

**Briefing on Amendments to the FY 2012
Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to
Revise the Budget, Respond to the Federal
Transportation Planning Certification
Review, and Incorporate the Scope and
Process to Develop a TPB Regional
Transportation Priorities Plan**

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Overview

The following changes have been made to the FY 2012 UPWP approved by the TPB in March:

- DOT funding allocations have been revised to reflect changes in **new federal FY 2012** funding and adjustments in **unobligated FY 2010** funding.
- The scope and process to develop a Regional Transportation Priorities Plan approved by the TPB in July has been incorporated.
- Amendments have been included to implement the recommendations and corrective actions included in the May FTA and FHWA certification report .

Proposed FY 2012 Budget Revisions

- The final allocations of “**new FY 2012**” funding from DDOT, MDOT, and VDOT changed between March and September with a net **increase of \$199,502**
- Adjustments to the FTA and FHWA balances for the DOTs for the “**unobligated FY 2010**” funding result in a **net decrease of \$416,830**
- Net result is a **reduction of \$217,300** for total FY 2012 budget

Changes to Technical Assistance and Core Program Budgets

- Technical Assistance funding is percentage of new FY 2012 funding
 - District increases \$55,593
 - Maryland decreases \$23,149
 - Virginia decreases \$5,511
 - WMATA increases \$763
- **Technical Assistance net total increases \$27,696**
- **Core program reduction of \$245,024**

Core Program Changes

- Reduce the budget of **4.C. Models Development** work activity by \$245,000 by deferring hiring a consultant to design a framework for applying a tour-based and/or activity-based model (ABM)
 - Phase 1 of an AMPO study on the experience of MPOs that have applied ABMs concluded that there was insufficient documentation to permit an assessment of the benefits and costs of ABMs.
 - Phase 2 of the AMPO study, to be completed by January 2012, is examining the experience at two MPOs that have applied both a trip based model and an ABM.
 - Will consider restoring funding for ABM in FY 2013 UPWP

Core Program Changes

For work activity 3.C Regional Studies:

- Text shown in bold has been added to incorporate the scope and process to develop a TPB Regional Transportation Priorities Plan.
- **\$100,000** has been transferred from this work activity to **work activity 1.E Public Participation** to support outreach for the priorities plan and to implement enhanced outreach activities pursuant to the federal certification report recommendations.

Federal Certification Review Recommendations

- Federal certification report includes 11 TPB recommendations and 3 FAMPO recommendations
- The report also has 4 corrective actions that FAMPO must address.
 - FAMPO and Virginia Commonwealth Transportation Board submit a joint letter by August 5, 2001 on FAMPO's RSTP and CMAQ project selection process
 - FAMPO staff receive Title VI training
 - FAMPO establish a Title VI/Nondiscrimination Plan
 - FAMPO establish a process for assessing the impacts of the investments in its plan and TIP on different socio-economic groups

Responses to Federal Certification Review

- Tables 1 and 2 summarize the status of actions to implement the recommendations and corrective actions.
- Recommendations 1 for TPB and 12 for FAMPO are essentially the same calling for a review of the TPB/FAMPO 2004 planning agreement for the TMA.
- Table 1 presents the TPB implementation actions for its 11 recommendations.
- Table 2 presents the FAMPO actions responding to its 3 recommendations and 4 corrective actions.
- FAMPO has implemented 3 of the 4 corrective actions

Proposed Amendments to Implement the Federal Recommendations

New text shown in bold added to:

- **Section 1** to fully document how the TPB and FAMPO meet their TMA planning responsibilities under their 2004 agreement
- work activities **1.E Public Participation, 1.B Transportation Improvement Program, and 1.D Financial Plan** to provide additional documentation
- address adaptation for climate change effects in work activities **1.C Constrained Long-Range Plan and 2.B Management, Operations, and Intelligent Transportation Systems (MOITS) Planning.**

Next Steps

- TPB asked to approve the budget revisions and work activity text amendments at its October 19 meeting.
- Any certification implementation actions that continue beyond June 30, 2012 will be specified in the FY 2013 UPWP which the TPB is scheduled to adopt in March 2012.
- By June 30, 2012, TPB staff will produce a report documenting the TPB and FAMPO implementation of the recommendations and corrective actions from the federal certification report.