

FTA

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION

Transit Advisory Committee for Safety (TRACS)

TRACS Framework
and
Committee Task

March 26-27, 2019

Prepared by:
Kara J. Waldrup
Safety Policy (TSO-12)



U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Transit Administration

Overview

Membership

- 15 voting members for a 2-year period
- Acting Chairperson & Vice Committee vote in process

Task

- FTA: Review emerging technologies and recommend public transportation innovations in safety that FTA can implement in support of the public transportation sector
- Certain parameters apply

Meetings:

- Two in-person, per year
- Proposing monthly closed telephonic update briefs

Committee Task

“To review emerging technologies and recommend public transportation innovations in safety that FTA can implement in support of the public transportation sector.”

Address 3 safety focus areas identified by FTA

Trespasser and suicide fatality prevention

Select an additional focus area

Select an additional focus area

Task Criteria

While developing recommendations, TRACS must consider:

1. Extent to which the technology improves safety in rail transit nationwide
 - Potential to significantly reduce fatalities
 - Potential to significantly reduce injuries
 - Potential to reduce safety events
 - Potential to improve system reliability

2. Extent to which the technology is feasible and practical
 - Cost
 - Availability of technology (nation-wide)
 - Operational ease of use
 - Upkeep/Maintenance

3. TRACS may consider implementation of the technology under SMS **(optional)**
 - Policy Development/Leadership commitment
 - Promotion
 - Risk Management
 - Safety Assurance

First Committee Meeting

Date: March 26-27, 2019

- Day 1- 9:00am to 4:00pm
- Day 2- 9:00am to noon



Location: National Highway Institute

- 1310 North Courthouse Road, Suite 300, Arlington, VA 22201

FTA Briefings:

- FTA's Authority, FTA Roles, and Responsibilities (relevant to TRACS)
- Federal Advisory Committees, TRACS Framework and Task
- Safety Data Analysis
- FTA Initiatives, Safety Risks and Potential Mitigations