

INTERAGENCY CONSULTATION GROUP

July 6, 2016

Baltimore Metropolitan Council

9:30 to 9:50 A.M.

MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 A.M. by Ms. Sara Tomlinson (BMC).

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Ms. Tomlinson welcomed members and guests to the meeting. Mr. Todd Lang (BMC) briefly discussed the agenda for the upcoming July 26th BRTB meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF PAST MEETING MINUTES

The minutes of the February 17th meeting were presented. Mr. Tony McClune (BRTB) made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Brian Hug (MDE) seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The minutes of the May 18th meeting were presented. Mr. McClune made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Colleen Turner (MDOT) seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The minutes of the June 15th meeting were presented. Mr. Hug made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. McClune seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

3. ACTION ITEM: RECOMMENDATION OF BRTB APPROVAL OF THE CONFORMITY DETERMINATION OF THE FY 2017-2020 TIP AND AMENDED MAXIMIZE2040 (MD 32)

Ms. Tomlinson distributed a handout of the results of the conformity analysis emissions modeling for summer daily nitrogen oxides (NO_x) emissions, summer daily volatile organic compounds (VOCs), annual tons of fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}), and annual tons of NO_x. Estimated emissions are below established SIP motor vehicle emission budgets for these pollutants. These graphs with the modeling results were also shared at the May ICG meeting. She also distributed copies of draft Resolution #17-

5 for approval of the conformity determination. Ms. Turner motioned to recommend approval of the conformity determination, and Mr. McClune seconded the motion, which was then made unanimous. The resolution will be presented to the BRTB later this month at their July meeting.

4. DISCUSSION OF TIP AMENDMENTS

Mr. Lang presented information about the draft TIP amendments that will go before the BRTB at their July meeting. Three of the amendments are requested by the MTA and include MARC Facilities, MARC Rolling Stock Overhauls and Replacement, and MARC Improvements. The fourth amendment, requested by the City of Baltimore, is for the Inner Harbor Water Taxi Terminal. The ICG determined that all four projects are exempt from the requirement to determine conformity.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

Ms. Tomlinson asked for ideas of speakers for future ICG meetings. Members should contact her with these ideas after the meeting.

In response to a question, Mr. Hug briefly mentioned a study this summer being performed by Yale and Johns Hopkins involving the use of hand-held air quality monitors. He recommended contacting Mr. Tad Aburn for more information. He mentioned that the Baltimore region has exceeded the 75 ppb standard at least once this summer. MDE will not submit an ozone maintenance plan until after this summer. He also briefly discussed the SO₂ NAAQS and how an areas attainment is measured.

Ms. Tomlinson asked if any of the members had any other business to discuss. Hearing none, she asked for the meeting to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:50 A.M.

ATTENDANCE

Members

Colleen Turner - Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)
Brian Hug – Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE)
Anthony McClune - Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB)

Staff and Guests

Alex Brun – MDE
Lindsay Donnellon – Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
Todd Lang - Baltimore Metropolitan Council (BMC)
Sara Tomlinson – BMC