



## STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Project: Haines Borough Safe Streets for All (SS4A)

Location: CIA Conference Room, In-person (MS Teams, virtual)

Date: January 15th, 2026

Time: 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Nate Arrants – (In-Person)	Tammy Hamilton – (Absent)	Chen Wu – (In-Person)
Matthew Boron – (Absent)	Sierra Jimenez – (Virtual)	Ethan Roemeling – (Virtual)
Dustin Craney – (In-Person)	Jen Walsh – (In-Person)	Karen Garcia – (Absent)
Michael Ganey – (Absent)	Brittany Dunbar – (In-Person)	Andrew Conrad – (In-Person)
Eben Sargent – (Absent)	Dan Shultz– (In-Person)	Borough Clerks Office – (Absent)

### 1/15/26 AGENDA

1. Draft Safety Analysis Memo, Comment Period
2. Transportation Safety Concerns, Committee Members
3. Preliminary Safety Survey Results
4. Project Timeline

### MEETING MINUTES

- **Draft Safety Analysis Memo, Comment Period**
  - Haines Borough memo comments, including qualitative recommendations for Sections 4 thru 6.
  - Discussion, Graph 1 decrease. Member comments on COVID-19, highway safety projects.
- **Transportation Safety Concerns, Committee Members**
  - Discussion on winter weather and transportation safety.
- **Preliminary Safety Survey Results, survey closed 12/31/2025:**
  - Wu, Walsh, Arrants, Shultz, & Craney recommend re-opening survey for storm weather comments.
  - Conrad encouraged written comments to be submitted. All comments and responses will be included in the planning document for Sections 4 thru 6.
  - Local EMS responds to incidents in Canada as needed.
- **Project Timeline, draft attached.**
  - Draft Plan, Public Meetings, Review Periods.
  - Next Committee Meeting, Tentative for Thursday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 4p-5p, CIA Admin. Bldg.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Meeting Date, Tentative, Thursday Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> or 26<sup>th</sup>, Location TBD.
- **Data Discussion:**
  - Road Closure Count (avalanches, rock slides, collisions, etc.) – Haines Borough (Dispatch, Nixle), State of Alaska DOT&PF, CIV/DOT&PF Grants @ 22-mile slide path.
  - Human/Animal Interactions - Alaska Wildlife Troopers (Roadkill Program), Alaska Department Natural Resources Chilkoot Lake State Recreation Site (Jaques Turcotte).
  - Interviews with agency representatives when data is unavailable.
  - Transportation Corridors, Pedestrian Mapping (sidewalk, crosswalks, lights, etc.).

### ACTION ITEMS

\*\*\*\*\* New and previously established action items will be listed under the appropriate plan requirement (Section 1 thru 8) outlined below. \*\*\*\*\*



SS4A Plan Overview

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Plan Requirements: 1) Leadership Commitment and Goal Setting, 2) Planning Structure, 3) Safety Analysis, 4) Engagement and Collaboration, 5) Policy and Process Changes, 6) Strategy and Project Selections, 7) Progress and Transparency, 8) Action Plan Date

**ACTION ITEMS:**

Leadership Commitment and Goal Setting

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*A high-ranking official and/or governing body in the jurisdiction publicly committed to an eventual goal of zero roadway fatalities and serious injuries, including setting a target date.*

- Approval and recommendation by the HB Planning commission for adoption of the plan.
- Resolutions from CIA and CIV supporting the plan.
- Adoption of the plan by the HB Assembly.

Planning Structure

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*Establish a committee, task force, implementation group, or similar body charged with the plan’s development, implementation and monitoring.*

- Establishment of SS4A Steering Committee.

Safety Analysis

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*Analysis of existing conditions and historical trends to provide a baseline level of crashes involving fatalities and serious injuries.*

- Safety Analysis Memo (Historically available/public data)
  1. **Update Figure 2: Include outlying communities or re-name data set.**
  2. **Update with requested EMS data.**
  3. **Comment responses.**
- Safety Survey (community provided data)

Engagement and Collaboration

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*Engage with the public and relevant stakeholders, including the private sector and community groups. Coordination with inter- and intra-governmental cooperation and collaboration.*

- Public Safety Survey
- Public Meetings
  1. **Steering Committee Request : Haines Highway Location**
- Events (pop-up events, school presentations, senior center presentations, etc.)
- PC meeting, Assembly meeting
- State Agency Collaboration
  1. **HB & DOT&PF, Highway Closure Counts (Slides, Avalanches, Collisions, etc.)**
  2. **Alaska Wildlife Troopers, Roadkill Program**
  3. **ADNR Chilkoot State Rec. Area, Contact: Jaques Tourcette.**



Policy and Process Changes

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*Assess the current policies, plans, guidelines, and/or standards to identify opportunities to improve how processes prioritize safety.*

- Haines Borough Code.
- Haines Borough Comprehensive Plan
- Coordinated Public Transit-Human Services Transportation Plan
- DOT&PF Southeast Alaska Transportation Plan

Strategy and Project Selections

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*Identify a comprehensive set of projects and strategies to address the safety problems in the Action Plan.*

- Safety analysis memo + safety survey data -> project identification, prioritization and countermeasures
  1. **Recommendations for funding outside US DOT SS4A Implementation**

Progress and Transparency

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*Describe how progress will be measured over time, post plan publicly online.*

- SS4A webpage [safestreetsforhaines.com](http://safestreetsforhaines.com)
- HB [website](#)

Action Plan Date

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*Plan was finalized or updated between 2020 and present.*

- Project Timeline

Previous Minutes, Steering Committee Updates

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**12/18/2025 MEETING MINUTES:**

- Public meeting request: Mosquito Lake School – **Action Items Updated**
- Discussion on how the plan can address funding for planning/design/construction outside SS4A program, including other grants or programs related to traffic safety. – **Action Items Updated**
- Data
  - ~~Request data from local EMS for pedestrian and cyclist injuries on streets and roads.~~
  - ~~Recreational Trails Program Grant, ~2021: Cell phone data, transportation corridors~~ **RTP Grant Narrative recv'd from clerk, 12/29/2025 (Resolution 21-12-950, 12/22/21 Assembly Mtg.)**
  - Human – Animal interactions: Moose/Highway, Bears/Chilkoot – **Action Items Updated**
  - Discussion on the Recreation Economy for Rural communities (RERC) plan, and strategies they used to gather information.
- Maps
  - Pedestrian/Cyclist Transportation Corridors – Sidewalks, crosswalks, bike lanes, gaps in service.

**DRAFT TIMELINE:**

COMMUNITY SAFETY ACTION PLAN TIMELINE - Steering Committee Layout							Revision Date:	1/19/2026
SS4A OBJECTIVES	2025		2026				2027	
	OCT-DEC	JAN-MAR	APR-JUN	JUL-SEP	OCT-DEC	JAN		
<b>Leadership Commitment &amp; Goal Setting</b>	<i>A high-ranking official and/or governing body in the jurisdiction publicly committed to an eventual goal of zero roadway fatalities and serious injuries, including setting a target date.</i>							
Planning Commission, Recommendation/Approval				6/18	7/16	8/20		
Assembly Adoption						8/25	9/8, 9/22	
CIA Resolution				TBD				
CIV Resolution				TBD				
<b>Planning Structure</b>	<i>Establish a committee, task force, implementation group, or similar body charged with the plan's development, implementation and monitoring.</i>							
Steering committee meetings		12/18/25 thru June 2026 (Monthly)						
<b>Safety Analysis</b>	<i>Analysis of existing conditions and historical trends to provide a baseline level of crashes involving fatalities and serious injuries.</i>							
Safety Survey	10/16 to 12/31/25							
Crash Data Collection & Analysis								
Safety Analysis Memo								
<b>Engagement &amp; Collaboration</b>	<i>Engage with the public and relevant stakeholders, including the private sector and community groups. Coordination with inter- and intra-governmental cooperation and collaboration.</i>							
Public meetings	#1	#2	#3					
30 day Public Comment, PC Meeting				30-d		9/17		
Presentations & Pop-Ups	HB School, Senior Center, 4Winds		TBD	TBD	TBD			
Assembly Meeting						7/7, 7/21, 8/11		
<b>Policy &amp; Process Changes</b>	<i>Assess the current policies, plans, guidelines, and/or standards to identify opportunities to improve how processes prioritize safety.</i>							
<b>Strategy &amp; Project Selection</b>	<i>Identify a comprehensive set of projects and strategies to address the safety problems in the Action Plan.</i>							
Crash Reduction Strategies & Countermeasures								
TENW Site Visit								
<b>Progress &amp; Transparency</b>	<i>Describe how progress will be measured over time, post plan publicly online.</i>							
Project Website, Borough Website								
Initial Press Release, Public Postings								
Establish Community Partners								
Social Media Engagement								
<b>Action Plan Date</b>	<i>Plan was finalized or updated between 2020 and present.</i>							
Project Closeout								
<b>Implementation</b>	<i>After Project Completion</i>							
SS4A								
Policy & Process Changes								
Other Grants, Funding, etc.								