

Transit Authority (MART), Metrowest Regional Transit Authority (MWRTA), Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority (MVRTA), Nantucket Regional Transit Authority (NRTA), Pioneer Valley Transit Authority (PVRTA), Southeastern Regional Transit Authority (SRTA), Vineyard Transit Authority (VTA), and the Worcester Regional Transit Authority (WRTA).

The Massachusetts Performance-Based Planning and Programming agreement outlines mutual responsibilities in carrying out performance-based planning and programming among applicable metropolitan planning organizations, states, and public transportation operators.

The Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization (SMMPO) signed the Massachusetts PBPP Agreement on April 16, 2019.

Full text of the agreement can be found at the end of this appendix.

Conclusions

Although the SMMPO is not the primary governing body nor has the authority to initiate improvement projects, the information brought to it as part of the evaluation process provides the means for the SMMPO to justify that a project has merit, and public investment through the TIP process is valid. The performance measures provide SRPEDD as the technical support to the SMMPO, the ability to identify for local, regional, state, and federal partners the significance of problems to be addressed in future planning and improvement efforts.

Recommendation

1. The SMMPO, through SRPEDD continue to strive towards meeting both Agency and Statewide goals through use of performance measures and evaluation criteria.
2. The SMMPO, through SRPEDD continue to monitor and report on progress towards meeting Agency and Statewide goals in all applicable documents.