Technical Memorandum

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Subject:	Duluth Superior Safety Action Plan: Progress Reporting and Transparency Recommendations

SAP Progress Reporting and Transparency

Tracking progress toward the Vision Zero goals for the Duluth Superior Safety Action Plan is a required element of the federal Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) program.

In alignment with the Board Resolution adopting the Safety Action Plan, the Duluth Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council (MIC) will implement a structured and ongoing monitoring process to measure, evaluate, and publicly report progress over time. This will include the items described below.

PERFORMANCE METRICS

All monitoring will be grounded in outcome-based data, consistent with the final adopted Safety Action Plan. The performance metrics below were selected to be both useful—meaning they directly and appropriately measure progress toward safety improvements—and feasible—meaning they are able to be tracked using existing staff capacity and available data sources.

Table 1. Safey Performance Metrics

Category	Metric (Measured Annually)
Crash Reduction	• Total fatal and serious injury crashes compared to previous year and to 2035 (interim) and 2050 (ultimate) plan goals • Pedestrian and bicycle fatal and serious injury crashes compared to previous year

Infrastructure Projects and Investments	• Number of projects with safety improvements
	  ○ Total
	  ○ By priority ranking
	• Dollar value of safety improvements constructed

	○ Total ○ By priority ranking ○ Specifically addressing pedestrians and/or cyclists
Policy and Program Changes	• Number of policies, processes, or programs initiated or completed that contribute to improving traffic safety, as well as the following items for each: ○ Geographic reach (spot-location, corridor, jurisdiction, region, etc.) ○ Temporal impact (one-time, ongoing, etc.) ○ Affected population (public-facing policy, internal, etc.) • Number of education events or campaigns that contribute to improving traffic safety

ANNUAL MEASUREMENT AND REPORTING

The MIC will collect, analyze, and publish data for each selected performance metric on an annual basis. These reports will document both short term safety results and progress toward the MIC's 2035 and 2050 Vision Zero–aligned targets.

ESTABLISHMENT OF A WORKING GROUP

To assist in the collection and analysis of relevant data and to ensure accountability on an ongoing basis, the MIC will establish a working group responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Safety Action Plan. This group will include selected members of the Safety Action Plan Advisory Committee as well as additional participants as needed to support the technical elements of this process. The working group will produce an annual report that summarizes the data in an accessible and understandable format, identifies persistent or emerging safety issues, and recommends adjustments to strategies or priorities as needed.

TRANSPARENCY AND PUBLIC ACCESS

To maintain transparency and support community engagement, all annual progress reports, performance dashboards, and related materials will be publicly posted on the MIC website. This ensures that local jurisdictions, partner agencies, and community members can easily access, review, and provide input on the region's progress toward its Vision Zero goals.

Through this structured monitoring, oversight, and public reporting framework, the MIC commits to maintaining a transparent, data-driven approach to improving roadway safety and achieving the long-term goals laid out in the Duluth Superior Safety Action Plan.