

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board

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TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

AGENDA

Date: Friday, September 9, 2005
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: COG Training Center
777 N. Capitol Street, N.E.

- 9:00 1. **Welcome and Approval of Minutes from the July 8 Technical Committee Meeting**
.....Chairman Mokhtari

ITEMS FOR BOARD AGENDA

- 9:05 2. **The TPB Transportation Planning Process Certification Review**
As required by federal regulations, the Federal Highway and Transit Administrations will conduct a Certification Review of the TPB transportation planning process on September 19-20, 2005. The Committee will be briefed on the objectives and schedule of the certification review. *(Attachment)*
.....Ms. Jackson, FHWA
.....Mr. Tarone, FTA

- 9:35 3. **Briefing on the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU)**
On August 10, 2005, the President signed the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, and Efficient Transportation Equity Act - A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU) reauthorizing TEA-21, the six-year surface transportation act which expired September 30, 2003. The Committee will be briefed on highlights of the legislation. *(Attachment)*
..... Ron Kirby, COG/DTP
..... Wendy Klancher, COG/DTP

- 10:20 4. **Briefing on the Draft Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2005 Financially Constrained Long Range Transportation Plan (CLRP) and FY 2006-2011 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
Staff will review the draft results of the Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2005 CLRP and FY 2006-2011 TIP. This draft will be released for public comment on September 15, 2005. The public comment period for this assessment ends on October 15 and the TPB is scheduled to act on the conformity determination at its meeting on October 19.
.....Mike Clifford, COG/DTP

- 10:50 5. **Status Report on Fine Particles (PM2.5) Conformity Analysis of the 2005 CLRP and FY 2006-2011 TIP**
At the July 20 TPB meeting the Board approved the scope of work for conducting the PM2.5 conformity assessment. Staff will brief the

Committee on the status of this work effort and on new EPA guidance for creating mobile source emission inventories for PM2.5. (*Attachments*)
.....Mike Clifford, COG/DTP

11:05 **6. Review of Draft FY 2006-2011 TIP**
Staff will review the draft FY2006-2011 TIP document scheduled to be released for public comment on September 15, 2005. The public comment period for this document ends on October 15 and the TPB is scheduled to act on the TIP at its meeting on October 19.
.....Mark Pfoutz, COG/DTP

11:15 **7. Update on Recent Commuter Connections Activities**
The Committee will be updated on recent activities in the Commuter Connections program, including significant growth in requests for ridesharing assistance related to higher gasoline prices, and extensive private sector marketing efforts to encourage more telecommuting in the region.
.....Nicolas Ramfos, COG/DTP

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND DISCUSSION

11:35 **8. Report on Work Group Examination of Proposed Improvements for the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Constrained Long Range Transportation Plan (CLRP) Process and Documents**
VDOT and the Northern Virginia jurisdictions have identified a comprehensive set of concerns and suggestions for improving the TIP and CLRP process and documents. A work group was established to meet and examine the technical suggestions. Staff will report on the July 25 meeting of the work group. (*Attachment*)
.....Andrew Austin, COG/DTP

11:50 **9. Other Business**

11:55 **10. Adjourn**

The next Technical Committee meeting will be Friday, October 7, 2005 in the Training Center.

Enclosures not referenced in the above agenda:

- June/July Progress Report
- Report of the Citizens Advisory Committee