

TPB Technical Committee February 5 Meeting Highlights

February 11, 2016

The Technical Committee met on February 5 in the Walter A. Scheiber Board Room at COG. The following items were reviewed for inclusion on the TPB agenda for February 17:

- TPB agenda item 7

The committee was briefed on the major projects submitted by transportation agencies to date. The committee complimented staff on the two-page summary Project Profiles for major new or changed projects that have been produced. Members also provided corrections and additions to the project information that will be made before the documents are released for public comment on February 11. The committee recommended that the TPB receive a briefing on this material.

- TPB agenda item 8

The committee was briefed on the draft scope of work for the air quality conformity analysis. The committee recommended that the TPB receive a briefing on this material.

- TPB agenda item 9

The committee was briefed on the draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY 2017 (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017). The committee expressed support for the draft's reorganization and consolidation of work activities, but members also suggested some clarifications. The committee recommended that the TPB receive a briefing on this material.

- TPB agenda item 10

The committee was briefed on the draft Commuter Connections Work Program (UPWP) for FY 2017 (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017). The committee recommended that the TPB receive a briefing on this material.

- TPB agenda item 11

The committee was briefed on a recently completed evaluation of the Transportation – Land Use Connections (or TLC) Program along with a staff response to recommendations in the evaluation. Staff also announced that the solicitation for the FY 2017 TLC technical assistance projects began on February 1 and the deadline for submissions is April 1. Committee members asked questions about the selection process, including the TPB's interest in promoting projects that would advance regional priorities. The committee recommended that the TPB receive a briefing on this material.

- TPB agenda item 12

The committee was updated on the development of draft policy language for inclusion in the National Capital Region Freight Plan. The committee recommended that the TPB receive a briefing on this material.

The following items were presented for information and discussion:

- The committee was briefed on current trends in regional travel including changes in daily vehicle miles of travel (VMT), transit ridership, modal shares for single occupant vehicle (SOV), carpool, transit and biking commuting travel and peak period congestion levels. The committee recommended that the TPB receive a briefing on this analysis in the near future.
- The committee was updated on the latest developments regarding US DOT regulations on performance measures under MAP-21, the 2012 federal transportation reauthorization legislation. The presentation included the most recent schedule for issuing federal rules regarding performance provisions. It also noted that the “Fixing America’s Surface Transportation” (FAST) Act, which was enacted late last year, retained MAP-21’s performance-based planning requirements with no changes.
- The committee was briefed on activities related to the Unfunded Capital Needs Working Group. Staff informed the committee that the analysis of “No Build” and “All Build” scenarios was underway. Staff further informed the committee that the mission of the working group would be expanded to address concerns expressed by some TPB members last fall that a more explicit linkage between regional priorities and CLPR projects should be sought.

**TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES
ATTENDANCE – February 5, 2016**

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Frederick County David Whitaker
City of Frederick Timothy Davis
Gaithersburg -----
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Prince George's County Anthony Foster
Rockville -----
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Prince George's County -----
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Kari Snyder
Takoma Park -----

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Fairfax County Mike Lake
Malcolm Watson
Falls Church -----
Fauquier County -----
Loudoun County Robert Brown
Manassas -----
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