

RTC's

Federal Compliance Plan Updates:

Draft Public Participation Plan Release
for Public Comment,
Title VI and LEP Plans

September 6, 2016

RTC's Public Participation Plan Update



At a Glance:

- ◆ Background
- ◆ Review draft Public Participation Plan
- ◆ RTC Board Approval of Draft Plan's release for mandatory 45-day public comment period

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Background:

- ◆ Public Participation Process is integral part of metropolitan transportation planning process
- ◆ Public Participation Plan must be periodically reviewed and updated

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Federal and State Regulatory Basis (see Section I., Introduction):

- ◆ General:
23 CFR 450.316(a)(1)(2)(3) and (b)
- ◆ MTP:
23 CFR 450.322
- ◆ MTIP:
23 CFR 450.324(b)
- ◆ Washington State Growth Management Act (GMA), RCW 36.70A

Public Participation Process: General Requirements

- ◆ Document opportunities for public participation
- ◆ Provide adequate and timely public notice
- ◆ Provide reasonable access to information
- ◆ Use visualization techniques
- ◆ Use World Wide Web
- ◆ Hold public meetings at convenient times and places
- ◆ Consider public input received
- ◆ Consider needs of traditionally underserved

Public Participation Process: General Requirements

- ◆ Added opportunities if significant edits to MTP & MTIP
- ◆ Coordinate with statewide public involvement and consultation
- ◆ Periodic review of PPP effectiveness
- ◆ Provide report on disposition of significant written and oral comments received
- ◆ 45-day comment period before PPP update adoption
- ◆ Consultation and coordination with planning partners

RTC's Public Participation Plan: Outline

- I. Introduction
 - II. RTC's Organization
 - III. RTC's Transportation Plans and Programs
 - IV. Participation, involvement, consultation and comment procedures
 - V. Public Participation methods and techniques
 - VI. Public Participation in RTC's RTP and TIP: a guide to procedures
 - VII. Evaluation and Update of the Public Participation Program
- Appendices

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2016 Update:

- ◆ C-TRAN's Program of Projects (POP)
- ◆ Updated Federal Transportation Act reference - FAST Act (2015)
- ◆ Updated electronic hyperlinks

PPP Related Plans: Title VI and LEP



- ◆ Title VI Plan
(adopted Sep. 2001, last updated May 2014)
- ◆ Limited English Proficiency Plan
(adopted May 2014)

Clark County Minority Population



- ◆ Increasing
 - ◆ 18.2% in 2010
 - ◆ 20.5% in 2014
- ◆ Most rapid growth in Hispanic communities and those of two or more races

Clark County Population Over 65



- ◆ County population is aging
 - ◆ 11.5% over 65 years old in 2010
 - ◆ 13.8% over 65 years old in 2014

Clark County Poverty Rates

- ◆ Decreasing with the end of the recession
 - ◆ 12.6 % below federal poverty level in 2010
 - ◆ 9.33% below federal poverty level in 2014

Limited English Proficiency

◆ Little change

- ◆ Percent of Clark County population that speaks English less than “Very Well” is still around 6%
- ◆ Top 3 non-English languages are –
 - Spanish - 2.1%
 - Russian – 1.46%
 - Vietnamese – 0.5%

Process and Timeline

- ◆ Seek RTC Board and RTAC comments at outset
- ◆ Review draft PPP update with RTAC and Board
- ◆ Consult with planning partners
- ◆ 45-day public comment period
- ◆ Publicity, media release and legal notice
- ◆ Seek approval of PPP update