

**KYOVA INTERSTATE PLANNING COMMISSION
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2026**

1. Barry Adkins – City of Ashland
2. Manuch Amir - EXP
3. Patrick Anater – HDR
4. Gina Balsamo – CMT
5. Holly Blanton – Village of Barboursville
6. John Callihan – Greenup County
7. Brian Carr – WVDOH
8. Brian Chapman – WVDOH
9. Steve Cole – Thoroughbred Engineering
10. Dave Cramer - MBI
11. Paul Davis – TTA
12. Michael Dodd – WVDOH
13. Ella Donley – B&N
14. Allison Fluitt – KH
15. Sam Granato - ODOT
16. Kara Greathouse – FHWA
17. Melanie Haake – FTA R3
18. Dasha McGinnis – KYTC Planning
19. Emma Moreo – KY DAQ
20. Patrick Leighty – Lawrence County Engineer
21. Jeffery Mace - RIC
22. Kairsten Nitsch – CMT
23. Claire Oyler – KY DAQ
24. Zane Parsley – City of Huntington
25. Mike Payne – LCT
26. Rob Pennington – Michael Baker
27. Darryl Phillips – HDR
28. Robin Rohauer - Ashland
29. Saleem Salameh – KYOVA
30. Terri Sicking - KYOVA
31. Jody Sigmon – KYOVA
32. Kevin Sullivan - WVDOH
33. Anannya Talukden - RIC
34. Scott Thompson – ODOT D9
35. Katherine Utsinger – City of Ashland
36. Kerri Wagner – WVDOH
37. Randy Wheeler - ABS
38. Bethany Wild - KYOVA
39. Thomas Witt – KYTC
40. Jennifer Woodall – TTA
41. Tim Wright - FIVCO

42. 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 December 9, 2025 Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting were presented to the TAC.

3. KYOVA TRANSPORTATION STUDIES UPDATE

- **CABELL/WAYNE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION LAND USE STUDY** – Rob Pennington updated the TAC on the Land Use Study. They are looking at how roadways affect land use and development. The stakeholder group will define the vision statement and review the deficiencies. Submittal is expected in June 2026.
- **SS4A SAFETY ACTION PLAN** – Ella Donley updated the TAC on the SAP. They will be following the Safe System Approach which will include a data-driven crash and roadway risk analysis, HIN and systemic safety screening. B&N is using the Citian CRASH tool to analyze crashes and look at benefit-cost. 3 stakeholder meetings will be held and 2 public survey periods as well as a project website. The first stakeholder meeting will be held around April 2026.
- **KYOVA FREIGHT PLAN** – HDR has wrapped up data collection and are now working with B&N to identify crashes with trucks involved and KH for Congestion Management. HDR will be providing the measures associated with trucks so they can be used in other analyses. A public meeting will be held March 24th.
- **CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROCESS & TRAVEL DEMAND MODEL** – KH is working on defining the study networks and defining performance measures for the CMP. To identify the study network, KH is using Streetlight data. Proposed performance indicators include TTI, vehicle hours of delay, safety, freight, transit, and bike/ped facilities. A second steering committee meeting will be held March 11th. Model update is continuing and future year should be wrapped up by the end of the week.
- **BEECH FORK CONNECTOR ROAD STUDY** – Gina Balsamo gave a brief update on the Beech Fork Connector Study which will look at connecting the marina to the campground. They will also look at improving safety, accessibility, and supporting tourism. A kickoff meeting was held in late January and a public and stakeholder meeting will be held in the spring.
- **US 52/SR 93 STORMS CREEK ACCESSIBILITY STUDY** – HDR was selected
- **BARBOURSVILLE CSX UNDERPASS DRAINAGE STUDY** – Michael Baker was selected

4. AMENDMENT #3 TO THE KYOVA 2026-2029 TIP

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

Randy Wheeler made the motion and Jeffery Mace seconded the motion to move Amendment #3 to the KYOVA 2026-2029 TIP forward for Policy Committee approval. It was approved unanimously.

5. PRESENTATION OF KYOVA DRAFT 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.

John Callihan made the motion and Jeffery Mace seconded the motion to move the Draft FY 2027 UPWP forward for Policy Board approval. It was approved unanimously.

6. SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) PROGRAM

Requests were made from the City of Flatwoods for a sidewalk study and KY Planning Funds for KYOVA planning activities.

Paul Davis made the motion and John Callihan seconded the motion to move the STBG Fundings Requests forward for Policy Committee approval. It was approved unanimously.

7. CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) FUNDING REQUESTS

Saleem Salameh presented the CMAQ funding request from the Lawrence County Port Authority to support operating expenses for transit service within the county.

Randy Wheeler made the motion and John Callihan seconded the motion to move the CMAQ Funding Request forward for Policy Board approval. It was approved unanimously.

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

Applications were opened on February 4th. Letters of intent are due February 27th and final applications due April 3rd.

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

- **TRI-STATE TRANSIT AUTHORITY** – TTA explained an issue with the upcoming levy with the City of Huntington. They are working with their Board and the City to come up with a solution.
- **LAWRENCE COUNTY TRANSIT** –
- **ASHLAND BUS SYSTEM** –

10. KYOVA STUDIES/BRIEF PROJECT UPDATES/INFORMATIONAL SESSION

- **FEDERAL UPDATE –**
- **CITY OF HUNTINGTON PROJECTS**
 - DOWNTOWN HUNTINGTON STREETSCAPES – Working on design and hope to be through that phase soon. Some changes were made from the initial design to accommodate angled parking desires from the public.
 - 3RD AVENUE COMPLETE STREETS – Looking at converting turn lanes and widening 24th Street to improve access to new Kroger development. The COH would also like to discuss transit around that area.
- **WVDOH UPDATE –** Mike Dodd met with KYOVA about Bike/Ped plan. Working on new STIP and putting out first public comment period in a few weeks. Current STIP will expire September 30.
- **KYTC CENTRAL OFFICE –** 6-year highway plan has been released and given to legislature for approval. It is on the website for review. Several projects funded with SPP funds and might not move forward depending on funding available.
- **BOYD AND GREENUP COUNTIES PROJECTS UPDATE –** No changes to projects in Boyd County. In Greenup County, construction on Powell Lane is nearly complete and working on final parts. See project sheet for more information.
- **ODOT UPDATE –** Charley Creek safety project and SR 141 project go out to bid in March.
- **LAWRENCE COUNTY PROJECT UPDATE –** SR 243/US 52 roundabout project has lighting complete and working on final documentation to close it out.
- **REGIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL COUNCIL (RIC) UPDATE –** CMP scheduled to kickoff next year. TMA committee meeting for suballocated funds – 3 projects hopefully approved at meeting in march – study on Main st. in Hurricane, set up and education phase for Pavement index program for both Kanawha and Putnam counties, internship through workforce development. Cow Creek interchange possibility? Need Culloden to be open for a few years, but looking at additional options.
- **CITY OF ASHLAND –** No updates.
- **FIVCO AREA DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT UPDATE –** Review of studies in KYOVA UPWP for Greenup County, US 23 Corridor Study in Ashland
- **OTHER AGENCIES –**

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- KYOVA 2050 MTP to be updated and new 2028-2031 TIP
- FUTURE KYOVA MEETING DATES:

<i>KYOVA Technical Advisory Committee</i>	<i>KYOVA Policy Committee</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting time: 10:00 a.m. to noon • Location: KYOVA Conference Room and via Zoom 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting time: 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. • Location: KYOVA Conference Room and via Zoom
February 24, 2026 (Tuesday)	February 27, 2026 (Friday)
April 28, 2026 (Tuesday)	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