

# STEERING COMMITTEE

<u>Vision Statement:</u> To Achieve ACCESS and MOBILITY Through Efficient and Effective Transportation FOR ALL

Regional Coordinated Transportation Pilot Program
In Person and via TEAMS February 18, 2022

# This meeting is being held in person at the ODOT District 11 conference room with appropriate safety precautions in place. This meeting is also being live streamed via TEAMS.

- The meeting may be recorded, and if so, is recorded only in order to prepare accurate minutes.
- Presentation slides and meeting minutes will be available on the OMEGA website within one week.

# Agenda

- Welcome & Zoom Housekeeping
- Overview
- Roll Call
- ODOT Office of Transit update Kierra Branch
   5310 funding cycle
   LOI general questions
   LOI /regional plan information and guidance, Deborah Hill, OMEGA
- Discussion of Regional Goal One, Strategies, and Action Steps
- ODOT 2021 Yearly Update (Appendix Q), and Regional Projects Reports
- Next Meeting
- Open Roundtable for the Good of the Region
- Adjourn

# Roll Call





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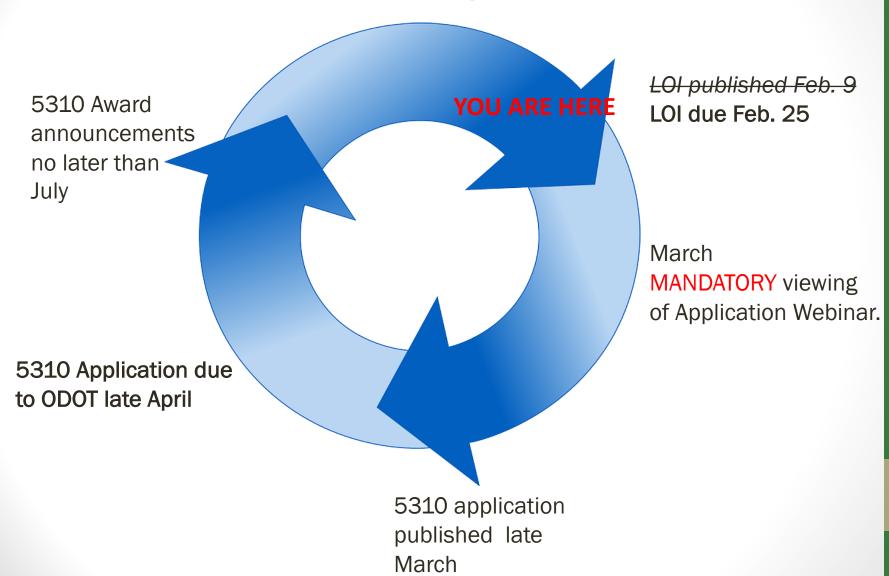
Anyone not called, please acknowledge yourself at the end.

# **ODOT Updates**



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# ODOT 5310 Funding Cycle



#### **Regional Guidance for 5310 Application Process**

- Funding is by PROJECT, not PROGRAM
- ➤ Appendix Q of the Regional Coordinated Plan contains the 2021 updated goals and strategies to which your project MUST refer. ONLY projects listed in the Regional Coordinated Plan may be considered for funding.
- ➤ There is help available. Please reach out to Deborah Hill <a href="mailto:Dhill@omegadistrict.org">Dhill@omegadistrict.org</a> or directly to Kierra Branch at ODOT <a href="mailto:Kierra.Branch@dot.ohio.gov">Kierra.Branch@dot.ohio.gov</a>
- ➤ LOI (Letters of Intent) are due to ODOT by February 25, 2022

# **LOI Example:**

Example: You want another vehicle to begin weekend service in your area.

- 1. Go to Appendix Q in the Regional Coordinated Plan
- 2. Locate the regional goals and strategies beginning on page 6, locate where your project is listed and note page number. The page number for ALL LOIs will be Appendix Q, Page 6 or Appendix Q, Page 7.
- 3. If your project ALSO coordinates with your local, county level goals, then look further in the Appendix to the county-by-county goals and strategies beginning on page 9, and you may also list that your project is referenced there as well.

#### APPENDIX Q - PAGE 6

#### **REGION 9 GOALS AND STRATEGIES FOR CY 2022**

**GOAL 1: To Maintain and Expand Transportation Services and Options.** 

Strategy 1.1 Support initiatives for cost effective vehicle replacement, fleet expansion, and needed safety adjustments

Strategy 1.2 Increase access to affordable and available employment transportation options

Strategy 1.3 Create more affordable, efficient, and available Out of County (OOC)/Out of Region (OOR) transportation

Strategy 1.4 Create or expand weekend services

Strategy 1.5 Enhance and support the creation and use of regionally beneficial technologies

GOAL 2: To Educate and Inform the Public, HHS Agencies and Organizations, and other Stakeholders as to the Transportation Services and Options Available.

Strategy 2.1 Support and utilize Mobility Management Program

Strategy 2.2 Continue quarterly RCC and monthly Steering Committee and Regional Council of Mobility Management meetings

Strategy 2.3 Increase marketing and advertising of transportation services and options

Strategy 2.4 Enhance and support the use of regionally beneficial technologies

Strategy 2.5 Continue annual Origin-Destination (O-D) mapping

Please note GOAL 3 is on APPENDIX Q, PAGE 7

#### Appendix Q, page 7

# GOAL 3: To Ensure and Increase Equity, Access, Inclusivity, and Safety in Transportation Services and Options.

Strategy 3.1 Build collaborative network of new and existing providers and other stakeholder agencies to promote affordable, available, collaborative regional transportation access for all

Strategy 3.2 Support initiatives that promote broadband, cell phone, and internet access, and connectivity, for the region

Strategy 3.3 Standardize regional forms, policies, and procedures

Strategy 3.4 Examine current and alternative fare structures

Strategy 3.5 Utilize and promote Mobility Solutions Center

Strategy 3.6 Create innovative pilot programs (OOC/OOR, volunteer companions, volunteer drivers, innovative fund braiding, media outreach, etc.)

Strategy 3.7 Establish and maintain infectious disease/Emergency specific responses (COVID, Natural Disasters, Etc.)

County level updated goals and strategies may be found on pages 9-29. Newly added providers may be found on page 30.

# Continuing work on the Regional Coordinated Plan Update



Adding action steps to each strategy

Continuing to make the plan more comprehensive, the next step is adding action steps to the goals and strategies:

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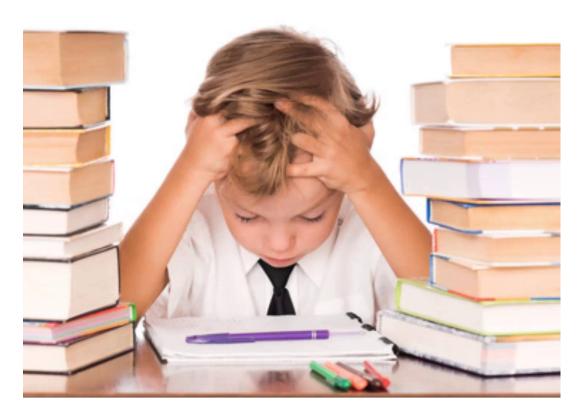
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# **HOMEWORK:**



OMEGA will be sending all members the three goals and associated strategies. Please consider and add a list of action steps under each strategy. These will be discussed at the APRIL Steering Meeting. Any action steps in the current plan that are applicable will be listed in the document you receive for consideration.

Regional Special Projects Conclusion Reports may be found on OMEGA website and are available upon request.









Appendix Q, the 2021 Regional Coordinated Plan Update, is also on the OMEGA website and available upon request. Every member has been provided a copy with this month's meeting invitation. Appendix Q was adopted by resolution of OMEGA's Executive Board on February 15, 2022. A draft copy of the update was submitted to ODOT in December of 2021 and approved by ODOT in January 2022. The formal submission to ODOT which includes the Resolution by the Executive Board to approve the update to the plan is currently being reviewed for approval by ODOT.



### **Meeting Schedule for 2022**

January 19 Steering ODOT District 11 February 16 Steering ODOT District 11

March 16 RCC/Steering Cambridge, then Theo's

April 20 Steering ODOT District 11 (ACTION STEPS)

May 18 Steering ODOT District 11

June 15 RCC/Steering SSOBC (Belmont), then Melman's

July 20SteeringODOT District 11August 17SteeringODOT District 11

September 21 RCC/Steering TBD

October 19 Steering ODOT District 11

November 16 RCC/Steering TBD

December 14 only if needed

#### NEXT MEETING: MARCH 16, 2022 at 9am

AAA9 offices, 710 Wheeling Avenue, Cambridge, Ohio 43725 Lunch invitation: Theo's Restaurant, 632 Wheeling Avenue, Cambridge An RSVP will be sent for the meeting and lunch closer to the meeting date. We will feature speakers from AAA9 and from DoDD at the meeting.

# For the Good of the Region

Other announcements, comments, or updates?

Do what is right, not what is easy.



## Thank you for the privilege of your time.



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