



Volunteer Leadership Applications Open!

Represent the MPO
Community at the
National Level



MPO Leadership Forum

4 Leaders



Policy Committee

20 Voting Positions
5 Ex-officio
5 Emerging Professionals



ART Committee

20 Voting Positions
5 Ex-officio
5 Emerging Professionals



Intergovernmental Affairs Group

4 leaders



7 Interest Groups

4 Leaders per
group



Transpo Connections

4 leaders



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About the MPO Leadership Forum

This group was created so that MPO leaders (and MPO leaders only!) can share ideas, experiences, and expertise with their peers. Discussion topics include:

- Staffing, Retention, and Succession Planning
- Strategic Plans
- Educating your Board
- Contracting and Consultants
- Data and Software Acquisition
- Organizational Culture and Staff Development

~20
hrs/yr

4 Leadership Positions

Each leadership member serves equally to collaborate and plan the year's worth of meetings. Eligibility restricted to Executive Directors, Transportation Directors, and MPO Directors.

Quarterly Touchbases

Leadership meets one hour each quarter to plan meetings and discuss news. This may grow to include in-person meetings in the coming years.

Quarterly Meetings

Meetings consist of webinars, coffee chats, or hybrids. Each leadership member will help AMPO staff identify a topic, find speakers, and moderate one meeting per year.

Community Forum

There is a forum for this group on Glue Up. Leadership is expected to help monitor and respond to forum posts to encourage conversation.



About the Policy Committee

The Policy Committee considers the impact of existing and proposed federal legislation, regulation, or policy on MPOs. The Committee develops position statements and white papers for AMPO's staff and members to use when discussing legislation with MPO members and elected officials. The Committee works with AMPO staff to advocate AMPO positions and propose legislative language to benefit the metropolitan planning process.

~15
hrs/yr*

Committee Leadership

Chair & Vice-Chair
Meets monthly with AMPO Staff
Leads Committee Meetings
Helps in new member orientation
*In addition to Voting Responsibilities

~20
hrs/yr

Voting Members

3-year term/3-term limit
Meets at a minimum quarterly
Moderates sessions at AMPO events
May serve as interest group liaison, rapid responder, or moderate coffee chats

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hrs/yr

Ex-Officio

3-year terms/No term limit
Meets at a minimum quarterly
Helps in new member orientation
Mentors Emerging Professional

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hrs/yr

Emerging Professionals

3-year terms/1-term limit
Meets at a minimum quarterly
Less than 8 years of
MPO experience



About the ART Committee

The Applied Research & Training Committee (formerly Technical Committee) addresses the needs of MPOs through sub-committees and research programs. It works with the US DOT to identify MPO training needs and disseminate information on new technology, planning tools, and design concepts. Members of the ART Committee meet regularly through the year and are responsible for reviewing and prioritizing proposals submitted for the AMPO Annual Conference and the biennial Planning Tools & Training Symposium.

~24
hrs/yr

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About the Intergovernmental Affairs Group

The Intergovernmental Affairs Group, which supports AMPO's Policy Committee, is a member-led forum for MPO staff working on federal, state, regional, and local policy issues. The group provides a space for members to hear federal policy updates, discuss timely legislative and regulatory issues, share what they are seeing in their states and regions, and help inform AMPO's federal policy communications work. The group is a good fit for MPO staff who track policy developments, support government affairs or policy communications, or work with state and local partners on policy issues.

~20
hrs/yr*

IGA Leadership

A four-member leadership team helps AMPO staff to choose topics and speakers for its quarterly meetings

Quarterly Meetings

The IGA's four meetings per year are held via Zoom, and participation is informal and flexible



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About the Interest Group Leadership

Interest Group leaders help provide quarterly webinars based on topics of interest to their group. They occasionally coordinate peer exchanges or additional events.

The seven interest groups are:

- Active Transportation
- Core Products
- Environment & Resiliency
- GIS & Data
- Safety
- Socioeconomic Forecasting
- Transit

~20
hrs/yr

4 Leadership Positions

Each interest group has four leaders who collaborate to plan four webinars for each Interest Group each year.

Quarterly Touchbases

Leadership meets 1 hour each quarter to plan Interest Group events.

Quarterly Webinars

These typically feature two speakers followed by discussion. Each leadership member will identify a topic, find speakers, and moderate one webinar per year.

Community Forums

There is a forum for each interest group on Glue Up. Leadership is expected to help monitor and respond to forum posts and encourage conversation.





About Transportation Connections

This is a brand-new group that will focus on the nexus of transportation, community development, and housing. As these issues become a bigger part of federal policy conversations, more MPOs have focused on this space. Transportation Connections will give members a place to compare notes, share examples from their regions, talk through common challenges, and help AMPO to better understand where national policy can support more connected regional planning.

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hrs/yr*

TC Leadership

A 4-member leadership team will help guide the group's direction

Quarterly Meetings

Transportation Connections will hold four meetings per year, and participation will be informal and flexible



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