

## ITEM 11 – Information

December 16, 2015

Update on a Draft Agreement between the TPB and the Calvert-St. Mary's Metropolitan Planning Organization (C-SMMPO) and Calvert County, Maryland

### Staff

**Recommendation:** Receive briefing

**Issues:** None

**Background:** The Board will be briefed on the attached draft agreement between the TPB and the C-SMMPO and Calvert County, MD regarding the conformity analysis of transportation plans, programs, and projects in Calvert County. Calvert County is in the Washington, DC-MD-VA 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment area, and is also a member of the new southern Maryland MPO, C-SMMPO. Projects in Calvert County have always been included in the TPB's conformity analysis, but with the creation of the new MPO, it is necessary to formalize coordination between the TPB and the C-SMMPO to ensure that Calvert County's transportation plans, programs, and projects are assessed for regional air quality conformity. The Board will be asked to approve this agreement at its January meeting.

**NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002**

**RESOLUTION ON AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION  
PLANNING BOARD AND THE CALVERT-ST. MARY'S METROPOLITAN PLANNING  
ORGANIZATION AND CALVERT COUNTY, MARYLAND**

**WHEREAS**, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) is the officially designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Metropolitan Washington area; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB's planning area is part of the Washington, DC-MD-VA 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment area, as shown on the map in Attachment A, and as such, is subject to regional air quality conformity analysis of its Transportation Plans and Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs); and

**WHEREAS**, the Washington, DC-MD-VA 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment area also includes Calvert County, and transportation projects within Calvert County have been included in TPB's regional air quality conformity analysis as appropriate; and

**WHEREAS**, the Calvert-St. Mary's Metropolitan Planning Organization (C-SMMPO) is the newly officially designated MPO for Southern Maryland, whose planning area includes Calvert County, as shown on the map in Attachment B; and

**WHEREAS**, under the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century (MAP-21) legislation (23 U.S.C. § 134 and 49 U.S.C. § 5303) related to MPO Consultation in Plan and TIP Coordination for Nonattainment areas, "If more than one metropolitan planning organization has authority within a metropolitan area or an area which is designated as a nonattainment area for ozone or carbon monoxide under the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.), each metropolitan planning organization shall consult with the other metropolitan planning organizations designated for such area and the State in the coordination of plans and TIPs" and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB and the C-SMMPO have agreed to consult with the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) in the coordination of their respective plans and TIPs; and

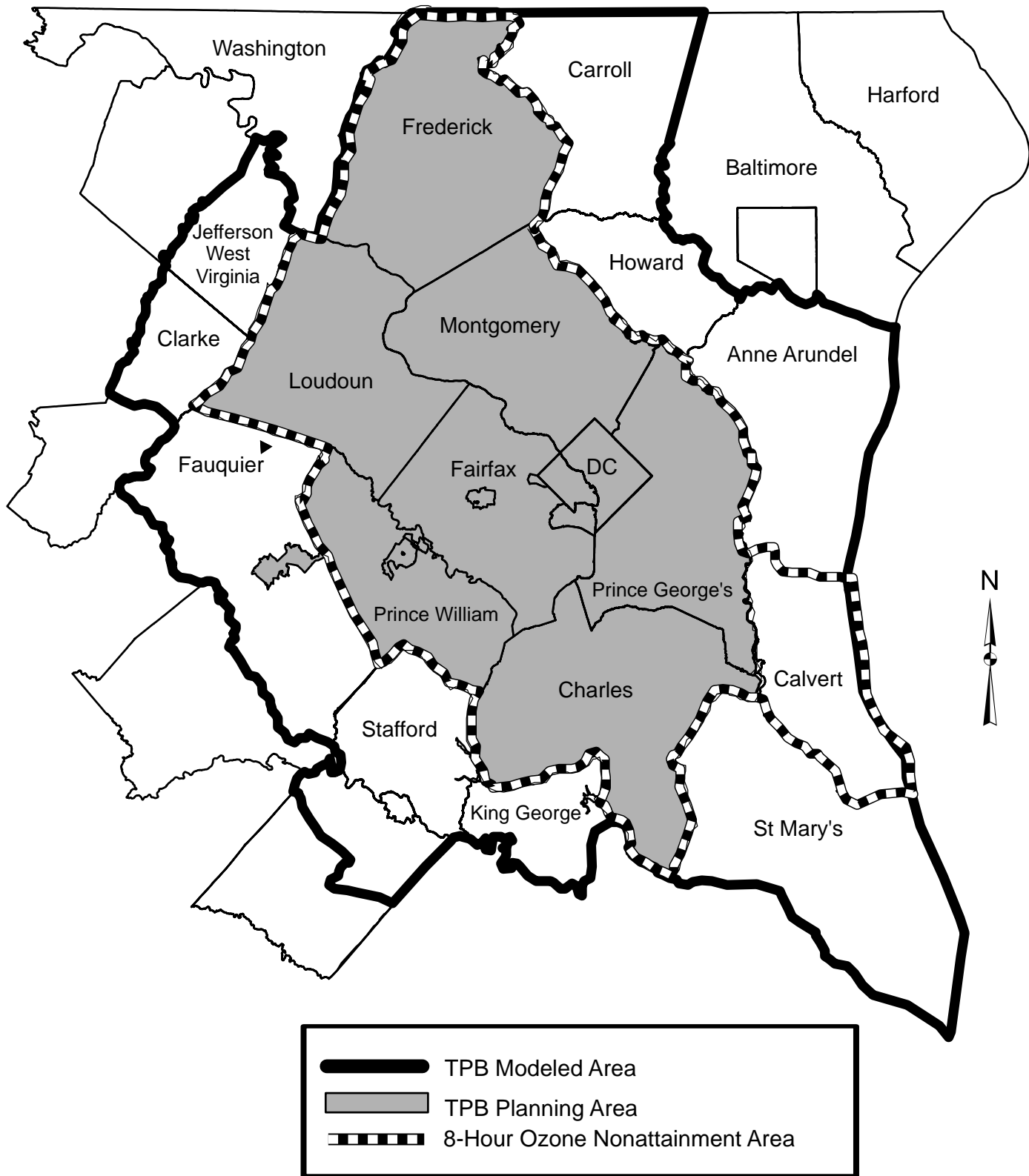
**WHEREAS**, the TPB, the C-SMMPO, and Calvert County have agreed to a process where C-SMMPO will develop Plans and TIPs to include Calvert County projects, and the TPB will continue to include these Calvert County projects in its regional air quality conformity analysis;

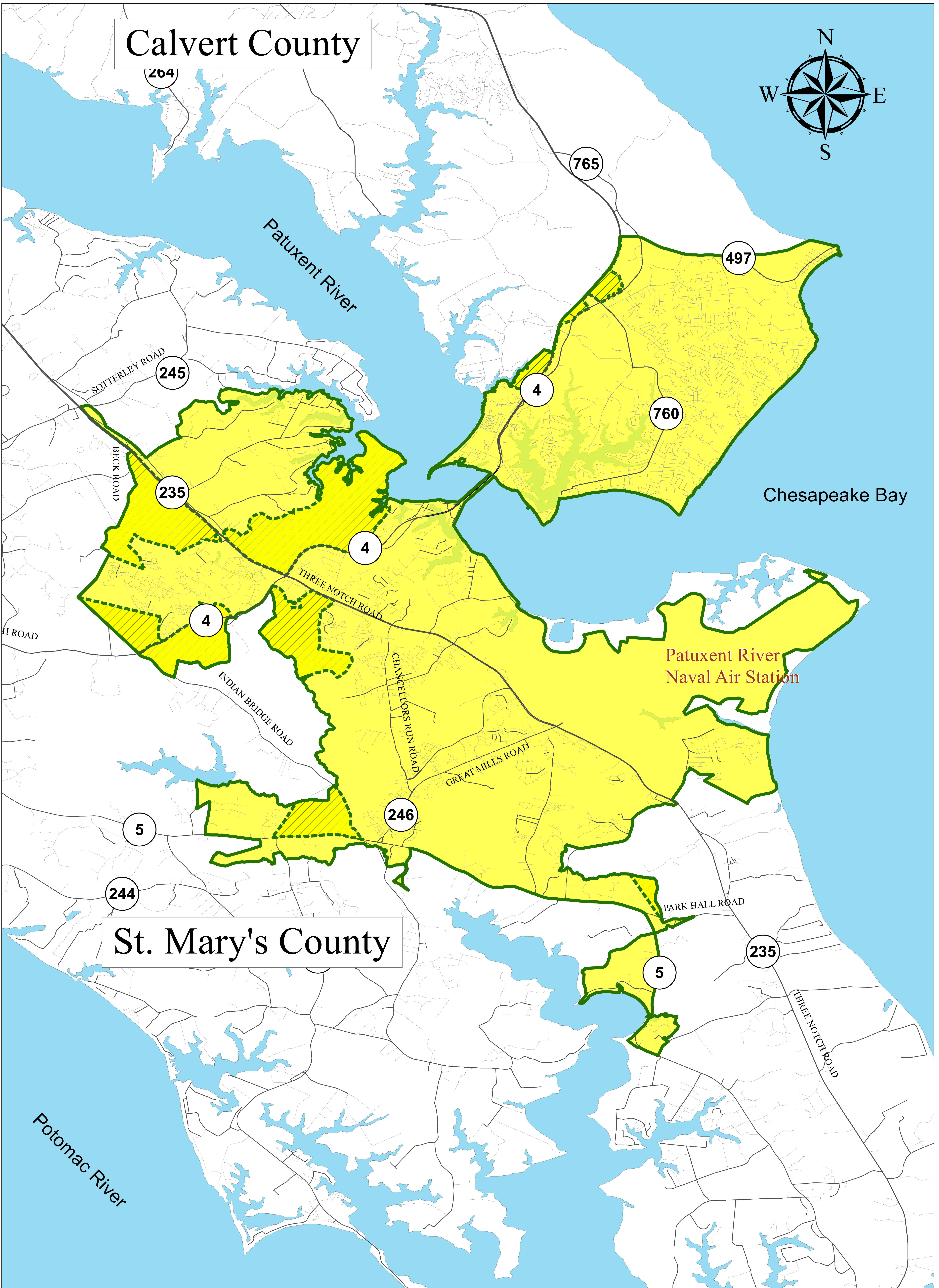
**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD** approves execution, by its Chairman, of the attached ***Agreement between the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) and the Calvert-St. Mary's***

***Metropolitan Planning Organization (C-SMMPO) and Calvert County, Maryland on the conformity analysis and determination of transportation plans, programs, and projects in Calvert County, Maryland*** document to ensure that transportation plans, programs, and projects in Calvert County are assessed for regional air quality conformity as is required in the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (with subsequent amendments).

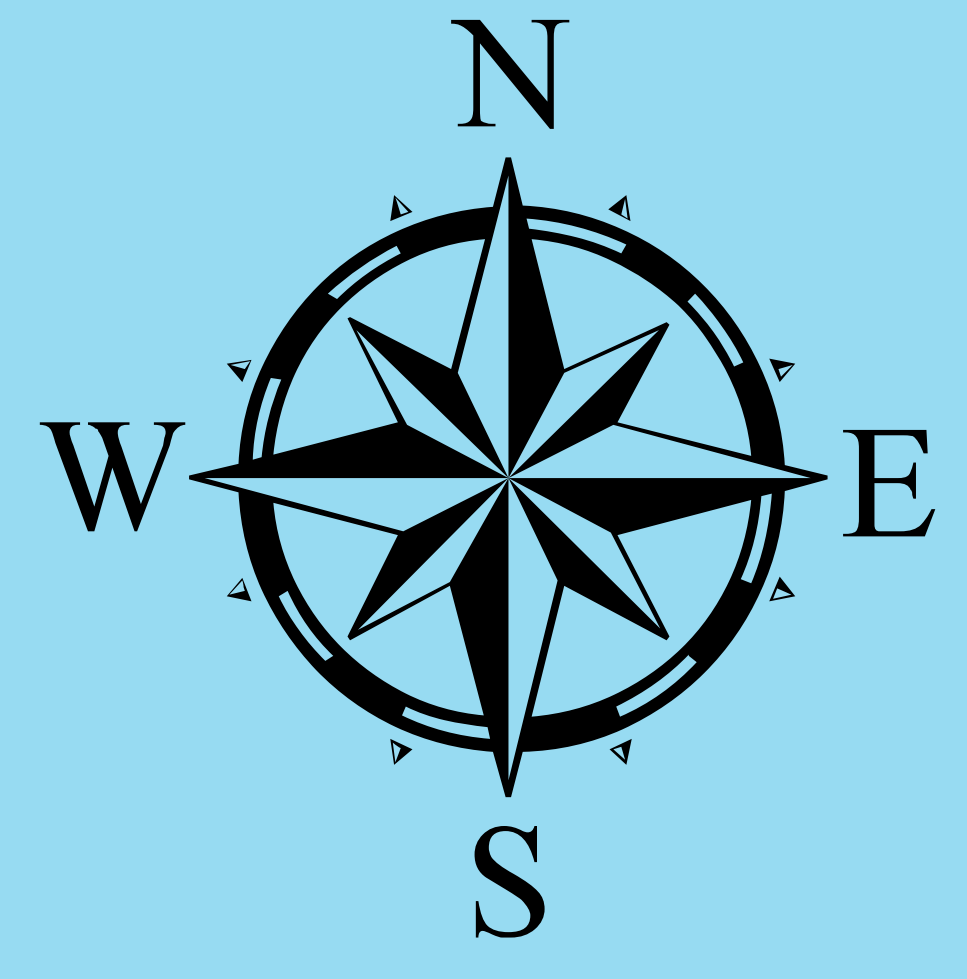
# ATTACHMENT A

## TPB Transportation Planning Area and Washington, DC-MD-VA 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment Area









Calvert County



St. Mary's County

Patuxent River  
Naval Air Station

**Legend**

-  Boundary Line
-  Urbanized Area Boundary Incorporated into Adjusted Urbanized Area
-  Adjusted Urbanized Area
-  Metropolitan Planning Area

**Calvert - St. Mary's  
Metropolitan Planning  
Organization  
Adjusted Urbanized Area  
and  
Metropolitan Planning Area**



**Agreement between the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) and the Calvert-St. Mary's Metropolitan Planning Organization (C-SMMPO) and Calvert County, Maryland on the conformity analysis and determination of transportation plans, programs, and projects in Calvert County, Maryland**

Recognizing that Calvert County, Maryland, is a member of the C-SMMPO and is included in the Washington DC-MD-VA 8-hour Ozone Nonattainment area, TPB and C-SMMPO and Calvert County agree upon the following procedures for ensuring that transportation plans, programs, and projects in Calvert County are assessed for regional air quality conformity as is required in the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (with subsequent amendments):

1. Transportation plans, programs, and projects in Calvert County will be included in the Long Range Transportation Plan and Transportation Improvement Program developed by the C-SMMPO.
2. The C-SMMPO and Calvert County, in consultation with the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), will submit Calvert County's plan, program, and project inputs to the TPB for inclusion in each update of the TPB's regional air quality conformity analysis and determination for the Washington, DC-MD-VA 8-Hour Ozone Nonattainment area. The timeframe for this will be as outlined by the schedule in the TPB's *Call For Projects* document for each cycle.
3. Calvert County will be involved in all aspects of the TPB's air quality conformity analysis and determination including its interagency consultation process:
  - Formal involvement for Calvert County on the TPB will be provided through MDOT, and through Calvert County's membership on the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) and on the MWAQC Technical Advisory Committee.
  - Informal involvement by Calvert County will be provided through participation by representatives of Calvert County in TPB committees and processes concerned with regional air quality conformity, including receipt of all materials and participation in all meetings, discussions, and reviews.
4. The TPB will provide copies of the conformity report to C-SMMPO and Calvert County at the completion of each conformity cycle.

Executed by the undersigned this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2016:

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Tim Lovain, Chair  
National Capital Region Transportation  
Planning Board

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Steven R. Weems, Chairperson  
Calvert – St. Mary’s Metropolitan  
Planning Organization

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Steven R. Weems, President  
Board of County Commissioners  
Calvert County, Maryland