BIKE-WALK ACCESS PRIORITY STATION AREAS

Prioritizing transit stations for pedestrian & bicycle investments

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In a nutshell

The TPB will identify a list of transit station areas that will be regionally prioritized for pedestrian and bicycle improvements











Purpose

- Support implementation of the Visualize 2045 initiative "Improve Walk and Bike Access to Transit"
- Use the list as a tool for TLC and TAP project selection
- Potentially seek other funding (e.g., TIGER)
- Encourage local, state, and private funding for high-impact bike/ped improvements





Follow-up to Visualize 2045

 "Improve Walk & Bike Access to Transit" was one of 7 aspirational initiatives in Visualize 2045



- In November, the TPB's Bike/Ped Subcommittee recommended the TPB prioritize station areas for ped/bike improvements
- In December, TPB Resolution R10-2019 directed staff to:

"Identify a set of regionally prioritized high capacity transit stations where pedestrian/ bicycle access improvements have the greatest potential to utilize available capacity and increase transit ridership, by building on the previous work by the TPB and WMATA, and report on progress by end of June 2019."



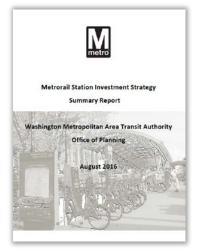


Building on past work

- 2015: TPB study "Improving Bicycle and Pedestrian Access at Select Rail Stations" (TCSP funded) – Identified station access improvements at 25 rail stations
- 2016: WMATA "Metrorail Station Investment Strategy"

 Identified station access improvements for all remaining stations (91 total stations)









Starting principles

- Key criteria for selection:
 - Deficiencies Where is it difficult to walk and bike to transit?
 - Demand Where is there significant potential demand for walking and biking?
- Places, not projects
 - We will identify opportune station areas for improvements, not specific projects
- Regional balance, local priorities
 - All jurisdictions with high-capacity transit will have at least one priority station area
 - Jurisdictions will provide input about their locally determined priorities





Task 1: Regional Analysis

Identify the universe of stations for analysis Identify stations with poor ped/bike connectivity Screen out stations with low population density Ensure adequate inclusion of EEAs





Task 2: Jurisdictional Outreach

- Meet with local jurisdiction staff individually to compare the draft regional list with each jurisdiction's priorities
- Adjust the list, as appropriate





Task 3: TPB Approval

- TPB will be asked to approve a final list of bike-walk access priority station areas
- Target date: June 2019



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