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**To: CMAP Working Committees**

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**Re: Draft Schedule for Regional Comprehensive Plan Development**

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The six CMAP working committees will take an active and central role in the development of the Regional Comprehensive Plan. It is expected that every working committee meeting in the near future will contain a discussion of some aspect of the Regional Comprehensive Plan. This memo describes the activities that are expected to take place at the working committee level between now and the end of Fiscal Year 08 (June 2008). Definitions of the terms used in the schedule are provided later in this document.

Please note that this schedule is subject to change based on plan development progress.

## **Draft Schedule**

### May 2007

- Complete classification of existing goals and objectives (if not already complete).
- Begin identification of major issues to be addressed in regional vision.
- Introduce subjects of initial regional snapshot series.

### June 2007

- Continue identification of major issues to be addressed in regional vision.
- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports. (Continues at every future meeting.)
- Introduce research of potential implementation strategies from past plans.

### July 2007

- Continue identification of major issues to be addressed in regional vision.
- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports.
- Discuss research of appropriate implementation strategies. (Continues at every future meeting until summer 2008.)

### August 2007

- Complete and summarize identification of major issues to be addressed in regional vision.

#### September 2007

- No activities related to Regional Comprehensive Plan – instead, separate visioning event will be held.

#### October 2007

- Present and discuss summary of visioning event.
- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports.
- Discuss research of appropriate implementation strategies.

#### November 2007

- Present and discuss draft regional vision.
- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports.
- Discuss research of appropriate implementation strategies.

#### December 2007

- Discuss draft regional vision.
- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports.
- Discuss research of appropriate implementation strategies.

#### January 2008

- Discuss draft regional vision.
- Discuss topics for regional snapshot reports during the upcoming year.
- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports.
- Discuss research of appropriate implementation strategies.

#### February 2008

- Consider public comment on draft regional vision.
- Complete discussion of draft regional vision.
- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports.
- Discuss research of appropriate implementation strategies.
- Present draft alternative scenarios.

#### March 2008

- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports.
- Discuss research of appropriate implementation strategies.
- Discuss draft alternative scenarios.
- Present draft scenario evaluation measures.
- (Board endorsement of the regional vision will be requested in March.)

#### April 2008

- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports.
- Discuss research of appropriate implementation strategies.
- Discuss draft alternative scenarios.
- Discuss draft scenario evaluation measures.

May 2008

- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports.
- Discuss research of appropriate implementation strategies.
- Discuss draft alternative scenarios.
- Discuss draft scenario evaluation measures.

June 2008

- Discuss appropriate regional snapshot series reports.
- Discuss research of appropriate implementation strategies.
- Discuss draft alternative scenarios.
- Discuss draft scenario evaluation measures.

### **Term Definitions**

Regional snapshot report series – report series on existing conditions in the region, focusing on complex subjects that will need to be addressed in the Regional Comprehensive Plan; initial topics include sustainability, jobs-housing balance, and demographic change

Regional vision – narrative description of the region’s desired future characteristics in 2040, expanding and building on the goal-setting processes for the 2040 Regional Framework Plan (Common Ground) and the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan

Visioning event – joint meeting of all CMAP working committees, coordinating committees, advisory committees, the Board of Directors, and the Metropolitan Planning Organization, as well as other partner agencies and elected officials

Potential implementation strategies – actions that could be taken to achieve regional goals (such as redeveloping brownfields, expanding transit service, implementing stormwater best management practices, and many others)

Alternative scenarios – combinations of numerous implementation strategies; alternative scenarios will be evaluated to determine their effectiveness in meeting the regional vision

Scenario evaluation measures – quantitative measures derived from the regional vision that will be used to evaluate the effectiveness of alternative scenarios