

TPB Technical Committee Meeting Highlights

February 1, 2013

The Technical Committee met on February 1 at COG. Seven items were reviewed for inclusion on the TPB agenda on February 20.

- TPB agenda Item 7

The Committee was updated on the major projects submitted by transportation agencies for the air quality conformity analysis of the 2013 CLRP. On January 17, the project submissions were released for a 30-day public comment period that ended February 16. At the February 20 meeting, the Board is scheduled to approve the project submissions.

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The Committee was updated on the draft scope of work for the air quality conformity assessment of the 2013 CLRP. On January 17, the draft scope of work was released for a 30-day public comment period that ended February 16. At the February 20 meeting, the Board is scheduled to approve the scope of work for the air quality conformity assessment.

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The Committee was briefed on proposed steps for the TPB, DDOT, MTA, and DRPT to become a joint designated recipient to establish the new FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility Program under MAP-21 in the Washington Region. This new program changed the three former FTA programs: Job Access and Reverse Commute, New Freedom, and Elderly and Disabled.

- TPB agenda Item 10

The Committee was briefed on proposed steps, including the role of the TPB in the selection of projects, to implement the new MAP- 21 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) to fund small projects considered “alternatives” to traditional highway construction. This new program combines several formerly stand-alone programs, including Transportation Enhancements, Safe Routes to School, and Recreational Trails.

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MAP-21 calls for MPOs, state DOTs and public transportation providers to establish and use a performance-based approach to transportation decision making to support national goals. It calls for USDOT to establish performance measures related to national goals for planning processes and for state DOTs, public transportation providers and MPOs to coordinate and establish performance measures and targets. The Committee was briefed on the performance-based approach using performance measures and targets and on USDOT activities to establish measures.

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The Committee was briefed on the draft Commuter Connections Work Program (CCWP) for FY 2014 (July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014). The Board will be asked to approve the FY 2014 CCWP at its March 20 meeting.

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The Committee was briefed on the Draft Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY 2014 (July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014). The final version will be presented for the Board's approval at its March 20 meeting.

Three items were presented for information and discussion:

- The Committee was briefed on current regional activities to address both Complete Streets and Green Streets, including results of a January 29, 2013 workshop on Complete Streets, and plans for an upcoming workshop on Green Streets.
- The transportation improvement program (TIP) is a complex technical document that provides a multi-modal listing of numerous projects, studies and programs throughout the region for which federal funds have been programmed. Staff briefed the Committee on a draft version of a more "user-friendly" guide and summary of the FY 2013-2018 TIP.
- Staff of the TPB actively participated in the 92nd Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB) held in Washington on January 13-17. The Committee was briefed on the TPB staff presentations and on other presentations of interest to MPO transportation planners attended by TPB staff.

**TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES
ATTENDANCE - February 1, 2013**

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MTA -----
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Fairfax Co. Mike Lake
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Loudoun Co. Robert Brown
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