

Restructuring of the TPB's Regional Public Transportation Subcommittee in response to MAP-21

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The Regional Public Transportation Subcommittee (RPTS)

- MAP-21 Rulemaking: Transit Agency Representation on MPO Boards
 - TPB Resolution passed on September 17, 2014
 - Reconstituted Regional Bus Subcommittee as RTPS
- Annual "State of Public Transportation" Report



MAP-21 and Public Transportation Representation on the TPB

MAP-21 requires representation by providers of public transportation on the policy board of each metropolitan planning organization (MPO).

 This requirement is intended to formally include public transportation providers in the implementation of the MAP-21 performance-based approach to transportation decision-making.

The TPB has long included WMATA as a voting member and the Chair of the Private Providers Task Force as a non-voting member.

- The interests of other public transportation providers are represented by their parent jurisdiction.
- Public transportation provider representatives also sit on the TPB Technical Committee and participate in the TPB's Regional Bus Subcommittee.
- Private providers are typically engaged through the Private Providers
 Task Force.

TPB Resolution passed on September 17, 2014

- The TPB complies with MAP-21 requirement as WMATA is a voting member together with the local public transit and commuter bus and rail providers as represented by the respective jurisdiction that provides the funding.
- Changes the name of the TPB Regional Bus Subcommittee to the Regional Public Transportation Subcommittee and broadens its scope to include all eligible public transportation service providers.
- Commits to continuing a cooperative discussion with the providers of public transportation to determine respective responsibilities in carrying out the metropolitan transportation planning process, and to consider procedures for representation of all eligible providers of public transportation, including the role and responsibilities of the public transportation representation, and to making any mutually agreed changes to the TPB's Board membership and/or its committee process.

http://www.mwcog.org/uploads/committee-documents/fl1YWFZY20140922153142.pdf

Reconstitution of the Regional Public Transportation Subcommittee (RPTS)

Reconstitution of the Regional Bus Subcommittee as the RPTS was approved by TPB Technical Committee on December 5, 2014.

Memorandum summarizing reconstitution:

- Mission Statement: coordinate long-range public transportation planning for the region.
- Activities: information sharing, technical inputs, consultation on federal requirements, strategies and projects, coordinate with other committees.
 - Inputs to long-range transportation plan (CLRP)
 - Regional coordination and inter-operability, especially in technology
 - Accessibility issues, including station & stop improvements
 - Ridership surveys, congestion reports, and other data products
 - o TPB studies: commuter bus staging, bus on shoulders, bus hot spots, etc.
 - In the future, provide input on the measures and targets for the MAP-21 performance provisions for transit state of good repair and safety.
- Participation and Membership: jurisdiction staff, providers of public transportation.
- Governance: rotating annual chair.

Public Transportation Representation on the TPB

RPTS members are jurisdictional planners and representatives of public transportation service providers....

- 1. Broaden scope to include all eligible public transportation service providers....
 - Other modes by current members: DC Streetcar, Metrorail, MARC
 - Other mass transit modes: Virginia Railway Express
 - Other providers: paratransit, private providers
- 2. Consider procedures for representation of all eligible providers of public transportation....
 - Ensure provider interests and needs are being met through federal metropolitan planning process.

"State of Public Transportation" Annual Report Communicate public transportation interests and needs to TPB

- 1. Intro / Overview
 - Introduction: transit in the national capital region
- 2. Statistics by mode (local bus, express bus, BRT, heavy rail, etc.)
 - Ridership trends and Service data (e.g., revenue miles)
 - Financial Data Operating and Capital expenditures
 - MAP-21 Data (Asset Management and Safety) (once finalized)
- Regional transit highlights Past/Upcoming Accomplishments / Major Events
 - Projects started/completed, major studies, etc.
- 5. Issues Discussed at RPTS
 - E.g., customer info, maintenance facilities, downtown staging needs (bus and rail), technology integration, etc.
- 6. Findings / Recommendations for consideration by the TPB
 - References and resources.

