

## Meeting Highlights: TPB Technical Committee October 2017

The Technical Committee met on October 5, 2017 in the Ronald F. Kirby Training Center at COG. The following items were reviewed for inclusion on the TPB agenda:

- **TPB agenda item 7**

TPB staff briefed the committee on activities related to the development of Visualize 2045 long-range transportation plan:

- **Solicitation of inputs and air quality conformity analysis:** In September, the committee and TPB were briefed on the process, schedule, and requirements for the air quality conformity analysis, which is required under federal law to show that future vehicle-related emissions are forecast to remain below approved regional limits. The solicitation document has a new look to match the Visualize 2045 branding and on October 18, the TPB will be asked to approve the solicitation.
- **Financial element:** The results of an initial analysis of available revenues was shared with the committee. The long-range plan's financial element must demonstrate that sufficient revenues are reasonably expected to be available to build, maintain, and operate the transportation system spelled out in the Constrained Element of the plan.
- **Public outreach:** Staff briefed the committee on the initial findings from a survey on public attitudes about transportation. Over the summer, staff conducted outreach for this survey which was aimed at gathering general attitudes and opinions about transportation in the region. More than 6,000 responses were received through an open survey and a random sample.

- **TPB agenda item 8-9**

TPB staff briefed the committee on the air quality conformity analysis of the VDOT and MDOT off-cycle amendment to the 2016 Constrained Long-Range Plan, which were out for public comment from September 14 through October 13. The amendment will add/modify 4 projects, and TPB staff has found that the Air Quality Conformity Analysis demonstrates adherence to all mobile source emissions budgets for the pollutants analyzed. No public comments had been received as of October 6. The TPB will be asked to approve the off-cycle conformity analysis and 2016 CLRP Amendment at its October 18 meeting.

- **TPB agenda item 10**

TPB staff briefed the committee on projects recommended for funding under the FY 2018 Transportation Alternatives Set Aside Program for the District of Columbia. Staff explained that a portion of the funding from this federal program is sub-allocated to the TPB for project selection in the District of Columbia and the TPB's other state-level jurisdictions. The TPB will be asked to approve the recommended projects at its October 18 meeting.

- **TPB agenda item 11**

Staff and the project consultant provided a status report on the Long-Range Plan Task Force. At its next meeting on October 18 the task force will be briefed on the final list of performance

measures that will be used to present the results of the technical analysis. The task force will also discuss and finalize “a process by which to select improvement initiatives from amongst the ten analyzed to recommend the TPB endorse for future concerted TPB action.” Staff is assisting in developing a process the task force could consider at its next meeting. At the October TPB meeting, staff will update the board on the upcoming task force meeting schedule.

- **TPB agenda item 12**

Staff explained that draft critical urban freight corridor (CUFC) segments for the Maryland, District of Columbia, and Virginia portions of the National Capital Region have been identified. The committee was provided an overview of these draft CUFC segments, including the methodology used to identify them, and asked to provide feedback on the proposed segments. The committee briefly discussed the FHWA funding component during the overview. The TPB will be asked to designate CUFCs for DC, Maryland, and Virginia at the November 15 meeting in order to meet the December 4, 2017 federal deadline.

- **TPB agenda item 13**

Staff said that the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) has requested an amendment to update projects and funding in the District section of the FY 2017-2022 TIP. The amendment will be released for a 30-day public comment and inter-agency review period on October 12, 2017. The TPB will be asked to approve this amendment at the November 15 meeting.

**The following items were presented for information and discussion:**

- ***Regional Travel Survey Update*** – Staff informed the committee that the TPB has launched the once-in-a-decade regional household travel survey, branded the Regional Travel Survey (RTS), in October 2017. The committee was briefed on the results of the RTS pre-test, modifications for the main survey, and the main survey schedule.
- ***Regional Transportation Demand Management (TDM) Evaluation Report*** – Staff briefed the committee on the results from a recent evaluation from the regional Commuter Connections transportation demand management program. The program is evaluated every three years.
- ***Regional Bus Lane Enforcement Study Report*** – The committee was briefed on the results of the subject study, recently completed under the FY17 WMATA Technical Assistance Program of the UPWP.
- ***Results of the VDOT I-66 Inside the Beltway Bus On Shoulder Pilot Project*** - The committee was briefed on the results of this pilot project, for which staff provided assistance in the planning and evaluation phases under the Technical Assistance Program of the UPWP.
- ***Street Smart Annual Report*** - The committee was briefed on the outcomes of the Fall 2016 and Spring 2017 campaigns, and on the plans for the Fall 2017 and Spring 2018 campaigns.

**TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES  
ATTENDANCE – September 8, 2017**

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Fairfax County Mike Lake  
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NVTIC Patricia Happ  
Prince William County Trent Berger  
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