



# MMMPO 2026 Spring Newsletter

## 2026 MPO COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

### Next MPO Policy Board

Thursday, August 20th, 2026

Time: 6pm

### Next Citizens Advisory Committee

Thursday, August 13th, 2026

Time: 6pm

### Next Technical Advisory Committee

Monday, August 11th, 2026

Time: 1pm

### Policy Advisory Committee

Meets 2nd Monday of the Month at 9 AM at Morgantown Area Partnership Transportation Committee

### How to attend

The Policy Board Meetings are held at City of Morgantown Council Chambers. The meeting is also broadcasted live on our YouTube channel.

Meetings of the Citizens Advisory Committee and the Technical Advisory Committee are held at the MPO's conference room at 243 High Street, Morgantown. The meetings are accessible virtually on Zoom. Stayed tuned to our website for the updated links.

## MMMPO STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS: **BILL AUSTIN RETIREMENT**

Congratulations to MMMPO Executive Director Bill Austin on his retirement! For the past 17 years, Mr. Austin has led the Morgantown Monongalia MPO with dedication and a strong commitment to our community. His leadership and service have helped make the Morgantown-Monongalia area safer and better connected for residents and visitors alike. We thank Mr. Austin for his years of hard work, leadership, and dedication, and wish him all the best in his retirement. His last day will be June 30th.



### • **Want to report road repairs that are needed? Below is contact information for Monongalia County:**

Citizen's Request For Assistance - Marion and Monongalia Counties  
Chelsea Holyfield: 304-326-0102, chelsea.r.holyfield@wv.gov

### • **Our MPO Policy Board Meetings are recorded on our YouTube Channel:**

@morgantownmonongaliampo5733

### • **MPO Social Media: Stay Connected!**

**Facebook-** Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization

**Instagram-** @morgantownmonongaliampo

**YouTube-** @morgantownmonongaliampo5733

**LinkedIn-** Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization

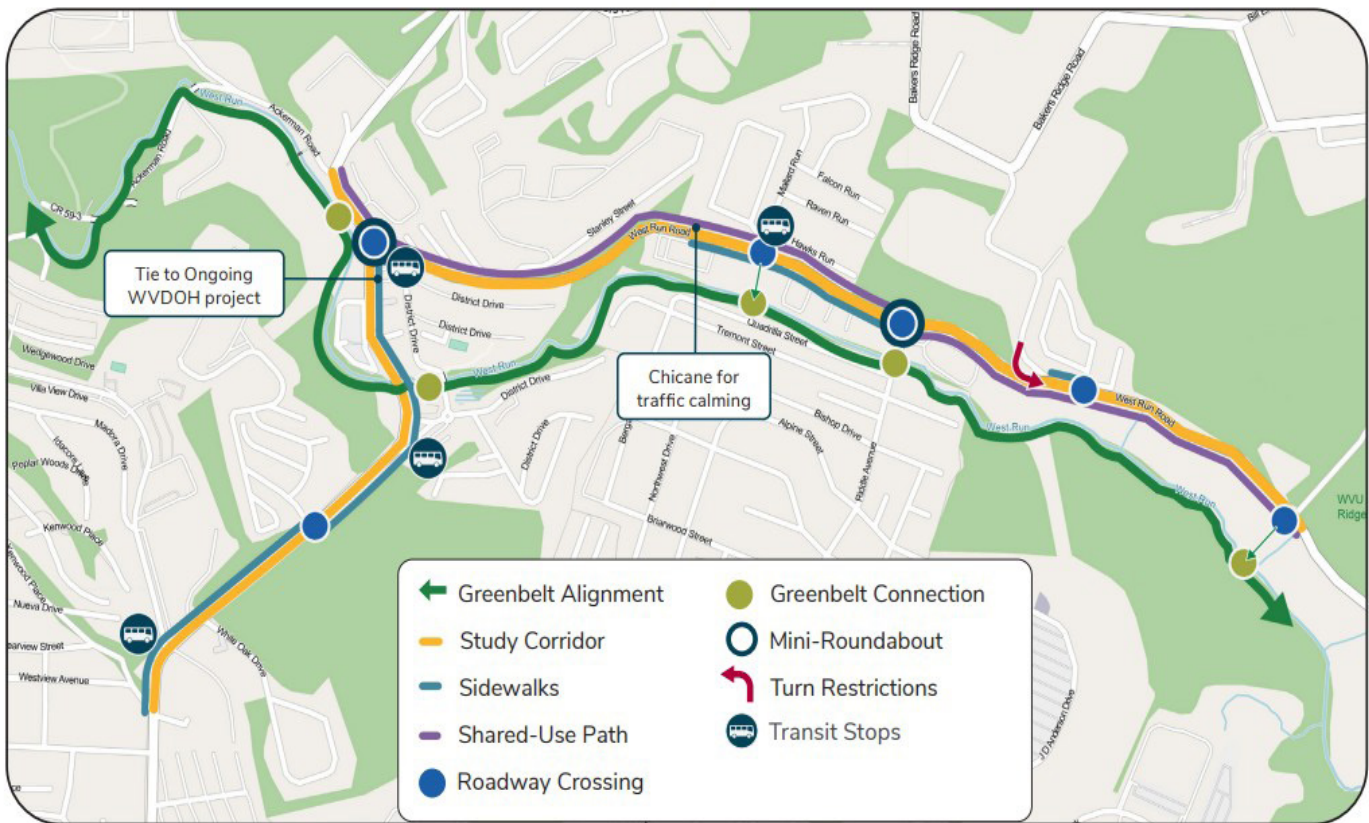
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# MPO UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: COMPLETE STREETS GREENBELT SURVEY

The Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization (MMMPO) is conducting the Greenbelt Complete Streets Feasibility Study to assess the feasibility of improvements for multimodal connections to the planned Morgantown Greenbelt. The Greenbelt Complete Streets Feasibility Study is evaluating operational and safety improvements for all street users along West Run Road and Van Voorhis Road from Clearview Avenue to the Bakers Ridge Trailhead, to support potential future connections to the planned Greenbelt, an interconnected network of public green spaces, trails, and parks surrounding Morgantown. We have a public survey we are asking the community to fill out below as a QR Code.

This survey will be open until June 12th.

## Study Limits and Proposed Improvements



QR Code for Public Outreach Flyer:



QR Code for Survey:



## PARTNER AGENCY: CITY OF MORGANTOWN- PEDESTRIAN SAFETY BOARD



The Pedestrian Safety Board meets at 4:30 p.m. quarterly on virtual meetings via Microsoft Teams. They discuss how to promote and encourage a pedestrian-friendly environment in the City of Morgantown. The Chair is Matthew Cross. If you would like to get involved, email the board at [pedestriansafetyboard@morgantownwv.gov](mailto:pedestriansafetyboard@morgantownwv.gov)

**Website Link:** <https://www.morgantownwv.gov/297/Pedestrian-Safety-Board>

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## PARTNER AGENCY: MOUNTAIN LINE



Mountain Line Transit Authority is the public transportation operator serving Monongalia County, West Virginia, including Morgantown and the campus of West Virginia University. Keep up with Mountain Line Transit Authority and their updates on their various social media sites! See the list below.

**Facebook:** @ Mountain Line Transit Authority

**Instagram:** @ mountainlinetransit

**Linked-In:** @ Mountain Line Transit Authority

**X:** @ MLticker

**Website Link:** <https://www.busride.org/>

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## PARTNER AGENCY: MON RIVER TRAILS CONSERVANCY

Since 1991, the non-profit Mon River Trails Conservancy continues its work to construct, manage, and maintain the Mon River and Deckers Creek Rail-Trails for walking, running, cycling, and cross-country skiing. Keep up with the Mon River Trails Conservancy and their updates on their various social media sites! See the list below.



**Facebook:** @ Mon River Trails Conservancy

**Instagram:** @ monrivertrails

**X:** @ monrailtrails

**Website Link:** <https://montrails.org/>

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## PARTNER AGENCY : CITY OF MORGANTOWN

Keep up with the City of Morgantown and their updates on their various social media sites! See the list below.

**Facebook:** @ City of Morgantown - City Hall

**Instagram:** @ cityofmorgantown

**Linked-In:** @ City of Morgantown

**Youtube:** @ CityofMorgantown

**Website Link:** <https://www.morgantownwv.gov/>



## ABOUT THE MMMPO

The Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization (MMMPO) was established in 2003 to be the areas transportation planning agency. Any urban area with a population greater than 50,000 citizens is required by Federal Legislation to form a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The two main functions of an MPO are developing a Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and ensuring that the use of federal funds for transportation projects aligns with the goals of the MTP.

### Policy Board Officers:

Russ Rogerson (Non-Voting)  
Morgantown Area Partnership  
Board Chairman

Maria Smith, MLTA  
Board Vice-Chairman

Mayor Patricia Lewis,  
Granville  
Board Treasurer

Bill Austin  
Executive Director

### Policy Board Members:

*Monongalia County Commission:*

Jeffrey Arnett  
Tom Bloom  
Sean Sikora

*City of Morgantown City Council:*

Joe Abu-Ghannam  
Mark Downs  
Jennifer Selin

Mon County Board of Education- Michael Kelly

Joe Statler, Blacksville

West Virginia University- Ron Justice

Star City- Steve Blinco, Recorder

City of Westover- Mayor Bob Lucci

West Virginia Department of Transportation-Division of Highways- Brian Carr

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In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the MMMPO strives to provide equal access to all members of the public at our public meetings and hearings. If you require mobility assistance, sign language interpretation, or interpretation in a foreign language, please contact us at least 4 business days prior to the scheduled meeting or hearing. Our contact information is as follows:

***Jing Zhang/Jackie Peate***

***planning@plantogether.org***

***304-291-9671***

The MMMPO is committed to ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to participate and be heard at our public meetings and hearings.

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### Our Partners

