

**NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD**  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.  
Washington, D.C. 20002

**RESOLUTION APPROVING THE 2022 UPDATE TO THE VISUALIZE 2045 LONG-RANGE  
TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION AND  
THE FY 2023–2026 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)**

**WHEREAS**, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), as the federally designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America’s Surface Transportation (FAST) Act, reauthorized November 15, 2021 when the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) was signed into law, for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process for the metropolitan area; and

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Planning Regulations of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) implementing the FAST Act, which became effective June 27, 2016, specify the development and content of the long-range transportation plan and of the transportation improvement program and require that it be reviewed and updated at least every four years; and

**WHEREAS**, on October 17, 2018, the TPB approved a new long-range transportation plan, called “Visualize 2045,” that meets federal planning requirements, addresses the federal planning factors and goals in the TPB Vision and the Regional Transportation Priorities Plan, and included a new “Aspirational Element” as specified by TPB Resolution R8-2018; and

**WHEREAS**, the TIP is required by FHWA and FTA as a basis and condition for all federal funding assistance to state, local and regional agencies for transportation improvements within the Washington planning area and the TPB approved the FY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) on March 20, 2020, which was developed as specified in the Federal Planning Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, on December 16, 2020, TPB staff issued a Technical Inputs Solicitation Submission Guide, which is a formal call for area transportation implementing agencies to submit technical details, including information necessary to perform the required air quality analysis of the 2022 Update to the Visualize 2045 long-range transportation plan, and for projects and programs to be included in the FY 2023-2026 TIP that will meet federal planning requirements, and will address the federal planning factors and goals in the TPB Vision and the Regional Transportation Priorities Plan; and

**WHEREAS**, the transportation implementing agencies in the region provided project submissions for the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045 and the FY 2023-2026 TIP, and the TPB Technical Committee and the TPB reviewed the project submissions at meetings in April, May, June and July 2021 meetings; and

**WHEREAS**, at its June and July 2021 meetings, the TPB approved the projects submitted for inclusion in the Air Quality Conformity Analysis of the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045 and the FY 2023-2026 TIP; and

**WHEREAS**, MDOT made certain transit commitments associated with the I-270/I-495 Traffic Relief Plan in Resolution R2-2022 and is required to brief the TPB on the transit commitments related to Phase 1 South of the I-270/I-495 Traffic Relief Plan; and the TPB will provide a formal statement for inclusion in the public docket of the FEIS for the I-270/I-495 Traffic Relief Plan referencing TPB's requirement that the transit commitments be met; and MDOT will report to TPB on the status of the transit commitments to Montgomery County bimonthly until a transit commitments agreement is reached with Montgomery County for Phase 1 South of the project; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 15, 2022, upon adopting on-road greenhouse gas reduction goals and strategies, to be appended to the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045; and

**WHEREAS**, on April 1, 2022, the draft FY 2023–2026 TIP was released for a 30-day public comment and inter-agency review period along with the draft 2022 Update to Visualize 2045, and the Air Quality Conformity Analysis; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2023-2026 TIP has been developed to meet the financial requirements in the Federal Planning Regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, during the development of the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045, the FY 2023-2026 TIP, and the Air Quality Conformity Analysis, the TPB Participation Plan was followed, and several opportunities were provided for public comment: (1) a 30-day public comment period on project submissions for the air quality conformity analysis of the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045 and the FY 2023-2026 TIP and the air quality conformity analysis scope of work was provided from April 2 to May 3, 2021; (2) the TPB Community Advisory Committee (CAC) was briefed on the project submissions at its April 15, 2021 meeting, (3) an opportunity for public comment on these submissions was provided at the beginning of the April, May, June and July 2021 TPB meetings; (4) on April 1, 2022 the draft 2022 Update to Visualize 2045, the FY 2023-2026 TIP, and the draft Air Quality Conformity Analysis were released for a 30-day public comment period which closed on May 1, 2022; (5) on April 6 and 7, 2022, a virtual open house was held where staff shared results of the plan analysis and provided an opportunity for questions and answers; (6) on April 14, 2022, a Public Forum was held on the development of the FY 2023-2026 TIP; (7) an opportunity for public comment on these documents was provided on the TPB website and on the Visualize 2045 website, and at the beginning of the April, May and June 2022 TPB meetings; and (8) the documentation of the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045, the FY 2023-2026 TIP, the Air Quality Conformity Analysis includes summaries of all comments and responses; and

**WHEREAS**, the TPB Technical Committee has recommended favorable action on the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045, the FY 2023-2026 TIP, and the Air Quality Conformity Analysis by the Board; and

**WHEREAS**, on June 15, 2022, the TPB passed Resolution R16-2022, determining that the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045, the FY 2023-2026 TIP conform with the requirements of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990; and

**WHEREAS**, the FY 2023-2026 TIP projects are consistent with the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045, and are selected in accordance with the Federal Planning Regulations; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board approves the 2022 Update to Visualize 2045 and the FY 2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program.

Adopted by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on June 15, 2022