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## **Knoxville Regional TPO Draft Outreach Plan Available**

**Knoxville, Tennessee – September 24, 2021** – A draft update of the Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization's Outreach Plan is available for comment at <a href="knoxtpo.org/community-engagement/outreach-plan/">knoxtpo.org/community-engagement/outreach-plan/</a>.

The Outreach Plan addresses the importance of public participation in transportation policies, programs, and projects, and that meaningful community engagement is central to good decision-making. It fulfills federal requirements and serves as a working tool for TPO staff. While general policies within the plan are based on federal regulations and requirements, it also details customized outreach efforts for ongoing plans and projects maintained by the TPO. This gives greater flexibility to the TPO to conduct outreach that works best for a specific topic or study area.

The <u>draft document</u> is available for review and comment until October 10, 2021. If you have comments on the plan, please email Ally Ketron at <u>ally.ketron@knoxplanning.org</u> or call 865-215-3234.

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