THE UPWP SIMPLIFIED

Draft FY 2025 Unified Planning Work Program

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Presentation Overview

- MPO Responsibilities
 - What are the structures, functions, purposes, and products of an MPO?
 - How does the TPB synchronize required products with Board member interests and needs?
- Board to approve FY 2025 UPWP on March 15



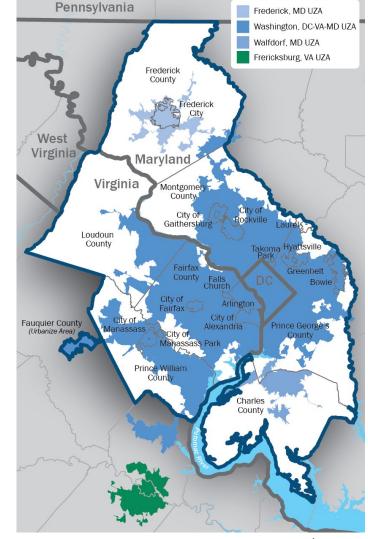
Transportation Planning Process





Federal Requirements for MPOs

- Federally designated MPO for the Washington region
- Federal requirements: products and process (23
 CFR Part 450 / 49 CFR Part 613 / 40 CFR Part 93)
 - UPWP, LRTP, TIP, AQC, PBPP
 - "3C Process" "Continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive" consultation process
 - Develop plans and programs that consider all transportation modes and support metropolitan community and economic development
 - Work in conjunction with state air and transportation agencies to meet federal Clean Air Act standards





About the TPB

- 44 members (Federal, state, regional, local agencies 24 jurisdictions)
- 3,500 square miles in area; Nearly 6 million people and more than 3 million jobs
- Serves as a representative group of local stakeholders of the region
- Develops consensus-based REGIONAL transportation priority principles
- Prepares plans and programs that the federal government must approve in order for federal-aid transportation funds to flow to metropolitan Washington
- Provides technical resources for consensus building / decision-making;
 forum for regional coordination

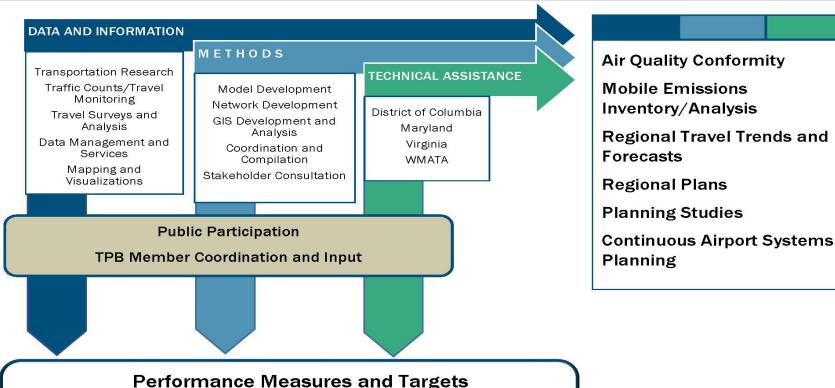


Unified Planning Work Program – "How" the work is done

- A Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) is an annual statement of work identifying the planning priorities and activities to be carried out within a metropolitan planning area
- MPOs are required to develop UPWPs to govern work programs for the expenditure of FHWA and FTA planning funds [23 CFR 450.308)(b)]
- TPB approval on March 21 helps ensure FHWA and FTA approval by the June 30, 2024, deadline



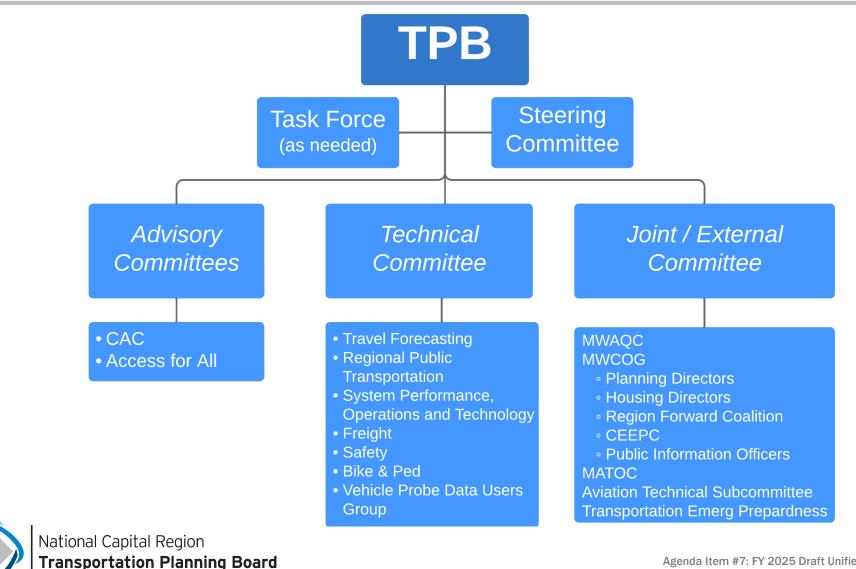
TPB Resources and Approach to Execute Metropolitan Planning



Performance Measures and Targets
Long-Range Transportation Plan
Transportation Improvement Program



Regional Coordination and Consultation



TPB Role in Regional Initiatives (1)

- Fund and implement regional programs
 - Transportation Land Use Connections Program
 - Regional Roadway Safety Program
 - Transit Within Reach Program
- Implement on behalf of members
 - Regional Travel Demand Management: Commuter Connections
 - Street Smart Safety Campaign
 - Enhanced Mobility Grants
 - Transportation Alternatives Program
 - Workshops on topics of interest including Transportation Resiliency, CAV, Micromobility



TPB Role in Regional Initiatives (2)

- Studies/data analyses on regional scale
 - Equity Emphasis Areas
 - High-Capacity-Transit Station Areas
 - Transportation Aspirational Initiatives
 - National Capital Trail Network
 - Mobile emissions analysis
 - MWAQC, 2008 & 2015 ozone NAAQS, & MOVES4
 - CEEPC
 - TPB climate change planning activities
 - Air quality conformity analysis



TPB Role in Regional Initiatives (3)

- Policy priorities and templates
 - Regional greenhouse gas reduction goals
 - Strategies to improve region's roadway safety outcomes
 - Complete Streets
 - Green Streets
 - Recommendations to enhance Traffic Incident Management
 - Value Pricing Guidelines
- Emergency Preparedness and Management
 & Operations
 - Planning activities in support of the MATOC Program



Technical Resources for Decision-Making On-Going Activities

- Travel conditions, travel demand, demographic datasets and analysis
- Travel forecasting models and estimates
- Mobile emissions analysis
- Travel monitoring
- Data and methods to set transportation system performance targets
- Multimodal initiatives
- Variety of communication tools to help us and you get the word out



Next Steps

- Develop FY 2025 budget (revenue and expenses)
- Determine "carry-over" from FY 2024 (activities unable to be completed by June 30)
- Provide detailed information on proposed FY 2025 products and projects
- TPB to approve FY 2025 UPWP March 21



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