

Tech Committee Item 7

**Federal Certification Review of the Metropolitan Planning Process
National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB)**

October 9, 28-29, 2014

Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, Washington, D.C
777 North Capital Street, NE Washington, DC 20002

October 9---Public Involvement Meeting

Location: Ronald F. Kirby Training Center First Floor

The Federal team has been added to the agenda of the regularly scheduled monthly meeting of the MPO's Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) for an open dialogue on public involvement in the MPO's transportation planning process. Members of the MPO's Access for All Advisory (AFA) Committee will be specially invited to participate in this discussion. The proposed time of the discussion is from 6:00 PM till 7:00 PM. Members of both Committees, as well as the public, will be invited to ask questions and/or speak to the Federal Team regarding the Transportation Planning Process in the National Capital Region. The CAC will continue with its regular meeting agenda items between 7:00 PM and 8:00 PM.

October 28-29, Certification Review

Location: Various Meeting Rooms

Format for all sessions: Each topic will be introduced by the Federal team, followed by a five minute overview and update by TPB staff (and other local agencies identified by the Federal team). The Federal team will then lead the discussion involving all participating agencies:

Participants:

- Members of the TPB's Technical Committee (representatives of all 22 member jurisdictions, State DOTs, Transit Agencies, Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, National Park Service)
- Members of the TPB's Citizens Advisory Committee
- Staff / Members of the Fredericksburg Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

Federal Review Team Members:

FHWA/FTA Division and Regional staff
Melissa Barlow – FTA DC Metro Office
Sandra Jackson – FHWA DC Division
Ivan Rucker – FHWA Virginia Division
Kwame Arhin – FHWA Maryland Division
Lindsay Donnellon – FHWA Maryland Division

DAY 1 – Tuesday, October 28

8:30 AM *Federal Review Team Only Meeting* – TBD

10:00 AM **Introductions and Welcoming Remarks – Meeting Rooms 4/5 First Floor**

Federal team will provide overview of the Certification Process of the Transportation Planning Process. TPB staff will then provide an update and summary of major regional issues and priority planning activities, with discussion among all participating agencies.

Federal Discussion Leader: Melissa Barlow, FTA DC Metro Office
 Ivan Rucker, FHWA Virginia Division

- **Brief discussion of the Certification Process**
- **Summary of the Responses to 2010 Federal Certification and Findings**
- **Overview of recent/current major regional planning activities**

11:30 AM **Lunch**

12:15 PM **Review of the Transportation Planning Process – Ronald F. Kirby Training Center First Floor**

Federal team leader will initiate a briefing by the TPB staff on topics encompassing the over-all planning process and the required elements of the Transportation Planning Process through these documents and activities, followed by discussion by all participating agencies.

Federal Discussion Leader: Sandra Jackson, FHWA, D.C. Division
 Kwame Arhin, FHWA Maryland Division

- **Unified Planning Work Program, Self-Certification, Planning Agreements**
- **Long-Range Transportation Plan (CLRP)**
- **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and STIPs**
- **Fiscal Constraint / Financial Planning**

2:45 PM **Break**

3:00 PM **Review of the Transportation Planning Process (*Continued*)**

Federal Discussion Leader: Ivan Rucker, FHWA, Virginia Division
 Sandra Jackson, FHWA DC Division

- **Regional Air Quality Conformity Analysis**
- **Travel Demand Forecasting**
- **Congestion Management System**

4:00 PM **Adjourn**

DAY 2, Wednesday, October 29

Location: COG Board Room Third Floor

8:30 AM Additional Transportation Plan And Program Elements

Federal Discussion Leader: Melissa Barlow FTA DC Metro Office
Sandra Jackson FHWA, DC Division

- **Land Use and Transit - Coordination and Planning**
- **Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning, Complete Streets and Green Streets Policies**
- **Freight Planning and Safety Activities**

10:15 AM Break

10:30 AM Public Involvement Process

Federal Discussion Leader: Lindsay Donnellon FHWA Maryland Division
Melissa Barlow FTA DC Metro Office

- **Participation Plan and Public Involvement**
- **Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan**
- **Title VI, Environmental Justice, Americans with Disabilities Act**

11:30 AM Lunch

12:30 PM Metropolitan Transportation Systems Studies/Surveys for Plan Development

Federal Discussion Leader: Sandra Jackson FHWA, DC Division
Melissa Barlow FTA DC Metro Office

- **Major New Planning Activities**
- **Performance Planning under MAP-21**
- **Performance Analysis and Assessment of the Plan**
- **Target Setting and Performance Measures**

2:00 PM General Discussion, Comments and Remarks

All participates

3:30 PM Adjourn

Meeting of Federal Review Team to prepare preliminary observations and close-out issues