

West Alabama Rural Planning Organization
Policy, Technical Coordinating, and Citizens Transportation Advisory Committees
Friday, November 3, 2023, 10:30 a.m.
West Alabama Regional Commission
Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Roll call (Sign-In Sheet) and Introductions
3. Approval of previous meeting minutes (Separate documents) (Action required)
 - a. CTAC - Each county
 - b. TCC
 - c. Policy Committee
4. Communications from the presiding officer
5. Report of officers and committees
 - a. Vacancy report (Page 2)
 - TCC Committee – Alabama Transportation Institute (ATI) addition (Action required)
 - b. Safety discussion
 - Annual safety observation report (Page 3 and Web Map)
 - New observations
 - c. Tuscaloosa Area MPO report (Page 4)
 - d. Community Report (Pages 5-7)
 - e. Project status report (Pages 8-10)
 - f. Environmental and social maps and databases
 - Updated U.S. Congressional Districts Map (Separate document)
6. Old Business
 - Items as needed
7. New Business
 - a. FY 2023 RPO Review Report (Page 11)
 - b. Verify next meetings dates and times (Page 12)
 - c. Other items as needed
8. Presentation – Alta Planning + Design, Inc – Sweet Trails Alabama
9. Invitation to interested persons regarding matters not included on the agenda
10. Adjournment (Time: _____)

The next Policy Committee meeting will be February 9, 2024, 10:30 a.m.

Vacancy Report

West Alabama RPO
November 2023

1. Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC)

- Pickens County -1

2. Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC)

- Railroad Representative

Annual Safety Observation Report - Fiscal Year 2023

NO.	COUNTY	LOCATION	SUGGESTION	DATE-ORIGINAL	SUGGESTED BY	JURISDICTION	STATUS
H23-1	Hale	Main Street in Greensboro	More speed limit signage needed	1/17/2023	Mr. Dyess	County Engineer	Issue needs to be addressed locally
L23-1	Lamar	SR-17 from Millport to Fernbank Rd	Luxapallila Creek's water drainage issue effecting SR-17	1/19/2023	Whole Committee	ALDOT	Federal involvement in progress
B23-1	Bibb	SR-5 from Wal-Mart to roundabout	Area could use more reflectors and striping to aid night traffic	1/23/2023	Ms. Craighead	ALDOT	ALDOT will review
F23-1	Fayette	SR-129 near MM 6	Roadway culvert depression in southbound lane	1/24/2023	Mayor Dunavant	ALDOT	Work done off the pavement
F23-2	Fayette	SR-129 and SR-233	Roadway depression spanning the roadway	1/24/2023	Mayor Dunavant	ALDOT	ALDOT will review
P23-1	Pickens	SR-17 Between Carrollton and Aliceville	Roadway deteriorating needs resurfacing	1/26/2023	Mr. Tate	ALDOT	Resurfacing scheduled
P23-2	Pickens	County Rd. 2	Bad washouts on shoulders	1/26/2023	Mr. Garrison	County Engineer	Some work done in the area
P23-3	Pickens	SR-14 east of State Line	Sholder washed out on the right side of highway.	1/26/2023	Mt. Tate	ALDOT	ALDOT has reviewed the area.
P23-4	Pickens	County Rd 23 near County Rd 13	Culvert was replaced leaving deep drop offs on each side or road. Needs guardrail of warning notifications.	1/26/2023	Ms. Gipson	County Engineer	
P23-6	Pickens	SR-86	Brick columns across from farmer's market in Carrollton may be in ROW.	7/28/2022	Mr. Tate	ALDOT	Brick columns removed
P23-5	Pickens	SR-17 & 3rd Ave NE	4 way stop needs to be removed due to additional stop on Memorial Pkwy.	1/26/2023	Mr. Tate	ALDOT	Pending City Action

**Tuscaloosa Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
Report
November 2023**

1. Meetings (Meetings will be both in-person at WARC and virtual)

- MPO Policy Committee: Monday, December 11, 2023, 2:00 p.m.
- MPO Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC): Thursday, December 7, 2023, 1:30 p.m.
- MPO Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC): Tuesday, December 5, 2023, 5:00 p.m.
- MPO Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee (BPC), Monday, December 4, 2023, 10:00 a.m.

2. Scheduled Work

- *Fiscal Years 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) – Amendments*
- *2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) – Projects*
- New Targets for the Federal Performance Measures

3. Public Meetings

- Not Applicable

West Alabama Rural Planning Organization
Community Report

Subject	Source	Type	Town	County	Comments	Month/year
SFC Jimmie Lee Lott Sr. Memorial Highway	Centreville Press	Roadway	Centreville	Bibb	A portion of Highway 219 North was named in honor of Jimmie Lee Lott Sr.	September 22, 2023
Recycling Grant	The Times Record	Grant	County	Fayette	The Fayette Co. Commission received approval for a \$85,000 grant for the county's recycling program.	July 19, 2023
Verda Mae's Bakery	The Times Record	Business	Fayette	Fayette	Now Open	August 9, 2023
Fannie's Bistro and Resturant	The Times Record	Business	Fayette	Fayette	Now Open	October 4, 2023
AARP Grant	The Times Record	Grant	Hubbertville	Fayette	The Hubbertville Community Foundation received a \$25,000 grant from AARP for improvements at the White Chapel Community Center.	July 28, 2023
County Road 213	Greene County Democrat	Bridge Replacement	County	Greene	Thee Greene Co. Commission met to approve a resolution for an ADEM wastewater grant of \$150,000 to replace timber bridge over Minter Creek	June 28, 2023
Greene County Housing Authority	Greene County Democrat	Grant	County	Greene	The Greene County Housing Authority received a grant of \$2,306,496 from the HUD Housing Related Hazards program.	September 27, 2023
Firehouse Grant	Greene County Democrat	Grant	Eutaw	Greene	The City of Eutaw accepted a grant of \$38,733 frpm Firehouse Sub Sandwich Co. for the Eutaw Volunteer Fire Dept.	July 19, 2023
Greene County Historical Society	Greene County Independent	Grant	Eutaw	Greene	The Greene Co. Historical Society received a grant from the Ala Historical Commission for \$361,500 for repairs to old Courthouse.	August 16, 2023

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Greene County Courthouse	Greene County Democrat	Courthouse	Eutaw	Greene	The Greene County Commission was awarded a \$361,500 grant by the Alabama Historical Commission for repairs to the inside of the historic old Courthouse on the central square in Eutaw.	September 13, 2023
Lamar County Airport	The Lamar Democrat	Airport	County	Lamar	Now Closed	July 27, 2023
Hatley/Detroit and Sipsey Rd.	The Lamar Democrat	Repaving	County	Lamar	The Lamar Co. Commission awarded a bid to ST Bunn for thr Hatley/Detroit and Sipsey Rd. repaving projects.	July 27, 2023
Lamar County Airport	The Lamar Democrat	Airport	County	Lamar	The Lamar County Commission voted to transfer ownership of the Lamar County Airport to the Vernon Industrial Board.	September 28, 2023
Dollar General Market	Lamar Leader	Retail	Sulligent	Lamar	Open in October	July 26, 2023
Community Development Grant	The Lamar Democrat	Grant	Sulligent	Lamar	The City of Sulligent was awarded a Community Development Grant from the University of Alabama ENI program for \$80,000 to establish a park at the old Ogden home location.	July 27, 2023
Federal Transportation Alternative Program	The Lamar Democrat	Grant	Vernon	Lamar	The City of Vernon has been approved by the FTA for a sidewalk grant of \$300,475.97 for new sidewalks along Hwy 17 N., Hwy 18 N., Butler Circle, and 5th St SW	September 21, 2023
Whatley Health Services	Pickens County Herald	Health Clinic	Aliceville	Pickens	Now open	July 19, 2023
Fisher Dental	Pickens County Herald	Dentist	Aliceville	Pickens	Now Open	August 16, 2023
Tourism Grant	Pickens County Herald	Grant	Carrollton	Pickens	The Town of Carrollton was awarded a \$3900 tourism grant for advertising the Fall Festival.	August 9, 2023

RPO TCC Project Status Report - November 2023

Sponsor	Tracking Number	CPMS Number(s)	Description	Type of Work	Status	County	Funds
ALDOT	A104	100049166; 100049167	SR-5 over Blue Girth Creek and Relief (BINs 002651 and 002650)	Bridge Replacement	Construction underway	Bibb	Bridge
ALDOT	A145	100052770; 100052771; 100052772	SR-5 from CR-58 to existing 4-Lanes 0.21 south of UD-82 (SR-6)	Add Lanes	Scheduled to be let in 2050	Bibb	NHS
ALDOT	A189	100075379	Micro-Surfacing on SR-25 from Hale County line to SR-5	Resurfacing	Scheduled to let late 2023	Bibb	
ALDOT	A109	100061533; 100038407; 100038406	SR-13 over Clear Creek (BIN 005845) bridge replacement and bridge removal over Southern Railroad (Abandoned) (BIN 005846)	Bridge Replacement and Bridge Removal	Scheduled to let in Winter 2030	Fayette	Bridge
ALDOT	A188		SR-171 at SR-18 Northeast and Northwest parts of intersection	Widen to Aid with Truck Turning Movements	Construction to begin late Fall 2023	Fayette	ATRIP-II
ALDOT	A150	100044856; 100044858; 100044859; 100044857	US-43 (SR-171) from 23rd Street NW to Wise Road (CR-32) at CR-38	Widen, Vertical Realignment, Turn Lanes	Scheduled to be let in the Fall of 2050	Fayette	STP-AA
ALDOT	A190	100077002	Micro-Surfacing and Scrub Seal on SR-159 from the Pickens County line to SR-171	Resurfacing	Scheduled to let Spring 2024	Fayette	
ALDOT	A175	100068371	Eutaw Courthouse Square - Near and around	Streetscape Improvements	Scheduled for 2024	Greene	TAP
ALDOT	A177	100069094	I-20/59	Resurfacing	Scheduled to let in Winter 2024	Greene	IM
ALDOT	A151	100048624; 100051515; 100051516; 100048625	SR-14 from Eutaw Avenue to Constantine Street in the City of Eutaw	Realignment	Scheduled to be let in 2052	Greene	NHS
ALDOT	A191	100070679; 100070680; 100070681	Bridge Replacement on SR-14 over the Sipsey River	Bridge Replacement	Scheduled to let Fall 2024	Greene	
ALDOT	A192	100075049; 100075048; 100074556	Bridge Replacements on SR-7 (US-11) over Spencers Creek and over Sims Creek	Bridge Replacement	Scheduled to let Winter 2025	Greene	
ALDOT	A121	100060103	Greene and Pickens Counties curb and ramp installation on state routes at various locations (Sidewalks)	Curb and Ramp Installation	Project under construction	Greene and Pickens	STP-AA
ALDOT	A122	100060105	Hale and Perry Counties curb and ramp installation on state routes at various locations (Sidewalks)	Curb and Ramp Installation	Completed 10/13/2023	Hale	STP-AA
ALDOT	A181	100064688	Prairie Creek Wetland Mitigation Area	Wetland Mitigation	Scheduled for local letting Fall 2023	Hale	STPAA
ALDOT	A155	100074558	West Alabama Highway (Design Build)	SR-69 expansion and new roadway around Greensboro and Moundville	Linden bypass underway. Design and ROW phases underway in Greensboro and Moundville	Hale and Tuscaloosa	Rebuild
ALDOT	A126	100002717; 100045191; 100002715; 100064122	SR-17 over Butahatchee River (BIN 002561) and relief bridges (BINs 002557, 002558, 002559, and 002560)	Bridge Replacement - Multiple	Scheduled to let in 2028	Lamar	Bridge

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ALDOT	A185	100068804; 100068805; 100068806; 100068807	US-278 (SR-118) over Bogue Creek (BIN 001818 and 001819)	Bridge Replacement	Survey complete; Design under way; Scheduled to let in Fall 2024. Public meeting scheduled for 11/6/2023	Lamar	Bridge
ALDOT	A193	100075343	Resurfacing and 2' Safety Widening on SR-17 from Old Reform Road to CR-9	Resurfacing	Scheduled to let Winter 2024	Lamar	
ALDOT	A194	100075346	Resurfacing and 2' Safety Widening on SR-18 from the Mississippi state line to 0.25 mile east of CR-31	Resurfacing	Scheduled to let Spring 2024	Lamar	
ALDOT	A195	100075055; 100075054; 100075051	Bridge Replacement on SR-6 (US-82) 0.2 mile east of Hargrove Church Road	Bridge Replacement	Scheduled to let Spring 2026	Pickens	
ALDOT	A196	100073777	Resurfacing on SR-6 (US-82) from 1 mile east of the Reform City Limits to 4th Avenue Southeast	Resurfacing	Scheduled to let late 2023	Pickens	
ALDOT	A130	100049165; 100060609; 100060610	SR-14 over Lubbug Creek (BIN 002672)	Bridge Replacement	Project let July 28th, 2023	Pickens	Bridge
ALDOT	A134	100032475; 100032478; 100032473; 100032474	US-82 (SR-6) from west of Gordo to the Tuscaloosa County Line (Gordo Bypass)	Add Lanes - Grade, Drain, Base, Pave, and Bridge	Grade and drain is complete; base, pave should be let in Spring 2024	Pickens	NHS
Bibb County	B120		CR-2 from SR-25 to SR-139	Resurfacing, Leveling, Striping/Marking	Complete	Bibb	Rebuild Fed Aid
Bibb County	B122		CR-22 from CR-12 to CR-21	Full Depth Reclamation; Resurfacing	Contract awarded, waiting on construction to begin	Bibb	Rebuild
Fayette County	F100		CR-36	Culvert Replacement	In Bid Advertisement	Fayette	Rebuild
Fayette County	F101		CR-23	Resurfacing	Under Construction	Fayette	Rebuild
Fayette County	F102		CR-26	Resurfacing	Under Construction	Fayette	Rebuild
Fayette County	F103		Pea Ridge Rd	Resurfacing	Under Construction	Fayette	Rebuild
Fayette County	F104		Adams Rd	Resurfacing	Under Construction	Fayette	Rebuild
Fayette County	F105		Avery Gray Rd	Resurfacing	Under Construction	Fayette	Rebuild
Fayette County	F106		Bays Lake Rd	Resurfacing	Under Construction	Fayette	County
Fayette County	F107		Hart Line Rd	Resurfacing	Under Construction	Fayette	County
Fayette County	F108		Palastine Rd	Resurfacing	Under Construction	Fayette	County

Sponsor	Tracking Number	CPMS Number(s)	Description	Type of Work	Status	County	Funds
Greene County	G115		CR-18 from US-43 to Trout Lane	Resurfacing	Project Complete	Greene	Rebuild
Greene County	G123		Choctaw Rd - 0.9 miles	Resurfacing	Project Complete	Greene	Rebuild
Greene County	G124		CR-117 - 1 Mile	Resurfacing	Project Complete	Greene	Rebuild
Greene County	G125		CR-120 - 0.2 miles	Road Reconstruction	Project Complete	Greene	Rebuild
Hale County	H121	10060339	Greer Creek Road (CR-40) over tributary to Greer Creek (BIN 6854)	Bridge Replacement	Project under construction	Hale	BR-ATRIP
Hale County	H123		CR-10	Full Depth Reclamation and Spot Resurfacing	Plan to start hot-mix patching the first part of June 2023	Hale	
Lamar County	L111		Aberdeen Road near bridge over Wilson Creek	Spot Leveling	FY2023 Annual Bid - Waiting on contractor	Lamar	RRR
Lamar County	L113		Fernbank Road from Mud Creek Road to Mississippi State Line	Patching, Leveling, Resurfacing, Traffic Stripe	FY2024 County Transportation Plan	Lamar	Rebuild
Lamar County	L121		Conklan Road	Patching, Triple Surface Treatment, Striping/Marking	Under Construction - Waiting on final striping	Lamar	Rebuild
Lamar County	L122		Hatley Detroit Road/Sipsev Fork Road	Patching, Triple Surface Treatment, Striping/Marking	Under Construction - Waiting on final striping	Lamar	Rebuild
Lamar County			Lost Creek Road from AL-17 to Mississippi State Line	Patching, Triple Surface Treatment, Striping/Marking	FY2024 County Transportation Plan	Lamar	Rebuild
Pickens County	P129		CR-76 from SR-159 to County Line	Leveling. Base Failure Repair		Pickens	Rebuild
Pickens County	P119	100042877	Pickens County Airport - Purchase and install drain pipe, remove obstructions, and windsock	Airport Improvement	Under Construction	Pickens	AERO
Pickens County	P134		Sentel Rd	Level and Resurface	Planned	Pickens	ARPA
Pickens County	P135		Franconia and Bonner Mill Rds	Patching, Spot Leveling, and Resurfacing	Complete	Pickens	ARPA
Pickens County	P136		CR-3	Level and Resurface	Under Construction	Pickens	ARPA
Pickens County	P137		Reform-Gordo Rd	Spot Leveling	Planned	Pickens	ARPA

FY 2023 West Alabama Rural Planning Organization (RPO) Review

1) Public Involvement

- a) 18 RPO Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) meetings held
 - Meetings held within the RPO counties at publicly accessible locations in Brent (Bibb Co), Fayette (Fayette Co), Eutaw (Greene Co), Moundville (Hale Co), Vernon (Lamar Co), and Carrollton (Pickens Co)
 - A quorum was achieved in 16 of the 18 meetings
- b) ALDOT STIP Public Involvement meetings
 - Eight meetings held in conjunction with the scheduled RPO meetings
 - Presentations by ALDOT representatives at each meeting
 - Total attendance of 83 people

2) Safety

- a) 11 RPO Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) safety observations received
 - Eight Observations on ALDOT roadways and three observations on Local roadways
 - Observations reported to the RPO Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) and The RPO Policy Committee for their review
- b) Annual safety reports created, showing county level crash information for each of the six RPO counties

3) Transit

- a) Four transit grant applications processed from RPO counties
 - Three 5310 applications
 - One 5311 application

4) GIS

- a) Five RPO Interactive web maps updated and posted to the WARC website
 - West Alabama RPO Project Status – Interactive Map
 - West Alabama RPO Traffic Counts – Interactive Map
 - West Alabama RPO County Features Hub - Interactive Map
 - West Alabama RPO Safety Observations – Interactive Map
 - West Alabama Health Facility Locator – Interactive Map

5) Presentations

- a) Four presentations were given at the RPO Policy Committee Meetings
 - November – Louis C. Cardinal – Alabama Infrastructure Bank overview
 - February – Anthony Perkins - Army Corps of Engineers overview
 - May – David Kemp – ALDOT Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)
 - August – Silvana Croope – Rteam resiliency program

West Alabama Rural Planning Organization

Fiscal Year 2024 Meeting Schedule

Policy Committee - All Policy Committee meetings will be held at the WARC offices in Northport.

1. Friday, November 3, 2023 - 10:30 a.m. (Combined Policy, TCC, and CTAC)
 2. Friday, February 9, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.
 3. Friday, May 10, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.
 4. Friday, August 9, 2024 - 10:30 a.m.
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Technical Coordination Committee (TCC) - All TCC meetings will be held at the WARC offices in Northport.

1. Friday, November 3, 2023 - 10:30 a.m. (Combined Policy, TCC, and CTAC)
 2. Thursday, February 8, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.
 3. Thursday, May 9, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.
 4. Thursday, August 8, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.
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Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC)

1. Friday, November 3, 2023 - 10:30 a.m. - At the WARC offices in Northport (Combined Policy, TCC, and CTAC)
2. Six meetings to be held in late January 2024 in the six counties of the RPO:
 - A. Bibb County - Monday, January 22, 2024, 6:00 p.m. - Brent City Hall, 22 1st Street, Brent, AL
 - B. Fayette County - Tuesday, January 23, 2024, 5:00 p.m. - Fayette County Commission Chamber, 103 1st Avenue NW, Fayette, AL
 - C. Greene County - Wednesday, January 24, 2024, 11:00 a.m. - James C. Poole Library, 219 Prairie Avenue, Eutaw, AL
 - D. Hale County - Tuesday, January 16, 2024, 5:00 p.m. - Moundville Library, 279 Market Street, Moundville, AL
 - E. Lamar County - Thursday, January 18, 2024, 6:00 p.m. - Vernon City Hall, 44425 Highway 17, Vernon, AL
 - F. Pickens County - Thursday, January 25, 2024, 9:00 a.m. - Pickens County Commission Chamber, 20 Phoenix Avenue, Carrollton, AL
3. Six meetings to be held in late April 2024 in the six counties of the RPO:
 - A. Bibb County - Monday, April 22, 2024, 6:00 p.m. - Brent City Hall, 22 1st Street, Brent, AL
 - B. Fayette County - Tuesday, April 23, 2024, 5:00 p.m. - Fayette County Commission Chamber, 103 1st Avenue NW, Fayette, AL
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4. Six meetings to be held in late July 2024 in the six counties of the RPO:
 - A. Bibb County - Monday, July 22, 2024, 6:00 p.m. - Brent City Hall, 22 1st Street, Brent, AL
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