

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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MEETING NOTICE

Date: September 19, 2012

Time: 12 noon

Place: COG Board Room

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AGENDA (BEGINS PROMPTLY AT NOON)

- 12 noon **1. Public Comment on TPB Procedures and Activities**
..... Chairman Turner
- Interested members of the public will be given the opportunity to make brief comments on transportation issues under consideration by the TPB. Each speaker will be allowed up to three minutes to present his or her views. Board members will have an opportunity to ask questions of the speakers, and to engage in limited discussion. Speakers are asked to bring written copies of their remarks (65 copies) for distribution at the meeting.
- 12:15 **2. Approval of Minutes of July 18 Meeting**
..... Chairman Turner
- [Minutes of the July 18, 2012 Meeting](#)
- 12:20 **3. Report of Technical Committee**
..... Mr. Rawlings
Chair, Technical Committee
- [Technical Committee Meeting Highlights](#)
- 12:25 **4. Report of the Citizen Advisory Committee**
..... Ms. Slater
Chair, Citizens Advisory Committee
- 12:30 **5. Report of Steering Committee**
..... Mr. Kirby
Director, Department of
Transportation Planning (DTP)
- [Steering Committee Actions](#)
- 12:35 **6. Chair's Remarks**
..... Chairman Turner

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INFORMATION ITEM

- 12:40 7. **Briefing on the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Report: “Economy Forward- COG’s Call to Action for a More Competitive Metropolitan Washington”**
Mr. Principi
 Chair, COG Board of Directors
 Mr. Robertson,
 Executive Director, 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 Board will be briefed on the region’s competitive advantages, priorities for growth and proposed action plan.
- [COG's Economy Forward Report \(7.8 MB\)](#)

ACTION ITEM

- 1:00 8. **Approval of a TPB Bus on Shoulder Task Force**
 Mr. Kirby
- 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 Board will be briefed on the proposed membership and work plan for the task force.
- Action:** Approve the enclosed membership and work plan for the TPB Bus on Shoulder Task Force.
- [Memo: TPB Bus on Shoulder Task Force](#)

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1:20 9. **Briefing on the Process for Revising the Designation of the COG Regional Activity Centers**
Mr. 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 Board will be briefed on the process and schedule for revising the designation of the COG Regional Activity Centers.
- 1:35 10. **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)**
 Ms. Posey, DTP
- 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 Board 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 was 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.

- [Scope of Work for an Additional Air Quality Analysis of the 2012 CLRP](#)

1:40 11. **Briefing on Updated Safety Margins Recommended for Mobile Emissions Budgets for the 2012 PM2.5 Redesignation Request and Maintenance Plan**

..... Mr. Kirby
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 Board will be briefed on recent analyses of the emissions sources to be included in the maintenance plan, and on updated safety margins recommended for the mobile emissions budgets for 2017 and 2025 in the plan.

- [Memo: Updated Safety Margins for Mobile Emissions Budgets](#)

1:50 12. **Briefing on the Draft Call for Projects and Schedule for the Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2013 Financially Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan (CLRP) and FY 2013-2018 TIP**

..... Mr. Austin, DTP
The Board 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 Board will be asked to approve the final call for projects document at its October 17 meeting.

- [Draft Call for Projects for the 2013 CLRP and FY 2013-2018 TIP](#)

1:55 13. **Other Business**

2:00 14. **Adjourn**

2 hours

Lunch will be available for Board members and alternates at 11:30 am