

Meeting Highlights: TPB Technical Committee, November 2017

The Technical Committee met on November 3, 2017 in the Ronald F. Kirby Training Center at COG. The following items were reviewed for inclusion on the TPB agenda:

- **TPB agenda item 7**

TPB staff briefed the committee on draft Critical Urban Freight Corridor (CUFC) segments for the Maryland, District of Columbia, and Virginia portions of the National Capital Region that have been identified. The TPB will be asked to designate the CUFCs at the November 15 meeting.

- **TPB agenda item 8**

TPB staff briefed the committee on a draft amendment to update projects and funding in the District of Columbia's section of the FY 2017-2022 Transportation Improvement Program. The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) requested this amendment, which was released for a 30-day public comment and inter-agency review period on October 12, 2017. The TPB will be asked to approve this amendment at the November 15 meeting.

- **TPB agenda item 9**

TPB staff provided a status update on the work of the TPB's Long-Range Plan Task Force. It was reported that the results of analysis for the task force will be released at the November 15 TPB meeting. Immediately after the meeting, the task force will meet to further discuss the analysis.

The committee also received the following updates on Visualize 2045:

- **Visualize 2045 Technical Inputs and Financial Analysis Status**

Staff reminded the committee that the Visualize 2045 Constrained Element will identify all regionally significant transportation investments the region can demonstrate we can afford between now and 2045. Federal law requires that this collection of projects and programs be analyzed to ensure that future vehicle-related emissions remain below approved regional limits. The committee was briefed on the status of the Technical Inputs Solicitation which was approved by the board on October 18. Inputs are due by November 15. The committee was also briefed on the development of the Visualize 2045 Financial Element, which is a requirement of the major four-year plan update.

- **D.C. Metropolitan Area Joint Flood Study by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and COG**

TPB and COG staff briefed the committee on a three-year study that will be performed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and COG. The study will address coastal flooding and storm damage across more than 57 square miles in the District of Columbia and surrounding areas of suburban Maryland and Northern Virginia. The briefing included information about how the study is relevant to Visualize 2045.

- **Non-Motorized Regional Priority Projects**

TPB staff informed the committee that in the coming months, the TPB is scheduled to consider and approve a package of unfunded bicycle and pedestrian priority projects for inclusion in Visualize 2045. Staff briefed the committee on the package which will feature two components: 1) the National Capital Trail and 2) Metrorail station access improvements.

The following items were presented for information and discussion:

- **PBPP Overall Update**

TPB staff briefed the committee on federal Performance Based Planning and Programming (PBPP) rulemaking and updated the committee on activities to implement PBPP requirements.

- **PBPP Highway Safety Targets**

TPB staff briefed the committee on the status of the effort to set draft safety targets for the National Capital Region, which will be consistent with the target-setting approaches of Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia.

- **NVTC I-66 Commuter Choice Program**

Staff from NVTC provided an overview of this program, including the status of funded projects and an update on the current Call for Projects. NVTC is authorized to use toll revenues from I-66 Inside the Beltway to fund multimodal transportation projects. Their first round of projects for FY 2017 led to the approval of 10 projects for funding of approximately \$9.8 million dollars. Their second Call for Projects (for FY 2018) has been issued for projects to be funded under the available tolling revenue.

- **Citizens Advisory Committee Recruitment and Selection**

TPB staff provided an update on the process for CAC recruitment and encouraged Technical Committee members to identify potential applicants. The application period for the TPB's 2018 Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) will be open between November 6 and December 15.

- **Aviation Technical Subcommittee Overview and Update**

To strengthen the connection between the Technical Committee and its subcommittees, the Technical Committee is receiving periodic briefings from the subcommittee chairs and staff coordinators on program activities. This first briefing covered the Aviation Technical Subcommittee, its function, history, funding, and program, with an update on current and planned future activities.

- **WMATA COG Board**

TPB staff briefed the committee on recent activities of the COG board and the Metro Strategy Group and updated the committee on regional initiatives and proposals related to Metro funding.

**TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES
ATTENDANCE – November 3, 2017**

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

DDOT Mark Rawlings
DCOP Dan Emerine

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Charles County -----
Frederick County Charles Freeman
City of Frederick Timothy Davis
Gaithersburg -----
Montgomery County Gary Erenrich
Prince George's County -----
Rockville -----
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Montgomery County -----
Prince George's County -----
MDOT Kari Snyder
Matt Baker
Takoma Park -----

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City of Fairfax -----
Fairfax County Mike Lake
Malcolm Watson
Falls Church -----
Fauquier County -----
Loudoun County Robert Brown
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NVTC Patricia Happ
Prince William County George Phillips
PRTC Betsy Massie
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