



MONTGOMERY METROPOLITAN
PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Transportation Management Area (TMA) Review Summary

SUMMARY OF PROPOSAL

The Montgomery MPO was reviewed by Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) on April 13-14, 2016. MPOs with a population of 200,000 and above are required to be reviewed by FHWA/FTA every 4 years. A report detailing FHWA/FTA recommendations and corrective actions will be released in the 60 to 90 days from April 13th. Recommendations are not mandatory rather they are suggested actions to bring the Montgomery MPO up to date with best practices. Corrective actions are required to maintain certification and attain compliance. The time frame to complete corrective actions varies dependent on the severity of the issue addressed. Below is a summary of the possible recommendations and corrective actions as detailed by FHWA. How these are classified will not be known until the FHWA/FTA report is released.

PROJECT STATUS REPORTING & UPDATING PROJECTS

- All projects in the MPO Study Area regardless of sponsor & funding source need to be managed and reported back to the public and MPO/TAC/CAC.
- All TIP projects must be mapped with the latest ALDOT update on the MPO website.
- MPO staff needs to track project status with TAC members.

WEBPAGE, SOCIAL MEDIA, & PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

- Website page views need to be tracked monthly as a qualitative measure of public involvement.
- Civil Rights/Title VI need to have a dedicated webpage
- ADA Transition Plans & Updates need to have a dedicated webpage.
- The MPO should start a Facebook and Twitter account to push information to the public and to quantitatively track public involvement
- Review user friendliness of website & revamp were deemed necessary
- A summary Public Involvement document needs to be completed annually tracking qualitative and quantitative parameters to determine effectiveness.

TRANSIT

- Resolution indicating Autauga County Commission is the MPO representative for Autauga County Rural Transit.
- Resolution indicating the Mayor of the City of Montgomery is the MPO representative for the M Transit.

UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM (UPWP)

- Add a schedule to each Task
- MPO Study Area Planning Studies Tables
 - On-going Planning Studies: Include Description, contact person, website link (if applicable)
 - Previous Planning Studies: Include Description, contact person, website link (if applicable)

LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP)

- Outer Loop: Without a realistic plan to complete the outer loop, an amendment moving the Outer Loop from the constrained to Visionary will most likely be needed.
- Project Tables: Add Intermediate horizon the project list
- Transit:
 - Create Transit table of projects similar to the roadway projects table
 - Add more transit projects to the work program
 - Increase transit discussion particularly for the work program



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- Demand management: Add discussion of demand management options such as flex schedules, park and ride lots, and staggered schedules.

BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN PLAN

- Comprehensive network of Sidewalks. Every functionally classified roadway except where prohibited will be required to be included in the pedestrian plan.
- Coordinate pedestrian & bicycle facilities with transit stops
- Coordinate pedestrian & bicyclist facilities with ADA Transition Plans
- Review bicycle network

CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROCESS (CMP)

- Projects need to be updated annually with a report to the MPO/TAC/CAC
- Projects should be tracked with updates to the MPO/TAC/CAC

ACCESS MANAGEMENT

- Increase coordination with ALDOT on access management options and priorities on state controlled roadways.
- Create project list for ALDOT dedicated funds for access management & corridor studies.

CIVIL RIGHTS/DBE/ TITLE VI/ADA

- Need dedicated webpages for Civil Rights/Title VI/DBE & ADA
- Clear link to grievance procedures & complaint form
- Link to ADA Plans
- ADA Plan Updates with contact person

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