

**MEETING AGENDA
APRIL 21, 2026**

Tom Baker Meeting Room

**City/County Building,
Bismarck**

1:30 PM

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Any of the 5 (five) Policy Board members can attend this meeting remotely. **Policy Board members and those presenting at the meeting will receive ZOOM invites approximately 1 business day prior to the meeting. Individuals wishing to participate via ZOOM should email contact information to mpo@bismarcknd.gov at least 3 days in advance of the meeting to receive a meeting invite tailored uniquely to them.**

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1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
2. CALL TO ORDER
3. PUBLIC COMMENT
Restricted to items on the current agenda or the prior TAC agenda excluding public hearing items.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. MINUTES
Review and Possible Approval of Minutes from March 17, 2026, Meeting 3

REGULAR AGENDA

5. FY 2027 RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM (RTP) APPLICATIONS – STEPHEN LARSON, MPO
Summary Sheet (Exhibit R-A) 9
Bismarck Cottonwood Park South Trail Connections Project (Exhibit R-B). 11
ACTION ITEM: FY 2027 RTP Application
6. BISMARCK FUNCTIONAL CLASS CHANGE REQUESTS – STEPHEN LARSON, MPO
Bismarck Functional Class Change Requests (Exhibit R-C) 27
ACTION ITEM: Approval for Functional Class Change Requests
7. 2026 TRANSIT DEVELOPMENT PLAN (TDP) CONSULTANT SELECTION– PAULETTE JACOBSEN, MPO
The QBS Certification Letter will be provided for reference at the meeting.
ACTION ITEM: Approval of Consultant Selection

8. 2026 PASSENGER RAIL STUDY RFP – KIM RIEPL, MPO 2026 Passenger Rail Study RFP (Exhibit R-D)	31
ACTION ITEM: Approval of the Passenger Rail Study RFP	
9. BASICS ACT LETTER OF SUPPORT– KIM RIEPL, MPO The letter of support for the BASICS Act will be provided at the meeting. ACTION ITEM: Approval of BASICS Act Letter of Support	
10. 2026 FARMP (FRINGE AREA ROAD MASTER PLAN) UPDATE– Joel Mann, Bolton & Menk Progress Report (Exhibit R-E).	69
11. FY 2026 SAFE STREETS AND ROADS FOR ALL(SS4A) NOFO UPDATE– KIM RIEPL, MPO SS4A INFORMATION SHEET EXHIBIT (R-F)	71
12. PASSENGER RAIL ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION UPDATE– KIM RIEPL, MPO	
13. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) WEB CONTENT ACCESSIBILITY GUIDELINES (WCAG) UPDATE– KIM RIEPL, MPO	
14. OTHER BUSINESS	
15. ADJOURNMENT	

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PROJECTS UPDATE

<u>Project</u>	<u>% Complete</u>	<u>Contracted Completion Date</u>
Fringe Area Road Master Plan (FARMP) (MPO-wide)	49.2	12/31/2026

Common MPO Acronyms

ATAC: Advanced Traffic Analysis Center	NDDOT: North Dakota Department of Transportation
CPG: Consolidated Planning Grant	TAZ: Traffic Analysis Zone
FHWA: Federal Highway Administration	TDMSE: Travel Demand Model & Socioeconomic Data
FTA: Federal Transit Administration	TIP: Transportation Improvement Plan
MTP: Metropolitan Transportation Plan	UPWP: Unified Planning Work Program

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<https://www.bismarcknd.gov/DocumentCenter/View/37890/MPO-acronyms>