ITEM 7 – Information November 16, 2022

SAFETY TOPICS

7A. RECAP OF SAFETY WORK SESSION

A brief summary of the morning's work session will be provided.

7B. PBPP: DRAFT TARGETS FOR TRANSIT SAFETY

The board will be briefed on draft regional targets for transit safety performance measures, including fatalities, injuries, safety events, and system reliability, as required under the federal performance based planning and programming (PBPP) rulemaking for public transportation providers and MPOs. The board will be asked to approve the regional targets at its December meeting.

7C. PBPP: DRAFT TARGETS FOR HIGHWAY SAFETY

The board will be briefed on the proposed 2019-2023 targets for highway safety performance measures as part of federal PBPP requirements. The board will be asked to approve the regional targets at its December meeting.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Transportation Planning Board

FROM: Andrew Meese, TPB Program Director, Systems Performance Planning **SUBJECT:** Planned November 16 TPB Work Session on Transportation Safety

DATE: November 10, 2022

This memorandum provides a preview of the planned Transportation Planning Board (TPB) Work Session on the topic of Transportation Safety, scheduled for Wednesday, November 16, 2022, 10:30 A.M. to 11:45 A.M. (in-person/virtual hybrid format), immediately prior to that day's regularly scheduled TPB meeting.

BACKGROUND

In 2019, in conjunction with approving that year's federally-required Performance-Based Planning and Programming (PBPP) highway safety targets, the TPB requested that member departments of transportation (DOTs) report periodically on their efforts to improve safety. Following this request, safety subject matter experts from the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia departments of transportation briefed the TPB during the remainder of 2019, fostering important discussions. Since then, safety has remained a frequent TPB agenda item, including sharing the findings of TPB-requested regional <u>safety studies</u>; the TPB's July 2020 adoption of R3-2021 – <u>Resolution to Establish a Regional Roadway Safety Policy</u>; establishment of the TPB's <u>Regional Roadway Safety Program</u>; and, most recently, the September 2022 presentation by Federal Highway Administration representative David Petrucci on the U.S. Department of Transportation's <u>Safe System Approach</u> to roadway safety.

This year, TPB staff has been planning to bring state DOT representatives back to provide updates to the board. With the TPB's recent agenda time constraints, it is now planned to accomplish these briefings in the form of a Work Session immediately prior to the November 16 TPB meeting. Staff will then provide a short summary of the Work Session at the main TPB meeting, as part of a larger transportation safety agenda item that will also include draft PBPP transit and highway safety targets.

PLANS FOR THE WORK SESSION

An agenda for the work session is attached to this memorandum. Following opening remarks from TPB Chair Pamela Sebesky, DDOT, MDOT, and VDOT safety representatives will be invited to each present for about 10-15 minutes, with a brief time for clarifying questions and answers, concluding with an open question-and-answer period for (and among) all presenters. Scheduled speakers include DDOT Vision Zero/safety analysts Charlie Willson and Christine Mayeur; Douglas Mowbray, Traffic Records Program Manager for the Maryland Highway Safety Office, with Kimberly Auman and Joe Kufera of the University of Maryland School of Medicine; and Stephen Read, VDOT Highway Safety Planning Manager.

Suggested topics include:

- Current trends and significant roadway safety challenges (including pandemic-related challenges)
- Key strategies/initiatives their agency is pursuing
- Ways they are working with other TPB member jurisdictions, and recommendations for further collaborations
- Whether and how their agency is incorporating the U.S. Department of Transportation's Safe System Approach into their efforts
- Their agency's consideration of the new <u>Vulnerable Road User Safety Assessment</u> requirement in the Highway Safety Improvement Program under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL), including required consultation with MPOs, as well as their consideration of new or expanded grant programs under the BIL
- Relationships between their agency's safety target setting process and policies/strategies/ activities in place to improve roadway safety.

WORK SESSION LOGISTICS

TPB members and Work Session presenters will be able to participate either in person (in the COG Board Room) or virtually. TPB members' virtual access for the November 16 Work Session will be via the same meeting login information as for the main TPB meeting, and will be broadcast on the TPB's YouTube channel (as will be the main meeting). Login information will be provided to board members and alternates with the November 10 mailout of the November 16 TPB meeting materials.

Attachment

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD

Wednesday, November 16, 2022 10:30 A.M. – 11:45 A.M. Walter A. Scheiber Board Room

Meeting in-person/hybrid for members

WORK SESSION AGENDA

TPB SPECIAL WORK SESSION: SAFETY ROUNDTABLE WITH STATE DEPARTMENTS OF TRANSPORTATION

10:30 A.M. 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO THE WORK SESSION

Pamela Sebesky, TPB Chair

As part of a focus on safety, in 2019 the board requested that member departments of transportation (DOTs) report periodically on their efforts to improve safety. Today's work session will provide an opportunity for board members to hear about and discuss the three state DOTs' latest safety information and activities. Suggested topics include current trends and challenges, key strategies and initiatives, collaboration with TPB member jurisdictions, the USDOT Safe System Approach (presented to the TPB in September), and relationships to federally-required safety target setting.

10:35 A.M. 2. DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Charlie Willson, Vision Zero Analyst, DDOT Christine Mayeur, Transportation Specialist, DDOT

10:55 A.M. 3. MARYLAND

Douglas Mowbray, Traffic Records Program Manager, Maryland Highway Safety Office, MDOT

Kimberly Auman, Epidemiologist/Database Engineer, University of Maryland School of Medicine

Joe Kufera, Biostatistician, University of Maryland School of Medicine Myra Wieman, Deputy Director, Maryland Highway Safety Office

11:15 A.M. **4.** VIRGINIA

Stephen Read, Highway Safety Planning Manager, VDOT

11:35 A.M. 5. QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS FOR ALL PANELISTS

11:45 A.M. 6. ADJOURN

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