

PENNSYLVANIA PEDALCYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PPAC) MEETING

Date: Tuesday, July 14, 2026

Time: 12:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Location: The meeting will be held in-person with a virtual option.

Keystone Building
400 North Street, Harrisburg, PA
7 West 1 Conference Room

Remote Microsoft Teams Option

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PPAC MISSION

The powers and duties of the Pedalcycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee is to advise and comment on all phases of bicycling and pedestrian program activities being undertaken or financially assisted by the Department of Transportation (PennDOT), and other agencies of State government.

AGENDA

12:00 PM	Call to Order and Roll Call
12:05 PM	Approval of March 13, 2026 PPAC Minutes (Attachment A)
12:10 PM (10 minutes)	Recognition of Ross Willard (Attachment B) Presenter: Roy Gothie Objective: Inform
12:20 PM (15 minutes)	Legislative Update (Attachment C) Presenter: Nolan Ritchie, Executive Director Senate Transportation Committee Objective: Inform
12:35 PM (20 minutes)	Focus Topic 1 – PPAC Role in Providing Recommendations on Potential Policy/Legislation Statewide Relevance: Per Title 75 Section 3571(f): The powers and duties of the committee shall be to advise and comment on all phases of bicycling and pedestrian program activities being undertaken or financially assisted by the department and agencies of State government. Presenter: Hank Beaver, PennDOT Objective: Inform/Seek Input <i>PPAC Recommendation: Discuss and provide input on how PPAC handles policy and legislative topics.</i>

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12:55 PM (20 minutes)	Focus Topic 2 – The Growth of Gravel Cycling in Pennsylvania (Attachment D, E, and F) Statewide Relevance: Gravel Cycling is a rapidly growing sector of cycling. As more people move away from traditional road cycling due to concerns about safety and traffic, gravel biking is picking up new users. Organizations such as regional destination marketing organizations or individual counties are formally establishing curated routes and promoting them for tourism. Presenter: Helena Kotala Objective: Inform <i>PPAC Recommendation: No action required.</i>
1:15 PM (20 minutes)	Focus Topic 3 – Vulnerable Road User (VRU) Education for People Renewing Driver’s License (Attachment G) Statewide Relevance: Education about new types of road treatments such as green paint and awareness of laws such as the 4-foot law infrastructure as part of driver’s license renewal should be a focus to keep communities and vulnerable road users safe. Presenter: Adriana Hursch Objective: Seek Input/Recommend <i>PPAC Recommendation: Discuss topic and provide input on VRU Education related to Driver’s License Renewal.</i>
1:35 PM (5 minutes)	Agency Update Written Reports Included with Agenda Materials / Committee Q&A Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) Update (Attachment H) Presenter: Alex MacDonald, DCNR Department of Health (DOH) Update (Attachment I) Presenter: Sam Pearson, Pennsylvania Downtown Center PennDOT Update Presenter: Trish Meek, PennDOT
1:40 PM (10 minutes)	Member Roundtable (Brief Input & Reflections)
1:50 PM (10 minutes)	Public Comment
2:00 PM	Adjournment

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Attachments:

- A - Draft March 13, 2026 PPAC Meeting Minutes
- B - Recognition of Ross Willard – PPAC Agenda Submission Form
- C - Legislative Update
- D - The Growth of Gravel Riding in Pennsylvania – PPAC Agenda Submission Form
- E - Gravel Conference Report 2022
- F - Gravel Recommendations Report
- G - VRU Education for People Renewing Driver's License – PPAC Agenda Submission Form
- H - DCNR Update
- I - DOH Update