Meeting Highlights TPB Technical Committee – July 3, 2024

The Technical Committee met on Wednesday, July 3, 2024. Meeting materials can be found here: https://www.mwcog.org/events/2024/7/3/tpb-technical-committee/

The following items were reviewed for inclusion on the TPB's July agenda:

TPB AGENDA ITEM 7 - CAR FREE DAY PROCLAMATION

In an effort to create awareness and encourage residents to go car free by using public transportation, bicycling or walking, or go car lite and carpool, Regional Car Free Day events are being organized in the region for September 23. These events will encourage the community and regional decision-makers to support car free policies and initiatives.

TPB AGENDA ITEM 8 - FY 2024 MARYLAND TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET ASIDE PROGRAM PROJECT APPROVALS

A portion of the federal Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TAP) is sub-allocated to the TPB for project selection in suburban Maryland. The Committee was briefed on recommended projects and the TPB will be asked to approve them for funding.

TPB AGENDA ITEM 9 – CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAM: STATE DEPARTMENTS OF TRANSPORTATION BRIEFINGS

The committee was briefed on collaboration that has occurred with the state DOTs on project identification and selection for formula funding from the Carbon Reduction Program, which was established by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law and provides funds for projects designed to reduce carbon dioxide emissions from on-road transportation.

TPB AGENDA ITEM 9 - CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAM: MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The committee received a briefing from MDOT staff on their project identification and selection process for Carbon Reduction Program funding.

TPB AGENDA ITEM 10 - CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAM: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The committee received a briefing from VDOT staff on their project identification and selection process for Carbon Reduction Program funding.

TPB AGENDA ITEM 11 - CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAM: DISTRICT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

The committee received a briefing from DDOT staff on their project identification and selection process for Carbon Reduction Program funding.

The following items were presented for information and discussion:

REGIONAL SAFETY EVENT

Staff briefed the committee on its current planning efforts for a regional safety event to be held in the Fall, in anticipation of establishing a regionwide zero deaths goal.

WMATA BETTER BUS NETWORK REDESIGN PROJECT UPDATE

Staff from the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (Metro) presented the Better Bus Network Redesign Project in the context of the current engagement period. Metro is currently conducting a third round of public outreach for the Better Bus Network Redesign. This round of public engagement is focused on gathering input on the proposed 2025 Better Bus Network (2025 Network), which includes a network of bus routes that better connect the region with the same level of resources as the current Metrobus network, new route names, and more efficient bus stop spacing.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Visualize 2050: Recap, deadline extensions, schedule forthcoming
- Curbside Management Symposium this Summer
- DMVMoves
- Staff Update