Bundle 3/9 – Regional Transportation

Context, Policies, and Actions
Changes Tracked from P&Z 1st Review 9/8/2020

**Regionalism – Regional Transportation**

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Plano Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan
Policies and Action Statements Relating to Transportation
CPRC 1st Review (Bundle 3): July 7, 2020
CPRC 1st Review (Bundle 9): July 21, 2020
P&Z 1st Review (Bundle 3/9): September 8, 2020
CPRC 2nd Review (Bundle 3/9): September 29, 2020
Changes Will be Forwarded to P&Z for 2nd Review

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