



TPB TRAVEL FORECASTING SUBCOMMITTEE

Friday, March 20, 2026

9:30 A.M. to 11:30 A.M. Eastern (6:30 A.M. to 8:30 A.M. Pacific)

In-person meeting with virtual option

Rooms 4 & 5, First Floor, 777 N. Capitol St., NE

(Call-in information included in the calendar invite)

AGENDA

- 9:30 A.M. **1. OPENING: MEETING ROLES, RULES, AND INTRODUCTIONS**
Mark Moran, TPB Program Director, Travel Forecasting and Emissions Analysis
- Mark will discuss meeting roles and rules. Next, meeting attendees will introduce themselves, beginning with in-person attendees, and concluding with a rollcall of virtual participants.
- 9:40 A.M. **2. APPROVAL OF MEETING HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING, HELD ON JANUARY 23**
Jun Yang, Transportation Planner, Transportation Planning Division, Montgomery County Planning Department, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC); TFS Chair
- 9:45 A.M. **3. STATUS REPORT ON COG/TPB'S FY 26 PROJECT FOR CONSULTANT ASSISTANCE WITH TRAVEL DEMAND FORECASTING METHODS USED BY THE COG/TPB STAFF**
Mark Moran, TPB Program Director, Travel Forecasting and Emissions Analysis
Tom Rossi, Principal, Cambridge Systematics, Inc.
- Since 2005 (FY 06), COG/TPB staff have had a consultant contract to improve the travel demand forecasting modeling methods. This was generally a one-year contract, renewable for up to two additional years, allowing any one consultant to hold the contract for up to three years before rebidding. A 2015 strategic plan, developed by Cambridge Systematics (CS), resulted in the development of a new activity-based model (ABM), known as the COG/TPB Gen3 Travel Model. Consequently, in FY 18 the contracting approach shifted from one-year contracts to a multi-year contract, with RSG, to develop the new ABM. Now, the Gen3 Model has been largely developed and is in beta release to receive feedback from modeling stakeholders and to determine if the new model is ready for production use. Consequently, TPB staff are now shifting back to the previous contracting approach of using yearly contracts. TPB staff issued an RFP in 2025 and two consulting teams (RSG and CS) were awarded part of the contract. Mark will introduce the staff from RSG and CS and will discuss the plans for FY 26 and beyond for this project. Tom will discuss plans for the strategic plan.

Reasonable accommodations are provided upon request, including alternative formats of meeting materials.
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10:15 A.M. 4. COG/TPB GEN3 TRAVEL MODEL: STATUS REPORT FROM COG/TPB STAFF

Feng Xie, TPB Program Manager, Model Development Group

The Gen3 Model is in its third and final phase of development. On November 7, TPB staff released a beta version of the Gen3 Model for testing by interested stakeholders. The purpose of the beta release is to allow interested parties to test out the new travel model and provide feedback to the TPB staff. Today Dr. Xie will provide a status report on the Gen3 Travel Model.

10:35 A.M. 5. 2025 STATE OF THE COMMUTE SURVEY

Dan Sheehan, TPB Program Director, Transportation Operations Programs

Staff will present results from the 2025 State of the Commute survey, conducted every three years, to assess regional commuting trends. More than 7,500 commuters participated. Findings inform implementation decisions for the TPB's regional Commuter Connections transportation demand management program. The TPB will also receive a demonstration of a publicly accessible dashboard that features data from the survey.

11:05 A.M. 6. ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION OF CURRENT MODELING EFFORTS AROUND THE REGION

Jun Yang, TFS Chair

TFS members will have an opportunity to inform the subcommittee about active/planned modeling or planning studies that are underway in their respective jurisdictions.

11:15 A.M. 7. NEXT MEETING AND OTHER BUSINESS

a. Next planned TFS meetings (Mark Moran)

- i. May 15 (3rd Friday). Virtual format.
- ii. Jul. 17 (3rd Friday). **In-person**/hybrid format.
- iii. Sep. 18 (3rd Friday). Virtual format.
- iv. Nov. 20 (3rd Friday). **In-person**/hybrid format.

b. Other business

- i. 2026 COG/TPB Regional Travel Survey: Status report (Ken Joh)
- ii. We continue to seek external/non-COG presentations for upcoming TFS meetings. Please contact Mark Moran (through end of March) or Feng Xie.
- iii. Other items?

11:30 A.M. 8. ADJOURN