

TPB Technical Committee April 1 Meeting Highlights

April 14, 2016

The Technical Committee met on April 1 in the Walter A. Scheiber Board Room at COG. The following items were reviewed for inclusion on the TPB agenda for April 20:

- TPB agenda item 7

The committee was briefed on regional Bike to Work Day events being organized at 79 locations in the region for Friday, May 20. The committee welcomed this upcoming event and discussed the importance of increasing low income and minority participation. The committee recommended the TPB approve a proclamation making May 20 Regional Bike to Work Day 2016.

- TPB agenda item 8

The committee was briefed on projects recommended for funding under the federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Set-Aside (formerly known as the Transportation Alternatives Program) for FY 2017 in Northern Virginia. Staff explained that a portion of these federal funds is sub-allocated to the TPB for project selection in Northern Virginia. Staff further explained that a selection panel had recommended funding for eight projects for \$2,914,395. The committee recommended the board approve the recommended projects.

- TPB agenda items 9

The committee was briefed by TPB Director Kanti Srikanth on the March 30 forum on the future of Metro that was hosted by COG and the Greater Washington Board of Trade. The committee recommended the board receive a briefing on this event.

- TPB morning work session

The committee will be updated on staff activities related to the TPB's Long-Range Plan Task Force, previously known as the Unfunded Capital Needs Working Group. This briefing was relatively short because the March meeting of the task force was cancelled.

The following items were presented for information and discussion:

- The committee was briefed on an analysis of the roadway transportation impacts of the March 16 Metrorail shutdown, January 20 snow/ice event, and the January 22-23 blizzard. Among other topics, the committee discussed ways that data might be collected regarding the impacts of telework and the effect of advance notice and planning on traffic. The committee also was interested in the impacts of the Metro shutdown in different parts of the region. For example, congestion increased in the core, but it decreased slightly in the inner and outer suburbs.
- The committee was briefed on the recently released Safety Performance Measure final rule and Highway Safety Improvement Program final rule, including MPO requirements.
- The committee was briefed on process for developing and maintaining a short list of top priority unfunded bicycle and pedestrian projects, which is the responsibility of the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee.
- The committee was briefed on the status of the Draft Regional Freight Plan, including the draft freight policy language.

**TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES
ATTENDANCE – April 1, 2016**

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DDOT Mark Rawlings
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Charles County Ben Yeckley
Frederick County -----
City of Frederick -----
Gaithersburg -----
Montgomery County John Thomas
Prince George's County Anthony Foster
Rockville -----
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Montgomery County -----
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MDOT Lyn Erickson
Kari Snyder
Samantha Biddle
Meredith Hill
Takoma Park -----

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City of Fairfax -----
Fairfax County Mike Lake
Falls Church -----
Fauquier County -----
Loudoun County Robert Brown
Manassas -----
NVTA Sree Nampoothiri
NVTC Dan Goldfarb
Prince William County James Davenport
PRTC Betsy Massie
VRE Sonali Soneji
VDOT Norman Whitaker
Andy Beacher
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FTA -----
NCPC -----
NPS -----
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