

SOUTH ALABAMA RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION (RPO)

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General Board Information:

RPO seeks to establish a transportation planning process in the rural areas of South Alabama comprising the areas of Mobile County (AL), Baldwin County (AL) and Escambia County (AL), which are not included in the Mobile County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Study Area.

Member Governments in the RPO are: Baldwin County Commission, Escambia County Commission, Mobile County Commission, City of Gulf Shores, City of Orange Beach, City of Bay Minette, City of Daphne, City of Fairhope, City of Foley, City of Robertsedale, Town of Silverhill, Town of Magnolia Springs, City of Spanish Fort, Town of Summerdale, Town of Elberta, Town of Loxley, City of Brewton, City of East Brewton, Town of Flomaton, City of Atmore, Town of Riverview, Town of Pollard, Town of Dauphin Island, Town of Mount Vernon, City of Citronelle, Poarch Band of Creek Indians, MOWA Baldwin of Choctaw Indians and the Alabama Department of Transportation.

Policy Committee

Baldwin County Commission designates the Chairman of the Baldwin County Commission to the 'Policy Committee' of the RPO for service during the respective term of office for each Chairman of the Baldwin County Commission. Any member of the "Policy Committee," as designated by the Baldwin County Commission, must be a Baldwin County Commissioner.

Technical / Citizens Advisory Committee

Baldwin County Commission designates the Baldwin County Planning Director, Baldwin County Engineer and Baldwin County Regional Area Transit System Director to the 'Technical / Citizens Advisory Committee' of the RPO for their respective service during each person's tenure in such position.

Baldwin County Commission appoints one (1) citizen to the 'Technical / Citizens Advisory Committee' to a two (2) year term.

The Baldwin County Commission can appoint any combination of staff or citizens and place the length of terms for each as they deem appropriate or change the combination thereof.

SEAT	MEMBER	APPOINTED / REAPPOINTED	TERM	EXPIRATION
1	Commissioner Matthew P. McKenzie	Appointed 11/05/2024 to replace previous Chairman Billie Jo Underwood	*	11/03/2025
2	Baldwin County Planning Director (Jay Dickson replaced previous Planning Director Matthew Brown on 03/11/2024)		**	**
3	Baldwin County Engineer (Frank Lundy replaced previous County Engineer Joey Nunnally on 06/20/2023)		**	**
4	Ann Simpson Baldwin Regional Area Transit System Director	11/16/2021 (To replace previous BRATS Director Taylor Rider)	**	**
5	Stan Virden	Re-appointed 11/15/2011 term continuing from 05/01/2011	2 years	05/01/2013

* Term continues for the respective terms of office for each Chairman of the Baldwin County Commission. (Typically, term as Chairman expires the first Tuesday in November except in an election year, when the new Commission meets officially for the first time on the Tuesday, following election, i.e. the second Tuesday.)

** Term continues for the respective period of service, to the Baldwin County Commission, as Director or Engineer.

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