

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date: Friday, September 7, 2012

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Training Center
777 N. Capitol Street, N.E.

- 9:00 1. **Welcome and Approval of Minutes from the July 6 Technical Committee Meeting**
.....Chairman Rawlings

ITEMS FOR THE BOARD AGENDA

- 9:10 2. **Briefing on the Process for Revising the Designation of the COG Regional Activity Centers**

..... Paul Desjardin, DCPS
In 2002, the TPB and the COG Board of Directors worked cooperatively to develop regional activity centers maps as a tool to help guide land use and transportation planning decisions. New guidelines and analysis geographies for identifying regional activity centers are being established to align them with the goals of Region Forward. The Committee will be briefed on the process and schedule for revising the designation of the COG Regional Activity Centers.

- [Item 2 - Activity Centers Briefing Book](#)

- 9:30 3. **Briefing on an Additional Air Quality Conformity Analysis to Respond to the EPA Redesignation of the Washington Region under the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS)**

.....Elena Constantine, DPT
On May 21, 2012, EPA issued the final designation for the 2008 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS), with the Washington Metropolitan Area designated as marginal nonattainment. This designation requires a new air quality conformity analysis of the Washington region's 2012 CLRP and FY 2013-2018 TIP that will include the region's new 2015 attainment year. The analysis must be completed before July 20, 2013. The Committee will be briefed on the draft scope of work for the 2015 forecast year air quality conformity analysis of the 2012 CLRP and FY2013-2018 TIP. On September 13 the scope of work is scheduled to be released for a 30-day public comment period that will end on October 13. At the October 17 meeting, the Board is scheduled to approve the scope of work for the air quality conformity assessment

- [Item 3 - Air Quality Conformity Assessment](#)

- 9:45 4. **Briefing on the Draft Call for Projects and Schedule for the Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2013 CLRP and FY 2013-2018 TIP**

..... Andrew Austin, DTP

The Committee will be briefed on the draft call for projects document and schedule for the air quality conformity assessment for the 2013 CLRP and FY 2013-2018 TIP. The TPB will be asked to approve the final call for projects document at its October 17 meeting.

- [Item 4 - Briefing on the Draft Call for Projects](#)
- [Item 4 - Future Year Transit Assumptions in the CLRP](#)

10:00 5. **Briefing on Establishing a TPB Bus on Shoulder Task Force**
..... Ron Kirby, DTP

At its July 18th meeting, the TPB requested that a task force be established to identify promising locations in the region to operate buses on the shoulders of highways. The Committee will be briefed on the proposed membership and work plan for the task force.

- [Item 5 - Proposed Task Force & Work Plan for Assessment of Bus on Shoulder \(BOS\) Feasibility](#)

10:15 6. **Briefing on the Metropolitan Washington Council of Government (COG) Report: “Economy Forward- COG’s Call to Action for a More Competitive Metropolitan Washington”**

..... Dave Robertson,
Executive Director, COG
Nicole Hange, COG

This report identifies five priorities for growth, including transportation investment, that the region needs to focus on to help drive local economic growth and competitiveness. The Committee will be briefed on the region’s competitive advantages, priorities for growth and proposed action plan.

10:30 7. **Briefing on Updated Safety Margins for Mobile Emissions Budgets for the 2012 PM2.5 Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan**
..... Ron Kirby, DTP

The Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) is preparing a request to EPA for redesignation of the Washington DC-MD-VA nonattainment area to attainment status for Fine Particle Pollution (PM2.5), along with a maintenance plan demonstrating compliance with PM2.5 standards through 2025. At its March 21, 2012 meeting, the TPB approved a letter to MWAQC recommending the incorporation of safety margins of 20 percent and 30 percent into out-year mobile emissions budgets for 2017 and 2025 respectively in a PM2.5 maintenance plan under development by MWAQC. The Committee will be briefed on recent analyses of the emissions sources to be included in the maintenance plan, and an updated safety margins recommended for the mobile emissions budgets for 2017 and 2025 in the plan.

10:45 8. **Briefing on the COG Report: “Charged Up: Making Metropolitan Washington Electric Vehicle Ready”**
..... Joan Rohlf, DEP

This report was prepared for the Climate, Energy, and Environmental Policy Committee at COG. The Committee will be briefed on the report, which

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provides a framework for establishing a regional readiness plan for the deployment of electric vehicles in the Washington region.

- [Item 8 - Making Metropolitan Washington Electric Vehicle Ready - Executive Summary](#)

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

- 11:00 9. **Briefing on Baseline Transportation Conditions for a Regional BRAC and Federal Employment Consolidation Impact Analysis**
.....Rich Roisman, DTP
The 2005 Defense Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission recommendations resulted in the closure of several facilities and the movement of thousands of employees to locations throughout the region by September 2011. The Committee will be briefed on the results of a travel monitoring study documenting the baseline travel conditions of vehicles and people at specific BRAC and other major federal employment consolidations throughout the region.
- [Item 9 - 2012 BRAC Report](#)
- 11:15 10. **Briefing on the Draft 2012 Congestion Management Process (CMP) Technical Report**
..... Andrew Meese and Wenjing Pu, DTP
The Committee will be briefed on the draft biennial report which serves as a detailed technical supporting document to the CMP component of the CLRP. The report has been presented to the MOITS, Commuter Connections, Freight, and Travel Forecasting Subcommittees, with an anticipated final review by the Technical Committee in October.
- [Item 10 - Congestion Mgmt. Process \(CMP\) Technical Report](#)
- 11:30 11. **Briefing on Results from the 2011 Washington-Baltimore Regional Air Passenger Survey**
.....Rich Roisman, DTP
In November 2011, an air passenger survey was conducted at the three major airports in the Washington-Baltimore Region: Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport (DCA), Washington Dulles International Airport (IAD) and Baltimore/Washington International Thurgood Marshall Airport (BWI). Staff will highlight major findings from the survey, including airport usage, choice and preference, airport mode of access and ground trip origin, air trip purpose, and air traveler characteristics.
- [Item 11 - Draft Regional Air Passenger Survey](#)
- 11:45 12. **Update on TPB's FY 2012 Transportation, Community, and Systems Preservation (TCSP) Grant : High Impact Complete Streets Access Improvements for Rail Station Areas in the Washington Region**

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..... John Swanson, DTP
In August, USDOT announced that TPB had received a FY 2012 TCSP Grant to identify up to 25 rail stations with strategic recommendations for bicycle and pedestrian access improvements using a complete streets approach that will complement housing and employment development. The Committee will be briefed on the work scope for this project.

- [Item 12 - 2012 TCSP Grant Application](#)

11:55 13. **Other Business**

12:00 14. **Adjourn**

Enclosures not referenced in the above agenda:

- [TBP Work Program Progress Report - June 2012](#)
- [Citizens Advisory Committee \(CAC\) Report](#)

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