

RESOLUTION #2026-01

A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE OZARK REGIONAL TRANSIT (ORT) AUTHORITY AND UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS RAZORBACK TRANSIT PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION AGENCY SAFETY PLANS (PTASP) AND SUPPORTING FFY 2025 SAFETY PERFORMANCE TARGETS

WHEREAS, the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC) serves as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Northwest Arkansas region and as the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) designated recipient for applicable federal transit funds; and

WHEREAS, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) continues the performance management and performance-based planning and programming framework established under MAP-21 and the FAST Act, including continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive coordination among state Departments of Transportation (DOTs), MPOs, and transit providers; and

WHEREAS, the Ozark Regional Transit (ORT) Authority and the University of Arkansas Razorback Transit are public transportation agencies receiving federal assistance under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 and are required to develop and maintain Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans (PTASP) pursuant to 49 C.F.R. Part 673; and

WHEREAS, ORT and Razorback Transit have adopted federally compliant PTASPs and established Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025 safety performance targets; and

WHEREAS, NWARPC is required to support and reflect these safety performance targets in the regional transportation planning process, demonstrating a regional commitment to the safety of transit users, employees, and the general public.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NORTHWEST ARKANSAS REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

That the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission hereby supports Ozark Regional Transit (ORT) Authority and the University of Arkansas Razorback Transit federally compliant Public Transportation Agency Safety Plans (PTASP) and the established Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025 safety performance targets, as shown in Exhibit A attached hereto, and agrees to plan and program projects in support of these targets.

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2026.

Mayor Doug Sprouse, Chair, NWARPC

ATTEST: _____

EXHIBIT A

Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) FFY 2025 Safety Targets

University of Arkansas Razorback Transit

Table 6: Fixed Route (Bus) Safety Performance Targets FY2025

Mode	Baseline	Target
Major Events	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Major Event Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Collision Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Pedestrian Collision Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Vehicular Collision Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Fatalities	0	0
Fatality Rate	0	0
Transit Worker Fatality Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Injuries	1.2	0
Injury Rate	0.00024%	0.00000%
Transit Worker Injury Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Assaults on Transit Workers	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Rate of Assaults on Transit Workers	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
System Reliability	7.6	7.6

Table 7: Demand Response Safety Performance Targets FY2025

Mode	Baseline	Target
Major Events	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Major Event Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Collision Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Pedestrian Collision Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Vehicular Collision Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Fatalities	0	0
Fatality Rate	0	0
Transit Worker Fatality Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Injuries	0.4	0
Injury Rate	0.00082%	0.00000%
Transit Worker Injury Rate	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Assaults on Transit Workers	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
Rate of Assaults on Transit Workers	No NTD Data	No NTD Data
System Reliability	3	3

No NTD Data = The National Transit Database has not collected this data in the past. 2024 is the first year NTD has requested this data

Ozark Regional Transit (ORT)

Table 6: Fixed Route (Bus) Safety Performance Targets

Mode	Baseline	Target
Major Events	0.0	0.0
Major Event Rate	0.0	0.0
Collision Rate	14.0	12.0
Pedestrian Collision rate	0.0	0.0
Vehicular Collision Rate	0.002800%	0.003400%
Fatalities	0.02	0.0
Fatalities rate	0.00003%	0.0
Transit Worker Fatality Rate	0.0	0.0
Injuries	0.08	0.0
Injury Rate	0.000136%	0.0
Transit Worker Injury Rate	0.0	0.0
Assaults on Transit Workers	0.0	0.0
Rate of Assaults on Transit Workers	0.0	0.0
System Reliability	30,447	47,000

*rate = total number for the year/total revenue vehicle miles traveled

Table 7: Demand Response Safety Performance Targets

Mode	Baseline	Target
Major Events	0.0	0.0
Major Event Rate	0.0	0.0
Collision Rate	3.6	3
Pedestrian Collision rate	0.0	0.0
Vehicular Collision Rate	0.003389%	0.004560%
Fatalities	0.0	0.0
Fatalities rate	0.0	0.0
Transit Worker Fatality Rate	0.0	0.0
Injuries	0.0	0.0
Injury Rate	0.0	0.0
Transit Worker Injury Rate	0.0	0.0
Assaults on Transit Workers	0.0	0.0
Rate of Assaults on Transit Workers	0.0	0.0
System Reliability	148,359	148,359

*rate = total number for the year/total revenue vehicle miles traveled