METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING AGREEMENT AND PBPP LOA

Responding to updated rules and regulations governing MPOs

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Outline

- Metropolitan Transportation Planning Agreement ("3C" Agreement) and Performance Based Planning and Programming Letters or Agreement (PBPP LOA) documentation requirement
- Agreement outlines and reviews
- Comments and responses
- Next steps



"3C" and PBPP LOA Documentation Req.

- Must cooperatively determine and clearly identify in written agreements the mutual responsibilities necessary to carry out the metropolitan transportation planning process and respond to new PBPP mandates. (Planning Rule § 450.314)
- Current agreement signed in June 2008.
- New agreement must be executed by May 28, 2018



"3C" and PBPP LOA Documentation Req.

- Two agreements structured to meet the updated rules and regulations for a cooperative, comprehensive and continuing performance-based multimodal transportation planning and programming process for the metropolitan planning area:
 - "3C" Agreement meets the rules and regulations of 23 CFR Subpart C—Metropolitan Transportation Planning and Programming
 - PBPP LOA meets the provisions specific to the new mandate for a Performance-Based Planning and Programming Process, 23 CFR 450.314(h)



3C and PBPP LOA Outline

"3C" Agreement

- Resolution: To be acted upon by the TPB at its April meeting
- Articles 1 through 12: Follows the rules and regulations in 23 CFR 450 Subpart C – Metropolitan Transportation Planning and Programming.
- **Signatories:** TPB and agencies with direct funding and oversight for the planning processes (DDOT, MDOT, VDOT, and VDRPT).

PBPP LOA

- Letter of Agreement: Between MPO and each stakeholder
- Exhibit A: General Agreement on Performance Based Planning and Programming and Metropolitan Transportation Planning
- Exhibits B F: PBPP Areas
 - Highway Safety, Highway Assets, System Performance, Transit Assets, Transit Safety



Comments and Responses

- Reviewed by counsels, planners, and technical staff.
- Current "3C" Agreement includes WMATA and NVTC as signatories. Why different?
 - Structured to reflect parties with direct federal oversight and implementation responsibilities (FHWA PL Funds and FTA Section 5303 funds).
 - Role of all parties in the TPB and including additional Whereas clauses to strengthen definition those parties.
 - Role of PBPP LOAs to language documenting the role of the region's Providers of Public Transportation
- Additional comments were technical clarifications to minor copy edits.



Next Steps

- ✓ Completed final review by MWCOG counsel for sufficiency of compliance with federal regulation.
- ☐ Brief the TPB at its March meeting.
- □ Ask the TPB to approve execution of the "3C" Agreement at its April meeting.
- ☐ Complete execution of all signatories by the federal deadline of May 26, 2018.

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