

**MEETING NOTES
COMMUTER CONNECTIONS
RIDEMATCHING COMMITTEE**

**Tuesday, December 15, 2009
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.**

**Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.
COG Board Room, Third Floor**

Chairperson: Debra Adams, MTA
Vice Chairperson: Hollen Kimel, Link - Reston

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(Note: If you cannot attend this meeting, please call 202/962-3327.)

1. Introductions

The Subcommittee members were asked to introduce themselves. Debra Adams, MTA, called the meeting to order by introducing himself and asking the rest of the attendees to do the same.

2. Minutes of the September 15, 2009 Meeting

Approval was sought for the September 15, 2009 Commuter Connections Ridematching Committee meeting minutes. The meeting minutes were approved as written.

3. Upcoming Fairs and Promotions

COG/TPB staff attended Transportation Fairs held at Ft. Belvoir, Henderson Hall, NOAA and The World Bank. North Bethesda staff attended a fair at NIH and Marriott, ARTMA staff will be attending the Transportation Fair at NSA/Fort Meade. Pat Fielder of Harford County briefed the committee about a county Math teacher and his student that created an interactive bike map and Fairfax County staff spoke about helping commuters manage the Dulles Rail construction with a free Tyson's Connector bus

4. TDM System Record Cleanup

Stephen Finafrock thanked committee members for reporting duplicate accounts and he discussed future plans to help clean up employer records. Members were asked to use street address to search for employers. Ross Edgar stated that the TDM software system contractor is finishing the addition of two reports.

5. Carpool Incentive Program Update

Nicholas Ramfos briefed the committee on the launch of the 'Pool Rewards Program. He stated that most advertising was being done through online ads. A direct mailer was also sent out to those living in the targeted corridors. Special outreach may take place at NNMC, NIH, and the Pentagon. To date, six carpools have been approved, but room for many more exist.

Mr. Ramfos explained that corridors might be expanded at a later date. Frederick County, MD staff sent out a press release regarding the program and the City of Alexandria included it in an e-mail alert to its residents.

6. TDM System/Error Reporting Update

Stephen Finafrock distributed a memo and an updated Jurisdictional Allocation Table. He also stated reports of TDM System errors have been down, indicating bugs and flaws in the system had been addressed.

7. GIS Information Update

Stephen Finafrock distributed the updated Park-N- Ride lot map while Ross Edgar detailed the maps new features. Mr. Edgar asked the group to continually submit their updates in order to keep the map as accurate as possible. Debra Adams inquired as to the frequency of the updates and Mr. Edgar responded that it was on an as-needed basis.

8. Client Site Status/Roundtable

Dawn Bodden asked if the Smoking/Nonsmoking/Any option in ridesharing continues to be a problem. Option shown on match list so choosing 'any' option recommended
Clint Wade asked about matching up a geocode upon registering. Several members thought it would be helpful to remove unused reports and the majority of the attendees expressed and an interest in attending a session at COG on report usage.
Additional discussion occurred about cleaning up unused reports as well as coming up with new reports

9. Other Business/Upcoming Agenda Items

The next Ridematching Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 16, 2010.