

AGENDA

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2022 – 10:00 AM
RIO GRANDE VALLEY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (RGVMPO)
VIRTUAL MEETING

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- I. **Call To Order**
- II. **Roll Call**
- III. **Public Comments** – May be submitted online or may be submitted in paper form specifying the matter you wish to address.
- IV. **Consent Agenda**

- 1. **Approval of Minute(s) for:**
August 11, 2022

Action **Possible Action** **Information**

Presenter: **JP Terrazas, TAC Chairman**

Item Summary: Approval of the August 11, 2022, Regular Meeting minutes contained in Electronic Item “A” will be requested.

- 2. **Presentation on the Executive Summary for the Spring 2022 CMP Multimodal Transportation Performance and Assesses Alternative Strategies**

Action **Possible Action** **Information**

Presenter: **Steve Taylor, CoPlan, LLC**

Summary: The CMP is a regionally accepted approach for measuring congestion that provides accurate, up-to-date information on multimodal transportation performance and assesses alternative strategies or mitigating congestion that meets state and local needs. While a CMP is required in urbanized areas of over 200,000. The CMP Analysis has been underway since March 2022.

Background: CoPlan will be providing an update to the Advisory Committee as well as the Policy Board on study development and update as well as providing possible additional actions the RGVMPO may wish to undertake to address identified areas of concern and operational improvement updates.

3. Discussion and Action to Extend the Winter Congestion Study Contract

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Andrew A. Canon, Executive Director**

Item Summary: Staff is seeking to extend the Winter Congestion Study contract to include the following items, Traffic Signal Hardware Assessment and Prioritization, Develop planning level Synchro Model, Collect intersection turning movement traffic counts, Review of existing timing plans, Develop baseline signal timing optimization models, Facilitate discussion with respective cities to come to agreement on corridor / intersection phasing, Develop subsequent coordinated planning level signal optimization models, Review recommended timing with city staff, and based on anticipated delay reduction, review and update recommended prioritization for TAC approval

BACKGROUND: The CMP is a regionally accepted approach for measuring congestion that provides accurate, up-to-date information on multimodal transportation performance and assesses alternative strategies or mitigating congestion that meets state and local needs. While a CMP is required in urbanized areas of over 200,000. The CMP Analysis has been underway since March 2022.

4. Discussion and Action on Category 7 Funding Requests for Highway Projects

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Rudy Zamora Jr., Transportation Planner II**

Item Summary: Project identification, funding requests, project scoring, and letting dates have been included within the first table shared. The first table lists proposed project funding on the highest priority projects. The second table lists all prioritized projects submitted by our local governments who initially requested additional CAT 7 funding. In addition to the requests received, MPO staff is proposing two of the highest scoring and regionally significant projects: East Loop and the International Bridge Trade Corridor (IBTC). MPO staff is kindly requesting TAC members' final review and approval before presenting proposed projects to our Policy Board.

Background: MPO staff received prioritized requests and held meetings with our planning partners to establish prioritized projects. In addition to allocated funding from the newly adopted 2023 Unified Transportation Program, there are unobligated funds identified by TXDOT's Transportation Planning & Programming Division to consider as well. As a result of our planning efforts, staff is proposing the highest of priorities for additional CAT 7 funding, including the priority #1 projects, and in some cases a priority #2 & 3.

5. Discussion on the RGV Thoroughfare Plan Amendment

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Luis Diaz, RGVMP**

Summary: As part of the Yearly RGV Thoroughfare Plan Amendment Process, Staff will be accepting amendments to the RGV Thoroughfare Plan until December 21, 2022. Please keep in mind that all Thoroughfare Plan Amendments must be accompanied by a Thoroughfare Plan Amendment Submittal Form and Approved Resolution or Ordinance from the Jurisdictions Governing Body.

Background: The RGVMP performs a yearly Thoroughfare Plan Amendment Process. Where planning partners throughout the region are asked to compare their jurisdiction's Right of Way (ROW) data with the RGVMPs UMAP Interactive Map Thoroughfare Plan Data and provide any amendments to the data reflected. The 2021 RGV Amendments Thoroughfare Plan was presented and approved on March 22, 2021, by Hidalgo County Commissioner's Court. Thoroughfare Plan Amendments received were solely from within Hidalgo County.

V. RGVMP EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS' REPORT AND UPDATES

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Andrew A. Canon, RGVMP**

Item Summary: Financial Update

VI. STATUS REPORTS

A. TxDOT Project Status Report

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **TxDOT**

B. Cameron County RMA

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Pete Sepulveda**

C. Hidalgo County RMA

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Ramon Navarro**

D. McAllen Metro

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Jon Bocanegra**

E. Brownsville Metro

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Simon Ortiz**

F. Valley Metro

Action Possible Action Information

Presenter: **Nancy Sanchez**

VII. Other Business (Old or New): This item provides an opportunity for members to bring items of interest before the group.

VIII. Next Meeting: The next RGVMPO Technical Advisory Committee is schedule "IN-PERSON" at ***10:00 am on October 13, 2022.***