

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

**RESOLUTION FINDING THAT THE VISUALIZE 2045 LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN  
AND THE FY 2019-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM  
CONFORM WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF  
THE CLEAN AIR ACT AMENDMENTS OF 1990**

**WHEREAS**, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) has been designated by the Governors of Maryland and Virginia and the Mayor of the District of Columbia as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Washington Metropolitan Area; and

**WHEREAS**, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in conjunction with the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT), under the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 (CAA), issued on November 24, 1993 "Criteria and Procedures for Determining Conformity to State or Federal Implementation Plans of Transportation Plans, Programs, and Projects Funded or Approved Under Title 23 U.S.C. or the Federal Transit Act," and, over the years, subsequently amended these regulations and provided additional guidance, which taken together provide the specific criteria for the TPB to make a determination of conformity of its financially constrained long-range transportation plan and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality maintenance within the Metropolitan Washington non-attainment area; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 18, 2017, the TPB issued a Technical Inputs Solicitation Submission Guide, which is a formal call for area transportation implementing agencies to submit technical details, including those necessary to perform the required air quality and financial analyses of the Visualize 2045 transportation plan, for projects, programs and policies to be included in Visualize 2045 and the FY 2019-2024 TIP; and

**WHEREAS**, a scope of work was developed to address all procedures and requirements, including public and interagency consultation, and the scope was released for public comment on December 14, 2017, and approved by the TPB at its January 17, 2018 meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, highway and transit project inputs submitted for inclusion in the air quality conformity analysis of the Visualize 2045 transportation plan and FY 2019-2024 TIP were released for public comment on December 14, 2017, and approved by the TPB at its January 17, 2018 meeting; and

**WHEREAS**, on September 7, 2018, the draft results of the air quality conformity analysis of the Visualize 2045 transportation plan and FY 2019-2024 TIP were released for a 30-day public comment period with inter-agency consultation; and

**WHEREAS**, the analysis reported in the Visualize 2045 transportation plan and in *Appendix C: Air Quality Conformity Analysis Summary* of the plan, dated October 17, 2018, demonstrates adherence to all mobile source emissions budgets for ground level ozone precursors Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) and Nitrogen Oxides (NOx), and meets all regulatory, planning and interagency consultation requirements, and therefore provides the basis for a finding of conformity of the Visualize 2045 transportation plan and the TIP with the requirements of the CAAA; and

**WHEREAS**, as part of the TPB's interagency consultation process, the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) concurs with the regional air quality conformity determination of the Visualize 2045 transportation plan and the TIP, and provided other comments relating to the region's air quality;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board determines that the Visualize 2045 long-range transportation plan and the FY 2019-2024 Transportation Improvement Program conform to all requirements of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.

**Approved by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on October 17, 2018.**