



## TPB TRAVEL FORECASTING SUBCOMMITTEE

Friday, January 23, 2025

9:30 A.M. to 11:15 A.M. Eastern (6:30 A.M. to 8:15 A.M. Pacific)

**Virtual/online meeting**

(Call-in information included in the calendar invite)

### AGENDA

- 9:30 A.M. 1. OPENING: MEETING ROLES, RULES, AND ROLL CALL OF PARTICIPANTS**  
*Mark Moran, TPB Program Director, Travel Forecasting and Emissions Analysis*  
Mr. Moran will discuss meeting roles, rules, and conduct a rollcall of participants.
- 9:40 A.M. 2. APPROVAL OF MEETING HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING, HELD ON NOVEMBER 21**  
*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. SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE AND FORMAT FOR 2026**  
*Mark Moran, TPB Program Director, Travel Forecasting and Emissions Analysis*  
During the Covid pandemic, the TFS switched from in-person meetings to virtual meetings. Periodically, COG/TPB staff, working with the TFS chair, reassess the meeting format for TFS meetings. The latest assessment occurred in December, at which point it was decided to switch from a 100% virtual format to an alternating format (e.g., Jan. meeting virtual; March meeting in person; May meeting virtual).
- 9:50 A.M. 4. STATUS REPORT ON COG/TPB'S REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) NO. 26-004, CONSULTANT ASSISTANCE WITH TRAVEL DEMAND FORECASTING METHODS USED BY THE COG/TPB STAFF**  
*Mark Moran, TPB Program Director, Travel Forecasting and Emissions Analysis*  
The multi-year consultant contract to develop the Gen3 Travel Model ended in December 2025. A new solicitation was held in fall 2025 to find one or more vendors to help TPB staff with future model development activities. Mr. Moran will give a status report on this new consultant assistance project.
- 9:55 A.M. 5. 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.

Reasonable accommodations are provided upon request, including alternative formats of meeting materials.  
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**10:15 A.M.      6. TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH BOARD (TRB) ANNUAL MEETING: SHARING SESSION**

*Mark Moran, TPB Program Director, Travel Forecasting and Emissions Analysis*

The 105th Annual Meeting of the Transportation Research Board (TRB) occurred in Washington, D.C., from January 11 to 15. Like the previous four years (2022 – 2025), this was an in-person event. About 10 TPB staff attended the meeting, including two staff from COG’s Travel Forecasting and Emissions Analysis Team (Mark Moran and Feng Xie). This agenda item provides an opportunity for those who attended the meeting to brief others on what was learned. We welcome sharing from all TFS attendees who attended the TRB Annual Meeting.

**10:45 A.M.      7. 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.

**10:50 A.M.      8. STAFF UPDATES: RETIREMENTS**

*Mark Moran, TPB Program Director, Travel Forecasting and Emissions Analysis*

After 30+ years of service to the COG, Meseret Seifu will be retiring from her position at COG, effective February 27, 2026. Similarly, after 35+ years of service to COG, Mark Moran will be retiring from his position at COG, effective March 30, 2026. Mr. Moran will make some brief remarks, then Ms. Seifu will make some brief remarks. These two retirements will also be mentioned at the February 6 TPB Technical Committee meeting.

**11:05 A.M.      9. NEXT MEETING AND OTHER BUSINESS**

- a. Next planned TFS meetings (Mark Moran)
  - i. Mar. 20 (3rd Friday). **In-person**/hybrid format.
  - ii. May 15 (3rd Friday). Virtual format.
  - iii. Jul. 17 (3rd Friday). **In-person**/hybrid format.
  - iv. Sep. 18 (3rd Friday). Virtual format.
  - v. Nov. 20 (3rd Friday). **In-person**/hybrid format.
- b. Other business
  - i. We continue to seek external/non-COG presentations for upcoming TFS meetings. Please contact Mark Moran.
  - ii. Other items?

**11:15 A.M.      10. ADJOURN**