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The Southeastern Wisconsin Lakeshore Regional Transit Authority (RTA) was created by the Wisconsin State Legislature and Governor in July 2005 to serve the counties of Kenosha, Milwaukee, and Racine. The principal duty of the RTA is to recommend to the State Legislature and Governor a permanent dedicated funding source for the local share of capital and operating costs of commuter rail and public transit. This website documents the statutory responsibilities of the RTA, its members and staff, its past and scheduled upcoming meetings, all materials considered by the RTA, a calendar of events including RTA and related meetings, and reports of interest to the RTA's work. Also, one portion of the website has been developed to permit transmittal of written comments to the RTA and staff.



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The RTA legislation is set forth in [Section 59.58\(6\) of State Statutes](#). In summary, the RTA has the following responsibilities:

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- Provide the following recommendations to the State Legislature and Governor:

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- A proposal that specifically identifies a permanent regional funding source to provide local funds for the portion of operating and capital costs of commuter rail and public transit that are not covered by passenger fares and that considers all potential funding sources.
- A recommendation as to whether the responsibilities of the authority should be limited to collection and distribution of regional transit funding or should also include operation of transit service.
- A plan for the distribution among the mass transit operators in the region of any permanent regional funding specified.
- A plan to improve the coordination of expanded mass transit, commuter rail, and passenger rail in the region.
- A recommendation on the use of bonding for commuter rail and public transit in the region, and the role of the authority in such bonding.
- A recommendation on whether the authority should continue in existence after September 30, 2009.

These recommendations are to be documented in a report provided by November 15, 2008, to the State Legislature and Governor, which would also summarize all activities of the RTA.

- The RTA shall also receive periodic reports from local governments conducting commuter rail project planning or engineering with State funds in Kenosha, Milwaukee, and/or Racine Counties. On behalf of an Intergovernmental Partnership of the Cities and Counties of Kenosha, Milwaukee, and Racine, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, and the Regional Planning Commission; the Regional Planning Commission is presently conducting -- with State funds -- a study of commuter rail extending between Kenosha, Racine, and Milwaukee and connecting to Chicago-based Metra commuter rail, including preparation of an environmental impact statement.



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The members of the RTA are as follows:

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Len Brandrup	City of Kenosha Representative
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David Eberle	Racine County Representative
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Jody Karls	City of Racine Representative
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Karl Ostby	Kenosha County Representative
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Sharon Robinson	City of Milwaukee Representative
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Julia Taylor	Governor's Representative from City of Milwaukee
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George A. Torres	Milwaukee County Representative
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Acting as staff to the RTA is the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission:

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Philip C. Evenson	Executive Director
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Kenneth R. Yunker	Deputy Director
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Assisting the Regional Planning Commission staff is the Wisconsin Department of Transportation:

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Mark Wolfgram	Administrator, Division of Transportation Investment Management, Wisconsin Department of Transportation
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Dewayne J. Johnson	Director, Southeast Region, Wisconsin Department of Transportation
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This section of the website includes all meeting agendas, minutes, and materials of the RTA.

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- February 20, 2006
  - [Agenda](#)
  - Minutes

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- March 20, 2006

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The following are ways that interested persons and groups can learn more about the progress of the RTA, and can share comments and perspectives:

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- This website will be a source of comprehensive information regarding the RTA. The website includes notifications of upcoming meetings and agendas, minutes, and materials as they become available.
- Public meetings will be held from time to time throughout the three counties. These meetings will provide opportunities to discuss the issues being considered and to provide input as well. Meetings will be announced on the [Home Page](#) portion of this website.

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## Comments

Use the box below to submit any comments you may have about the RTA (comments will become part of the public record for the RTA). All written comments will be reviewed by the RTA.

## Contact Information

First Name: \*

Last Name: \*

E-mail address: \*

Organization:

PO Box/Street address:

City: \*

State: \*

Zip:

\* Denotes a required field

Press the "Submit" button when finished.

The following is contact information should a person wish to ask questions or obtain additional information:

E-Mail: [rta@sewrpc.org](mailto:rta@sewrpc.org)

Phone: (262) 547-6721

Fax: (262) 547-1103

U.S. Mail: Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission  
P.O. Box 1607  
Waukesha, WI 53187-1607

Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission staff contacts:

Philip C. Evenson, Executive Director  
Kenneth R. Yunker, Deputy Director



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## Calendar of Events

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The following is a calendar of RTA meetings and related meetings addressing commuter rail and public transit in the three counties.

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S	M	T	W	T	F	S
Feb. 19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	<a href="#">RTA Meeting</a>					
26	27	28	Mar. 1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	RTA Meeting					
26	27	28	29	30	31	Apr. 1



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The following are reports relating to the work of the RTA. If you have a suggestion of a report to be added to this page, please e-mail [rta@sewrpc.org](mailto:rta@sewrpc.org).

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**Previous Consideration of an RTA in Southeastern Wisconsin**

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- The establishment of an RTA was previously considered over 10 years ago by the Commission at the request of Milwaukee County and the City of Milwaukee. The results of the Commission study were documented in [SEWRPC Memorandum Report No. 38, A Regional Transportation Authority Feasibility Study for Southeastern Wisconsin, 1990](#).
- The recommendation in 1991 of the Metro 2020 Policy Board, appointed by then-Governor Thompson, that legislation be enacted to create an RTA. Documentation was provided in [Metro 2020 Final Report: Transportation Strategies for Milwaukee and Southeast Wisconsin](#).
- The creation of an RTA by [State statute](#).
- The final report issued in 1993 by the RTA Board created under the State statute: [Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Transportation Authority – Report to Governor Thompson and the Wisconsin Legislature](#).
- [An overview of previous consideration of an RTA](#)