

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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AGENDA

TPB SCENARIO STUDY TASK FORCE CHAIR: Michael Knapp, Montgomery County Council

Wednesday February 20, 2008
10:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.

COG Board Room, 3rd Floor
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1. Review of Proposal for Development and Analysis of New Scenarios 10:00 – 10:30

At the January 16, 2008 meeting of the TPB Scenario Study Task Force, the task force discussed a staff proposal that defined in greater detail the development and analysis of two new scenarios. The staff proposal for scenario analysis, outreach, and implementation, and the task force's related comments, are reflected in the Scenario Study element of the FY2009 Unified Planning Work Program, which will be presented to the TPB in draft form at its February 20 meeting.

2. Detailed Discussion of the "CLRP Aspirations" Scenario 10:30 – 11:00

The first of the two scenario study activities scheduled to take place by June 30, 2008 is the development of the CLRP Aspirations Scenario. The intent of this exercise is to draw from the strategies explored in the previously studied scenarios, including the variably priced lanes scenarios, along with other possible strategies, to develop a scenario that represents realistic yet ambitious levels of transportation investment and accompanying land use stewardship. The task force will review a proposed process for selecting the transportation and land-use strategies to include in this scenario.

3. Detailed Discussion of the "What Would It Take?" Scenario 11:00 – 11:30

Rather than building a new scenario and then testing its performance against the 2030 baseline, the "What Would It Take?" Scenario will begin with one or more performance objectives and determine the scale and mixture(s) of interventions that might achieve those objectives. The scenario will be designed to facilitate regional dialogue with the public and among decision-makers about the steps necessary to implement a desired regional future, in a way that moves beyond the typical constraints of the TPB analysis process. The task force will discuss a proposed objective for this scenario that would focus on regional CO₂ emissions, and will consider possible changes in vehicle technologies, travel behavior assumptions, and other policy interventions to be studied as part of this scenario.

