CRITICAL URBAN FREIGHT CORRIDORS

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Topics

- Describe Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFC) and why they are important
- Discuss the TPB's role in CUFC designation
- Anticipated TPB designation of CUFCs later this year
- Steering Committee June 2 approval of provisional designation of Maryland CUFCs
- Next steps



What Are Critical Urban Freight Corridors?

- **CUFCs** are one component of the National Highway Freight Network (NHFN) established by the FAST Act.
 - The components of the NHFN are:
 - Primary Highway Freight System (PHFS)*
 - Other Interstate Portions not on the PHFS*
 - Critical Rural Freight Corridors (CRFC)
 - <u>Critical Urban Freight Corridors (CUFC)</u>
 - Limited dedicated federal funding available for the NHFN must contribute toward the efficient movement of freight
- \ast Note: these components were predefined as part of the FAST Act



Designation of CUFCs

Type of Corridor	State DOT role	MPO role
CRFC	Designates all CRFC's – <u>must coordinate with</u> <u>MPOs</u>	Coordinate with state DOTs
CUFC	Designates CUFCs in MPOs with less than 500,000 population – <u>must</u> <u>coordinate with MPOs</u>	Designates CUFCs in MPOs with greater than 500,000 population – <u>must coordinate</u> with state DOTs



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CUFC Mileage

State	CUFC Miles - Total	CUFC Miles – National Capital Region
Maryland	75	25
District of Columbia	75	75
Virginia	83	TBD



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CUFC Designation: Schedules, Deadlines, and Implications

- The TPB Steering Committee passed resolution SR26-2017 approving the <u>provisional</u> designation of MD CUFCs at their June 2, 2017 meeting
 - To provide MDOT with official documentation in time for their Freight Plan submittal deadline
- The TPB will be asked to designate the full set of CUFCs for MD, DC, and VA this fall
- After December 4, 2017, states' use of NHFP funds will be limited to locations on the approved NHFN



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Next Steps

- TPB staff will continue coordinating with DDOT and VDOT to identify CUFC candidates (Summer 2017)
- Freight Subcommittee will review and provide guidance on DC and Virginia CUFC candidates (Fall 2017)
- TPB staff will present all regional CUFC candidates (MD, VA, and DC) to the Technical Committee and to the TPB to request official designation (Fall 2017)
- Submit TPB resolution designating CUFCs to FHWA with copies to the state DOTs (Fall 2017)



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