CHANGE #1

- Update interested parties to meet current regulations

Recent updates to federal metropolitan transportation planning regulations expanded the list of interested parties that an MPO must engage:

- Public Ports
- Private providers of transportation including intercity bus operators, employer-based commuting programs, such as carpool program, vanpool program, transit benefit program, parking cash-out program, shuttle program, or telework program
- Travel and tourism agencies
- Officials responsible for natural disaster risk reduction
CHANGE #2

• Updated process for amendments to TIP and Long-Range Transportation Plan
  – Any project proposed for inclusion in the TIP or Plan that requires a conformity assessment will automatically trigger a 30-day public review and public meeting.

  – All amendments, regardless of 30-day review, will go to the Technical Committee and BRTB for consideration and approval. A resolution with project information will be available online for the public to view 6 weeks prior to a BRTB vote.

  – The Executive Committee will continue to review and approve Administrative Modifications (minor amendments).

CHANGE #3

• Complete minor updates
  – Address updates such as adding Queen Anne’s County.
COMMENT #1

- Provide a better sense of the timing of public comment opportunities
  - With many BRTB planning activities being of a cyclical nature, it would benefit the public to have summary information related to the major planning activities (LRTP, TIP, UPWP, etc.) and meetings that constitute the main opportunities for public involvement.
  - Example:

![Diagram showing public and stakeholder consultation and engagement]

COMMENT #2

- Add more details about BRTB public involvement techniques and how they are evaluated.
  - Add specificity by showing the how and why various public involvement tools are used and evaluated.

![Table showing evaluation of example public involvement tools]
COMMENT #3

• Add concrete goals about how the VPI mapping tool and outreach strategies are used to engage traditionally-underserved people
  – Commend them for maintaining the VPI and discussing it in the Public Participation Plan, along with describing strategies for reaching VPI and underserved populations.
  – Recommend more details about how the mapping tool is used to accomplish concrete goals or actions during planning processes.

RESPONSE TO COMMENTS

• Staff is working this summer to develop a number of brochures related to the BRTB and its work.
  – We will consider these comments when creating visuals about opportunities for public comment in the planning process

• Staff will issue an RFP for a consultant to provide input on the public involvement process and best practices related to evaluation as well as outreach to vulnerable populations
  – We will utilize these comments and examples with the consultant

• Revisit the PPP in 2019 to determine if any additional updates are recommended