

TPB Technical Committee Meeting Highlights**January 9, 2009**

The Technical Committee met on January 9 at COG. Six items were reviewed for inclusion on the TPB agenda on January 28.

- TPB agenda Item 8

The Committee was briefed on the potential air quality conformity implications of EPA's proposed inclusion of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties in the designation of the Baltimore Metropolitan Area as being in non-attainment for the 2006 24-hour PM 2.5 standard.

- TPB agenda Item 9

The Committee was briefed on proposed responses to directions at the December 17 TPB meeting that requested the Steering Committee to propose criteria for prioritizing federal stimulus-related transportation projects in the Washington region, as well as the best structure and process for TPB to influence stimulus-related transportation funding.

- TPB agenda Item 10

Staff briefed the Committee on the draft scope of work for the air quality conformity assessment of the 2009 CLRP and FY 2010-2015 TIP which are scheduled to be released at the Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on January 15 for a public comment period that will end February 14. At the February 18 meeting, the Board is scheduled to approve the scope of work for the air quality conformity assessment.

- TPB agenda Item 11

The Committee was briefed on the major project changes submitted by transportation agencies that affect the air quality conformity assessment of the 2009 CLRP and FY 2010-2015 TIP. The project changes are scheduled to be released on January 15 for a public comment period that will end February 14. At the February 18 meeting, the Board is scheduled to approve the project changes for inclusion in the conformity assessment.

- TPB agenda Item 12

Staff briefed the Committee on the initial findings from the 2007/2008 Household Travel Survey and highlighted key changes in regional travel behavior since the last major household travel survey conducted in 1994.

- TPB agenda Item 13

Staff briefed the Committee on the outline and preliminary budget for the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY 2010 (July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010). A complete draft of the FY 2010 UPWP will be presented to the Board for review at its February 18 meeting, and the final version will be presented for the Board's approval at its March 18 meeting.

Four items were presented for information and discussion:

- Staff reported to the Committee on the Transportation/Land Use Connection (TLC) applications received by the December 19 submission date from local jurisdictions for technical assistance to advance their transportation and land use coordination activities. The TPB will be asked to approve the recipients for assistance at its February 18 meeting.
- Staff briefed the Committee on recent consultant work on fuel prices being assumed in travel forecasting models, near-term model enhancements, and a before/after framework for evaluating the usage of HOT lanes.
- The Committee was briefed on the general and geographic findings of the 2007 Washington-Baltimore Regional Air Passenger Survey.
- The Committee was updated on the status of the development and analysis of the "What Would It Take" and "CLRP Aspirations" transportation and land use scenarios.

**TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES
ATTENDANCE - January 9, 2009**

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Prince George's Co. -----
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 Keith Bounds

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 Tom Biesiadny
Falls Church -----
Loudoun Co. Art Smith
Manassas -----
Prince William Co. Monica Backmon
NVTC -----
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 Ryan Jones
VRE -----
VDOT Kanathur Srikanth
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FTA -----
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NPS -----
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