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# ACT Launches Reauthorization Working Groups

Over the last few weeks, ACT held inaugural meetings for the FAA Reauthorization Working Group and the Transportation Reauthorization Task Force. Both groups will play crucial roles in advancing TDM policy priorities through the federal government.

As GAO prepares to conduct a study on TDM efficacy at U.S. airports as mandated by Section 736 of FAA Reauthorization, the **FAA Reauthorization Working Group** is in the process of assembling a coalition of airport and airport stakeholders. The goal is a symbiotic relationship with GAO; the group postures to serve as policy experts and door openers available to GAO while also advocating for the study to ask questions that directly affect TDM policy for airport employees.

ACT has also formed a **Transportation Reauthorization Task Force** in advance of the Surface Transportation
Reauthorization Act that is scheduled for FY26. The task
force, consisting of ACT's policy team and council
leadership, aims to consolidate asks to advocate for in the
legislation for the coming year. Although passage seems a
long way off, it is crucial that ACT begin Congressional
advocacy for well-defined asks as soon as possible.

If you are interested in joining either group or providing feedback and opinions, contact <u>Zach Calderón</u>. The more voices contributing to these campaigns, the more effective they will be.

**Contact Zach** 

### **SCOTUS Chevron Ruling and TDM**



In June, the Supreme Court overturned a legal precedent known as the "Chevron deference". Since 1984, any law passed by Congress that lacked specificity was allowed to be interpreted by the appropriate executive agencies and departments. With this now overturned, interpretation is now the prerogative of the courts. ACT is aware of this ruling, and will work with our policy team and allies in government to ensure that TDM language is sufficiently specific moving forward.

#### **Consider Contributing to ACT PAC**



As a reminder, <u>ACT PAC</u> is now online and accepting contributions. With the uncertainty facing the federal government in the coming months and any combinations of government alignment possible, it is more crucial than ever for TDM advocates to ensure we have partners we can work with in government across the political spectrum.

ACT PAC is the TDM industry's bullhorn to ensure that lawmakers know we aren't sitting out on this portion of the decision-making process. Small dollar donations still play a vital role in advancing policy agendas for a whole host of causes across the country, and ours is no different. If you want to ensure your voice is heard in the ongoing efforts to support TDM policy, please consider making a donation to ACT PAC below.

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#### **Gearing Up for TDM Week**



TDM Week is two months away! If you have not yet submitted pledges, we highly encourage you to do so. TDM Week is our opportunity to get loud and shine a spotlight on the critical role TDM policies play in the lives of 120 million daily commuters. It provides lawmakers with a bipartisan cause both sides can come together and advocate for during this unprecedented time of unparalleled polarization.

Awareness can take many forms, and whether you pledge to write an op-ed, meet with a local politician, post on social media, or submit a proclamation to your mayor or governor, you are making a difference. TDM policies need awareness in order to become law, and there is no better opportunity to spread awareness than TDM Week.

Learn more and submit your pledge









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