

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

1. PLAN SUPPORT

A. Unified Planning Work Program

Work continues on monitoring the FY 2008 UPWP. The draft FY 2009 UPWP was presented to the Technical Committee and the TPB in February. The TPB is scheduled to adopt it at its March 19 meeting.

B. Transportation Improvement Program

Work continued on preparing the documentation of the 2007 CLRP and FY 2008-2013 TIP, which were approved by the TPB on January 16. The complete TIP and the CLRP web-based information together with the air quality conformity analysis documentation will be submitted to the FHWA and FTA.

At the February 20 meeting, the TPB reviewed the public comments and approved the project submissions for the air quality conformity analysis of the 2008 CLRP and FY 2009-20014 TIP.

C. Constrained Long-Range Plan

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At the February 20 meeting, the TPB reviewed the public comments and approved the project submissions for the air quality conformity analysis of the 2008 CLRP and FY 2009-20014 TIP.

During the month of February, staff organized a meeting on environmental consultation and mitigation. Invitation letters were sent to over 100 organizations, including state and local environmental resource agencies and state and local transportation agencies. Staff arranged for a speaker from a national wildlife organization to discuss how other areas are addressing the new requirements.

Materials on the significant changes to the 2008 update of the CLRP were prepared for presentation to the TPB at its February meeting. Also related to the 2008 CLRP was the compilation of public comments received on the plan.

Staff prepared preliminary performance data for the 2007 CLRP for presentation to the March Technical Committee meeting; the presentation materials included a table and several charts on population, employment, VMT per capita and mode share changes between 2008 and 2030.

D. Financial Plan

Staff worked with VDOT staff to review the funding in the Northern Virginia portion of the FY 2008-2013 TIP.

E. Public Participation

The public comment period closed on February 15, 2008 for the project submissions for the air quality conformity assessment for the 2008 Financially Constrained Long Range Transportation Plan (CLRP) and the FY2009-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). At the February 20 TPB meeting, the TPB was briefed on comments received and voted to approve the project submissions. Public comments submitted by individuals, organizations, and businesses were posted as they were received on the TPB web site at <http://www.mwcog.org/transportation/public/comments.asp>.

The 2008 Citizens Advisory Committee held its first meeting of the year on February 14. The meeting included a discussion of the year ahead, an update on the TPB Scenario Study Task Force activities, appointment of CAC Representatives to the Scenario Study Task Force, and a briefing on the new round of projects under the Transportation/Land-Use Connections (TLC) Program.

Staff continued planning for the upcoming session of the Community Leadership Institute for 2008, which will be held in April.

Staff attended a workshop in New York on public involvement organized by the National Transit Institute.

The February edition of the TPB News was written and distributed.

Access for All Advisory Committee

Staff drafted a memo on the AFA comments on the 2007 CLRP for the TPB mail-out and drafted talking points for the Chair to present the comments to the TPB at its February meeting.

Assistance was provided to the Director of Purchasing on the best telephone device for hearing impaired individuals (TDD) and staff participated in training on how to use the device during the month of February.

F. Private Enterprise Participation

No activity to report for this period.

G. Annual Report

Staff did preparatory work for the annual report.

H. Transportation / Land Use Connection Program

The TPB on February 20 approved eleven technical assistance projects for FY 2008 under the TLC program. In addition, the Board approved a resolution to amend the Maryland Technical Assistance Work Program in the FY2008 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to fund five of the FY2008 TLC projects in Maryland. The eleven

projects recommended for TPB approval were endorsed by the Steering Committee on February 1.

The new projects are listed below:

- DC Office of Planning: "Multimodal Takoma!" would evaluate multimodal access and potential improvements for the area surrounding Takoma Metrorail Station.
- District Department of Transportation: Analyze data on parking management for the new ballpark area and provide recommendations for performance-based parking regulations.
- City of Bowie: Conduct a charrette to gather feedback on a pedestrian link between a City revitalization area, Old Town Bowie, and the MARC commuter rail station, where a mixed-use center is planned near Bowie State University.
- Frederick County/City of Frederick: Determine needs for transit, bicycle/pedestrian, and intersection improvements for transportation facilities around Fort Detrick in response to BRAC expansion.
- City of Frederick: Develop alternatives for a pedestrian crossing at Carroll Creek linear urban park and East Street, which will become the new gateway to the City in fall 2009.
- City of Greenbelt: Through public meeting(s), assess existing transit options and future transit opportunities in Greenbelt and make recommendations to ensure maximum use and efficiency of transit.
- Montgomery County/Bethesda Urban Partnership: Study current service and route of the Bethesda Circulator to identify possible improvements and future expansion.
- Prince George's County MNCPPC: Recommend strategies for future development around the Landover Metro Station.
- Prince George's County MNCPPC: Identify pedestrian and bicycle needs and provide recommendations to "complete urban streets" in the Prince George's Plaza Transit District.
- Prince William County: Develop strategies for transportation and land use that would accomplish the County vision for a vibrant community in Yorkshire, along the Route 28 Corridor.
- Arlington County: Review site plan and parking management plan approval process and recommend measures to incorporate parking management earlier in the development process.

On February 26, the 16 consultants that have been prequalified for the TLC program were sent a request for proposals (RFP) inviting them to submit proposals for the new TLC projects. The consultants were asked to submit a questionnaire by March 5 indicating which projects they intended to submit proposals for. The proposals were due on March 14.

In addition, the TPB continued implementation work for five TLC projects funded through a 2007 grant from the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) Multimodal Grant Program. The consultant working on the TLC project in Alexandria (Review of the Transportation Management Plan Program) and the Falls Church project (South Washington Street Corridor Planning) continued work. A kickoff meeting was held on February 25 for the Leesburg project. Consultant procurement procedures continued for the TLC projects in Fairfax County and Manassas Park.

Staff continued to update and maintain the TLC website.

I. DTP Management

In addition to the provision of staff support for meetings of the TPB, the Steering Committee, and the Technical Committee, the following activities were undertaken:

- The DTP Director and other senior staff participated in a meeting with consultants working on the Southern Mobility study to ensure coordination between regional and corridor-level planning activities.
- The DTP Director and senior DTP staff participated in a web-cast sponsored by the I-95 Corridor Coalition to share perspectives with other MPO's involved with I-95 planning activities.
- The DTP Director gave a presentation on the Beltway HOT Lanes at the 2008 Annual Toll Roads conference, along with representatives of VDOT and Fluor/Transurban.
- The DTP Director participated in meetings with AMPO and AASHTO representatives and reauthorization of the federal surface transportation legislation.

2. COORDINATION PLANNING

A. Congestion Management Process (CMP)

- Staff continued developing CMP components of the Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP), including reference materials for the 2008 CLRP/FY2009-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Call for Projects, as well as an overall CMP technical report.
- Staff briefed the Commuter Connections Subcommittee on the CMP on February 19, 2008, including coordination on the mutually important topic of demand management strategies.
- Staff briefed the Travel Management Subcommittee on February 26, continuing discussions on the CMP Call for Projects materials and related issues.
- Staff continued related technical and support work.

B. Management, Operations, and Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Planning

- Staff continued technical work on Management, Operations, and Intelligent Transportation Systems (MOITS) program tasks, and prepared for and conducted a joint meeting of the MOITS Policy Task Force and MOITS Technical Subcommittee on February 12, 2008.
 - The group discussed upcoming MOITS activities for 2008, including potential strategic planning, and an upcoming survey of MOITS participants.
 - Staff briefed the group on the overall status of the Congestion Management Process (CMP), and continued discussion of CMP operational management strategies.

- The group discussed the status of implementation of the Metropolitan Area Transportation Operations Coordination (MATOC) Program.
- The group discussed the status of other MOITS-related initiatives.
- Staff continued related technical and support work in conjunction with the above topics.
- Starting with this reporting period, staff work for the MATOC Program, previously supported under this UPWP task, will now substantially be supported by a separate, special federal transportation grant for that program. Coordination between MOITS and MATOC activities will continue.
- On February 25, staff participated in a pre-planning meeting in Hanover, Maryland for the Maryland Statewide Transportation Operations Summit scheduled for May 1, 2008.
- On February 27, staff participated in a conference call of the Regional Transit Operators Emergency Task Force, in coordination with MOITS activities.

C. Transportation Emergency/Security Planning

No activity to report for this period.

D. Transportation Safety Planning

TPB staff participated in planning sessions with Human Services, Planning & Public Safety (HSPPS) COG staff for a Pedestrian Safety Workshop sponsored by WMATA, COG, and TPB to be held at the National Press Club on April 29. TPB staff helped recruit speakers for the event. Recommendations from that event may help create a work program for the new Transportation Safety Subcommittee of the TPB Technical Committee.

TPB staff compiled pedestrian fatality data for the Washington region.

A Pedestrian Enforcement Seminar sponsored by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee on February 28th shared best practices in pedestrian enforcement with over fifty police officers from around the region.

E. Bicycle and Pedestrian Planning

TPB staff participated in conference calls with Commuter Connections staff and with Base Technologies to discuss implementation of the bicycle route-finding project. TPB staff contacted jurisdictional staff to gather data on bicycle routes.

A Pedestrian Enforcement Seminar was held in the COG Board Room on February 28th. Speakers from DDOT, DC MPD, Arlington County Police, and Montgomery County Police discussed best practices and programs in pedestrian enforcement. Over 50 people, mostly police officers, attended this all-day seminar sponsored by the Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee.

F. Regional Bus Planning

During the month of February, TPB staff completed the Status of the Region's Bus Systems report. A draft report presentation was given to the TPB Technical Committee on February 1, 2008. The final report was mailed out to the TPB on February 15, and the subcommittee's Inaugural Chair Jim Hamre presented the report to the TPB at its February 20 meeting.

Staff continued work on the regional on-board bus survey. The selection committee selected a contractor for the survey and is moving forward with a pre-test of short and long versions of the survey forms. The Regional Bus Subcommittee was updated on the status of the survey at its February 26 meeting.

Also at the February 26 meeting, the members discussed the subcommittee's work plan for the coming year, including monthly presentations by transit operators on topics of common interest. The first presentation will be on customer information, presented by Arlington County (ART) at the March 25 meeting.

G. Human Service Transportation Coordination

During the month of February, staff prepared for a special session of the Human Service Transportation Coordination Task Force to discuss a potential regional travel training program. Staff arranged for a speaker on travel training from Easter Seals Project ACTION. The meeting, which was held on February 14, 2008, provided an overview of travel training as well as best practices throughout the country. An assisted listening device was arranged to help hearing impaired individuals participate in the meeting. WMATA has agreed to take the lead in preparing a regional travel training proposal with other interested organizations. A meeting summary was prepared. A conference call was held with WMATA staff to discuss the structure of the regional travel training proposal.

Staff drafted the scope of work for the TPB independent review of MetroAccess and worked with the contracting officer to issue a Request for Qualifications. Individuals with expertise on paratransit were asked to participate on a selection committee for the RFQ.

Staff attended a meeting of the D.C. Taxicab Commission along with the D.C. Office of Disability Rights to answer questions about and promote the issue of wheelchair-accessible taxicabs. Staff also provided technical assistance to these DC agencies and a potential New Freedom application related to accessible taxis in D.C. Staff reviewed four applications for 5310 funding submitted to the Virginia Department of Rail & Public Transportation (DRPT) for their consistency with the TPB Coordinated Plan. A memo summarizing the findings and outlining suggested changes to DRPT's 5310 administrative process was prepared and submitted.

H. Freight Planning

- Staff continued freight planning and freight stakeholder outreach activities, including planning for a spring 2008 regional freight forum.
- Staff coordinated with representatives of the Maryland Department of Transportation and its consultant team in preparation for an MDOT-hosted freight stakeholders outreach meeting to be held on March 12, 2008, in Riverdale Park,

Maryland. Staff prepared materials for presentation at the March 12 event. In conjunction with this effort, staff participated in a related freight outreach meeting held at the Baltimore Metropolitan Council on February 21.

- Staff researched availability of detailed freight movement data sets.
- Staff continued related technical and support work in conjunction with the above topics.

3. **FORCASTING APPLICATIONS**

A. Air Quality Conformity

Regarding the air quality conformity assessment of the 2007 CLRP and FY2008–2013 TIP, staff completed production of hard copies of the full report for distribution to outside agencies. Staff also continued to analyze travel demand data from the air quality assessment for subsequent plan evaluation and reporting purposes. Staff met with outside agencies and consultants to discuss availability, technical procedures and use of the new travel demand modeling procedures being brought into production as part of the conformity work effort.

Regarding the upcoming air quality conformity assessment of the 2008 CLRP and FY2009–2014 TIP, staff presented and discussed the draft scope of work at the MWAQC Technical Advisory Committee meeting in February. Staff finalized the draft work scope after the 30 day public comment period and presented it, along with documentation of final project submissions, to the TPB at its February meeting where both items were adopted by the Board. Following this notice to proceed, staff began network development and other tasks contained in the scope of work.

At the request of VDOT, staff hosted another coordination meeting of TPB, VDOT and federal agency staff to discuss transportation PM2.5 hot spot planning and review procedures.

In accordance with TPB consultation procedures, staff also forwarded to the consultation agencies and public advisory committees the meeting agenda and a summary memo regarding the February TPB meeting and air quality conformity consultation elements.

B. Mobile Emissions Analysis

Staff continued coordination work on the PM2.5 SIP. Staff participated in meetings of MWAQC's Executive Committee and its Technical Advisory Committee, and also the COG Board's Climate Change Steering Committee. As part of work activities in the Climate Change work area, staff tested software from DTP's consultant to be used in the calculation of CO2 and other greenhouse gases.

Staff is preparing CO2 emissions reduction strategies to meet the CO2 reduction goals for analysis years 2020 and 2030 using advanced vehicle technology measures and travel demand measures. Staff is assisting Commuter Connections staff and their consultant in updating the model used for evaluating the Employer Outreach TERM.

The Travel Management Subcommittee met on February 26th 2008. The subcommittee reviewed the reference document prepared by staff to assist the

implementing agencies filling out the Congestion Management Process (CMP) form of the CLRP. The subcommittee was briefed on the comments received and responses on the PM 2.5 SIP which will be acted on by MWAQC in early March. The subcommittee was also briefed on all the climate change (green house gas) activities ongoing in the region and the staff work in support of mobile source CO2 emissions. The meeting of the subcommittee is scheduled for March 25th 2008.

In February COG/DEP staff performed the following:

1. Coordinated with DTP staff to get revised mobile emissions by vehicle and road types for urban and rural areas for each county in the PM2.5 non-attainment area.
2. Discussed with DTP staff issues associated with the revised distribution of mobile emissions by vehicle and road types for urban and rural areas for each county in the PM2.5 non-attainment area.
3. Worked on revising the NIF3.0 file for mobile sources based on the above revision.

C. Regional Studies

Staff began further drill down analysis for transit and non-motorized (pedestrian and walk) modal shares for additional regional activity centers.

Staff presented a proposal for the development and analysis of two new transportation and landuse scenarios to the TPB Scenarios Task Force at their February 20th meeting. These two new scenarios were the "CLRP Aspirations" Scenario and the "What Would IT Take?" Scenario.

D. Coordination Cooperative Forecasting & Transportation Planning

Staff discussed proposed revisions to the TAZ structure for Arlington County with Arlington County planning staff.

Staff discussed proposed revisions to the TAZ structure for Anne Arundel, Howard and Carroll Counties with Baltimore Metropolitan Council staff.

Staff prepared an initial extrapolation of regional population, household and employment forecasts for the 2030 to 2040 period based on the adopted Round 7.1 Cooperative Forecasts for the 2020 to 2030 time period. This extrapolation will be used to extend the time period covered by the Round 7.2 Cooperative Forecasts.

Staff responded to data requests for the Round 7.1 Cooperative Forecasts that were officially adopted by the COG Board in January.

Staff responded to questions on the Round 7.1 Cooperative Forecasts and the BRAC-related changes incorporated into these updated forecasts.

4. **DEVELOPMENT OF NETWORK / MODELS**

A. **Network Development**

Work continued cataloging 2007 local and commuter bus schedules in preparation for updating the base transit network for use in the next CLRP update in 2008. Many of these schedules are being electronically transmitted to TPB, while some remain in paper format. The goal is to get more information from transit providers electronically. Staff completed development and testing of computer programs to process electronic schedule data in a new format from WMATA during December. Staff is now working to develop similar programs to process electronic data from other transit providers. During February, staff received additional computer readable transit schedules from Tri-County Council for Southern Maryland's Charles, St. Mary's, and Calvert Counties.

The development of transit files depicting 2007 service is nearing completion. All mode files for 2007 have been updated and reviews for accuracy are being conducted. Staff also began an update of the remaining transit-based files (i.e. Station/PNR file with new Park-and-Ride lots) that are required for network building.

The firm of Daniel Consultants, Inc. (DCI), under contract to TPB, is continuing work to provide technical guidance to TPB staff in improving GIS-based applications and protocols for developing and managing transportation networks. Staff has furnished documentation to the contractor regarding current practices, and the contractor is continuing the process of developing application requirements. The contractor transmitted updated draft reports to staff in February, reviewing experience at other MPOs and also recommending features of the new transportation network database. As a result of the February 27th meeting with TPB staff, DCI provided an updated needs-requirements list and specifications for setting up a database on COG's server. TPB staff is providing DCI with shape files for the TAZ polygons, the 2003 Clearinghouse network, and transportation network files to include transit mode files for base and forecast year networks. This data will be used to populate the DCI/TPB data model. The project is ongoing.

Staff reviewed 2008 CLRP and FY2009-2012 TIP project submissions and prepared a conformity project table that was employed to automatically update Year, Facility-Type, and Lane on existing records in the master highway network database. The table is also being used to manually populate the database with highway projects that have been added to the CLRP and TIP.

B. **GIS Technical Support**

Staff continued to monitor the performance of ArcGIS 8.3 and Oracle 9i databases.

Staff continued testing of the ArcGIS 9.2 software and development of the implementation plan to upgrade our GIS software from Version 8.3 to Version 9.2.

Staff reviewed a technical memorandum and other documentation received from the consultant analyzing options to improve the efficiency and quality of transportation network coding procedures and network data management.

Staff attended the monthly MD MSGIC executive committee meeting to increase GIS coordination among COG and state and local government agencies in Maryland.

C. Models Development

Staff developed updated documentation of the Version 2.2 travel demand model, which is the model employed in the recent round of air quality conformity analysis of the TIP and Plan. This documentation reflects corridor-level refinements to the model needed to incorporate tolling procedures for HOT lanes and will be presented at the next TPB Travel Forecasting Subcommittee meeting on March 21, 2008.

Work is nearing completion on the development of a draft nested logit mode choice model, specified by AECOM under contract to TPB staff. AECOM provided updated transit network building, path-building, and fare development scripts to correct minor errors that were discovered and to allow for additional future-year modes to be properly addressed (i.e., LRT and BRT). Staff executed the revised NL model application for 2002, 2005, and 2030 and will be reviewing the results of this effort, including model documentation, with the TPB Travel Forecasting Subcommittee at the meeting planned for March 21, 2008. Documentation of this effort will be presented as part of a draft Version 2.3 model to be unveiled later in spring 2008.

William Allen, under contract to TPB, has transmitted to staff updated medium and heavy truck demand models in draft. These are being combined with the nested logit mode choice model described above to form the updated travel demand model that TPB is planning to release in early 2008, designated Version 2.3. A draft final report on the development of the revised truck models is now under staff review. Mr. Allen also modified TPB's existing TP+ scripts to support the revised truck models.

D. Software Support

During this period staff continued work in coordination with the COG Office of Technology Programs and Services (OTPS) to enable DTP staff to acquire, access and operate VIN batch software with appropriate documentation and to access and use the Demonstration Version of EPA's Highway Vehicle Implementation of the Motor Vehicle Emissions Simulator (MOVES-HV) so that its operation may be examined and evaluated. Staff also continued the search for methods and procedures to reduce the run times of the TPB Travel Forecasting Model.

5. **TRAVEL MONITORING**

A. Cordon Counts

A report documenting the results of the 2007 Regional HOV Facilities Monitoring project is being prepared as part of scoped activities in FY-2008. In preparation for development of this document, staff, during February, continued processing the data collected in FY-2007. The transit data furnished by WMATA is in paper format only, and TPB staff is transcribing this to electronic format for merging with other data collected by TPB.

B. Congestion Monitoring and Analysis

Staff completed all the data collection activities associated with the arterial highway congestion monitoring project. Quality control review and data analysis of reviewed data are underway and the project is on schedule. Staff has been negotiating with SKYCOMP and finalizing the parameters of the freeway congestion monitoring project which will get underway in late March.

C. Travel Surveys and Analysis Household Travel Survey (HTS)

Staff continued to respond to the survey participant questions about the survey.

Staff continued to manually look up and geocode trip records that could not be automatically geocoded to X-Y coordinates by the survey contractor.

The contractor continued recruitment and interviewing of households randomly selected for participation in the HTS. By the end of January, the contractor has successfully recruited 12,553 households for participation in the 2007 HTS and retrieved travel day data from 8,926 of these participating households.

Staff continued review of the interim delivery of household travel survey data submitted by the survey contractor and began a detailed review of the survey contractor's geocoding of addresses collected in the household survey.

D. Regional Transportation Data Clearinghouse

Staff continued development of a new application to map to display Data Clearinghouse traffic volume estimates with an annotation that depicts the year of the traffic count on which the traffic volume estimate is based.

Staff continued development of an automated process to migrate AADT traffic volumes to an MS-Access database and development of a new application for retrieving selected Transportation Data Clearinghouse highway segments from this database.

E. Regional Supplemental Bus Survey

Staff negotiated a contract with the selected survey contractor and held a project kick-off meeting with the survey contractor.

Staff solicited and received bus schedule and bus stop information from WMATA for the development of the sampling frame for the survey pre-test and main survey.

Staff, in cooperation with the consultant and WMATA staff, developed short and long versions of a survey questionnaire to be evaluated in the survey pre-test.

Staff coordinated the development of the pre-test survey questionnaires with Fairfax County's consultant for the County's planned on-board survey of Fairfax Connector bus routes.

Staff met with Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) staff and their consultants to discuss the plans for the survey pre-test, the long and short versions of the bus survey questionnaires to be pre-tested and MTA interests in obtaining specific data items from the planned on-board survey for FTA "New Starts" purposes.

Staff briefed the Regional Bus Subcommittee on the project kick-off meeting with the survey contractor, plans for the survey pre-test, the long and short versions of the bus survey questionnaires to be pre-tested, and the bus schedule and bus stop information that would be needed from local jurisdiction bus operators to conduct the main Regional Supplemental Bus Survey.

6. **TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

A. District of Columbia

Program Development

No staff activities.

Miscellaneous Services

There was no activity to report in February.

FY2008 DDOT Traffic Counts

All review has been completed, AADT, and AAWDT has been developed and will be forwarded to DDOT for their use. The contract work for this fiscal years count program is being finalized and the consultant will start the count program in March.

Recommend Supplement Traffic Counts

No activity to report during this period.

FY2008 DDOT HPMS Project

Staff continued development of an updated traffic volume map for DDOT using current HPMS section AADT volumes.

Staff continued development of a proposal for a counting program in 2008 that would count all of the DC HPMS segments.

Staff prepared the draft agenda for DDOT's monthly HPMS Coordinating Committee meeting and participated in this meeting.

B. Maryland

Program Development /Management

Staff continued coordination with MDOT staff regarding FY2008 and FY2009 work Program activities.

Maryland Miscellaneous Services

No activity this period.

MDOT Training / Technical Support

Staff reviewed documentation reports, e.g., draft environmental impact study, alternatives retained for detailed study, for various project planning studies in Maryland. In conjunction with FHWA and BMC staff, TPB staff prepared a Power Point presentation and held a day-long training session on the four-step modeling process for Maryland SHA employees and their consultants. The training session was focused on helping MD SHA staff and their consultants understand the process better.

Corridor Cities Transitway / Bi-County Transitway

Staff attended a full team meeting at MD SHA offices in Baltimore. The Corridor Cities Transitway team reported that the modeling team was fine-tuning the ridership forecasts.

Project Planning Support

No activity to report this period.

Managed Lanes Project

Staff continued work to review the new travel demand model and the corridors / data requirements, including coding sample networks to test the applicability of the current tolling process, in anticipation of the transition to the Version 2.2 model for FY2008 planning activities on the project.

Recommend Supplemental Traffic Counts

No activity to report during this period.

C. Virginia

Program Development

There was no activity to report in February.

Miscellaneous Services

Staff attended a coordination meeting regarding D.C. and Virginia project planning activities involving the 14th Street Bridge.

Northern Virginia HOV Facilities Monitoring and Data Collection

Traffic counts and travel time runs along the Northern Virginia HOV network were completed in December. Processing of collection data continued in February but is nearing completion.

High Occupancy / Toll (HOT) Lane Traffic Analyses

There was no activity to report in February.

Public Safety / Information Pamphlets

There was no activity to report in February.

Recommend Supplemental Traffic Counts

There was no activity to report in February.

Enhanced Commuter Corridor Count Program Continuation

There was no activity to report in February.

D. WMATA

Program Development

No activity to report during this period.

Miscellaneous Services

No activity to report during this period.

Accessible Pathways Analysis for MetroAccess Customers

The consultant began work on this study.

Geocode 2007 WMATA Rail Survey Data

No activity to report during this period.

Geocode 2007 WMATA Bus Passenger Survey

In November, the TPB Steering Committee reprogrammed the \$75,000 budget for this project together with \$300,000 in funding from the Household Travel Survey for a new project entitled: Regional Bus Passenger Survey, which includes a Supplemental Local Bus On-Board Survey with the \$375,000 in FY 2008 UPWP funding together with the 2008 metrobus On-board survey with \$75,000 in WMATA funding.

Impact of Highway Congestion on WMATA Bus Operations

No activity to report during this period.

7. **CONTINUOUS AIRPORT SYSTEM PLANNING (CASP) PROGRAM**

A. CASP 22

(1) Update Air Passenger O-D Forecasts

A Draft report was presented to the Aviation Technical Subcommittee at its February 7, 2008 meeting. Committee members were asked to provide comments back to staff. Any comments received will be addressed and incorporated into the final report.

(2) Air Cargo Element Update

Staff presented a proposed project schedule and report outline to the Aviation Technical Subcommittee at its February 7, 2008 meeting. Following that meeting, staff collected data, interviewed key points of contact at The region's commercial airports, and began preparing the Air Cargo Element Update.

B. CASP 23

(1) Process Air Passenger Survey

Staff completed logic checks of the survey data collected last fall. Upon completion of the data edits and logic checks, staff began preparing the draft report on the 2007 Air Passenger Survey.

(2) Update Ground Access Forecasts – Phase 1

No staff activity to report.

Other CASP Activities

Staff presented a draft FY2008-FY2013 CASP Airport Capital Improvement Program (ACIP) to the Aviation Technical Subcommittee for review and comment. A revised draft ACIP was submitted to FAA for review and comments. Staff anticipates submitting a final proposed ACIP to FAA by April 2009, in accordance with FAA's 2009 ACIP Development Deadlines schedule.

C. Conduct 2007 Air Passenger Survey (MWAA/MAA Funded)

(1) Conduct Air Passenger Survey Data

Task completed in 2007.

Consultant Support

Vanesse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. – Technical Assistance – Travel Demand Model Development and Application - \$90,000 – ongoing.

AECOM CONSULT, INC. - Technical Assistance – Transit Modeling - \$24,500 – ongoing.

William Allen – Technical Assistance – Business/Commercial Modeling - \$24,500 – ongoing.

Daniel Consultants, Inc. – A Project to Improve GIS-Based Applications and Protocols Used to Develop and Manage Transportation Networks - \$75,000 – ongoing.

NuStats – Household Travel Survey - \$2,059,548 – ongoing.

NuStats – Onboard Bus Survey - \$1,022,000 – ongoing.

KFH – Accessible Pathways Survey - \$200,000 – ongoing.