West Virginia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations
Action Plan

(Approved September 20, 2016)

Vision:
To develop and oversee transportation planning and decision-making in a collaborative process for West Virginia's metropolitan regions.

Mission:
The mission of the West Virginia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (WVAMPO) is to serve West Virginia's metropolitan communities through promoting improved collaboration between state Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and federal and state transportation planning partners and encourage, support and foster greater visibility and representation for the state's MPOs.

1. Goal: Increase visibility and recognition
   Action Items:
   a. Solicit resolutions of support from local governments & MPO Boards stating their support for the WVAMPO
   b. Public Outreach - Coordinate efforts to educate and inform state and local officials about the functions and activities of MPOs through a variety of means, including brochures, social media and other methods
   c. Strengthen local officials’ knowledge and understanding of MPOs
      i. Host receptions for state and local official during annual conferences and legislative sessions
         1. County Commission Association
         2. Municipal League
         3. MPO Day at Legislature
   d. Promote MPO member issues as identified by the Association to local and legislative stakeholders

2. Goal: Improve coordination between the WVAMPO, WV DOT, FHWA, FTA, and other relevant agencies
   Action Items:
   a. Coordinate with the WV DOH to establish standardized policies and procedures through the joint development of the MPO Planning Handbook.
   b. Develop an ongoing process to propose administrative and operational solutions and ideas to the WV DOH.
   c. Coordinate with the WV DOT to strengthen and increase MPO representation in all discussion and communication regarding transportation improvement projects
in the MPO area.
d. Meet with the WVDOT Secretary on a regular basis
e. Meet with the FHWA West Virginia Division Head on a regular basis

3. **Goal: Support WV DOT functions and duties**
   Action Items:
   a. Identify issues and opportunities where WV MPOs can assist in supporting the WV DOT, FHWA and FTA
   Suggested topics:
      i. Funding
      ii. Staff stability
      iii. Other issues as identified through discussion with agencies

4. **Goal: Identify and develop a funding source to support WVAMPO activities**
   Action Items:
   a. Establish a committee from among members of the WVAMPO to identify and develop a consistent source of income for the Association.
      Potential sources to be considered:
      i. Member dues
      ii. MPO conference with sponsors
      iii. Other to be determined
   b. Implement recommendations of the committee
APPENDIX A – WVAMPO Letters of Support
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS

WHEREAS, the BCKP Regional Intergovernmental Council Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) partners with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration to develop short term planning studies and long term multi-modal metropolitan transportation plans through a “continuous, cooperative and comprehensive planning program” that identify and address the transportation needs of our community in an open collaborative process that builds community consensus; and

WHEREAS, all Metropolitan Planning Organizations in West Virginia work with these same agencies to accomplish this mission for their respective areas through the same open planning process that seeks to develop a community consensus; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia’s eight metropolitan planning organizations have identified a need to share information on the best practices for transportation planning and operations including administrative functions and communications with partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, it has been identified that metropolitan planning organizations in many states including, Virginia and Ohio, have identified that an Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations can facilitate discussions with their State and Federal partners and that an Association can assist each MPO’s ability to effectively represent their communities to their partners; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia’s MPOs have formed an Association in partnership with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration, to enhance their effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, the West Virginia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations has developed a five-year vision for the operation of the Association;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the BCKP Regional Intergovernmental Council Policy Board supports the West Virginia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations in their mission to advance transportation planning within the State and the Policy Board agrees that MPO staff should be reasonably available to support the mission of the Association.

ADOPTED, this 8th day of September 2016, at a regular meeting of the BCKP Regional Intergovernmental Council Policy Board.

ATTEST:

Jerry Lipmanogor
Chairman
RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-04

A RESOLUTION BY THE HAGERSTOWN/EASTERN PANHANDLE
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (HEPMO)

SUPPORT FOR THE WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING
ORGANIZATIONS

RECITALS

WHEREAS the HEPMO partners with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration to develop short term planning studies and long term multi-modal metropolitan transportation plans through a “continuous, cooperative and comprehensive planning program” that identify and address the transportation needs of our community in an open collaborative process that builds community consensus; and

WHEREAS, all MPO’s in West Virginia work with these same agencies to accomplish this mission for their respective area’s through the same open planning process that seeks to develop a community consensus; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia’s eight metropolitan planning organizations’ have identified a need to share information on the best practices for transportation planning and operations including administrative functions and communications with partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, it has been identified that metropolitan planning organization’s in many states including Virginia and Ohio have identified that an Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations can facilitate discussions with their State and Federal partners and that an Association can assist each MPO’s ability to effectively represent their communities to their partners; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia’s MPO’s have formed an Association in partnership with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration; to enhance their effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, the WV Association of MPO’s has developed a five year vision for the operation of the Association;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Hagerstown/Eastern Panhandle MPO supports the West Virginia Association of MPO’s in their mission to further transportation planning within the State and the MPO Policy Board agrees that MPO staff should be reasonably available to support the mission of the Association.

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 24th day of August 2016.
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS
RESOLUTION 8-18-2

WHEREAS, the Morgantown Monongalia MPO partners with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration to develop short term planning studies and long term multi-modal metropolitan transportation plans through a "continuous, cooperative and comprehensive planning program" that identify and address the transportation needs of our community in an open collaborative process that builds community consensus; and

WHEREAS, all MPO's in West Virginia work with these same agencies to accomplish this mission for their respective area's through the same open planning process that seeks to develop a community consensus; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia's eight metropolitan planning organizations' have identified a need to share information on the best practices for transportation planning and operations including administrative functions and communications with partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, it has been identified that metropolitan planning organization's in many states including Virginia and Ohio have identified that an Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations can facilitate discussions with their State and Federal partners and that an Association can assist each MPO's ability to effectively represent their communities to their partners; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia's MPO's have formed an Association in partnership with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration; to enhance their effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, the WV Association of MPO's has developed a five year vision for the operation of the Association;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Morgantown Monongalia MPO supports the West Virginia Association of MPO's in their mission to further transportation planning within the State and the MPO Policy Board agrees that MPO staff should be reasonably available to support the mission of the Association.

ADOPTED, this 18th day of August, at a regular meeting of the Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization.

ATTEST:

Eldon A. Callen                      J. William B. Austin
Chairman                            Secretary
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
FOR THE
WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS

WHEREAS the WWW-IPC partners with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration to develop short term planning studies and long term multi-modal metropolitan transportation plans through a "continuous, cooperative and comprehensive planning program" that identify and address the transportation needs of our community in an open collaborative process that builds community consensus; and

WHEREAS, all MPO's in West Virginia work with these same agencies to accomplish this mission for their respective area's through the same open planning process that seeks to develop a community consensus; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia's eight metropolitan planning organizations' have identified a need to share information on the best practices for transportation planning and operations including administrative functions and communications with partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, it has been identified that metropolitan planning organization's in many states including Virginia and Ohio have identified that an Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations can facilitate discussions with their State and Federal partners and that an Association can assist each MPO's ability to effectively represent their communities to their partners; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia's MPO's have formed an Association in partnership with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration; to enhance their effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, the WV Association of MPO's has developed a five year vision for the operation of the Association;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Wood-Washington-Wirt Interstate Planning Commission supports the West Virginia Association of MPO's in their mission to further transportation planning within the State and the MPO Policy Board agrees that MPO staff should be reasonably available to support the mission of the Association.

So resolved this 28th day of September, 2016.

Joe Matthews, Vice-Chairman

DATED: 9/28/16

ATTEST: [Signature]
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT
FOR THE
WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS

WHEREAS, KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission partners with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration to develop short term planning studies and long term multi-modal metropolitan transportation plans through a "continuous, cooperative and comprehensive planning program" that identify and address the transportation needs of our community in an open collaborative process that builds community consensus; and

WHEREAS, all MPOs in West Virginia work with these same agencies to accomplish this mission for their respective areas through the same open planning process that seek to develop a community consensus; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia's eight metropolitan planning organizations have identified a need to share information on the best practices for transportation planning and operations including administrative functions and communications with partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, it has been identified that metropolitan planning organizations in many states including West Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio have identified that an Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations can facilitate discussions with their state and federal partners, and that an Association can enhance each MPO's ability to effectively represent their communities; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia's MPOs have formed an Association in partnership with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration to enhance their effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, the West Virginia Association of MPOs has developed a five-year vision for the operation of the Association;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission supports the West Virginia Association of MPOs in their mission to further improve transportation planning within the state and the KYOVA Policy Board agrees that MPO staff should be reasonably available to support the mission of the Association.

ADOPTED, this 30th day of September 2016 at a regular meeting of the KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission.

ATTEST:
Robert E. Pasley
Chairman
Christopher M. Chiles
Executive Director
RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS

WHEREAS, the Belmont-Ohio-Marshall (Belomar) MPO partners with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, Ohio Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration to develop short term planning studies and long term multi-modal metropolitan transportation plans and programs through a "continuous, cooperative and comprehensive planning program" that identify and address the transportation needs of our region in an open collaborative process that builds community consensus; and

WHEREAS, all MPO's in West Virginia work with the WV DOT and the same federal agencies to accomplish this mission for their respective areas through the same open planning process that seeks to develop a community consensus; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia's eight metropolitan planning organizations have identified a need to share information on the best practices for transportation planning and operations including administrative functions and communications with partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, it has been identified that metropolitan planning organizations in many states including Virginia and Ohio have identified that an Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations can facilitate discussions with their State and Federal partners and that an Association can assist each MPO's ability to effectively represent their communities to their partners; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia's MPO's have formed an Association in partnership with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration; to enhance their effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, the WV Association of MPO's has developed a five year vision for the operation of the Association;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Belomar MPO supports the West Virginia Association of MPO's in their mission to further transportation planning within the State and the MPO Policy Board agrees that MPO staff should be reasonably available to support the mission of the Association.

ADOPTED, this 20th day of October, at a regular meeting of the Belomar Policy Board.

ATTEST: __________________________

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Timothy P. McCormick
Chairman
RESOLUTION 2016-12

THE BROOKE-HANCOCK-JEFFERSON METROPOLITAN PLANNING COMMISSION AND THE BROOKE-HANCOCK-JEFFERSON TRANSPORTATION STUDY POLICY COMMITTEE
RECOMMENDATION IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR THE WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS

WHEREAS, the Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Metropolitan Planning Commission and the Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Transportation Study Policy Committee partners with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration to develop short term planning studies and long term multi-modal metropolitan transportation plans through a “continuous, cooperative and comprehensive planning program” that identify and address the transportation needs of our community in an open collaborative process that builds community consensus; and

WHEREAS, all MPO’s in West Virginia work with these same agencies to accomplish this mission for their respective area’s through the same open planning process that seeks to develop a community consensus; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia’s eight metropolitan planning organizations’ have identified a need to share information on the best practices for transportation planning and operations including administrative functions and communications with partner agencies; and

WHEREAS, it has been identified that metropolitan planning organization’s in many states including Virginia and Ohio have identified that an Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations can facilitate discussions with their State and Federal partners and that an Association can assist each MPO’s ability to effectively represent their communities to their partners; and

WHEREAS, West Virginia’s MPO’s have formed an Association in partnership with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration; to enhance their effectiveness; and

WHEREAS, the WV Association of MPO’s has developed a five year vision for the operation of the Association;

WHEREAS, the BHJTS Technical Advisory Committee by action taken on September 28, 2016, at a regularly called meeting recommended a resolution of support for West Virginia Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations be adopted
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: that the Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Metropolitan Planning Commission and the Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Transportation Study Policy Committee supports the West Virginia Association of MPO's in their mission to further transportation planning within the State and the MPO Policy Board agrees that MPO staff should be reasonably available to support the mission of the Association.

ADOPTED, this 28th day of September 2016, at the regularly scheduled joint meeting of the Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Metropolitan Planning Commission and the Brooke-Hancock-Jefferson Transportation Study Policy Committee.

[Signature]
Tom Timmons
Chairman

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Michael J. Paprocki
Executive Director
A RESOLUTION BY FAYETTE/RALEIGH  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION (FRM)  

SUPPORT FOR THE WEST VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATIONS  

RECITALS  

WHEREAS the FRM partners with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration to develop short term planning studies and long term multi-modal metropolitan transportation plans through a "continuous, cooperative and comprehensive planning program" that identify and address the transportation needs of our community in an open collaborative process that builds community consensus; and  

WHEREAS, all MPO's in West Virginia work with these same agencies to accomplish this mission for their respective areas through the same open planning process that seeks to develop a community consensus; and  

WHEREAS, West Virginia's eight metropolitan planning organization's have identified a need to share information on the best practices for transportation planning and operations including administrative functions and communications with partner agencies; and  

WHEREAS, it has been identified that metropolitan planning organizations in many states including Virginia and Ohio have identified that an Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations can facilitate discussions with their State and Federal partners and that an Association can assist each MPO's ability to effectively represent their communities to their partners; and  

WHEREAS, West Virginia's MPO's have formed an Association in partnership with the West Virginia Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration, and the Federal Transit Administration; to enhance their effectiveness; and  

WHEREAS, the WV Association of MPO's has developed a five year vision for the operation of the Association;  

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Fayette/Raleigh MPO supports the West Virginia Association of MPOs in their mission to further transportation planning within the State and the MPO Policy Board agrees that MPO staff should be reasonably available to support the mission of the Association.  

PASSED AND DULY ADOPTED this 24th day of October 2016.  

FAYETTE/RALEIGH  
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION  

By  

Detlef Uffers, Chairman