

TPB Technical Committee Meeting Highlights

September 8, 2006

The Technical Committee met on Friday, September 8 at COG. Four items were reviewed for inclusion on the TPB agenda on September 20.

- TPB agenda Item 7

The Committee was briefed on the proposed members of the TPB Task Force to develop the Human Service Transportation Coordinated Plan for the region, and on steps taken for the TPB to become the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) designated recipient to administer the Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom Programs.

- TPB agenda Item 9

The Committee was briefed on the draft CLRP and FY 2007- 2012 TIP documents and web-based information and on the associated air quality conformity analysis. The Committee recommended that these documents be released for public comment on September 14, 2006 at the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee meeting.

- TPB agenda Item 11

The Committee was briefed on the analysis and documentation activities for the Regional Mobility and Accessibility Scenario Study, and on proposed scenario development and analysis activities to be conducted in the coming year.

- TPB agenda Item 12

Staff briefed the Committee on a staff review of current transportation/land use linkage activities in the Washington region, and on the potential benefits of a new regional initiative to support and strengthen these activities. The Committee provided comments and discussed potential next steps.

Six items were presented for information and discussion:

- The consultant briefed the Committee on the final draft financial plan for the 2006 CLRP. This financial plan, which the TPB was briefed on at its July 19 meeting, will be incorporated into the 2006 CLRP documentation to be released for public comment on September 14, 2006 at the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee meeting.
- The consultant briefed the Committee on the final draft of the report entitled: "Progress Report on the National Capital Region's Short-Term Transportation Capital Funding Needs." This report, which was presented to the TPB at its July 19 meeting, presents the transportation funding accomplishments since 2004, highlights continuing funding challenges, and presents potential long-term funding solutions.
- Staff updated the Committee on consultation to date with Fredericksburg Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (FAMPO) staff and other stakeholders on the allocation and sharing of FTA formula funds for the Washington urbanized area.

- The Committee was briefed on a draft work scope for a consultant study to review current freight planning activities and identify promising regional activities to expand the consideration of freight in the TPB planning process.
- The Committee was briefed on a proposal by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee to sponsor in the Fall of this year a one-day seminar on a new manual from the Institute for Transportation Engineers (ITE). The manual addresses planning and designing major urban thoroughfares that are supportive of and compatible with their surrounding environment and land uses, and is being released as a proposed recommended practice for planners, engineers and others who design major urban thoroughfares.
- Staff gave the Committee a brief overview of the on-going analysis of a regional system of variably priced lanes (VPLs) developed for the Regional Mobility and Accessibility Study. The initial results of this analysis will be presented at the September 15 Joint Technical Working Group meeting and at the TPB Value Pricing Task Force meeting on September 20.

**TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES
ATTENDANCE - September 8, 2006**

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Frederick Co. -----
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Fairfax Co. Robert Owolabi
 Mike Lake
Falls Church -----
Loudoun Co. Art Smith
Manassas -----
Prince William Co. Rick Canizales
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VRE -----
VDOT Kanathur Srikanth
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NVPDC -----
VDOA -----

WMATA

WMATA Tom Harrington

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FHWA-VA -----

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