

COMMUTER CONNECTIONS SAFETRACK WORK GROUP CONFERENCE CALL MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

Friday, July 8, 2016 10:00 a.m. – 12 noon. Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Staff Contact: Nicholas Ramfos 202/962-3313 Conference Call Info: 888-702-9706 Room #2799, PIN 4387

1. Introductions:

Conference call participants introduced themselves. Participants included:

Travis Johnston
Beth Francis
Holly Morello
Jerry Roberson
Joe Stainsby
Shawntea Smith
Andre Stafford

2. WMATA Review of initial observations from SafeTrack Surge #3 (July 5 – July 11) National Airport – Braddock Road – Line Segment Shutdown and Upcoming Surge #4 (July 12 – July 18) – National Airport – Pentagon City Line Segment Shutdown:

Andre Stafford, WMATA, began by briefing the group on Surge #3 findings to date. The volume of passengers near affected stations has not declined as much as WMATA had anticipated. Volume on the Blue and Yellow lines is still high. This is especially causing issues at the National Airport station during peak hours, more so in the PM and then in the AM.

Jerry Roberson, WMATA, then briefed the group on WMATA's Surge 4 efforts. Service for Surge 4 will mirror that of Surge 3. However, the "Free Airport Shuttle" will now operate between the National Airport and Pentagon stations every 15 minutes as opposed to between National Airport and Braddock Road stations.

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3. SafeTrack Surge 4 (July 12 – July 18)

- a. City of Alexandria Plan: There were no representatives on the call.
- b. Arlington County Plan: There were no representatives on the call
- c. Commuter Connections Plan:

Travis Johnston, COG/TPB, reported that the SafeTrack web site is still up and running and has been updated and can be accessed from the Commuter Connections home page at www.commuterconnections.org. Geo-targeted messages to employees and residents surrounding the impacted Metrorail stations for Surge #4 have been developed and will be sent today along with geo-targeted messages to impacted employers. Social media will continue through Surge #4 along with public service announcements. Mr. Johnston also explained that there has been an increase in the number of both Ridematching and GRH registrations since the launch of SafeTrack. He encouraged all to recommend GRH for those shifting their modes and using an alternative form of transportation at least 2 times per week.

d. Other Jurisdictional TDM Plans:

Prince William County – Holly Morello stated that they too have noticed an uptick in both ridematching and GRH applications. The County has also reinstated their Metro Direct 910 service for the next 2 weeks.

4. Other Business

Next Meeting Date: July 15, 2016 10 a.m.