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**COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MONTHLY REPORT TO THE TPB**

May 20, 2026  
Tim Davis, CAC Chair

The May meeting of the CAC was held virtually on Thursday, May 14. The CAC held our “Act Locally” Round Robin, received a briefing on changes to the TPB Congestion Management Process, and discussed work for the remainder of the calendar year.

**“ACT LOCALLY” ROUND ROBIN**

Members continue to be active in several transportation initiatives around the region and the nation, including attending meetings on the Dulles Area Transportation Plan, participating in discussions with the Union of Concerned Scientists on federal transportation reauthorization, and discussing transportation options around the new RFK stadium site. Member Monica Martinez Lopez was honored for her transportation work by goDCgo, a District DOT program that promotes transportation options in and around DC. Many members participated or supported Bike-to-Work Day events around the region.

**BIG CHANGES TO THE CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROCESS (CMP)**

Ian Newman, TPB staff, gave a presentation on the enhanced congestion management process. Members shared their experiences about what they see as the causes of congestion in a lively session. Mr. Newman shared the CMP technical report in its new format; an online, interactive StoryMap aimed at being as informative and as accessible to as many people as possible. CAC members expressed interest in learning more about the resource when it is released to the public and look forward to using it.

Questions and comments included the following:

**Does the TPB Vision include the future or is it just compliant with what is already existent?  
In other words, does it include outside-the-box thinking?**

The vision the CMP plan refers to is the 2022 TPB Policy Framework, which has a series of performance metrics, some of which are related to congestion. This policy framework is in the process of being updated. In regard to development of this StoryMap and database, yes, it incorporated a lot of out-of-box thinking, including reaching out to other MPOs of similar size, discussions with federal partners, and some risk taking.

**When you get data does someone in your division verify the information?**

Yes. The information comes from various data sources. We look for quality assurance and control when reviewing that data for accuracy before it’s incorporated.

**Comment:** More brainstorming improves the process. Also, engaging more players makes the process better. There are federal requirements, but if no ideas come out of the process, things stay the same.

**With gas prices being so high, do you expect to see a change in congestion as a result?**

Yes, this will be reflected in the CMP report, not likely in this cycle, but in future cycles. This is a living document that is being continuously updated. There is a quarterly congestion dashboard that will reflect a drop in driving because of higher gas prices.

**Comment:** One major factor in congestion is the level of a community's prosperity. If your community is prosperous, then people are using transportation. Congestion is nuanced. No congestion could signal a depressed economy. Also, how land was developed over time plays a role. Cities developed around transit are naturally denser. Newer development is more dispersed and harder to serve, causing more roadway use.

ATTENDANCE

Tim Davis, Chair  
Ra Amin, Vice Chair  
Martha Fedorowicz  
Heather Gaona  
Dan Hardy  
Kevin Jiang  
Dorothy Menelas  
Lorena Rios  
Rick Rybeck  
Gail Sullivan  
Connor Young

Staff  
Laura Bachle  
Amanda Lau  
Lyn Erickson  
Rachel Beyerle  
Ian Newman  
Tim Canan  
Cristina Finch