

# TPB PARTICIPATION PLAN

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## 2020 Update

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# Participation Plans

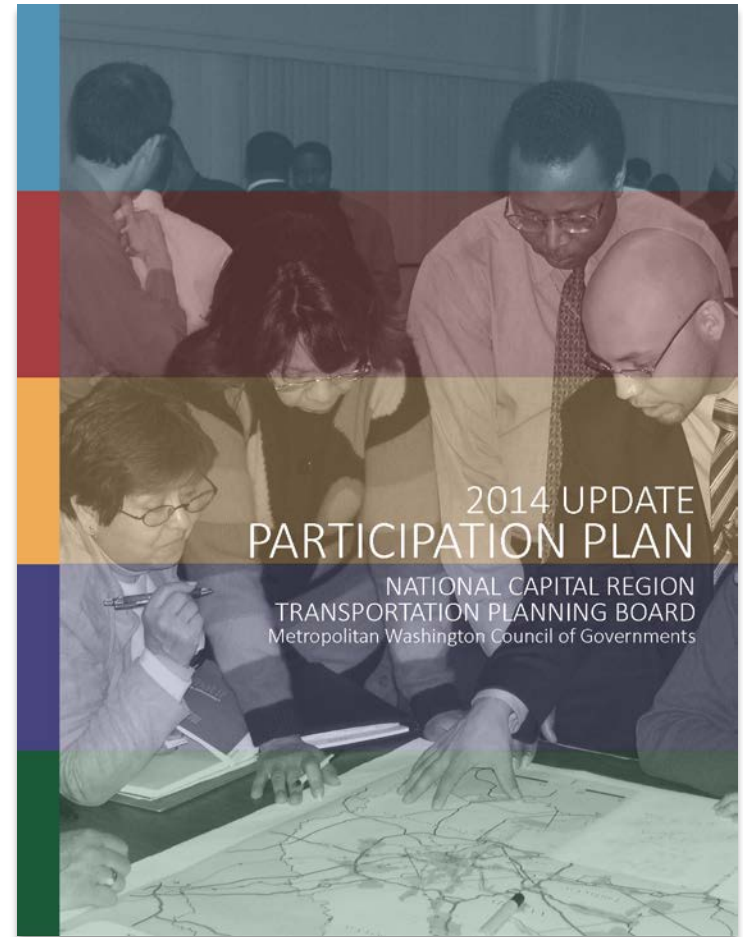
## Participation Plan

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board  
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# 2020 Update – The Approach

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- **Information gathering** – Gather information through internal discussions and a review of key documents. The information gathered will identify potential elements that may be highlighted in the new plan.
- **Stakeholder input** – Present the proposed approach to key groups to solicit feedback.
- **Draft new plan** – Based on input
- **Revise and finalize** – The plan will be revised and approved



# Proposed changes

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## **1) Clarify the purpose of public participation in the TPB process**

### **Informing and educating the public**

A public that is well-informed about transportation challenges and opportunities will be better prepared to promote positive changes in their communities and throughout the region.

### **Seeking public input to influence policy and decision making**

Public feedback challenges the TPB to make its plans and programs better.

### **Engaging the public in an ongoing dialogue**

By cultivating ongoing relationships with communities, the TPB and its staff will help make sure our work is effectively serving the region.



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## 2) Clarify the purpose of the participation plan

### The Public

Although the plan will not be primarily intended for public use, it will include tips for how the public can get involved at the TPB.

### TPB Staff

The plan will serve as a useful tool to help staff:

- Determine if participation is necessary
- Find out the most appropriate approach for participation
- Respond to comment/input/participation in a meaningful way
- Evaluate effectiveness of the participation activity

### Regulators

The plan will provide a framework to help staff demonstrate that the TPB meets and exceeds requirements.



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## 3) Explain how the TPB's participation activities target different constituencies

The new document will recognize that the TPB's participation activities should be tailored to different constituencies. The plan will identify and describe three levels of these constituencies: 1) active stakeholders, 2) community leaders, and 3) the general public.



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- 4) Enhance evaluation activities**
- 5) Remove operational details regarding TPB advisory committees**
- 6) More explicitly tie in Title VI requirements**
- 7) Ensure TPB meets federal metropolitan planning requirements**



# Next Steps

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1. Meet with team leaders – April 2020
2. Consult with CAC & AFA – April & May 2020
3. Draft plan – March & April 2020
4. Public comment (45 days) – Spring 2020
5. Board approval – Summer 2020





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