

Meeting Highlights TPB Technical Committee – March 7, 2025

The Technical Committee met on Friday, March 7, 2025. Meeting materials can be found here:
<https://www.mwcog.org/events/2025/3/7/tpb-technical-committee/>

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

TPB AGENDA ITEM 3 – BRIEFING ON THE DRAFT FY 2026 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

The committee was briefed on the draft FY 2026 UPWP and the proposed carry over funding. Certain projects and budgets in the current FY 2025 UPWP have been identified to be removed from the FY 2025 UPWP and carried over to FY 2026. The committee was briefed on the amendment to the FY 2026 UPWP and associated FY 2025 carryover funding to FY 2026.

TPB AGENDA ITEM 4 – BRIEFING ON THE DRAFT FY 2026 COMMUTER CONNECTIONS WORK PROGRAM

The board was briefed on the draft Commuter Connections Work Program (CCWP) for FY 2026 (July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026).

TPB AGENDA ITEM 5 – VISUALIZE 2050 UPDATE

TPB staff provided an overview of the status of plan and program development activities including the updated schedule for the remainder of the year. TPB staff informed the committee on the federally required discussion on potential environmental mitigation activities for resources that are affected by the metropolitan transportation plan. TPB staff explained the financial inputs process for the Transportation Improvement Program, shared the updated guidebook, and explained how agencies can submit the information in Project InfoTrak by deadline of May 9, 2025. To end the Visualize 2050 briefing, staff shared the new Visualize 2050 website and provided an overview of the site's features, including where to find information on the plan's development, key resources, comment opportunities, and Visualize-related meetings and events.

The following items were presented for information and discussion:

MWAQC ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE SUBCOMMITTEE: EJ AIR QUALITY ACTION PLAN

A staff member from the Department of Environmental Programs presented the MWAQC Environmental Justice Air Quality Action Plan, which was developed by a consultant. The committee was asked to comment on the plan by March 14.

OTHER BUSINESS

- Maryland Carbon Reduction Program Solicitation open through March 26
(<https://www.mdot.maryland.gov/tso/pages/Index.aspx?PageId=210>)
- Upcoming solicitation for Maryland and Virginia Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program - TAP
 - Maryland TAP - Application period is April 1-April 30
 - Virginia TAP - Pre-application period is April 1- May 30
- Update on recent federal actions
- Staff Update