



## **New Mexico State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) Charter**

State DOT's and Tribal Local Public Agencies (T/LPAs) nationwide own, operate and maintain our transportation systems. The Stakeholders make the key decisions on how we deliver projects, as well as what techniques and technologies to use in the operation and safety on our transportation system. Our State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) brings together stakeholders that represent the industry as a whole, working together to lead innovation in our state transportation program.

### **Purpose**

This Charter establishes the New Mexico STIC and defines its mission, scope, responsibility, membership, and administration.

### **Vision**

The STIC will foster a collaborative culture for rapid implementation of meaningful innovations to include a high-quality modern transportation system to the public.

### **Mission**

Facilitate the rapid implementation of technology, tactics, and techniques among New Mexico transportation program delivery professionals at all levels of state government as well as throughout the private and non-profit sector to ensure smart, efficient investment in New Mexico's transportation infrastructure.

### **Scope and Responsibility**

Our STIC shall provide multi-stakeholder leadership to perpetuate the deployment of innovation throughout the state. The objectives and duties of the STIC shall be to identify and recommend ways to ensure that New Mexico responds to key issues and challenges that impact our transportation program. Our STIC will act as a catalyst for rapid deployment of those nationally and locally identified technologies, techniques and tactics that have been proven in "real world" applications and can offer improved performance/effectiveness in New Mexico.

The STIC will:

- Advise the New Mexico Department of Transportation NMDOT Cabinet Secretary and Federal Highway Administration – New Mexico Division (FHWA-NM) Administrator and provide a means of ensuring regular contact between the NMDOT, (T/LPAs), and the transportation sector.
- Advise (NMDOT) Cabinet Secretary and FHWA-NM Division Administrator on the implementation of the EveryDay Counts ((EDC) Initiatives and related matters.
- Advise the NMDOT Cabinet Secretary and FHWA-NM Division Administrator on the implementation of other innovative programs such as the Strategic Highway Research Program (SHRP) 2 and Accelerated Innovation Deployment (AID) Demonstration program, and others as they become available.
- Provide leadership to promote and support rapid deployment of selected technologies, tactics, and techniques.
- Provide a forum for discussing and proposing solutions to transportation-related needs and challenges.



- Act as a liaison among the stakeholders represented by the membership and may provide a forum for those stakeholders on current and emerging issues in the transportation sector.
- Develop a process to select technologies, tactics, and techniques on which to focus implementation efforts.
- Identify and mobilize champions within the state who are committed to the deployment of chosen technologies, tactics, and techniques.
- Monitor performance metrics to ensure priority initiatives move into standard practice.
- Share information with all state stakeholders through meetings, workshops, and conferences.

### Membership

The STIC committee will be comprised of voting members and non-voting members (Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) and Advisory). The STIC’s membership shall reflect the diversity of the transportation industry in the state by representing a balanced cross-section, including entities from various geographic locations and agencies of varying size. Specific members are indicated on the signature page of this document and includes representatives from:

- New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT)
- Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) – NM Division
- New Mexico Local Technical Assistance Program (NMLTAP)
- American Concrete Pavement Association (ACPA)
- Associated Contractors of NM (ACONM)
- American Council of Engineering Companies (ACEC)- NM
- Asphalt Pavement Association of New Mexico (APANM)
- Intelligent Transportation Society of New Mexico (ITSNM)

In addition, subject matter experts (SMEs) and other advisory members may be invited to attend STIC meetings as non-voting members. These may include representatives from T/LPAs, Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs), Federal resource agencies, Academia, and other groups as identified by the STIC.

The STIC shall be co-chaired by the NMDOT Deputy Secretary of Highway Operations and the FHWA-NM Deputy Division Administrator and composed of not more than twenty (20) members. Membership on the STIC shall be re-evaluated on a periodic basis, at a minimum annually.

The STIC will establish smaller committees as it considers necessary for the implementation of various innovation programs such as the EveryDay Counts (EDC) initiatives.

### Meetings

The STIC shall meet regularly at a time and place set by the Co-Chairs. It is currently expected that the STIC shall meet 3-4 times per year. At least one meeting shall include an update on the innovations/ incentives.

Members are expected to attend all meetings. Attendance may be in person or by interactive communications means, such as conference calls or video conferencing tools (such as Teams, Zoom, etc.)



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If necessary, a voting member may be represented by a designated alternate. By the time a vote is to take place, and voting member cannot be present, voting member must identify a designee.

A majority of voting members should agree on the recommendation of annual STIC Incentive projects that are submitted to FHWA for funding approval.

**Please note:** *FHWA is a non-voting member for the purposes of funding recommendations.*

Items presented for STIC review shall be circulated electronically for members' review far enough in advance of the meeting to allow members time to review the documents in a meaningful way.

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