

**KYOVA INTERSTATE PLANNING COMMISSION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2026**

1. Barry Adkins – City of Ashland
2. Manuch Amir - EXP
3. Patrick Anater – HDR
4. Gina Balsamo – CMT
5. Nicki Barnette – Village of Barboursville
6. Emily Bumgarner - EXP
7. Brian Carr – WVDOH
8. Brian Chapman – WVDOH
9. Steve Cole – Thoroughbred Engineering
10. Ella Donley – B&N
11. Allison Fluitt – KH
12. Toni Perry Gillespie - ODOT
13. Sam Granato - ODOT
14. Kara Greathouse – FHWA
15. Melanie Haake – FTA R3
16. Bobby Hall – Greenup County
17. Katie Hastings – WVDOH
18. Tonya Higdon – FHWA KY
19. Buford Hurley - Flatwoods
20. Blake Jones – KYTC D9
21. Ralph Kline – Lawrence County
22. Patrick Leighty – Lawrence County Engineer
23. Tony Maietta – EPA R5
24. Mike Maynard – Hillcrest-Bruce Mission
25. Emma Moreo – KY DAQ
26. Jeffery Mace - RIC
27. Claire Oyler – KY DAQ
28. Zane Parsley – City of Huntington
29. Mike Payne – LCT
30. Rob Pennington – Michael Baker
31. Darryl Phillips – HDR
32. Robin Rohauer - Ashland
33. Saleem Salameh – KYOVA
34. Terri Sicking - KYOVA
35. Jody Sigmon – KYOVA
36. Scott Thompson – ODOT D9
37. Whitney Thompson – Village of Barboursville
38. Katherine Utsinger – City of Ashland
39. Sam Wallace – FHWA OH
40. Bethany Wild - KYOVA
41. Thomas Witt – KYTC

- 42. Tim Wright - FIVCO
- 43. Paul Young – KYOVA

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

Patrick Leighty called the meeting to order and requested self-introductions from those in attendance.

2. MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING AS DISTRIBUTED

Meeting minutes for the February 24, 2026 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting were presented to the TAC.

3. KYOVA TRANSPORTATION STUDIES UPDATE

- **CABELL/WAYNE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION LAND USE STUDY** – Rob Pennington gave an update on the study which is looking at current and future development in Cabell and Wayne Counties and the impact on the transportation network. Projects from the 2050 MTP were evaluated to determine how they would impact the transportation network if implemented. Project identification is coming up next. Final submission will be June 2026.
- **SS4A SAFETY ACTION PLAN** – Ella Donley gave an update on the SAP. A logo and for the Safety Action Plan have been developed. To date, they have looked at demographics in the area and identified areas with the greatest transportation need and conducted a document review. A website has also been created. Regional crash trends assessment to look at where more data is needed and identifying the top corridors. The plan will include emphasis area assessments, high injury network and countermeasure identification. A kickoff meeting will be held May 27th at 1:30pm at KYOVA's office.
- **KYOVA FREIGHT PLAN** – Patrick Anater with HDR gave an update on the plan. Several concurrent tasks are ongoing including coordination with KH on CMP and Model information. A draft stakeholder outreach plan is in development. Future years show slight increase in truck volumes – not too significant, but where the highest volumes tells a different story. This will be the basis for identification of truck network. They are looking at delay & vehicle hours traveled and freight movement impacts to current and future TIP & MTP projects. Stakeholder coordination and outreach are continuing. HDR is also evaluating clearances of oversized freight which will be identified as bottlenecks.
- **CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROCESS & TRAVEL DEMAND MODEL** – Allison Fluitt gave an update on the CMP & TDM. They are identifying new congested corridors as update to 2014 plan. TDM is complete. CMP work includes defining the network & moving into development of multimodal performance measures. This is related to system performance - TTI & vehicle hours of delay. Highlighted corridors include I-64, US 52, US 60, WV 2, & SR 7. Work will continue on network development & coordination with other KYOVA studies. KH is also researching policies and strategies for the toolbox. There was a question about whether intersections will be addressed – strategies identification will look more at intersections vs corridors. There will be a separation between Safety or Operations projects as causes of congestion.
- **BEECH FORK CONNECTOR ROAD STUDY** – Gina Balsamo gave an update on the Beech Fork Study. Updated mapping shows the marina & campground as well as the lake & land ownership. Different routes show 3 options & drive time to each locations. Previous study review & current conditions assessment is ongoing. The last 5 years of data show

increased employment & visitor rates, tourism spending. Upcoming meetings – stakeholder meeting & open house on May 6th @ Wayne County Courthouse – 4:30-6pm.

- **US 52/SR 93 STORMS CREEK ACCESSIBILITY STUDY** – Contract has recently been signed and we are working on getting a stakeholder meeting scheduled.
- **BARBOURSVILLE CSX UNDERPASS DRAINAGE STUDY** – Working with DOH to get NTP issued so project can begin. 6-month schedule.

4. AMENDMENT #4 TO THE KYOVA 2026-2029 TIP

Amendment requests were made from WVDOT & LCT. The amendment went through a 15-day public involvement period and no comments were received.

Blake Jones made the motion and Tim Wright seconded the motion to move Amendment #4 to the KYOVA 2026-2029 TIP forward for Policy Committee approval. It was approved unanimously.

5. PRESENTATION OF KYOVA FY 2027 UPWP FOR THE HUNTINGTON, WV-KY-OH URBANIZED AREA

KYOVA presented the UPWP which details the items to be completed in FY 2027 as well as the proposed budget. All comments on the draft have been reviewed and addressed in the final UPWP.

Tim Wright made the motion and Blake Jones seconded the motion to move the KYOVA FY 2027 UPWP forward for Policy Board approval. It was approved unanimously.

6. KYOVA TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE TARGETS UPDATE FOR OHIO – 2026-2029

ODOT has updated the 2026-2029 Transportation Performance Targets for Bridge and Pavement Condition and System Performance.

Katherine Utsinger made the motion and Zane Parsley seconded the motion to move the 2026-2029 Transportation Performance Targets forward for Policy Committee approval. It was approved unanimously.

7. SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) PROGRAM

KYOVA holds an open cycle for the STBG program. The application is online. If you have questions about eligibility or the program contact KYOVA. Specifically for Kentucky – please send in projects to use funds available as there is a need to expend CRP funds. August is the targeted date for obligation. Types of eligible projects include sidewalks, intersections, bike lane, emission reduction, transit, etc. Obligation on CRP projects need to be before September 30th, 2026.

8. FTA 5310 TRANSIT PROGRAM FOR THE HUNTINGTON, WV-KY-OH URBANIZED AREA

Applications were due April 3, 2026. 1 applicants from Lawrence County for 2 vehicles. Application will be evaluate and processed in the coming weeks.

9. TRANSIT SYSTEMS STATUS UPDATE FOR THE HUNTINGTON, WV-KY-OH URBANIZED AREA

- **TRI-STATE TRANSIT AUTHORITY** – No update.
- **LAWRENCE COUNTY TRANSIT** – Medicaid trips are up and running. Working with RLS on CMAQ study for new routes. CMAQ operating for 2027-2029 included in TIP amendment. Connecting employers, educational organizations, etc.
- **ASHLAND BUS SYSTEM** – No update.

10. KYOVA STUDIES/BRIEF PROJECT UPDATES/INFORMATIONAL SESSION

- **FEDERAL UPDATE** – Upcoming SS4A application due at end of May. Could be last round of funding. Working with WVDOH to go over CMAQ performance measures on May 8th. UPWP approval letter needs to be signed before start of Fiscal Year.
- **CITY OF HUNTINGTON PROJECTS**
 - DOWNTOWN HUNTINGTON STREETSCAPES – Public meeting tonight – 60% submittal – 5:00 @ Mountain Health Arena.
 - 3RD AVENUE COMPLETE STREETS – Scope has been expanded to include 24th Street to accommodate development at ACF site.
 - 14th Street West – Final design – small decisions to make to close out that project.
- **WVDOH UPDATE** – STIP update – STIP 101 update for MPOs. STIP presentation at WVAMPO conference. Official STIP public meetings to take place at end of June. WVDOH kicking off freight plan around July/August. Updated every 4 years & ensure compliance. WVAMPO Planning Conference June 2-4 in Morgantown, WV.
- **KYTC CENTRAL OFFICE** – No update.
- **BOYD AND GREENUP COUNTIES PROJECTS UPDATE** – Study on US 23/Greenup Ave. from southern to northern split. Seeking input from public – online survey. Online storymap includes all information as well as improvement concepts. Public outreach online is because there is no design funding to move the project forward. 9-80301 - Survey open through May 4th.
- **ODOT UPDATE** – Construction to start soon on Charley creek project – this summer.
- **LAWRENCE COUNTY PROJECT UPDATE** – Final document closeout on US 52/SR 243 interchange.
- **REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL (RIC) UPDATE** – Continuing Safety Study on Main St. in Hurricane. Moving AT plan into next round of updates – starting next year. Discussion in Putnam Co. on potential development.
- **CITY OF ASHLAND** – No updates.
- **FIVCO AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT UPDATE** – Studies in Greenup Co. on rural transportation study.
- **OTHER AGENCIES** – No updates from FTA - Melanie Haake.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- DRAFT 2028-2031 STIP Development Schedule

- Beech Fork Connector Road Study Meeting – May 6, 2026 at Wayne County Courthouse 4:30-6:00pm
- KYOVA Safety Action Plan Stakeholder meeting – May 27th at 1:30pm at KYOVA's office
- FUTURE KYOVA MEETING DATES:

<i>KYOVA Technical Advisory Committee</i> • Meeting time: 10:00 a.m. to noon • Location: KYOVA Conference Room and via Zoom	<i>KYOVA Policy Committee</i> • Meeting time: 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. • Location: KYOVA Conference Room and via Zoom
April 28, 2026 (Tuesday) – In progress	May 1, 2026 (Friday)
July 28, 2026 (Tuesday) – tentative	July 31, 2026 (Friday) – tentative
September 22, 2026 (Tuesday)	September 25, 2026 (Friday)
December 8, 2026 (Tuesday)	December 11, 2026 (Friday)

*KYOVA reserves the right to alter the dates based required board approval and if need, to hold special meetings.

** As meeting date nears a determination may be made to meet virtually to ensure the health and safety of attendees and staff. If the meeting is virtual KYOVA will post the connection information on the KYOVA website and forward electronically to committee members.

12. ADJOURNMENT