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**TPO Technical Committee  
October 9, 2012  
9 a.m.  
Small Assembly Room  
City/County Building  
Knoxville, Tennessee**

**AGENDA**

**Determination of Quorum**

**1. Approval of August 14, 2012 Minutes**

Action       Possible Action       Discussion       Information

**Presenter:** Andrew Sonner, Chair

**Item Summary:** Approval of August 14, 2012 TPO Technical Committee Minutes.

**Attachment #1 – August 14, 2012 Minutes**

**2. Regional Mobility Plan Updates**

Action       Possible Action       Discussion       Information

**Presenter:** TPO Staff

**Item Summary:** Staff has been busy with many items pertaining to the Mobility Plan update, some of this work is reflected below.

- a. Project List – The call for projects ended on September 20<sup>th</sup>. Most project applications were received by then and all were received by October 2<sup>nd</sup>. We have reviewed and scored all roadway projects and will provide those before the meeting. Staff are still reviewing applications for bike, ped, greenway, and transit, are working with applicants, and will send those lists out shortly. Please review and comment by October 26<sup>th</sup>.  
**Handout – List of Roadway Projects Received** – This will be available at the meeting and added to the website and emailed out as soon as ready (prior to the meeting).
- b. Documents Available Online – TPO staff has been working on putting content on the TPO website as a part of the Mobility Plan collection of products. Staff will post a draft of Chapter 1 within the next week. Other products on the website include terms; acronyms; timeline; outreach schedule; vision, principles, and strategies; and the project application. Many more products will be posted in the weeks and months to come. Any ideas on products to clarify the process are welcome.
- c. Public Survey – TPO staff has put together a public survey, similar to the one conducted during the last Mobility Plan update. The survey collects public priorities for transportation in the region and allows prioritization based on cost. This survey will be sent out within the next week.

**3. Federal Legislation Update**

Action       Possible Action       Discussion       Information

**Presenter:** TPO Staff

**Item Summary:** Congress passed a new 2-year transportation bill called Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act (MAP-21). Staff will provide an updated overview of the new legislation.

Complete information is available at [www.fhwa.dot.gov/map21](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/map21)

**Attachment #2a – MAP-21 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ)**

**Attachment #2b – MAP-21 Surface Transportation Program (STP)**

**Attachment #2c – MAP-21 Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)**

**Attachment #2d – MAP-21 National Highway Performance Program (NHPP)**

**4. Metropolitan Planning Area Boundary**

Action     Possible Action     Discussion     Information

**Presenter:** TPO Staff

**Item Summary:** The Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) Boundary must be updated based on the newly designated 2010 Census Urbanized Area prior to the adoption of the Mobility Plan update. The TPO staff will review the process to update the MPA boundary and present a few preliminary options for discussion.

**5. Bicycle Advisory Committee and Bicycle Program Update**

Action       Possible Action       Discussion       Information

**Presenter:** TPO Staff and Monika Miller

**Item Summary:** The TPO Bicycle Advisory Committee was formed in 2001 to advise the Technical Committee and Executive Board on bicycles issues. Monika Miller, BAC Chair, will give an update on what the BAC has been working on recently and next steps, including a draft Bicycle Program Work Program. One success story of the Bicycle Program has been the presentation to driver's education classes and TPO staff will update the Technical Committee on this program.

**Attachment #3 – Draft Bicycle Program Work Program**

**6. Freight and Safety**

Action       Possible Action       Discussion       Information

**Presenter:** TPO Staff

**Item Summary:** TPO Staff hosted a meeting to engage the freight community on Friday, September 14<sup>th</sup>. At that meeting existing and future freight conditions were presented and how these conditions will impact the update to the Mobility Plan.

**Attachment #4 – Freight Survey**

**7. Annual Obligations of FHWA funds for FY 2012**

Action       Possible Action       Discussion       Information

**Presenter:** TPO Staff

**Item Summary:** TDOT has provided to the TPO a list of obligated projects for fiscal year 2012 (October 1, 2011, to Sept. 30, 2012). Approximately \$31,867,669 was obligated in our TPO area. This does not include transit obligations.

**Attachment #5 - List of Obligated Projects for Fiscal Year 2012.**

## **8. Other Business**

- TDOT Update
- Commissioner Schroer's Bus Tour for Region 1 will take place October 15<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup>. TPO is hosting a kickoff breakfast on Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 at Outdoor Knoxville. Invitations have gone out to regional interested parties and elected officials.
- PlanET Update – **Attachment #6**
- PlanET Working Groups: Next meeting is from 9 a.m. to noon on October 23<sup>rd</sup> at the East Tennessee History Center.
- Requests for Qualifications have been sent out for 3 Regional Greenway Studies to take place over the next 3 years. RFQ notices have been posted on the TPO website and advertised in 7 regional newspapers. An updated list of consultants were emailed directly.
- Executive Board Meeting Wednesday, October 24, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building
- Technical Committee Meeting Tuesday, November 13, at 9 a.m. in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building

## **9. Public comment**

Members of the public may address the Technical Committee with a five-minute time limitation for each person.

## **10. Adjournment**