

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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MEETING NOTICE

Date: **January 28, 2009**
Time: **10:00 am**
Place: **COG Board Room**

A-G-E-N-D-A (BEGINS PROMPTLY AT 10:00 am)

- 10:00 am 1. **Public Comment on TPB Procedures and Activities** Chairman Jenkins
- Interested members of the public will be given the opportunity to make brief comments on transportation issues under consideration by the TPB. Each speaker will be allowed up to three minutes to present his or her views. Board members will have an opportunity to ask questions of the speakers, and to engage in limited discussion. Speakers are asked to bring written copies of their remarks (65 copies) for distribution at the meeting.
- 10:20 am 2. **Approval of Minutes of December 17 Meeting** Chairman Jenkins
- 10:25 am 3. **Report of Technical Committee** Mr. Erenrich
Chair, Technical Committee
- 10:30 am 4. **Report of Citizen Advisory Committee** Mr. Martin
Chair, Citizen Advisory Committee
- 10:40 am 5. **Report of Steering Committee** Mr. Kirby
Director, Department of
Transportation Planning (DTP)
- 10:45 am 6. **Chairman's Remarks** Chairman Jenkins



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ACTION ITEMS

- 10:50 am 7. **Approval of Appointments to the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) for the Year 2009**
..... Chairman Jenkins

The TPB Participation Plan calls for the appointment of 15 members to the CAC for each calendar year: six members designated by the current CAC, and nine members nominated by the TPB officers. At the December 11 CAC meeting, six members were designated by the 2008 CAC to the CAC for the year 2009. Six members (and alternates) nominated by the 2009 Vice Chairs will be presented. Chairman Jenkins will present the three members (and alternates) nominated by the 2009 TPB Chair, as well as the nomination for the chairman of the CAC in 2009.

Action: Appoint the fifteen members (and alternates) and chairman of the CAC for 2009.

- 10:55 am 8. **Approval of TPB Letter to EPA Commenting on the Proposed Inclusion of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties in the Baltimore Nonattainment area for the 2006 24-Hour Fine Particulates (PM 2.5) Standard**

..... Ms. Rohlf
Department of Environmental Programs
Mr. Clifford, DTP

The Board will be briefed on EPA's proposed inclusion of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties in the designation of the Baltimore Metropolitan Area as being in non-attainment for the 2006 24-hour PM 2.5 standard. The Board will also be briefed on potential air quality conformity implications, and on a draft letter from TPB, the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) and the COG Board of Directors to EPA providing comments on the proposed inclusion of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties in the Baltimore non-attainment area.

Action: Authorize the TPB Chairman to sign the letter to EPA providing comments on the proposed inclusion of Montgomery and Prince George's Counties in the Baltimore Metropolitan Area non-attainment designation.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 11:05 am 9. **Status Report on the Federal Transportation Stimulus Package and Briefing on Proposed Criteria and Process For Prioritizing Stimulus-related Transportation Projects**
..... Ms. Jackson, FHWA
Mr. Glenn, FTA
Mr. Kirby

At the December 17 meeting, the TPB directed the Steering Committee to propose criteria for prioritizing federal stimulus-

related transportation projects in the Washington region, as well as the best structure and process for TPB to influence stimulus-related transportation funding. In addition, the Scenario Task Force was directed to report back to the TPB with a prioritized list of new major regional transportation projects to be considered, circumstances permitting. The Board will be briefed by the TPB representatives from the FHWA and FTA on the status to date of the federal transportation stimulus package. The Board will then be briefed on responses to the December 17 directions to the Steering Committee and the Scenario Task Force.

- 11:20 am 10. **Briefing on Draft Scope of Work for Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2009 Financially Constrained Long Range Transportation Plan (CLRP) and FY 2010-2015 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
 Ms. Posey, DTP

The Board will be briefed on the draft scope of work for the conformity assessment of the 2009 CLRP and FY 2010-2015 TIP, which was released at the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) meeting on January 15 for a public comment period that will end February 14. At the February 18 meeting, the Board will be asked to approve the scope of work for the air quality conformity assessment.

- 11:25 am 11. **Briefing on Project Submissions for the Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2009 CLRP and FY 2010-2015 TIP**
 Mr. Kirby

On October 15, the TPB released the call for projects document for the 2009 CLRP and FY 2010-2015 TIP. The Board will be briefed on the projects reviewed by the Technical Committee on January 9 for inclusion in the air quality conformity assessment. These projects were released at the CAC meeting on January 15 for a public comment period that will end February 14. At the February 18 meeting, the Board will be asked to approve the project submissions for the air quality conformity assessment.

- 11:30 am 12. **Briefing on Initial Results from the Regional Household Travel Survey**
 Mr. Griffiths, DTP

During 2007 and early 2008, over 10,000 households in the Washington Metropolitan region were surveyed to obtain detailed travel and socio-economic data. The Board will be briefed on the initial results from this regional survey.

- 11:45 am 13. **Review of Outline and Preliminary Budget for FY 2010 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)**
 Mr. Kirby

The Board will be briefed on the enclosed outline and preliminary budget for the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY 2010 (July 1,2009 through June 30,2010). A complete draft of the FY 2010 UPWP will be presented to the Board for review at its February 18 meeting, and the final version will be presented for

the Board's approval at its March 18 meeting.

11:55 am 14. **Other Business**

12:00 pm 15. **Adjourn**

2 hours

A joint lunch with the Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) will be provided immediately following the meeting.