

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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MEETING NOTICE

Date: May 17, 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 April 19, 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(DTP) |
| 12:45 pm | 6. | Chairman's Remarks Chairman Knapp |

ACTION ITEM

- 12:50 pm 7. **Approval of Amendments to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that are Exempt from the Air Quality Conformity Requirement to Modify Funding for Fifteen Highway Projects in Frederick, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, as Requested by Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)** Ms. Erickson

At the April 19 meeting, notice was 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 fifteen projects in Frederick, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, as described in the enclosed materials.

Action: Adopt Resolution R20-2006 to approve amendments to the FY 2006-2011 TIP that are exempt from the air quality conformity requirement to reflect funding changes authorized under SAFETEA-LU for fifteen projects in Frederick, Montgomery and Prince George's Counties, as described in the enclosed materials.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 12:55 pm 8. **Report on the TPB Community Leadership Institute**
..... Chairman Knapp
..... Mr. Swanson, DTP

At the February 15, 2006 meeting, the Board was briefed on proposed public involvement improvements, including a pilot activity to educate community leaders on how, where and when transportation decisions are made and how to connect their interests with the regional planning issues facing the TPB. The Board will receive a report on the pilot training activities conducted on April 26 and 29. Several of the participants in the first institute will be introduced.

- 1:05 pm 9. **Report on Improving MetroAccess Service for People with Disabilities** Ms. Porter
Member, WMATA MetroAccess Ad Hoc Advisory Committee
..... Ms. Klancher, DTP

At its February 15 meeting, the Board was briefed on the report entitled: "Improving Demand Responsive Services for People with Disabilities in the Washington Region," which includes both long-and short-term recommendations for improving MetroAccess service. The TPB approved transmitting the report to WMATA and requested that the WMATA Board of Directors receive a presentation about its findings and recommendations. On February 16, the WMATA Board created an ad-hoc committee to address issues raised in the Demand Responsive report, review the MetroAccess paratransit service and recommend improvements. The WMATA ad-hoc committee established a subcommittee of service professionals and users to complete a review of "best practices" in paratransit services. The Board will be briefed on the enclosed interim report released on May 2 by the WMATA ad-hoc committee. A final ad-hoc committee report is expected in June.

- 1:20 pm 10. **Update on Air Quality Planning Activities**
 Mr. Clifford, DTP
- The Board will be briefed on four ongoing work activities, including results from applying a vehicle identification number (VIN) decoder to July 1, 2005 vehicle registration data; comparison of "monthly versus seasonal" approaches to estimation of yearly mobile source emissions; status of Round 7.0a cooperative forecasts; and a status report on 8-hour ozone SIP work activities and schedule.
- 1:30 pm 11. **Briefing on Draft Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the National Capital Region** Mr. Sebastian
 Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee
 Mr. Farrell, DTP
- The Board will be briefed on the draft bicycle and pedestrian plan prepared under the direction of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee of the TPB Technical Committee. The plan presents the planning context, describes the existing facilities and regional trends for bicycling and walking, lists funded and unfunded regional bicycle and pedestrian projects identified by the TPB jurisdictions, and recommends best practices. The Board will be asked to release the draft plan for public comment in June and to adopt the plan at its July 19 meeting.
- 1:40 pm 12. **Update on the Financial Analysis for the 2006 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 key project initiatives that are currently under consideration but are not included in the proposed 2006 CLRP.
- 1:45 pm 13. **Update on Transportation-Land Use Incentive Programs**
 Mr. Kirby
- At the April 19 meeting, the Board was briefed on four transportation-land use incentive programs currently underway in other metropolitan areas. The Board will be briefed on experience to date with these incentive programs, and on some alternative approaches for strengthening the linkages between transportation and land use planning in the Washington region.
- 1:50 pm 14. **Other Business**
- 2:00 pm 15. **Adjourn**

2 hours
 Lunch will be served to Board members and alternates at 11:30 a.m.



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