

INTERAGENCY CONSULTATION GROUP

February 5, 2025

9:30 – 9:48 A.M.

Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

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

1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Ms. Marshall welcomed members and guests to the meeting.

2. APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 2025 MINUTES

Ms. Marshall asked for a motion and a second to approve the minutes from the January 8, 2025 ICG meeting. Ms. Catherine Salarano (MDE) made a motion, which was seconded by Mr. Brian Ulrich (BRTB). The members then voted to approve the minutes, and they were approved unanimously.

3. CONFORMITY DETERMINATION OF THE 2026-2029 TIP

Ms. Marshall presented the Draft Methodology and Assumptions Letter as well as the Conformity Analysis Schedule for the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and discussed the revisions made from the draft letter from January. The horizon testing years were changed to reflect the new attainment year, 2026, 2035, 2045, and 2050. ICG voted to approve the methodology letter as revised. Mr. Ulrich made a motion and Ms. Salarano seconded it. The methodology letter was approved unanimously, and sent to Federal Partners on February 5, 2025.

4. MEMBER UPDATES

ICG members were given the opportunity to provide updates.

- **BRTB** - Mr. Ulrich reported that the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY 2026 public comment period opened on 2/5, and remains open for 30 days. Ms. Regina Aris, BMC, noted that one of the tasks in the new program is to develop a new household travel survey, which will provide new input into the travel demand model. There will also be an

analysis of the scoring process as jurisdictions submit projects to the state to be included in the CTP.

- **MDE** – Ms. Marcia Ways (MDE) shared information about the Volkswagen money, about \$4 million for EV charging, light duty vehicles. This is the third and final round of funding. The Charge Ahead program is for workplace charging, and the corridor program is for corridors. She shared the website link, and asked BMC to help share the information with the local jurisdictions.
- **MDOT** – Ms. Sophia Cortazzo shared that MDOT is working on the annual reporting for CMAQ, which gets submitted on March 1st. Ms. Aris asked for clarification about the TPM targets and deadlines. Ms. Marshall reached out to Ms. Cortazzo for clarification, and BMC does not need to provide anything for this round.
- **FHWA** – No updates.
- **FTA** – No updates.
- **EPA** – No updates.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

It was confirmed that the next ICG meeting will be a virtual meeting on March 6th at 9:30 A.M. The meeting adjourned at 9:48 A.M.

ATTENDANCE

Members

Catherine Salarano – Maryland Department of the Environment (MDE)
Sophia Cortazzo – Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT)
Brian Ulrich – Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB)
Daniel Sommerville – FTA
Jasmine Champion – FHWA

Staff and Guests

Regina Aris – Baltimore Metropolitan Council (BMC)
Anna Marshall – BMC
Marcia Ways – MDE