Meeting Highlights TPB Technical Committee – May 2, 2025

The Technical Committee met on Friday, May 2, 2025. Meeting materials can be found here: https://www.mwcog.org/events/2025/5/2/tpb-technical-committee/

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

TPB AGENDA ITEM 3 - APPROVAL OF FY 2026 TLC TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS

Staff briefed the board on the projects recommended for TPB's Transportation Land-Use Connections (TLC) Program for FY 2026. Staff solicited applications for the FY 2026 TLC round of technical assistance between January 5 and March 8, 2024. The was asked to approve the applications that are being recommended for FY 2026.

TPB AGENDA ITEM 4 - APPROVAL OF FY 2026 REGIONAL ROADWAY SAFETY PROGRAM

Staff briefed the board on the projects recommended by the Regional Roadway Safety Program (RRSP) Selection Panel to receive technical assistance in the fifth round of the program. The board was asked to approve the recommended projects.

The following items were presented for information and discussion:

VISUALIZE 2050

TPB staff provided an update on the ongoing zero-based budgeting activities. This update included agency progress on the clarifications requested for nonregionally significant (NRS) priority fields, corrections to regionally significant for air quality (RSAQ) mapping, overarching projects (OAPs), TPB project titles, NRS remaining fields review, and TIP financial inputs.

WMATA BETTER BUS UPDATE

The committee was briefed on an update on activities to launch Metro's Better Bus network on June 29, including available public tools and resources, outreach and engagement plans, and jurisdictional coordination and other activities.

CLEAN DATA DETERMINATION

The committee provided an overview of the recent EPA rulemaking, confirming that the region has met the 2015 National Ambient Air Quality Standard for Ozone and how this relates to air quality planning.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Bike to Work Day May 15
- Transit Within Reach
- Update on recent federal actions/TPB Reauthorization Principles submission
- Access for All Advisory Committee (AFA) refresh update
- Climate Pollution Reduction Grant Program (CPRG) Comprehensive Climate Action Plan (CCAP)
 Workforce Planning Stakeholders
- Items presented at Tech in April to be on the TPB agenda in May: Activity Center Update and Bicvcle/Pedestrian Planning Activities

- April Subcommittee Recap
- Staff Update