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October 14, 2025

Dear Metropolitan Planning Organization Director:

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is pleased to provide you with the calendar year (CY) 2026 national performance program state safety targets. MDOT appreciates your participation and contribution to the state target setting coordination process. The following state safety targets reflect those discussed in the target coordination session held on August 19, 2025.

Safety Performance Measure (5-year rolling average)	Baseline Condition	2026 State Safety Target
Fatalities	1,107.8	1,094.7
Fatality Rate Per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)	1.165	1.100
Serious Injuries	5,758.2	5,744.5
Serious Injury Rate per 100 million VMT	6.049	5.772
Nonmotorized Fatalities and Serious Injuries	749.2	789.8

In accordance with 23 CFR §490.105(f)(1), Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) shall establish safety targets no later than 180 days after MDOT establishes the state targets in the Michigan Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) annual report. MDOT submitted Michigan's HSIP annual report on August 31, 2025, and MPOs are required to report the metropolitan planning area CY 2026 safety targets to MDOT by February 27, 2026.

For each performance measure, MPOs shall establish targets for the metropolitan planning area by either (1) agreeing to plan and program projects so that they contribute toward the accomplishment of the relevant state target for that performance measure, or (2) committing to a quantifiable target for that performance measure for the metropolitan planning area [23 CFR §490.105(f)(3)]. For example, an MPO can elect to plan and program projects toward accomplishing state targets for two measures and develop quantifiable metropolitan planning area targets for the remaining three measures.

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If an MPO elects to develop a quantifiable metropolitan planning area target for one or more safety measures, the MPO is required to coordinate the target development process with MDOT.

Thank you again for your commitment to improving traffic safety in Michigan. Questions regarding the national performance program requirements including coordination for developing quantifiable metropolitan planning area targets should be directed to Kelly Travelbee at (517) 898-4875 or TravelbeeK@Michigan.gov. Questions regarding statewide planning processes should be directed to myself or John Lanum at (517) 243-3554 or LanumJ@Michigan.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Don Mayle", is positioned above the typed name.

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