

AMATS

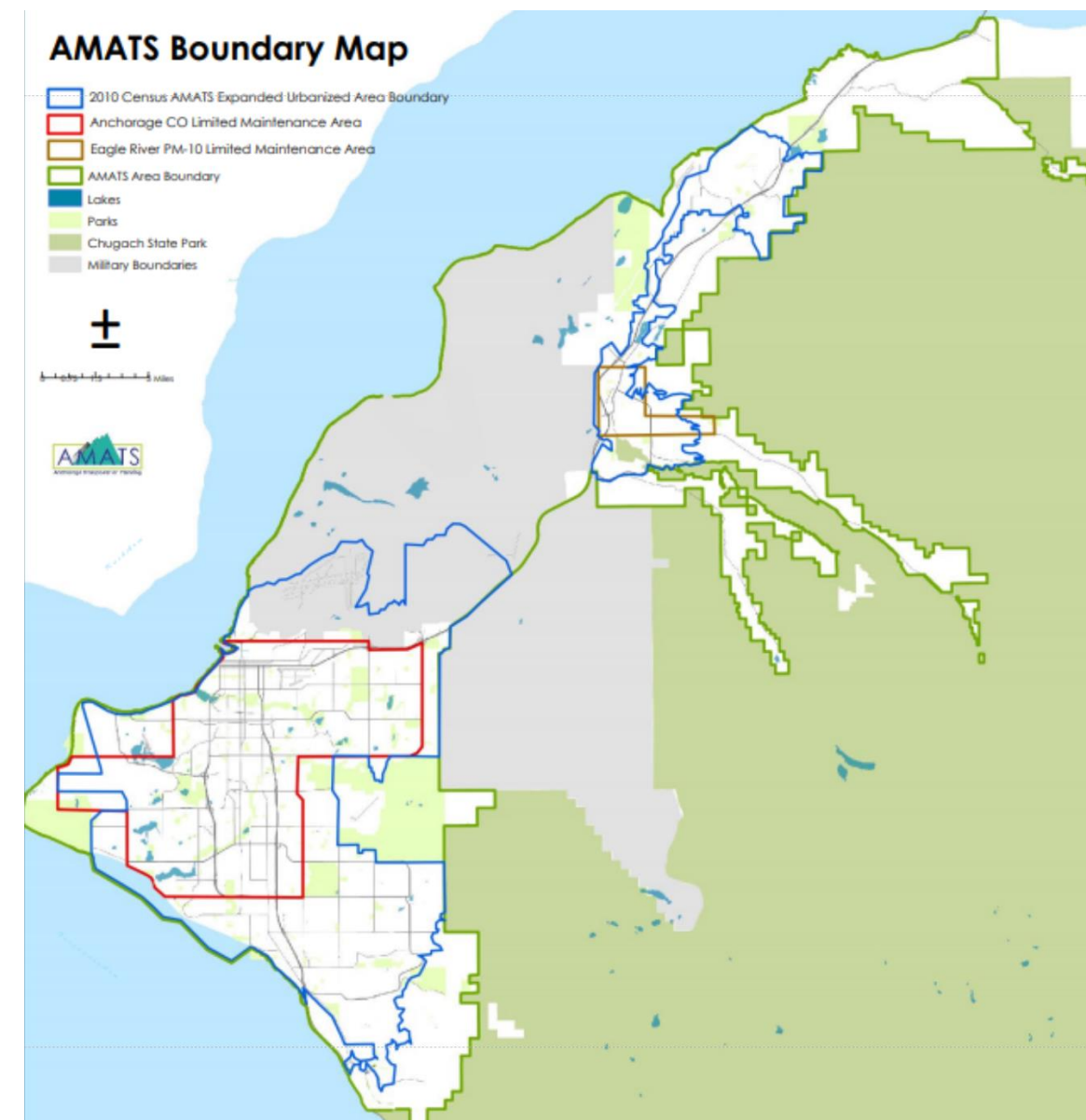
Anchorage Metropolitan Area Transportation Solutions

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MPO for the
Anchorage/Chugiak/Eagle
River/Native Village of
Eklutna Area



AMATS

- Areas with populations of 200,000 or more are a type of MPO called a Transportation Management Area (TMA) which have additional planning requirements.
- AMATS is the only TMA in Alaska.
- MPO staff is housed in the MOA as staff, but we report to the Policy Committee.

TMA

What are the requirements for the Transportation Management Area?

- Congestion Management Process
- Certification Reviews

What are the benefits?

- Direct allocation of funding

AMATS PC

Policy

- The decision-making body of AMATS is the Policy Committee (PC) which meets monthly

5 Members

- Department Of Transportation & Public Facilities
 - Commissioner / Designee - Chair
- Municipality of Anchorage
 - Mayor / Designee - Vice Chair
- Department of Environmental Conservation - Representative
- Anchorage Municipal Assembly – (2) Representatives

AMATS TAC

Technical

- Advisory to the Policy Committee is the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) which meets monthly

11 Members

- **Municipality of Anchorage** - Traffic Department, Health Department, Environmental Health Program, Public Transportation Department, Planning Department, Parks & Recreation Department Project Management & Engineering
- **Alaska Railroad Corporation**
- **Don Young Port of Alaska**
- **Department of Transportation & Public Facilities** - Anchorage Field Chief of Planning & Vice Chair Regional Preconstruction Engineer
- **Department of Environmental Conservation** - Manager of the Southcentral Region Air Quality Program

AMATS Sub-Committees

Advisory

- Additional advisory committees have met quarterly or ad hoc over the year to send recommendations up to the PC through the TAC.

3 Committees – 11 Members Each

- Community Advisory Committee
- Freight Advisory Committee
- Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee

AMATS Staff



MPO's & DOT&PF Coordination

- Peer exchange
- 3C Process
- Coordination on the STIP Amendment #2
- What is Working Well

Peer Exchange

Purpose

- Connecting with peer MPOs and DOT&PFs

Lessons Learned

- 10-12 Action Items Developed
- Documentation on the Process
- Continuous Communication and Outreach
- Ensure all staff are part of the process

3C Process

Documentation

Purpose

- Continuous, Comprehensive, Cooperative

Background

- DOT&PF was instructed to develop a 3-C Process Document
- AMATS Policy Committee provided feedback on the document

STIP

Amendment #2

- **Concern:** Lack of Coordination with MPO prior to release for the public.
- **Discussion:** Positive discussion on finding a way to get MPO or MPO staff to review it prior to release for the public.

Healthy Partnerships

Regional Successes

- Coordination at the regional level
- Coordination at the project level
- HSIP coordination
- Vision Zero Task Force

**THANK
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