



Review of Draft Call for Projects Document

**National Capital Region Transportation Planning
Board**

November 15, 2006



What is the Call for Projects?

- **A broad solicitation for projects, programs or strategies** to be included in the 2007 Plan and the FY 2008-2013 TIP
- The Call for Projects document:
 - Describes the policy framework;
 - Reviews federal regulations; and
 - Explains the project submission process.

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New SAFETEA-LU Requirements

- New Planning Factors Emphasize Safety and Security
- Consultation with Agencies Responsible for:
 - Land Use Management
 - Natural Resources
 - Environmental Protection
 - Conservation and Historic Preservation
- Discussion of Potential Environmental Mitigation Activities
- Public Participation Plan
- Visualization Techniques
- Congestion Management Process

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New Information Needed for Project Submissions

- Forms are designed to elicit information to better understand and review projects
- New SAFETEA-LU Related Information:
 - More specific information about congestion-related conditions that necessitate the project
 - Identification of how the project addresses the eight planning factors
 - Identification of potential mitigation strategies
- On-Line Database

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Key Dates in the Schedule

December 20, 2006	TPB asked to approve Call For Projects
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January 26, 2007	<u>DEADLINE:</u> Transportation Agencies Complete On-Line Project Submissions
February 15, 2007	Plan and TIP Project Submissions and draft Scope of Work for the Air Quality Conformity Assessment Released for Public Comment
March 21, 2007	TPB Reviews Public Comments and is asked to Approve Project Submissions and draft Scope of Work
September 13, 2007	Draft Plan, TIP and Conformity Assessment Released for Public Comment
October 17, 2007	TPB Reviews Public Comments and Responses to Comments, and is Presented the Draft Plan, TIP and Conformity Assessment for Adoption

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