

Taking Action on Regional Vision Zero - Minor Update Kickoff

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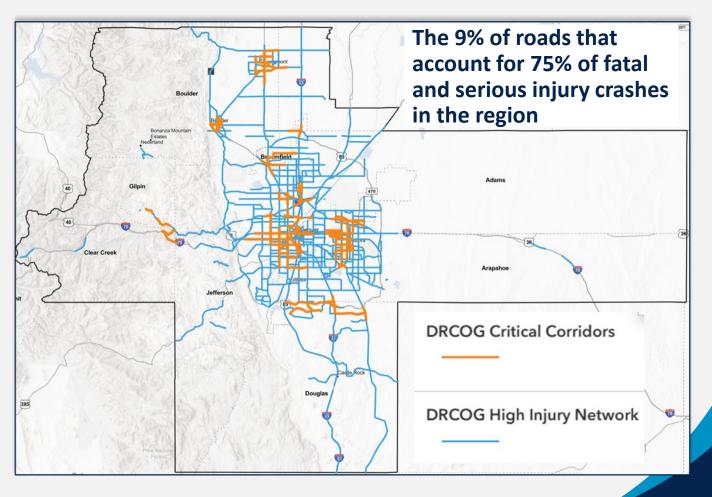
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- The region's plan for improving transportation safety.
- First adopted in 2020.
- Used 2013-2017 crash data.
- A strategic update in 2024 added new action items.
- 2024 DRCOG Board resolution formally established goal of zero traffic fatalities by 2040, zero serious injuries by 2045.



Key components of the plan

- Regional High Injury Network (HIN): where high concentrations of fatal and serious injury crashes occur.
- Regional Crash Profiles: the factors behind high numbers of serious crashes in the region.
- Engineering countermeasures that address the profiles.
- Action items and implementation plan.



The many uses of the plan

- Used by DRCOG to prioritize corridors for studies or funding.
- Used to guide DRCOG's safetyrelated work.
- Used by communities that lack their own safety plan to apply for Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A) funding.
- Serves as a template or reference when developing local safety plans.
- Used to build support for improvements to corridors.





Identified scope of the "minor update"

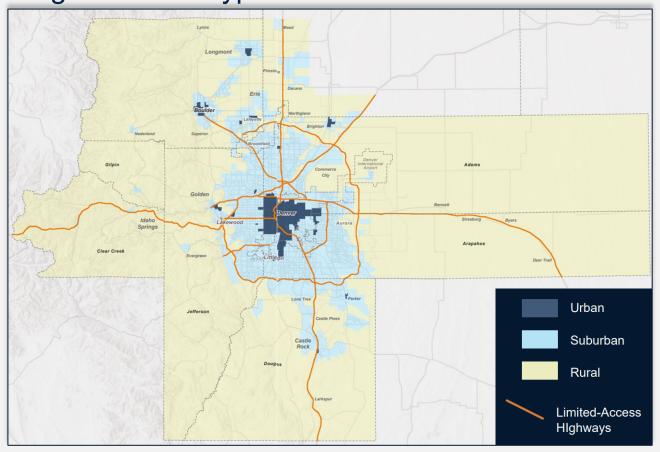
- 1. Update the Regional HIN and Regional Crash Profiles with more recent crash data (2020-2024).
- 2. Add high-risk networks to support proactive and systemic safety improvements.
- 3. Add "missing" elements, including items flagged through the regional Safe Streets & Roads for All applications.





Update the Regional HIN and Regional Crash **Profiles**

Regional Area Types



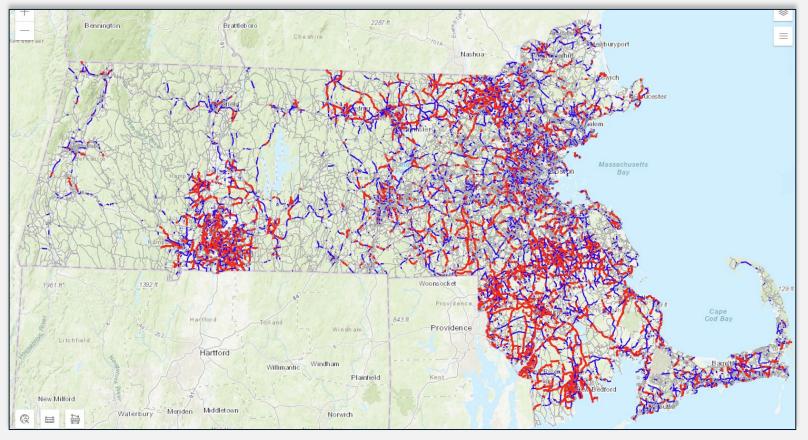
Crash profiles	Percent of fatal and severe injury crashes in suburban/ compact community areas		
Failed to yield right-of-way and turning conflicts			47%
Pedestrian- involved		16%	
Rear end and stopped or slowing vehicles		19%	

Crash Profiles for Suburban/ Compact Community Areas in the 2024 plan



Add High-Risk Networks

Example of a highrisk network that ranks corridors based on their risk for lane departure crashes



Source: Massachusetts Department of Transportation



Add "missing" elements

- The Vision Zero target adopted in 2024.
- A description of how progress will be measured.
- A discussion of how projects will be prioritized or any key safety projects for the region.





Activities to date

- A Geography class from University of Colorado Denver compiled a review of best practices for HINs and created a "sliding windows" tool.
- A brainstorming session was held with the Regional Vision Zero Working Group on the methodology for developing the HIN.
- Development of initial draft versions of the Regional HIN and Regional Crash Profiles is underway.





Schedule

Update the HIN and Crash Profiles

Timing Fall

Input opportunities

Fall 2025 - Spring 2026

Regional Vision Zero Working Group meetings. Create the High-Risk Networks

Spring 2026

Regional Vision Zero Working Group meeting.

Finalize draft document

Spring -Summer 2026

TAC, RTC, Board meetings.

Public review

Summer 2026

Public review period, RVZ working group meeting.

Adoption

Fall 2026

TAC, RTC, Board meetings.



Related safety work

- Regional Quick-Build (Quick Win)
 Toolkit coming soon: countermeasures, materials, guidance on asphalt art, image library, before/after evaluation template and lessons learned.
- Safe Streets & Roads for All regional applications.
- New features added to the Regional Crash Data Dashboard.
- Crash Data Consortium: research into other states' crash data systems.







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