

# Focus on Freight–July 2012

A Freight Newsletter for the National Capital Region



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## **TPB Freight Subcommittee**

Our next TPB Freight Subcommittee meeting is scheduled for September 6, 2012. The TPB Board and Technical Committee will also meet next in September. Enjoy the Summer!

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## **MAP-21 signed into law**

July 6, 2012, Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century was signed into law.

- TIFIA loans from \$122M to \$750M in first year and \$1B in second year
- US DOT to designate primary Freight Network and National Freight Strategic Plan
- Encourage State Freight Plans
- Increased \$ for freight projects identified in State Freight Plans



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## **Northeast Corridor Rail Investment Plan**

A Public Scoping Meeting on the Northeast Corridor Rail Investment Plan will be held on August 21, 2012 at MWCOG from 4:30pm to 7:30pm. The purpose of this meeting is to help define the scope of study for the Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement, being conducted in accordance with the Federal Railroad Administration's procedures for considering environmental impacts.

Participants are welcome to arrive at any time during the open house. Informational displays will be available and project staff will be on hand to answer questions, listen to your comments, and discuss the project. A brief presentation by project staff will be given at 5:30pm. Following the presentation, there will be an opportunity to provide formal comments, either publicly or privately. There will also be opportunities for written comments at the meeting, by mail, e-mail, and through the [NEC Web Site](#) until September 14, 2012.

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## **Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals-National Capital Region**

The August 22 event of the CSCMP National Capital Region will include a pre-game Nationals Ballpark Picnic, a Nationals Logistics Talk, and watching the Nationals versus the Atlanta Braves. For more information and to register click [CSCMP Nationals Event](#).

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