



MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: COG/TPB staff participation at the 2026 Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB)

DATE: January 16, 2026

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The 105th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB) will be held January 11-15, 2026, in Washington, D.C. This memo documents the planned COG/DTP staff participation at this TRB Annual Meeting. The focus of this memo is on staff in COG's Department of Transportation Planning (DTP).

This memo includes two tables of information:

- Table 1 COG/TPB staff who attended the TRB Annual Meeting this year
- Table 2 COG/TPB staff membership on TRB standing committees

TRB standing committees typically meet during the Annual Meeting. Committee members and friends are responsible for conducting much of the work undertaken by TRB, such as reviewing papers and planning other conferences, although this work is typically done outside of the annual meeting.

The information in this memo was solicited from all COG DTP staff¹ via email. Meeting "attendance" is defined as any reported attendance, which could vary from one session/workshop to attending several days of the conference. Note that it is also possible that a staff member might participate with TRB, such as participation with a standing committee during the year but might not attend the annual meeting.

As noted in Table 1, 10 staff plan to attend this annual meeting.

¹ A courtesy copy of the email was sent to Greg Goodwin and Steve Kania, who are in the cc list.

Table 1 COG/TPB staff who attended the TRB Annual Meeting this year

- Mark Moran (TFEA)²
- Feng Xie (TFEA)
- Yu Gao (PDR)
- Kenneth Joh (PDR)
- Zhuo Yang (PDR)
- Olga Perez (PDR)
- Suraj Vujjini (PDR)
- Katherine Rainone (MPP)
- Uttara Sutradhar (PDR)
- Pierre Gaunaud (MPP)

Beyond meeting attendance, the list below summarizes other ways that COG DTP staff will participate at this year's TRB Annual Meeting:

Paper Presentations:

- Pierre Gaunaud will co-present at Lectern Session 3015, "Post-Pandemic Recovery and Intermodal Connectivity in Intercity Transportation: A Case Study of the National Capital Region," held on Tuesday, January 13, 8:00 AM- 9:45 AM ET.

Poster Presentations:

- None this year.

Moderating/presiding Activities:

- None this year.

Other Activities (e.g., invited presentations, panel discussions, committee services):

- Kenneth Joh is an invited speaker and will present at Lectern Session 2089, "Travel Survey Versus Passive Data: What Is Worth Keeping?", held on Monday, January 12, 2026 (1:30–3:15 PM ET).
- Katherine Rainone is an invited speaker and will present at Lectern Session 3087, "Pop-Up Extreme Weather Events: Response Reflections and Resilience Strategies," held on Tuesday, January 13 1:30 PM- 3:15 PM ET

² Team name abbreviations: Plan Development and Coordination (PDC) Team, led by Lyn Erickson; Planning Data and Research (PDR) Team, led by Timothy Canan; Travel Forecasting & Emissions Analysis (TFEA) Team, led by Mark Moran, Multimodal Planning Program (MPP) Team, led by Thomas Harrington; Transportation Operations Programs (TOP) Team, led by Dan Sheehan

TPB staff participation with TRB standing committees this year is summarized in Table 2. The nature of the participation is either member or friend. Both members and friends typically review papers, though members typically review more papers than friends. Members and friends are also free to abstain from paper reviews, although the expectations for paper reviews are higher for members.

Table 2 COG/TPB staff membership on TRB standing committees

Standing Committee	COG/TPB Staff	Role
ACH20: Bicycle Transportation Committee	Charlene Howard	Friend
AED16: Standing Technical Committee on Traffic Monitoring	Yu Gao	Friend
AEDP1725: Standing Committee on Travel Survey Methods AAEP25(1): Household Travel Surveys Subcommittee	Kenneth Joh	Secretary Member Co-Chair
AED40: Geographic Information Science	Charlene Howard	Friend
AEP12: Standing Technical Committee on Travel Behavior and Choices	Zhuo Yang	Friend
AEP15: Transportation Planning Analysis and Application	Timothy Canan	Friend
AEP30: Standing Committee on Traveler Behavior and Values	Nazneen Ferdous	Friend
AEP50: Standing Committee on Transportation Demand Forecasting	Nazneen Ferdous	Friend
AEP60: Committee on Transportation Demand Management		
AKJ17MR50: Standing Committee on Extreme Weather and Climate Change Adaptation Winter Maintenance and Response to Weather Events	Katherine Rainone	Member
AV012: Standing Technical Committee on Aviation Market Economics and Analysis AV013: Standing Committee on Airport Landside Operations and Planning	Suraj Vujjini	Friend Friend
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AV020: Standing Committee on Aviation System Planning	Timothy Canan	Friend
AV050: Standing Committee on Airport Terminals and Ground Access	Timothy Canan	Friend