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TITLE VI OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 FORMAL COMPLAINT PROCEDURE FOR COMPLAINTS AGAINST THE SIOUX FALLS METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

The Sioux Falls Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) provides services without regard to race, color, gender, religion, national origin, age or disability, according to the provisions contained in SDCL 20-13, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended, the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 and Executive Order 12898, Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations, 1994.

Any person or group claiming to be aggrieved by an unlawful discriminatory practice based on race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability may by himself/herself or through his/her legally authorized representative, make, sign and date a written complaint and file such complaint with the MPO within 180 calendar days following the date of the alleged discriminatory action or last occurrence of discrimination. The MPO Title VI Coordinator will review the complaint, gather additional information from the complainant if necessary, and refer the complaint to the South Dakota Department of Transportation.

The written complaint may be submitted to:

Sioux Falls Metropolitan Planning Organization 500 N. Western Avenue, Suite 100 Sioux Falls, SD 57104

It is also within your rights to file directly with the South Dakota Department of Transportation, which oversees transportation activities, services or facilities in the State of South Dakota. Complaints may be sent directly to the South Dakota Department of Transportation by submitting them to:

Department of Transportation Office of Legal Counsel – Civil Rights Program ATTN: June Hansen 700 E. Broadway Ave. Pierre, SD 57501

Any person who has questions concerning this policy or who believes they have been discriminated against should contact the MPO's Title VI Coordinator at 605-367-5390.