

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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MEETING NOTICE

Date: March 15, 2006
Time: 12 noon
Place: COG Board Room

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| 12 noon | 1. | Public Comment on TPB Procedures and Activities Chairman Knapp |
| | | Interested members of the public will be given the opportunity to make brief comments on transportation issues under consideration by the TPB. Each speaker will be allowed up to three minutes to present his or her views. Board members will have an opportunity to ask questions of the speakers, and to engage in limited discussion. Speakers are asked to bring written copies of their remarks (65 copies) for distribution at the meeting. |
| 12:20 pm | 2. | Approval of Minutes of February 15, 2006 Meeting Chairman Knapp |
| 12:25 pm | 3. | Report of Technical Committee Mr. Canizales
Chair, Technical Committee |
| 12:30 pm | 4. | Report of Citizen Advisory Committee Mr. Tydings
Chair, Citizen Advisory Committee |
| 12:40 pm | 5. | Report of Steering Committee Mr. Kirby
Director, Department of
Transportation Planning |
| 12:45 pm | 6. | Chairman's Remarks Chairman Knapp |

ACTION ITEMS

- 12:50 pm 7. **Approval of Amendments to the FY 2006 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), and Approval of FY 2006 UPWP Carryover Funding to FY 2007** Mr. Kirby

The enclosed amendments to the FY 2006 UPWP and associated FY 2006 carryover funding to FY 2007 were approved by the Technical Committee at its March 3 meeting.

Action: Adopt Resolutions R13-2006 and R14-2006 to approve the amendment to the FY 2006 UPWP, and FY 2006 carryover funding to FY 2007.

- 12:55 pm 8. **Approval of FY 2007 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)** Mr. Kirby

The Board will be briefed on the enclosed final version of the FY 2007 UPWP. The document was approved by the TPB Technical Committee on March 3, 2006. The draft FY 2007 UPWP was released for public comment at the Citizens Advisory Committee meeting on February 9.

Action: Adopt Resolution R15-2006 to approve the final FY 2007 UPWP.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1:00 pm 9. **Update on Activities to Identify Dedicated Funding for the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA)** Chairman Knapp

At the February 15 meeting, the Board was briefed on activities to date and potential next-steps to identify dedicated funding for WMATA as called for in Congressman Tom Davis' bill authorizing \$1.5 billion in federal capital funds, to be provided over 10 fiscal years beginning in FY 2007. The Board will be updated on activities currently underway to identify dedicated funding for WMATA.

- 1:05 pm 10. **Status Report on Financial Analysis for the 2006 Update to the Financially-Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP)** Mr. Kirby

Under federal planning regulations a triennial update to the CLRP for the Washington region is required in 2006. A key element of this update is a financial analysis which reviews and updates projected transportation revenues and costs for operating, maintaining, and expanding the regional transportation system through 2030. The Board will be briefed on the status of the financial analysis for the 2006 CLRP. The Board will also be briefed on the preparation of a progress report highlighting important near-term projects that are not currently included in the CLRP.

- 1:20 pm 11. **Briefing on Project Submissions for the 2006 Constrained Long**

Range Plan (CLRP) and FY 2007-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Mr. Kirby

At the February 15 meeting, the Board was briefed on some of the project submissions for the 2006 CLRP and the FY 2007-2012 TIP, which were released for public comment and agency review at the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on February 9. Because additional information on the submissions had been received since February 9, the public comment period was extended by releasing the updated project submission information at the March 9 CAC meeting. This extended public comment period will close on April 10. The Board will be briefed on the updated project submissions. At its April 19, 2006 meeting, the Board will be briefed on comments received and recommended responses, and asked to approve the submissions for inclusion in the air quality conformity analysis for the 2006 CLRP and the FY 2007-2012 TIP.

- 1:35 pm 12. **Briefing on Revised Draft Scope of Work for the Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2006 CLRP and FY 2007-2012 TIP Mr. Clifford, COG/DTP**

At the February 15 meeting, the Board was briefed on the draft scope of work, which was released for public comment and agency review at the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on February 9. Because additional information on the scope of work had been received since February 9, the public comment period was extended by releasing the updated project submission information at the March 9 CAC meeting. This extended public comment period will close on April 10. The Board will be briefed on the revised scope of work. At its April 19, 2006 meeting, the Board will be briefed on comments received and recommended responses, and asked to approve the scope of work for the air quality conformity analysis for the 2006 CLRP and the FY 2007-2012 TIP.

- 1:40 pm 13. **Briefing on Draft FY 2007 Commuter Connections Work Program (CCWP) Mr. Ramfos**

The Board will be briefed on the enclosed draft FY 2007 CCWP, which was released for public comment at the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee meeting on March 9. The Board will be asked to approve the FY 2007 CCWP at its April 19 meeting.

NOTICE ITEMS

- 1:45 pm 14. **Notice of Proposed Amendments to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that are Exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to Modify Funding for Eleven Transit, Commuter Rail and Ridesharing Projects in Charles, Frederick, Montgomery and Prince George’s Counties, as Requested by Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) Ms. Erickson**

Notice is provided that MDOT has requested amendments to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that are exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to reflect funding changes authorized under the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) for ten projects in Charles, Frederick, Montgomery and Prince George’s Counties, as described in the

