

The Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Baltimore Region

# INTERAGENCY CONSULTATION GROUP

July 13, 2022 11:04 - 11:43 A.M.

## **MINUTES**

The meeting was called to order at 11:04 A.M. by Ms. Nicole Hebert (BMC).

#### 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Ms. Hebert welcomed Interagency Consultation Group (ICG) members and guests to the meeting and led introductions.

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 2022 MINUTES

The members were asked to review the minutes of the June 15th ICG meeting. Mr. Alex Rawls (BRTB) made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Catherine Salarano (MDE) seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

[Handout: June 2022 ICG Meeting Minutes]

# 3. CONFORMITY DETERMINATION OF MAXIMIZE 2045 AND 2023-2026 TIP

Ms. Hebert confirmed with the group that the public comment period is open through August 1st and that a virtual public meeting will be held July 26th at 7 P.M.

### 4. CMAQ PLANNING UPDATE

ICG members and stakeholders discussed progress of the CMAQ performance plan reporting and target setting efforts for the Baltimore region. Ms. Hebert shared a presentation outlining FFY 2022-2025 congestion 2- and 4-year targets and target setting methodology jointly proposed by MDOT SHA and BMC for non-SOV and PHED for both the Baltimore UZA and Aberdeen-Bel Air South-Bel Air North UZA. These targets are to be outlined in the second performance period baseline performance plan, for which a draft is in progress by BMC.

A draft full performance report is also in under development by BMC for the first performance period, which will outline progress in meeting the previous CMAQ targets. BMC aims to provide draft congestion targets, as well as the draft full first performance period report and draft

baseline second performance period plan, to ICG by late July. The target date for BRTB approval of the targets and documentation is August 23.

[Presentation: Proposed CMAQ Congestion Targets]

### 5. OZONE SIP PLANNING UPDATE

Ms. Hebert provided an update regarding ongoing 2015 NAAQS SIP planning efforts. It was confirmed that coordination continues between MDOT, MDE, and BMC staff regarding mobile modeling and setting a new SIP budget, and that RACM analysis coordination continues among ICG members as well.

BMC is developing the 2023 roadway network and running MOVES3 for the years 2023 and 2025, for which data is to be provided to MDE for support of developing the SIP budget.

# 6. MEMBER UPDATES

ICG members were given the opportunity to provide updates.

- BRTB confirmed that five white papers are publicly available in support of the upcoming LRTP Resilience 2050. The most recently published white paper provides an overview of air quality conformity and emissions reductions efforts in the Baltimore region. It was also shared that project submissions have been received from each jurisdiction in the Baltimore region for evaluation and inclusion in Resilience 2050, of which 54% are roadway related and 46% are transit related. BMC is in coordination with the IRM, to which preferred alternatives for Resilience 2050 projects will be presented in the Fall of 2022.
- MDOT continues to develop the state NEVI plan, which will be submitted to USDOT and DOF.
- MDE, EPA, FHWA, and FTA did not have any updates.

### 7. OTHER BUSINESS

The group was invited to share any other updates which may have been missed. Hearing none, Ms. Hebert confirmed that the next ICG meeting is tentatively scheduled for August 10th at 11 A.M.

### **ATTENDANCE**

#### Members

Kwame Arhin – Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) – Maryland Division Catherine Salarano – Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE) Virginia Burke – Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) Alex Rawls – Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB)

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# Staff and Guests

Charles Baber – Baltimore Metropolitan Council (BMC) Nicole Hebert – BMC Keith Kucharek – BMC Brian Ulrich – Anne Arundel County, Technical Committee Vice Chair