# CLIMATE CHANGE ELEMENTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY TPB

# Transportation-sector greenhouse gas reduction goals and strategies

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# **Climate Change: Recent TPB Actions**

- 2020: Endorsed new regional, multi-sector GHG goal for 2030
- 2020: Added on-road GHG reduction as a priority in solicitation for Visualize 2045 update
- 2021: Initiated Climate Change Mitigation Study to ID and analyze on-road GHG reduction strategies
- 2022:
  - Survey of TPB members re: on-road GHG reduction goals and strategies
  - Work sessions of the board to discuss GHG reduction goals and strategies
  - Considering adopting on-road GHG reduction goals and strategies as part of long-range transportation plans



# **Climate Change Elements TPB Considering**

- Goals to reduce Greenhouse Gas specifically for on-road transportation sector.
  - Region already has non-sector specific GHG reduction goals
  - TPB has endorsed these regional multi-sectoral goals
- Adopt on-road GHG reduction strategies as priorities for regional long-range transportation plans
- Affirm on-road GHG reduction strategies to be explored further for future considerations



### **GHG Reduction Goals - Clarified**

- Regional Goals: 50% below 2005 by 2030; 80% below 2005 by 2050
- COG's Regional goals are multi-sector:
  - Energy Grid
  - Energy Usage in buildings (Residential, Commercial and Industrial)
  - Transportation (On-road, Aviation, Commuter Rail, Marine, Off-road)
  - Waste
  - Other (Agriculture, Fugitive)
- COG has not established GHG reduction goals for individual sectors.
- TPB is voluntarily considering adopting GHG reduction goals for on-road sector
- 2030 Climate and Energy Action Plan (CEAP) identifies strategies for each sector with assumed levels of implementation.
  - If each sector fully implements all the strategies, region would achieve the 2030 GHG reduction goal
  - Estimated contribution from the transportation strategies would be a 32% reduction in transportation-sector GHG emissions



# **On-road GHG Reduction Goals: Consideration**

- Option A: 50% below 2005 by 2030 and 80% below 2005 by 2050
  - Above/Beyond regional multi-sector 2030 CEAP
  - No identified pathway to attain 2030 goal.
- Option B: 32% below 2005 by 2030 and 80% below 2005 by 2050
  - As assumed in regional multi-sector 2030 Climate and Energy Action Plan
  - Pathway to attainment identified (CCMS scenarios Combo 2, 3 and 4) -YET Some of strategies required not ready for adoption at this time;
  - Other strategies require unprecedented levels of implementation.
- Option C: 23% below 2005 by 2030 and 80% below 2005 by 2050
  - Less than assumed in regional multi-sector 2030 CEAP.
  - Pathway to attainment identified (CCMS scenario Combo 6)
  - All required strategies ready to be adopted at this time
  - Implementation levels of strategies aggressive yet doable.



# **GHG Reduction Strategies: Consider adopting**

No.	GHG Reduction Strategy	High-end of CCMS Scenarios (COMBO.6)	More Modest Level (COMB0.5)
1 (C9)	Improve walk/bike access to all TPB identified high-capacity transit stations	50% increase in bicycle access trips	25% increase in bicycle access trips
2 (C10)	Increase Walk/Bike mode of travel - Complete the TPB's National Capital Trail Network	Unbuilt portion of the NCTN (55%) would be completed by 2030	Same as COMBO.6.
3 (C14)	Transportation System Management & Operations (TSMO) improvement measures at all eligible locations.	Both TSMO and some level of connected and automated vehicles (CAVs) by 2050	TSMO, but without CAV contributions in 2050
4 (C2)	Develop an electric vehicle charging network	Considered part of "C1," so not quantified separately	Same as COMBO.6.
5 (C1)	Convert vehicles to clean fuels.	<ul> <li>100% of new light duty vehicles sold;</li> <li>50% of new medium/heavy duty trucks sold;</li> <li>100% of all buses <u>on the road</u></li> </ul>	<ul> <li>50% of new light duty vehicles sold;</li> <li>30% of new medium/heavy duty trucks sold;</li> <li>50% of all buses <u>on the road</u></li> </ul>
6 (C3)	Add additional housing units near TPB-identified high- capacity transit stations and in COG's Regional Activity Centers.	+77,000 by 2030 and +126,000 by 2050 compared to amounts in COG Cooperative Forecasts Round 9.1a	Same as COMBO.6.
7 (C8)	Reduce travel times on all public transportation bus services.	15% by 2030 and 30% by 2050 (relative to 2020 travel times)	10% by 2030 and 20% by 2050 (relative to 2020 travel times)



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#### **GHG Reduction Strategies: Explore further**

Ref.	Description of Goals / GHG Reduction Strategy	
1	<b>C4a.</b> Take action to <b>shift growth in jobs and housing</b> from locations currently forecast (COG Cooperative Forecasts) <b>to</b> locations <b>near</b> TPB-identified <b>high-capacity transit stations</b> and in COG's <b>Regional Activity Centers</b> , <u>within jurisdictional</u> boundaries, to improve the jobs-housing balance locally.	
2	C 5. Make all public bus transportation in the region fare-free by 2030.	
3	C6. Make all public rail transportation in the region fare-free by 2030.	
4	<b>C7. Price workplace parking for employees.</b> In 2030, prices <b>in Activity Centers</b> would vary between \$12-\$14/day. In 2050, prices in Activity Centers would vary between \$12-\$14/day and be approximately \$6/day outside of Activity Centers. (2020 dollars to be adjusted for inflation)	
5	<b>C11. Convert a higher proportion of daily work trips to telework</b> . By 2030, convert 25 percent of daily work trips and by 2050 convert 40 percent of work trips to telework.	
6	<b>C12. Charge a new fee per vehicle mile of travel (VMT)</b> by motorized, private, passenger vehicles in addition to the prevailing transportation fees and fuel taxes. In 2030, the fee would be 5 cents/mile and in 2050, the fee would be 10 cents/mile	
7	<b>C13. Charge a "cordon fee" of \$10 per motorized vehicle trip</b> for all vehicles entering Activity Centers in the core of the District of Columbia, by 2030.	



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