

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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MEETING NOTICE

Date: April 19, 2006
Time: 12 noon
Place: COG Board Room

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| 12 noon | 1. | Public Comment on TPB Procedures and Activities Chairman Knapp |
| | | Interested members of the public will be given the opportunity to make brief comments on transportation issues under consideration by the TPB. Each speaker will be allowed up to three minutes to present his or her views. Board members will have an opportunity to ask questions of the speakers, and to engage in limited discussion. Speakers are asked to bring written copies of their remarks (65 copies) for distribution at the meeting. |
| 12:20 pm | 2. | Approval of Minutes of March 15, 2006 Meeting Chairman Knapp |
| 12:25 pm | 3. | Report of Technical Committee Mr. Canizales
Chair, Technical Committee |
| 12:30 pm | 4. | Report of Citizen Advisory Committee Mr. Tydings
Chair, Citizen Advisory Committee |
| 12:40 pm | 5. | Report of Steering Committee Mr. Kirby
Director, Department of
Transportation Planning |
| 12:45 pm | 6. | Chairman's Remarks Chairman Knapp |

ACTION ITEMS

- 12:50 pm 7. **Approval of Amendments to the FY 2006-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that are Exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to Modify Funding for Eleven Transit, Commuter Rail and Ridesharing Projects in Charles, Frederick, Montgomery and Prince George’s Counties, as Requested by the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)**

..... Ms. Erickson

At the March 15 meeting, notice was provided that MDOT has requested amendments to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that are exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to reflect funding changes authorized under the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) for eleven projects in Charles, Frederick, Montgomery and Prince George’s Counties.

Action: Adopt Resolution R16-2006 to approve amendments to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that are exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to reflect funding changes authorized under SAFETEA-LU for eleven projects in Charles, Frederick, Montgomery and Prince George’s Counties, as described in the enclosed materials.

- 12:55 pm 8. **Approval of Amendment to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that Is Exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to Modify the Funding and Construction Schedule for Widening I-66 Between US 29 and VA 234 in Prince William County, as Requested by the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)**

..... Ms. Sorenson

At the March 15 meeting, notice was provided that VDOT has requested an amendment to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that is exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to add \$20.145 million for the widening of I-66 between US 29 and VA 234 and to advance the construction schedule from July 2008 to July 2006.

Action: Adopt Resolution R17-2006 to approve an amendment to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that is exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to add \$20.145 million for the widening of I-66 between US 29 and VA 234 and to advance the construction schedule from July 2008 to July 2006, as described in the enclosed materials.

- 1:00 pm 9. **Review of Comments Received and Approval of Project Submissions for the 2006 Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP) and FY 2007-2012 TIP** Mr. Kirby

At the February 15 meeting, the Board was briefed on some of the project submissions for the 2006 CLRP and the FY 2007-2012 TIP, which were released for public comment and agency review at the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on February 9. Because additional information on the submissions was received after February 9, the public comment period was extended by releasing the updated project submission information at the March 9 CAC meeting. This extended public comment period closed on April 10. The Board will be briefed on comments received and recommended responses, and asked to approve the submissions for inclusion in the air quality conformity analysis for the 2006 CLRP and the FY 2007-2012 TIP.

Action: Adopt Resolution R18-2006 to approve the submissions for inclusion in the air quality conformity analysis for the 2006 CLRP and the FY 2007-2012 TIP.

- 1:05 pm 10. **Approval of Scope of Work for the Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2006 CLRP and FY 2007-2012 TIP** Mr. Clifford, COG/DTP

At the February 15 meeting, the Board was briefed on the initial draft scope of work, which was released for public comment and agency review at the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on February 9. Because additional information on the scope of work was received after February 9, the public comment period was extended by releasing the updated project submission information at the March 9 CAC meeting. This extended public comment period closed on April 10. The Board will be briefed on comments received and recommended responses, and asked to approve the scope of work for the air quality conformity analysis for the 2006 CLRP and the FY 2007-2012 TIP.

Action: Approve the enclosed scope of work for the air quality conformity analysis for the 2006 CLRP and the FY 2007-2012 TIP.

- 1:10 pm 11. **Approval of FY 2007 Commuter Connections Work Program (CCWP)** Mr. Ramfos

At the March 15 meeting, the Board was briefed on the draft FY 2007 CCWP, which was released for public comment at the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee meeting on March 9. The Board will be briefed on the comments received and asked to approve the FY 2007 CCWP.

Action: Adopt Resolution R19-2006 to approve the enclosed final FY 2007 CCWP.

- 1:15 pm 12. **Approval of Regional Bike to Work Day 2006 Proclamation** Mr. Ramfos

In an effort to increase public awareness of the viability of bicycle commuting in the Washington region, regional Bike to Work Day events are being organized at eighteen locations in the region on May 19, 2006. These events will encourage the business community and other regional decision-makers to support increased bicycle commuting through bicycle-friendly policies and initiatives.

Action: Approve the enclosed Bike to Work Day 2006 Proclamation.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1:20 pm 13. **Briefing on the TPB Transportation Planning Process Certification Summary Report** Ms. Jackson, FHWA

As required by federal regulations, the Federal Highway and Transit Administrations conducted a Certification Review of the TPB transportation planning process on September 19-20, 2005. The Board will be briefed on the enclosed summary report on the certification review.

- 1:35 pm 14. **Update on Activities to Identify Dedicated Funding for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA)**
 Chairman Knapp

At the March 15 meeting, the Board was briefed on activities to date and potential next-steps to identify dedicated funding for WMATA as called for in Congressman Tom Davis' bill authorizing \$1.5 billion in federal capital funds, to be provided over 10 fiscal years beginning in FY 2007. The Board will be updated on activities currently underway to identify dedicated funding for WMATA.

- 1:40 pm 15. **Update on the Financial Analysis for the 2006 CLRP**
 Mr. Kirby

Under federal planning regulations a triennial update to the CLRP for the Washington region is required in 2006. A key element of this update is a financial analysis which reviews and updates projected transportation revenues and costs for operating, maintaining, and expanding the regional transportation system through 2030. The Board will be briefed on the status of the financial analysis for the 2006 CLRP. The Board will also be briefed on key project initiatives that are currently under consideration but are not included in the proposed 2006 CLRP.

NOTICE ITEM

- 1:50 pm 16. **Notice of Proposed Amendments to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that are Exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to Modify Funding for Fifteen Highway Projects in Frederick, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, as Requested by Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)** Ms. Erickson

Notice is provided that MDOT has requested amendments to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that are exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to reflect funding changes authorized under the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) for fifteen projects in Frederick, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, as described in the enclosed materials.

- 1:55 pm 17. **Other Business**

- 2:00 pm 18. **Adjourn**

2 hours
 Lunch will be served to Board members and alternates at 11:30 a.m.

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