Baltimore Region MPO
Federal Certification Process
“Closeout”

FHWA Maryland Division &
FTA Region 3
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Overview of the Certification Process

• A site visit with MPO and planning partners
• A prepared report by FHWA and FTA
• A closeout presentation of review findings
Certification Review Findings

• Corrective action

• Noteworthy practices

• Recommendations
BRTB Noteworthy Practices

• Developed a comprehensive agreement for performance-based planning.

• Provided more clear definition for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) project phases.

• Development of interactive mapping for the TIP projects.

• Use of visualization techniques to explain air quality conformity.

• Linked Congestion Management Process strategies to Long Range Transportation Plan.

• Developed procedures for all performance measures and targets.
Recommendations

• MDOT should inform all MPOs on the balance of unobligated planning (PL) funds.

• MDOT should use and encourage all MPOs to use similar TIP/STIP project phase definitions.

• BRTB should revise the Title VI complaint process/policies on their website.

• Continue to implement projects that will improve overall air quality.

• Continue to expand Transportation Performance Management/Performance Based Planning and Programming framework to evaluate the success of the planning process and investments.
Conclusion

• FHWA/FTA jointly certify BRTB transportation planning process.

• The certification remains in effect until July 13, 2024.
Questions?