

**BALTIMORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

**BALTIMORE REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION BOARD  
RESOLUTION #07-07**

**ENDORSEMENT OF ROUND 6-C COOPERATIVE FORECASTING PROCESS  
THROUGH 2030 FOR USE IN LOCAL AND REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AND  
AIR QUALITY PLANNING PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS**, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB) is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, encompassing the Baltimore Urbanized Area, and includes official representatives of the cities of Annapolis and Baltimore, the counties of Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Harford, and Howard, and the Maryland Department of Transportation, the Maryland Department of the Environment, and the Maryland Department of Planning; and

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Planning Organization has responsibility for developing future estimates of travel demand in the Baltimore region and approving conformity analysis on the Baltimore Regional Transportation Plan and the Transportation Improvement Program for the Baltimore region; and

**WHEREAS**, in connection with these responsibilities, the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board established the Cooperative Forecasting Group to develop a consensus among State, local and regional planners regarding the current estimates and long-range projections of the growth and development in the Baltimore region; and

**WHEREAS**, the previously adopted Round 6-B forecasts have been updated to reflect the most current snapshot for socio-economic development in the Baltimore region. The forecasts consist of data for population, households and employment for small geographic areas, called transportation analysis zones (TAZ); and

**WHEREAS**, the Cooperative Forecasting Group has recommended to the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board a set of forecasts termed Round 6-C, developed at the 2000 transportation analysis zone structure, for use in transportation and air quality planning activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the purpose of the socio-economic forecasting analysis is to provide inputs to decision makers to assist with determining the overall travel demand and air quality effects of growth, at the regional level, on future year highway and transit networks; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board endorses the Round 6-C cooperative forecasting process for use in transportation and air quality planning in the Baltimore region as provided in Attachment 1.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY** that the Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore region, approved the aforementioned resolution at its October 24, 2006 meeting.

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Harvey Gold, Chairman  
Baltimore Regional Transportation Board