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**TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD (TPB)**

**SPECIAL WORK SESSION ON THE PROPOSED REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION COORDINATION PROGRAM (“CAPCOM”)**

DATE: Wednesday, July 20, 2005  
 TIME: 10:30 AM to 11:45 AM  
 PLACE: COG Board Room

**A-G-E-N-D-A**

10:30 am 1. **Welcome and Introductions**.....Chairman Mendelson

10:35 am 2. **“CapCom” Background and Status** .....Mr. Kirby

“CapCom” will be a program responsible for regional-scale information gathering, exchange, and dissemination for the transportation sector both during major incidents and in everyday traffic situations, utilizing existing technologies. Discussions and correspondence over the last year has shed light on the need for strengthened coordination, and led to convening today’s special work session. Mr. Kirby will review the course of action toward establishing the transportation coordination program, modeled after the longstanding TRANSCOM organization in the New York-New Jersey-Connecticut metropolitan area. Recent and upcoming activities in the effort will also be discussed.

10:45 am 3. **Remarks from Transportation Agencies on the Ad Hoc “CapCom” Steering Committee**..... Agency Representatives

Representatives of the District, Maryland, and Virginia Departments of Transportation, and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority, have been actively working on strengthening regional transportation communications and coordination during incidents, including exploration of “CapCom” by an ad hoc Steering Committee. Significant progress has been made on these efforts, and the region’s transportation coordination during a major incident is expected to be significantly improved over that of 9/11. These agencies will give remarks on their involvement in exploring “CapCom” and on other efforts to further strengthen coordination.

11:05 am 4. **“CapCom” and the Capital Wireless Integrated Network (CapWIN) at the University of Maryland**..... Mr. Jacobs

“CapCom” currently is slated to be housed alongside the CapWIN Project at the University of Maryland’s Center for Advanced Transportation Technology (CATT), a center with a robust history of technology support to the region’s transportation agencies. CapWIN’s beginnings were in response to the transportation impacts of the November 1998 “Woodrow Wilson Bridge Jumper” incident, resulting in development of equipment and software to be used in the field by first responders. “CapCom” and CapWIN are distinct and separate activities; however, there is potential efficiency and synergy from co-housing them. The CapWIN Executive Leadership Group has welcomed the chance to host “CapCom”, and has taken a number of actions to accommodate the program.

11:10 am 5. **Summary and Next Steps** ..... Mr. Snyder

In the wake of the 9/11/2001 attacks, the TPB and other stakeholders agreed on the need to strengthen regional transportation coordination and communications during emergencies. Establishment of a regional transportation coordination program known as “CapCom” is one of the most significant steps to achieve that strengthening. TPB Resolution R7-2005 (November 2004) supported establishment of this program; the TPB has regularly revisited this topic, and has identified it as a top priority. Mr. Snyder will provide remarks on establishing “CapCom”, setting the stage for the subsequent discussion among Board members and other participants on next steps.

11:15 am 5. **Discussion, Questions, and Answers**..... Participants

11:45 am 6. **Adjournment of Special Work Session**.....Chairman Mendelson