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Management Council

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Public Act 51 Agencies, Regional and Metropolitan Planning Organizations (RPA/MPOs) and the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT)

**RE: 2021 Pavement Surface Evaluation and Rating (PASER) Data Collection**

Dear Transportation Agency Partners,

This letter is an update from the Transportation Asset Management Council (TAMC) to assist with PASER data collection for the 2021 data collection season.

- **2021 Data Collection:** On December 2, 2021 TAMC approved the [Pilot Policy for Collection of Roadway Surface Condition Data in 2021](#). This policy will be in effect from January 1, 2021 through the end of the data collection season, which is November 26, 2021. TAMC has identified the 2021 data collection season and related policy as a “Pilot” as changes to the rating teams and training requirements have been approved on a temporary basis for 2021. The existing [TAMC Policy for the Collection of Roadway Surface Condition Data](#) that was approved on March 6, 2019 will go back into effect after November 26, 2021.
- **Federal Aid (FA) PASER Data Collection:** Changes have been approved for FA PASER data collection, moving from 3-member rating teams to 2-member rating teams. TAMC also approved temporary modifications to training requirements to help address circumstances stemming from the 2020 cancellations of on-site training and certification opportunities. Lastly, TAMC expects teams to collect 100% of the FA system in 2021 with budget allocations from FY20 and FY21.
- **TAMC Budget:** As mentioned in previous TAMC correspondence, TAMC approved time extensions to the FY20 budget allocation to the RPA/MPOs for the asset management program. With this approval, any unspent FY20 funds can be used for reimbursement of expenses related to collecting FA PASER until June 30, 2021. FY21 funds can be used for reimbursement until September 30, 2021.
- **Non-Federal Aid PASER data collection:** RPA/MPOs please continue to ensure you are contacting the local agencies proactively, coordinating the Non-Federal Aid data collection cycles with Public Act 51 agencies with an emphasis on the top 125 agencies, ensure all participants of data collection understand procedures for data sharing with TAMC as well as TAMC policy and procedures for collecting Non-Federal Aid data and make sure the data is supplied to the TAMC. This remains unchanged for 2021.

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**As a reminder, the deadline to submit the FA and non-federal aid data collection to the TAMC is the first Friday of December 2021 and FA data collection is a priority.**

**We appreciate all of your patience and on-going commitments to asset management.**

Questions can be directed to Roger Belknap, TAMC Coordinator by calling (517) 230-8192 or by email [belknapr@michigan.gov](mailto:belknapr@michigan.gov). To learn more about TAMC and to access road and bridge condition data and maps, visit [www.Michigan.gov/TAMC](http://www.Michigan.gov/TAMC).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joanna I. Johnson". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'J'.

Joanna I. Johnson, Chair  
CC: TAMC Members