



NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD

TPB ACCESS FOR ALL (AFA) ADVISORY COMMITTEE Tim Lovain, AFA Chair, City of Alexandria

Thursday, October 23, 2014
12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m., Board Room
Lunch will be provided

AGENDA

1. **Welcome and Introductions**..... 12:00 p.m.
Tim Lovain, AFA Chair
2. **Overview of the AFA Comments on the 2014 Constrained Long Range
Transportation Plan (CLRP) and the TPB Follow-Up Letter** 12:10 p.m.
Wendy Klancher, TPB Staff

Each year the AFA comments on the draft Financially Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan (CLRP). At its July 2014 meeting, the AFA had a presentation on the changes in the 2014 CLRP and also discussed the Regional Transportation Priorities Plan. Based on that discussion, a memorandum with the comments was presented to the TPB at its September 15 meeting, The TPB asked that the comments be forwarded to the District Department of Transportation (DDOT), the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT), the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) to consider these concerns as projects are planned and implemented.

3. **Discussion with Federal Agency Representatives Regarding the TPB's Federal
Certification Review** 12:20 p.m.
*Sandra Jackson, Federal Highway Administration, District of Columbia Division
Melissa Barlow, Federal Transit Administration (FWH) Region 3, Metro D.C. Office*

Every four years, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) conduct a certification review of the federally mandated metropolitan transportation planning process of the TPB. As part of this review, representatives of the federal agencies have asked to meet with the AFA and gather committee feedback on the public involvement process. The following are the discussion questions for :

1. **How effective is public involvement in transportation planning conducted by the National Capital Region TPB and its partner transportation agencies?**

2. What methods to encourage involvement are working and what are not? Please provide examples and explanations. For example, consider the structure of advisory groups, use of media, use of facilitators, or efforts to reach a broad range of groups, including minority and low-income communities.

4. **Review of COG’s Accommodations Policy for People with Disabilities and Those with Limited English Skills** 12:50 p.m.
Wendy Klancher, TPB Staff

COG has a long standing policy to accommodate people with disabilities and those with limited English skills so that they can participate in the transportation planning process. COG’s Accommodations Policy is being revised to make it clearer that language translation services are available. The Policy will be available in 6 languages other than English. The AFA will be asked to review and comment on the revised Policy.

5. **Update on TPB’s First Enhanced Mobility Program Solicitation** 1:05 p.m.
Sergio Ritacco, TPB Staff

MAP-21, the Federal Surface Transportation Authorization bill, changed three former Federal Transit Administration (FTA) programs: Job Access and Reverse Commute, New Freedom, and Elderly and Disabled. The latter two programs were combined to create the new Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility Program. Solicitation for grants under the Enhanced Mobility Program began on Aug 28, 2014 and applications are due Friday, October 24, 2014. More information is at www.tpbcoordination.org Ms. Klancher will update the committee on the solicitation process. .

6. **Presentation on Metro’s Bus Stop Accessibility Efforts** 1:15 p.m.
Aaron Overman, WMATA

WMATA staff will present on the status of WMATA’s Regional Bus Stop Inventory efforts and the next steps for the bus stop improvement New Freedom grant.

7. **Presentation on the 2014 CLRP Performance Analysis: Forecast Travel Conditions** ... 1:40 p.m.
Dan Sonenklar, TPB Staff

The AFA will be briefed on the performance analysis of the 2014 CLRP. The TPB approved the 2014 CLRP on October 15, 2014. Specific attention will be paid to forecasts in population and employment growth, changes in travel characteristics, changes in roadway and transit congestion, and changes in accessibility to jobs throughout the region that are predicted between now and 2040.

8. **Adjourn**..... 2:00 p.m.

2015 MEETING SCHEDULE
TPB Access for All Advisory Committee

Date	Time	Room
Thursday, January 30	12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.	COG Board Room
Thursday, April 23	12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.	COG Board Room
Thursday, July 30	12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.	COG Board Room
Thursday, October 22	12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.	COG Board Room

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