



# Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations

## Board of Directors 2022 – 2024 Slate

### **Amy Cummings (reelection) Regional Transportation Commission of Washoe County, Reno, NV**

Amy Cummings joined the RTC in 2010 as the Director of Planning and became the Deputy Executive Director in 2018. RTC is the MPO, provides transit service and builds regional roads for the Reno-Sparks region in Washoe County, Nevada. Amy leads a performance-based transportation planning program that is founded on community outreach and engagement. Prior to joining RTC, Amy was the Nevada Planning Manager for Parsons Brinckerhoff. She has an undergraduate degree in history from Florida State University, a Master of Community Planning from the University of Maryland at College Park, and a master's degree in history from the University of Nevada, Reno with a focus on transportation and urban history. She is a certified planner through the American Institute of Certified Planners and is a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) accredited professional. She began serving on the AMPO Policy Committee in 2012 and the AMPO Board in 2018.

### **Pragati Srivastava, AICP, (reelection) Memphis Urban Area MPO, Memphis, TN**

Over ten years of experience in multimodal transportation planning for the multistate region, involving collaboration with a diverse group of federal, state, regional, and local agencies. Served as the Administrator since 2011, and during my tenure I have made significant improvements in planning products resulting in awards and recognition at national level.

Responsible for coordinating & developing comprehensive transportation planning activities and plans for the bi-state Memphis MPO area. Confer and closely work with the policy board, technical representatives of local government, state and federal government officials, and the general public in coordinating transportation planning activities and encouraging cooperative action in meeting transportation planning goals and objectives. Serves as a liaison between federal, state, and local agencies in developing and organizing transportation planning activities and air quality planning and conformance. Administer federal funding streams and perform related reporting requirements including budgetary preparations and oversight. Direct the overall operation of the MPO and perform administrative and supervisory work as directed by the Policy Board. Represent the MPO in meetings with groups or individuals; responding to queries and preparing and delivering presentations for educational purposes, board meetings, and public outreach. Currently serving on the AMPO Board of Directors.

### **Ashby Johnson, (reelection) Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization, Austin, TX**

Ashby Johnson is the Executive Director of the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) which is the metropolitan planning organization for the six-county central Texas region and has served in that capacity since August 2014. Ashby also served as the Deputy MPO Director at the Houston-Galveston Area Council, which is the transportation planning agency for the eight-county greater Houston region for the preceding 11 years. Prior to H-GAC, he spent eight years with the Federal Highway Administration's Office of Planning and one year with the Federal Transit Administration's Office of Planning. Prior to USDOT, Ashby spent five years with the

Texas Department of Transportation in the Environmental Affairs Division. He holds a Bachelor's degree in Government and a Masters in Community and Regional Planning from the University of Texas at Austin.

### **Francis Pickering, Western Connecticut Council of Governments, Sandy Hook, CT**

Francis R. Pickering is the Executive Director of the Western Connecticut Council of Governments, the WestCOG Foundation, Inc., the Western Connecticut Economic Development District, and the two Metropolitan Planning Organizations (the Housatonic Valley MPO and the South West Region MPOs), serving Stamford, Norwalk, Danbury, and surrounding areas. Mr. Pickering manages regional programs in transportation, economic development, community planning, environmental management, emergency preparedness, regional services, and data science and analytics. Mr. Pickering is recipient of the 2020 Planning for Wireless Technology Award and the 2013 Innovative Plan of the Year Award from the American Planning Association, Connecticut Chapter, and the 2014 Innovation Award from the National Association of Development Organizations. Mr. Pickering's most recent innovation has been a move to obtain federal recognition of Connecticut's Councils of Governments, which serve as the host agencies for its MPOs, as county equivalents.

An engaged transportation professional with a 15-year record of success, Mr. Pickering serves on the Technical Committee of the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations, the Connecticut Association for Community Transportation, the Connecticut Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisor Board, the Connecticut Strategic Highway Safety Plan Steering Committee, the Merritt Parkway Advisory Committee, and the Southwestern Connecticut Regional Sector Partnership 2, in addition to many corridor and project advisory committees. Mr. Pickering holds degrees from Princeton University, the Free University of Berlin, and the University of Connecticut. When not working, he can be found enjoying recreational trails on his mountain bike.

### **Jim Wild, East-West Gateway Council of Governments, St. Louis, MO**

Jim Wild is the Executive Director of the East-West Gateway Council of Governments, the Metropolitan Planning Organization for St. Louis, which represents the 2.6 million residents of the city of St. Louis and the surrounding seven counties in Illinois and Missouri. Jim started at East-West Gateway in 1993 as a transportation analyst and held a variety of positions before his appointment as executive director in 2015. During his 28 years at East-West Gateway, Jim's primary responsibilities have included overseeing the council's freight, intelligent transportation systems, bicycle/pedestrian, paratransit, and transportation safety programs as well as development and implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program. In addition to transportation, East-West Gateway developed *OneSTL*, the region's sustainability plan, provides local government, research and environmental services and through its St. Louis Area Regional Response System coordinates planning and response for large-scale critical incidents. Before coming to St. Louis, Jim worked at Tri-County Regional Planning Commission, the MPO for Peoria, IL. Jim received his Bachelor of Science in Community and Regional Planning from Iowa State University.

Jim has participated on various AMPO working groups and efforts over the years and is currently serving on the AMPO Policy Committee.

### **Tegin Teich | she, her, hers, Boston Region MPO, Boston, MA**

Tegin is the Executive Director of the Central Transportation Planning Staff (CTPS) to the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in Boston, Massachusetts. CTPS supports the Boston Region MPO Board in developing a transportation vision for the 97 cities and towns in the region. CTPS also supports the Board's decision-making for allocating federal dollars to transportation projects, while advancing strategies to achieve greater transparency and equity in transportation planning processes. In addition to our work directly supporting the MPO, CTPS provides transportation planning expertise to the Massachusetts Department of

Transportation, Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA), Regional Transit Authorities, municipalities, and other stakeholders in the region.

Since becoming Executive Director at CTPS in 2019, Tegin has led the agency through a strategic planning process to develop a five-year plan to achieve updated mission, vision, and goals for the agency consistent with re-affirmed core values. Tegin's personal and professional mission is to advance robust and resilient transportation choices for people with the goal of improving quality of life. She is passionate about building bridges between technical expertise and personal needs and values.