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## MEMORANDUM

- TO: Metropolitan Planning Organization Committee Members
- FROM: Kip Harrington, Division Manager
- DATE: March 27, 2024
- RE: 24TP013- Combining CAC and TCC

Over the past few years, the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) has had multiple openings, with very few applicants. As such, most meetings are held without a quorum present, meaning agenda items cannot be voted on, and are presented as informational only.

Many Metropolitan Planning Organizations do not involve a committee comprised of the general public, as there are no Federal requirements to do so. However, the Rapid City Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) values the input of local residents, and would like to continue to provide an opportunity for residents to be involved in the transportation planning process.

Based on a recommendation from the Executive Policy Committee, MPO Staff has proposed to combine the CAC with the Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC) to form the Technical and Citizens Committee (TACC). This would allow for representation and voting opportunities for current CAC members, and will also result in better dialogue and interaction between the current CAC and TCC committee members.

The current TCC meeting time is at 10:00 am on MPO meeting Thursdays, and the combined committee is proposed to continue meeting at that time.

## **STAFF RECOMMENDATION:** Staff recommends combining the CAC and TCC to form the Technical and Citizens Committee (TACC).