Resolution of the Southern Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (SASHTO)

National Performance Measures

WHEREAS, the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act ("MAP-21") was enacted on July 6, 2012 and amended Section 150 of Title 23, United States Code to focus the Federal-Aid Highway program on seven national goals; and

WHEREAS, the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act) was enacted on December 4, 2015 and amended Section 150 of Title 23, United States Code to further define the national performance management process and requirements; and

WHEREAS, Section 150, National Goals and Performance Management Measures, sets deadlines and requirements for the establishment of a limited number of performance measures by federal agencies, the establishment of performance targets by State DOTs and MPOs and reporting on performance targets; and

WHEREAS, state performance reports to the USDOT are required every two years following the initial performance report; and

WHEREAS, these initial state performance reports will provide very disparate data;

WHEREAS, FAST Act funding authorizations expire on September 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, states vary widely in the extent and current condition of their highway systems, their dependency on federal funding and other factors that impact the performance of the highway system in each state; and

WHEREAS, all states are committed to improving their highway systems to meet the mobility and access needs of millions of individual and business users;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the SASHTO states remain steadfast in their opposition to using performance measures as the basis for apportioning or allocating federal funds among the states; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SASHTO Board of Directors encourages the USDOT to allow maximum flexibility in target setting among the state DOTs and MPOs. In the interim, SASHTO states will continue to advance the application of performance management and performance measurement tools to further improve delivery of transportation facilities and services.

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