

## TPB Agreements

### TPB Process

All agreements that are entered into by COG or the TPB are reviewed by COG's General Counsel.

The nature of each agreement determines the level of the TPB's involvement. There are some agreements that are strictly legal and administrative in nature, like the Master Funding Agreement, which does not get presented to the TPB. For all other agreements, as with all action items, the TPB will be presented with agreement details as an information or notice item at a regular TPB meeting, and then will be asked to approve it at its regular meeting the following month. The Technical and Steering Committees also review all TPB meeting actions and are involved in the review process.

### What Is New?

- The 2021 TPB-FAMPO MOU, which was executed in May 2021 updated the 2004 agreement as was recommended at the 2019 Federal Certification Review. This MOU defines how the metropolitan planning process is performed for the portion of the Washington, DC-VA-MD Urbanized Area (UZA ) that overlaps with the FAMPO planning area (northern portion of Stafford County).
- The 2019 Master Funding Agreement (MFA), which defines the reimbursement of work for the UPWP, was updated July 29, 2019. The MFA is formally titled the Agreement for the Support of the Metropolitan Planning Organization Transportation Planning Process in the Washington Metropolitan Area, and was signed by DDOT, MDOT, VDOT and COG).

### Future Activities

- All agreements that are impacted by the 2020 Census urban area designations will be reviewed, once the designations and guidance is finalized and understood.
  - The 2015 TPB/BRTB agreement regarding the distribution of PL and Section 5303 funds based on population will be reviewed.
  - The 2021 TPB-FAMPO agreement will be reviewed.
  - Consultation may be needed among the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Virginia Department of Transportation, and TPB to determine if Fauquier County will continue to be required to be part of the TPB since the urban area now stands alone as the Warrenton-New Baltimore Urban Area and is no longer considered to be part of the Washington--Arlington, DC--VA-MD Urban Area.
- If the 2030 Census changes the status of FAMPO to a TMA, the agreement will be reviewed.
- The 2019 Master Funding Agreement must be reviewed every five years and that review will be initiated in 2024.
- The TPB will continue to run the conformity analysis for the Calvert-St Mary's MPO until the attainment status officially changes, then the agreement can be revisited.