
TPB TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

October 2, 2026

1. WELCOME, VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION PROCEDURES, AND MEMBER ROLL CALL PROTOCOL

Staff described the procedures and protocols for the virtual meeting and conducted a roll call. Meeting participants are documented in the attached attendance list.

2. APPROVAL OF MEETING RECAP FROM THE SEPTEMBER 4, 2026, TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING

There were no questions or comments regarding the September Technical Committee meeting. The summary was accepted as final.

ITEMS FOR THE BOARD AGENDA

3. UPDATE ON THE DRAFT PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS FOR TRAVEL TIME RELIABILITY

Mr. Ian Newman presented on an update concerning the observed data and proposed two- and four-year targets for three, federally required, performance-based planning and programming metrics of Travel Time Reliability-Interstates, Travel Time Reliability-Non-Interstates (NHS), and the Truck Travel Time Reliability Index. Mr. Newman shared that there was a data update that took place on September 17, 2026, from the data repository used to collect the observed data for these metrics, which led to a change in the proposed targets for the Travel Time Reliability-Interstates and the Truck Travel Time Reliability Index. The next step in this process is to present these proposed targets for approval at the Transportation Planning Board on October 21.

Mr. Newman received a question from Chair Malouff concerning the physical extent to which non-interstate NHS roadway facilities were considered for the Travel Time Reliability-Non-Interstates (NHS) performance measure. Mr. Newman clarified that only the facilities' portion that is within the TPB region's boundary were considered for the performance measure, and their extent beyond the TPB region, as shown in the presentation's map, is purely contextual information.

Mr. Corey Pitts asked Mr. Newman how the region ought to think about these performance metrics (i.e., is there a floor for the performance measures?), especially if they continue trending downwards in their observed data. Mr. Srikanth answered that this is a mixed picture concerning previous target achievement, depending on the metric, and that the federal, policy intent is that there is significant money being spent on the federal, state, and local level to facilitate mobility and that these investments should be evaluated against the outcomes, to make more informed decisions on the causes of issues. Importantly, Mr. Srikanth mentioned that the TPB is not making these funding decisions but is purely informing the region's members of regional performance.

Mr. Dharmithran Guruswamy asked Mr. Srikanth if the FHWA looks at these performance metrics, nationally to see how trends are and asked how the TPB ranks relative to other areas that also struggle with considerable congestion. Mr. Srikanth answered that targets are set at both the state level by state DOTs as well as by the region by MPOs. Mr. Srikanth mentioned that we are able to compare how the TPB region performs relative to other regions across these performance metrics, but due to the unique nature of employment characteristics, infrastructure, transit profiles, etc. from region to region – this is an exercise that TPB staff do not perform.

Mr. Rashid then asked Mr. Newman to clarify how reliability is measured for these metrics and Mr. Newman provided the response for how reliability is measured across each of the three metrics, and shared that he would be happy to go further into the math with him offline due to the technical nature of the metrics' calculations. Ms. Erickson added a closing note mentioning that the TPB is a resource to assist member organizations whose boards may have questions pertaining to the data and targets and that Technical Committee members should not hesitate to contact TPB staff for assistance with this information.

There were no follow-up questions.

4. DRAFT PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS FOR HIGHWAY ASSETS: PAVEMENT AND BRIDGE CONDITION

Mr. Yu Gao briefed the committee on draft regional pavement and bridge condition targets for the 2026–2029 performance period. He reviewed recent performance relative to previous targets, explained how the draft regional targets were developed using state DOT targets, and outlined the schedule for TPB briefing in October and adoption in November.

Mr. Kanti Srikanth asked why some draft targets were lower than recent performance. Mr. Gao explained that the regional targets are based on targets developed by DDOT, MDOT, and VDOT, each using their own approach. These approaches consider recent conditions along with available funding, programmed projects, anticipated deterioration, and other risks and uncertainties. There were no further questions.

5. COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: RECRUITMENT FOR 2027-2028 COHORT

Mrs. Laura Bachle, TPB's Public Participation Planner, announced that the recruitment period for the 2027-2028 TPB Community Advisory Committee is now open. It will run until November 15. Mrs. Bachle shared background information about the committee including the constitution and purpose, details about the commitment, and the process for choosing new members. Mrs. Bachle urged committee members to share the opportunity widely.

6. 2026 REGIONAL TRAVEL SURVEY UPDATE AND OUTREACH

Dr. Joh presented an update on the Regional Travel Survey (RTS) and outreach efforts for the fall 2026 wave. He provided an overview of the survey's role in understanding changing travel behavior and supporting regional transportation planning and travel demand modeling. He described the survey methodology, including smartphone app, web, and telephone participation options, address-based sampling supplemented by targeted recruitment, and participation incentives. Dr. Joh highlighted lessons from the spring wave and adjustments for the fall, including shortening app-based travel reporting from seven days to two days, diversifying recruitment channels, and monitoring sample composition to guide adjustments during fieldwork. He also reviewed outreach through mailed invitations, WMATA SmarTrip communications, the Transit app, and digital media, and requested members' assistance in distributing the RTS communications toolkit through their agency and community networks.

Ms. Amy Garbarini asked whether the survey questions were available online. Dr. Joh explained that the full instrument was not posted online because of its length and detail, noting that it is tailored to the region and collects more detailed information than national travel surveys.

Mr. Hadi Sadr asked whether app-based survey data are stored by activity or for the entire seven-day period. Dr. Joh explained that the data are organized into multiple files, including daily trip rosters. Mr.

Srikanth noted that declining response rates prompted a shorter, two-day reporting period and supplemental recruitment through sources such as WMATA's SmarTrip database. Staff would assess and account for representativeness when compiling the data.

Mr. Hadi Sadr asked whether the transition to activity-based modeling had increased survey demands. Mr. Srikanth said yes, although earlier surveys also required travel diaries. Mr. Canan added that declining participation affects surveys generally, partly because fewer people regularly check their mail.

Mr. Thomas Hamed asked whether partner agencies should promote broad participation or target specific groups. Dr. Joh emphasized that every response matters and that staff would assess representativeness after fieldwork. He noted that agencies can help encourage participation by establishing the survey's legitimacy and building public trust.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

7. PASSENGER FAST FERRY DISCUSSIONS

Mr. Tom Harrington, TPB Multimodal Planning Program Director, briefed the committee on regional discussions underway concerning new fast ferry technology. The presentation included an overview of prior fast ferry studies in the region including previous routes considered, as well as key opportunities and potential barriers to implementation. The presentation looked at recent work being done by the DC Mobility Innovation District to examine new electric hydrofoil technology for a ferry pilot. Mr. Harrington noted that this item was brought presented to the COG Board of Directors to gauge regional interest in further project development steps to initiate ferry pilot service in the region.

8. COMPREHENSIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY (CEDS)

This item was deferred due to time constraints. It will be presented at the November Technical Committee Meeting.

9. AUTOMATED TRAFFIC ENFORCEMENT RECIPROCITY STUDY FOR DC

Mr. Tom Harrington, TPB Multimodal Planning Program Director, and Ms. Janie Nham, TPB Transportation Planner briefed the committee on the progress of efforts to implement Automated Traffic Enforcement (ATE) Reciprocity. Reciprocity for red light and speed traffic citations would allow for enforcement conducted by home state of the vehicle owner with outstanding ATE violations committed in another state - treating the offense as if it had been committed at home. Mr. Harrington discussed the formation of a regional working group that is discussing a framework for a regional reciprocity implementation agreement. Ms. Nham presented on findings from a recent study of ATE reciprocity, funded with a grant from the D.C. Highway Safety Office, that has looked at the use of automated traffic cameras and payment rate for citations by state.

Ms. Jaime Fearer of the City of Greenbelt asked whether the red light citation data also included stop sign cameras being deployed in a number of jurisdictions, including Greenbelt. Ms. Nham noted that the data presented did not include stop sign cameras, but the regional working group has expressed interest in including that type of camera in the reciprocity agreement.

Mr. Corey Pitts asked about the possible challenges to implementation and Tom noted that coordination and information flow between the three states will be critical, particularly for Virginia which does not have a well-established process for ATE enforcement at the state level.

Committee chair Malouff emphasized the importance and challenge to implementing reciprocity regionally.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Amanda Lau shared the subcommittee report for the month of September.

Mr. Eric Randall shared that the DMVMoves meeting will be held on October 29.

Ms. Ceriann Price shared that there will be a Safety Subcommittee Walking Tour on October 27, 2026 in Arlington County.

Mrs. Vicki Caudullo shared the DC TAP schedule and update.

Mr. Tom Harrington provided an update on the Transportation Mutual Aid Operations Plan.

Mr. Sunil Kumar provided the update on the Redesignation Request.

Ms. Lyn Erickson provided the VDOT Fall Meetings (October 8 and December 2) and Maryland Fall CTP Tour Meetings.

Ms. Lyn Erickson provided a briefing of the AMPO conference.

ATTENDANCE

MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES PRESENT	
Starla Couso – NVTA Christine Hoeffner – VRE Jaime Fearer – City of Greenbelt Corey Pitts – MCDOT Leo Pineda – VDOT Dan Malouff – Arlington County Amy Garbarini – DRPT Carson C. Lucarelli – City of Alexandria Dharmithran Guruswamy – Fairfax County Kari Snyder – MDOT Chloe Delhomme – City of Manassas David Edmondson – City of Frederick Janine Ashe – FHWA David Rodgers – MDOT	Kameice Francis – Frederick County Regina Moore – VDOT Zachary Smith – DDOT Amanda Sink – NVTA Rebecca Schwartzman – DC Ryan Sigworth – City of Greenbelt Thomas Hamed – Loudoun County Harunur Rashid – Loudoun County Douglas Smith – City of Gaithersburg Sofia Aldrich – Montgomery County Victor Weissberg – Prince George’s County Gerridain Lloyd – Omni Ride
OTHERS / MWCOC STAFF PRESENT	
Lyn Erickson Kanti Srikanth Amanda Lau Sergio Ritacco Cristina Finch Sara Stockdale Jamie Bufkin Tim Canan Robert d’Abadie Laura Bachle Eric Randall Rachel Beyerle Hadi Sadr Victoria Caudullo	Tom Harrington Marc Moser Ian Newman Taylor Robey Yu Gao Charlene Howard Michael Farrell Dusan Vuksan Ceriann Price Janie Nham Kaelem Mohabir Feng Xie Sunil Kumar Emilio Urteaga Bill Orleans – Public