity
- Study Recommendations
- Municipal Role in Addressing Truck Parking

The TAC report – *Expanding Truck Parking in Pennsylvania* – can be found here:

https://talkpatransportation.com/stay-informed/tac-studies

USDOT SAFETY PRIORITIES

- Drowsy drivers and FMCSA hours of service rules
- Trucks parked on highway shoulders and interchange ramps
- Truck driver safety and cargo security





CORRIDOR PRIORITIZATION



TIER I CORRIDORS

- I-76 from US-1 to I-95 in Philadelphia
- I-78 from Exit 49 (PA-100) to PA-NJ State Line
- I-79 from Ohio River to Exit 76 (PA Turnpike)
- I-81 from Carlisle to Susquehanna River
- I-81 from I-83 to I-78
- I-83 from US-322 to I-81
- I-95 in Philadelphia Area
- PA Turnpike (I-76) from Exit 57 (US-22) to Exit 75 (I-70)
- PA Turnpike (I-76) from Exit 298 (I-176) to Norristown (I-476)
- PA Turnpike (I-276) from Valley Forge (I-76) to I-95

POTENTIAL LOCATIONS



LOCATION CRITERIA

Table 5: Potential Truck Parking Site Evaluation Criteria

Evaluation Criteria	Description
Parcel Size	10 acres or more (acreage)
Designated Networks	5 miles or less from a prioritized highway corridor (NHFN, NHS) (Y/N)
Compatible Zoning	Zoned industrial or commercial (Y/N)
Industrial Park	Located in an existing or planned industrial park (Y/N)
Existing Truck Parking Facilities	Located adjacent to an existing truck parking facility, expansion of existing, or under construction (N/Existing/Expansion/Under Construction)
Brownfield	Brownfield redevelopment opportunity (Y/N)
Community Impact	Location is in proximity to local schools, daycare, neighborhoods, or environmental justice communities (per EPA's EJ Screen) (Y/N)
Access via CUFC/CRFC	Location is accessible to NHFN/NHS via CUFC/CRFC (Y/N)
Property Ownership	Property ownership (Public/Private)



FACILITY TYPES

Table 2: Types and Uses of Truck Parking Facilities

	Facility Type							
Parking Activity	Rest Area	Truck Stop	Industrial Park*	Emergency Parking Site				
Long-Term Rest	Х	✓	ОК	Х				
Short-Term Parking	✓	ОК	ОК	х				
Staging	ОК	ОК	~	х				
Emergency Operations	ОК	✓	ок	✓				

Ideally suited for this type of parking activity

- X = Not suited for this type of parking activity
- OK = Not ideally suited, but can be used if conditions allow
- *Industrial parks are ideally suited for parking activity associated with local deliveries.

Source: PennDOT Center for Program Development and Management



RECOMMENDATIONS & BEST PRACTICES



RECOMMENDATIONS

Cost of Real Estate

State and Federal Policy

regional forums.

Handbook.

planning.

with adjoining states.

14. Promote truck parking in national and

16. Develop a Pennsylvania Truck Parking

17. Integrate truck parking into regional

15. Undertake collaborative problem-solving

- 1. Reevaluate P3 opportunities.
- 2. Develop statewide incentives for providing truck parking.
- 3. Promote and pursue federal discretionary grants for truck parking.

Cost of Real Estate

What constrains

the private sector

demand?

POLICY

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Municipal / Regulatory

State and Federal Poli_{CL}

Availability of Appropriate Sites

- 4. Repurpose select state-owned surplus properties.
- 5. Identify potential sites at a regional level using the TAC methodology.
- Identify opportunities for shared parking and staging areas for multiple industrial sites.
- Integrate truck parking with economic 7. development projects.

Community / Quality of Life Concerns

- 8. Implement community compatibility best
- practices. 9. Designate emergency truck parking in appropriate areas.
- 10. Educate residents about the importance of truck parking.

Municipal / Regulatory

- 11. Update land use regulations (zoning and subdivision/land development) to include truck parking.
- 12. Address truck parking in county and local comprehensive plans.
- 13. Foster municipal involvement.

Institutional Initiatives

Availability of Rootopriate Sites

Community/ Quality

- 18. Designate a PennDOT Executive Sponsor for Truck Parking.
- 19. Establish an Implementation Task Force.

UPPER MACUNGIE TWP.

§27-601: Required Number of Parking Spaces

- Use Code E covers industrial uses, including warehousing, distribution, manufacturing, and truck terminals
- <u>Parking space requirement</u>: 1 per 1.2 employee, based upon the maximum number of employees on site at peak period of times (including any overlapping shifts) **plus one (1) ten-foot by eighty-foot (10' x 80') truck** staging parking space for every two (2) loading docks.

§27-603: Design Standards for Off-Street Parking

Subsection (F)(3): **Provide amenities within the warehouse structures, such as, but not limited to, a lounge for the operators of tractor/trailer motor vehicles, rest room facilities and the dispensing of food and beverages.** The size of the lounge shall have a proportionate relationship with the number of loading docks provided for the warehouse operation which shall equate to 10% of the number of loading docks but, in any event, no less of an area needed to accommodate five seats. This lounge area facility shall be in addition to similar facilities provided for on-site employees.

CASE STUDIES





DISCUSSION



AUTOMATED RED LIGHT ENFORCEMENT (ARLE) PROGRAM UPDATES



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AUTOMATED RED LIGHT ENFORCEMENT FUNDING PROGRAM

- Established by Act 123 of 2002 (and later amendments)
- ARLE Funding Program began in 2010
- Funding generated from net revenue of fines collected through ARLE Systems in Philadelphia
- Focus on improving highway safety and mobility

Round	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Apps	300	307	269	131	226	194	140	143	134	116	123	141	155	103
Awarded	128	27	47	32	41	22	27	41	50	40	16	28	36	<mark>39</mark>
Grant Funding*	\$17.3	\$3.0	\$4.6	\$9.2	\$6.3	\$5.7	\$6.0	\$11.5	\$15.4	\$13.1	\$8.2	\$12.9	\$15.1	<mark>\$13.3</mark>

*Millions

Preliminary, subject to final approval

http://www.dot.state.pa.us/Portal%20Information/Traffic%20Signal%20Portal/FUNDARLE.html

ARLE ELIGIBILITY

- Red light cameras are the funding source, not what grants need to be used for
- Safety and mobility projects at a relatively low cost
 - -Bicycle and pedestrian improvements
 - -Roadway safety, mobility and capacity upgrades
 - -Local Technical Assistance Program (LTAP) projects
 - -Traffic signal improvements

Eligible applicants

- Local authorities (counties, municipalities, and other local boards or bodies having authority to enact laws relating to traffic)
- -Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs)
- -Rural Planning Organizations (RPOs)
- -County Planning Organizations
- -Commonwealth agencies



INELIGIBLE PROJECTS

- Private developer HOP responsibilities
- Large projects that extend beyond purpose and intent of ARLE Funding Program
 - -New roads, bridges
 - Interchanges
 - Decorative street appurtenances
 - -Standard preventative or response maintenance



PROJECT DELIVERY & TIMELINE

Reimbursable costs

- -After date of fully executed reimbursement
- -Through construction completion (max 3 years after agreement executed)
- All invoices must be submitted to PennDOT within 3 months after PennDOT's acceptance of the project



PRE-APPLICATION SCOPING FORM

Save Print

Confirm eligibility

- Preliminary screening of project relative to competitive scoring criteria
- Identify necessary work to include in cost estimate
- Introduced in 2019, mandatory beginning in 2023
- Fillable form on ARLE website
- Submit via email to <u>ARLE@pa.gov</u> by April 30

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	(DESCRIBE ANT ADDITIONAL INFO	WATION THAT HELPS TO JUSTIET THE PRO	JJECT)
B - CRASH MODIF	ICATION FACTOR		
Purpose: The crash modified reduce the indicated type of	cation factor (CMF) identifies the a of crashes by 2.5%. Projects with a	nticipated safety benefits of the proposed lower CMF (higher crash reduction) will s	project. For example, a CMF of 0.975 indicates a countermeasure is expected to core more points in the safety evaluation for the ARLE Funding Program. The CMF
Clearinghouse website (htt	p://www.cmfclearinghouse.org/) co	ntains thousands of studies on safety ben	



FULL APPLICATION SUBMISSION

- Electronic Single Application for Assistance (ESA or eGrants)
 - -Originally developed by DCED
 - Many municipalities use for grants with other Commonwealth agencies
- Step-by-step instructions with screenshots in ARLE Program Guidelines on ARLE website
- Application window open June 1 June 30 annually
 - -Extended to the following Monday if June 30th falls on a weekend

APPLICATION REVIEW/AWARD

Scoring & ranking by Bureau of Operations

- Project Benefits
- District Ranking
- -Other Department Priorities
- -Local and Regional Impact
- Previous Project Results
- -Maintenance and Operations
- -Cost Sharing
- Awards determined by Selection Committee
 - -Four PennDOT executive members
 - -Four City of Philadelphia members

 Committee uses scoring as a guide, but can choose any project based on majority vote



PROJECT BENEFITS

Largest component of project score

- -67 Pa. Code §233.8(d)(2) anticipated safety benefits
- -67 Pa. Code §233.8(d)(3) estimated cost
- -67 Pa. Code §233.8(d)(5) results of similar types of projects
- Considers project benefit/cost ratio
- Project benefit
 - -Crash Modification Factor (CMF) for dominant project countermeasure derived from <u>CMF Clearinghouse</u>
 - -Change in crashes = Observed crashes *(1 CMF)
 - Weighted crash cost calculated with PennDOT average costs for fatal, suspected serious injury, suspected minor injury crashes
 - -Benefit = Change in crashes * Weighted crash cost
- Project cost = requested grant funding



PROJECT BENEFITS -> SCOPING REVIEW

• B/C > 1.0

- -Eligible and benefit exceeds grant cost
- -Good project

• 0 < B/C < 1

- -Meets eligibility requirements, but less competitive
- -Grant request exceeds estimated safety benefits
- -Suggestions:
 - Reduce costs not directly attributable to safety benefits
 - Provide or increase matching funds

• B/C <u><</u> 0

- -Eligible, but not competitive (doesn't address a safety issue)
- -One or both of the following apply:
 - No records of fatal/injury crashes at the project location in past 5 years
 - No demonstrated safety benefit with published CMF
- If no crash history, consider a different location



KEYS TO A BENEFICIAL PROJECT

- Do something which has a demonstrated safety benefit – Search CMF Clearinghouse for benefits
- Pick a location which has an existing crash issue
 - -5 most recent years of crash data are used for scoring
 - -Most benefits at a location with a fatal crash in the last 5 years
 - Property damage only (PDO) crashes are given "no safety benefit" as part of ARLE scoring

Make the grant cost effective

- Higher grant request \$\$ reduces B/C ratio
- -Reduce project cost
- Provide matching funds to lower the grant request



SUBSCRIBE FOR UPDATES

Notices for application periods

- Posted on Traffic Signal Portal: <u>www.dot.state.pa.us/signals</u>
- Published in *Pennsylvania Bulletin*
- Subscribe for updates
 - -Subscription link on Traffic Signal Portal





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SPRING MEETING: APRIL 25, 2024

In Person Preferred 1:00-3:00 PM @ Keystone Building 8N1 & via Microsoft Teams

Draft Topics:

Drones for Transportation Use PA Dirt and Gravel Roads PA Association of Asphalt Materials Applicators (PAAMA)



SUMMER MEETING: JULY 11, 2024

Virtual 1:00-3:00 PM via Microsoft Teams

Draft Topics: Your topic here TBD TBD TBD

