Small MPOs
Roles, Functions and Issues

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Quick Statistics
Total = 383

- TMAs: 176
- Small MPOs: 207
- 50K–100K: 123
- 100K–1999K: 84
Role of MPOs

- Coordination of Transportation Issues
- Forum of Local Elected Officials
- Entity with a Voice in Transportation Issues
- Conduit for the Flow of Federal Funds
- May Weigh on other Community Issues (Conditional)
What is in the Size?

- **Small MPOs <200K Population**
  - Planning - Transportation Plan
  - Programming – Transportation Improvement Program
  - Administration – Unified Planning Work Program

- **Transportation Management Area >200 K (TMAs)**
  - + Congestion Management Process (CMP)
  - + Triennial Review
  - + Transportation Alternative Program (TAP)
Structure

- Policy Board
  - Freestanding/COG or Other Existing Body
- Technical Advisory Committee
  - Subcommittees
- Citizen Advisory Committee
  - Not Effective
Voting Structure & Composition

Voting
- Weighted Vote vs. Equal Vote
- Roberts Rules of Order vs. Consensus Decision Making

Composition
- Jurisdictions
- State DOT
- Transit
- Freight
- Chamber of Commerce
Responsibilities Exceed Authorities

- Land use and Transportation Connectivity
- Lack of Resources
- Travel Demand Model
- Being at the Table
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Role of MPOs

- Convener
- Campion
- Developer
- Operator
Funding Sources

- MPO Budget
  - PL (FHWA)
  - Transit (FTA’s Section 5303)
  - Programs with Planning Component

- Project Budget
  - STP
  - FTA 5307
  - FTA 5310
  - FTA 5339
Questions/Comments?