

TPB Technical Committee Meeting Highlights November 4, 2011

The Technical Committee met on November 4 at COG. Six items were reviewed for inclusion on the TPB agenda on November 16.

- TPB agenda Item 9

The Committee was updated on the draft conformity analysis of the 2011 CLRP. This conformity assessment and draft plan were released for public comment on October 13. The TPB will be asked to adopt the plan and conformity assessment at its meeting on November 16.

- TPB agenda Item 10

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- TPB agenda Item 12

The Committee was updated on the discussion at the October 19 TPB meeting on the possibility of incorporating local government contributions for the Street Smart campaign into the COG annual dues.

- TPB agenda Item 13

The Committee was briefed on the COG IMR Steering Committee's action plan to identify improvements to regional incident management and response based on the experience of the January 26 snow/ice event. The Committee discussed the plan's recommendations to expand MATOC operations to 24/7 and to conduct an assessment of installing back-up power for major traffic signals. The Committee requested that the implications of these recommendations be examined by the Management, Operations and Intelligent Transportation Systems (MOITS) Technical Subcommittee. Staff was asked to survey all of the region's signal operators to inventory the current numbers of signals with back-up power.

- TPB agenda Item 14

Staff briefed the Committee on results of an analysis of decoded 2011 vehicle identification number (VIN) registration data showing the characteristics of the 2011 vehicle fleet in the Washington Region, and comparing them with the fleet characteristics from similar analyses for 2008 and 2005.

- TPB agenda Item 15

The Committee was briefed on the development of performance measures for the TPB Regional Transportation Priorities Plan (RTPP), and on recent performance-based planning activities at the federal level, including TPB's participation in a pilot project sponsored by the National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP).

Three items were presented for information and discussion:

- At the June 15 TPB meeting, the CAC requested that the TPB develop and approve a Regional Policy on Complete Streets and that the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee take the lead in developing this policy. An initial draft policy developed by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee has been reviewed by the TPB Access For All Committee, the Bus Planning Subcommittee, and the CAC. Staff briefed the Committee on the status of the draft policy and on key issues raised during the review. The Committee requested that staff develop a new draft for review at its December 2 meeting.
- Staff briefed the Committee on the current status of the TPB Regional Priority Bus Project, which includes 16 project components being implemented by five project owners under a \$58 million TIGER grant administered by FTA. In response to a request at the October 19 TPB meeting for an update on the TIGER grant project, a memorandum on the current status of project will be transmitted to the TPB.
- The Committee was briefed on current climate change-related work activities including the impact of the new federal light-duty and heavy-duty vehicle fuel economy standards on the region's CO2 inventory, and on possible roles for TPB in adaptation planning.

**TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES
ATTENDANCE - November 4, 2011**

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 Will Handsfield

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Charles County Jason Groth
Frederick Co. Ronald Burns
City of Frederick Tim Davis
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Montgomery Co. Gary Erenrich
Prince George's Co. Lou Farber
Rockville -----
M-NCPPC
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 Prince George's Co. -----
MDOT Lyn Erickson
 Alyssa Seibert
 Vaughn Lewis
MTA -----
Takoma Park -----

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Alexandria Pierre Holloman
Arlington Co. Jennifer Fioetti
City of Fairfax Alexis Verzosa
Fairfax Co. Mike Lake
Falls Church -----
Loudoun Co. -----
Manassas -----
Prince William Co. Monica Backmon
NVTC Clair Gron
PRTC Nick Alexandrow
VRE -----
VDOT Kanathur Srikanth
VDRPT Anthony Foster
NVPDC -----
VDOA -----

WMATA

WMATA Mark Kellogg

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FTA -----
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NPS -----
MWAQC -----

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Other Attendees

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Carey Roessel, Marquise Management
Bill Orleans, HACK