



Monday, October 21			
Time/Room	Session	Speakers	Description
4:15 pm – 6:15 pm Hyatt Regency Lobby	Baltimore City Bike Tour *Registration required and fee will apply		Step out of the Hyatt and enjoy a leisurely ride through several communities in historic south Baltimore. Bikes and helmets will be provided.
Tuesday, October 22			
Time/Room	Session	Speakers	Description
8:30 am. - 12:00 pm Constellation E	AMPO/AASHTO Environmental Justice Workshop *Please note that registration for this workshop is by invitation only.		AASHTO and FHWA will provide an update on FHWA's EJ resources including recent publications and training. Keith Lynch (FHWA PA Division) and William Clark (York Area MPO) will discuss an EJ analysis framework developed in collaboration with FHWA, FTA, PennDOT, and six South Central PA MPOs that can be scaled for use among various sized MPOs across the Commonwealth. Then workshop participants will break into small groups. Participants will discuss the current state of the practice, analysis methodologies, inter-agency collaboration, and training and resource needs.
9:00 am – 11:30 am Constellation F	FHWA and FTA Certification Review Training Workshop *Additional registration is required. Please contact Leslie Reardon at lreardon@ampro.org		The FHWA and FTA must jointly certify the metropolitan transportation planning process in TMA's at least once every four years. Currently there are more than 180 TMAs. While the cycle of reviews is spread out over four-years, FHWA/FTA conduct an average of 50+ reviews each year; this is a large undertaking for FHWA/FTA staff and their planning partners. The purpose of this workshop is to review the new streamlined and risk-based approach and requirements. The workshop will provide participants the opportunity to ask FHWA/FTA questions and offer feedback.
8:00 am - 12:00 pm Pratt/Calvert	FHWA TPM MODA Workshop *Please note that this workshop is limited to 35 participants and requires additional registration. The workshop is open to government agencies only. If you are interested in participating please contact Lori Richter, lrichter@spypondpartners.com .		The purpose of this workshop is to teach participants multi-objective decision analysis (MODA) and tradeoff decision-making in the context of a transportation performance management (TPM) program and performance-based planning and programming (PBPP). This will enhance the understanding of the FHWA TPM Toolbox and the capability maturity model (CMM) assessment and introduce AASHTO's MODA Tool (MODAT) that was developed through NCHRP Project 08-103. Thus conducting a tradeoff decision-making process using MODAT.
12:00 pm -5:00 pm Constellation F Foyer	Registration		
12:00 pm - 5:00 pm Atrium	Exhibits		
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Constellation E	AMPO Policy Committee Meeting		
1:00 pm - 3:00 pm Constellation F	AMPO Technical Committee Meeting		
3:30 pm – 5:30 pm Pratt/Calvert	NCHRP 08-122: Metropolitan Planning Organizations: Strategies for Future Success *Seating is limited. People are seated on a first-come, first-served basis.		
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm Atrium	Break		
3:00 pm - 5:00 pm Hyatt Regency Lobby	Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB) Mobile Workshop Visit Port Covington - one of the largest urban revitalization projects underway in the United States and will have a fundamental and far-reaching impact on Baltimore's future. *Registration and additional details available when you register for the conference. Fee will apply.		
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm Camden/Lombard	AMPO Board Meeting		

Wednesday, October 23			
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7:00 am - 5:00 p.m. Constellation F Foyer	Registration		
7:00 am - 5:00 pm Atrium	Exhibits		
7:30 am - 9:00 am Convention Center Room 307-308	Breakfast with guest speaker Steve Sharkey, Director, Baltimore City Department of Transportation and Policy Update with Levon Boyagian, AMPO		
9:15 am – 10:30 am Constellation C	Member Led Breakout Session – Small MPO’s	Moderators: Reese Brewer, Western Arkansas Planning and Development District and Corey Hull, Southern Georgia Regional Commission	This session will bring together small/medium sized MPOs for a facilitated discussion that will allow participants to share resources, practices, and discuss research needs. The session will focus on understanding how the MPO can successfully go beyond the federal requirements to bring additional value to the community. We will also discuss challenges that me be hindering MPOs from achieving goals and aspirations. The discussion will be documented and provided to AMPO’s leadership to inform potential research and policy goals.
9:15 am – 10:30 am Constellation D	Member Led Breakout Session – Large MPO’s	Moderators: Amanda Wilson, North Central Texas Council of Governments and Kofi Wakhisi, Atlanta Regional Commission	This session will bring together large size MPOs for a facilitated discussion that will allow participants to share resources, practices, and discuss research needs. The session will focus on understanding how the MPO can successfully go beyond the federal requirements to bring additional value to the community. We will also discuss challenges that me be hindering MPOs from achieving goals and aspirations. The discussion will be documented and provided to AMPO’s leadership to inform potential research and policy goals.
10:45 am – 12:00 pm Constellation C	Complete Streets: Best practices and case studies for all modes, including bicycling, walking, and transit	Moderator: Amy Cummings, RTC of Washoe County Presenters: Joseph Boyd, Gainesville-Hall MPO Mike Rutkowski, Stantec Consulting	Attendees will learn from the Gainesville-Hall MPO who recently completed two trail feasibility studies which provide recommendations for the creation of a 35+ mile connected multi-use path network. This trail would connect neighborhoods, downtown centers, schools, parks, and commercial centers via an easy, off-street, safe connected network for bicyclists and pedestrians alike. During this session, you will also hear from Mike Rutowski who will complement the study with an interactive session which is designed to explore advanced methods and a defined process that planners, designers and practitioners can utilize to retrofit streets using Complete Street Design Matrix Toolkit and process.
10:45 am – 12:00 pm Constellation D	Future of Transportation: How to plan for a rapidly changing world	Moderator: Ron Chicka, Duluth MPO Presenters: Danielle Blackshear, FHWA Rik Opstelten, FTA Steven Gayle, RSG Michael Farrell, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments	This presentation will begin with a highlight of several resources recently developed by the USDOT that can assist MPOs with incorporating mobility and accessibility into their transportation network in a safe, equitable, and efficient manner. It will also include a proposed Future Mobility Plan which follows an 8 step process that culminates with the identification of strategic actions the MPO can take through projects, programs, actions, and policies to avoid negative consequences and take advantage of positive opportunities for mobility. And will conclude with Dockless Shared Mobility Devices (at this point mostly e-scooters and electric-assist bicycles) and how they are a rapidly growing and evolving mode of transportation and what this means for MPOs.
10:45 am – 12:00 pm Constellation EF	FHWA Transportation Planning Capacity Building Program Roundtable	Moderator: DeLania Hardy, AMPO Presenter: James Garland, FHWA	FHWA’s Office of Planning, Environment, and Realty, through the Transportation Planning Capacity Building (TPCB) program, will gather to discuss the TPCB program’s mission and focus, and receive feedback from partners and stakeholders regarding current and future needs.
12:15 pm -1:40 pm Convention Center Room 307-308	Lunch with Awards Presentation and Speaker R. Earl Lewis, Deputy Secretary, MDOT		

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1:55 pm – 3:10pm Constellation EF	MPOs Roles and Relevancy: Innovation in the Planning Process	Moderator: Rea Donna Jones, Texarkana MPO Presenters: Travis Polack, Metropolitan Area Planning Council MAPC Lily Lowder, Alamo Area MPO Casey Covington, Metroplan - Little Rock	This session will look at how Boston MPO found ways to coordinate their efforts to help municipalities and others find solutions to the first mile/last mile gaps in the regional transit network. This will include lessons on how the MPO has been able to better coordinate with these other agencies as well as revive a TIP program to help fund local community transportation projects. It will also highlight the Alamo Area MPO's new Alamo Commutes program engages employers to reduce traffic congestion and encourage smart commuting habits. Follow along as Alamo Commutes shares its research, challenges and opportunities within its first year of operation. This session will conclude with how Metroplan's Board of Directors recently authorized a white paper analysis of its operation and structure and as a result of that critique initiated major organizational changes. The presentation will conclude with the staff produced Horizon 2020, a clear-eyed assessment of the regions first LRMTF following ISTEAs, as a both a guide and cautionary tale for future plans.
1:55 pm – 3:10 pm Constellation D	Future of Transportation: Best Practices or Case Studies	Moderator: Gary Huttman, MetroPlan Orlando Presenters: Grace Gallucci, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency Chuck Michael, Hyperloop Transportation Technologies Alexander Metcalf, Transportation Economics and Management Systems, Inc. Paul Speirs, PTV Group Arjan van Andel, PTV Group	New technologies have the potential to disrupt transportation as we know it, changing where people live and work and how we travel. This session will look at the Great Lakes Hyperloop Feasibility Study is a public-private partnership created to examine the economic, mobility, environmental, and social impacts of emerging hyperloop technology. It will also examine the Oslo Study and will highlight how to evaluate the impact of various scenarios of public transit preference and willingness to share rides. It will focus on how policy making will be important to ensure viable, equitable and healthy communities in the future.
3:10 pm - 3:30 pm Atrium	Break		
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Constellation C	Accessibility: Access to Employment, Services and Facilities	Moderator: Regina Aris, Baltimore Regional Transportation Board Presenters: Jonathan Ehrlich, Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities Andrew Owen, University of Minnesota Ali Makarachi, Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency	In this session, we will hear from The Metropolitan Council (the MPO for Minneapolis–Saint Paul, MN) as it is a partner in the National Accessibility Evaluation pooled-fund study, which measures multimodal, nationwide access to jobs and provides opportunities for accessibility evaluation of transportation and land use scenarios. The session will conclude with a presentation of a developed model and methodology that could be used by agencies in the employment placement, matching workers living within commuter sheds of major job hubs and eventually regional economic development.
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Constellation D	Future of Transportation: Best Practices and Case Studies	Moderator: Todd Ashby, Des Moines Area MPO Presenters: Joann Lynch, RSG Dennis Farmer, Metropolitan Council Jeff Sheffield, North Florida TPO	As new transportation modes emerge planners, modelers, and policy makers are eager for data on how, when, and where people are using these emergent modes. This session will look at the use of the Metropolitan Council's 12-month Travel Behavior Inventory (TBI) HTS in the greater Twin Cities region as a case study for a biennial smartphone-app data collection program. It will also highlight the North Florida TPO which is developing an integrated data exchange. What distinguishes this effort from similar data depositories is private sector involvement in developing and expanding and eventual inclusion of private as well as public data.

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3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Constellation EF	Environmental Justice	Moderator: Peter Koeppel, East-West Gateway COG Presenters: Sergio Ritacco, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments National Capital Region Transportation Board Elisabeth Schuck, Tindale Oliver Erica Lychak, Broward MPO	This presentation seeks to provide the audience with an understanding of approaches MPOs can take to meet Title VI Nondiscrimination and Environmental Justice analysis requirements. A challenge for MPOs is to meet FHWA and FTA guidance that applies more directly to modal and implementing agencies. Through an overview and discussion on activities conducted by the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB), particularly highlighting results from its most recently completed analysis and use of Equity Emphasis Areas (geographically defined locations derived from a technical and consensus-based process), participants will leave the session with a better understanding of MPO-level activities and the pros and cons of various approaches. Interested in learning new approaches to considering equity in the transportation planning process beyond just the federal requirements? This session will present the Broward MPO's comprehensive methodology to identify "equity areas" and subsequent application of the equity assessment process to the 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and other required plans and programs. A discussion of the overall process development, outcomes, and lessons learned will be provided to educate other agencies interested in undertaking something similar.
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm TBD	Public Involvement Working Group Meet & Greet		The AMPO Public Involvement Working Group supports public involvement in metropolitan transportation planning that meets federal requirements and strengthens the delivery and stewardship of programs, projects, and the transportation system. For more information or to join, contact Leslie Reardon at LReardon@ampo.org
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Pisces	Opening Night Roof Top Reception with hors d'oeuvres		
Thursday, October 24			
Time/Room	Session	Speakers	Description
7:00 am - 5:00 pm Constellation F Foyer	Registration		
7:00 am - 5:00 pm Atrium	Exhibits		
7:30 am - 8:45 am Constellation AB	Continental Breakfast with 8:00am Presentation by Greg Cohen, Greyhound Lines		
9:00 am – 10:15 am Constellation C	Small MPOs Part I	Moderator: Casey Covington, Metroplan, Little Rock Presenters: Abigail Rosenson, RSG Lethal Coe, Whatcom Council of Governments Shuake Wuzhati, Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC) Rita Morocoima-Black, CCRPC Sam Baker, Gainesville-Hall MPO	At the rate some small towns have been growing, small urbanized areas are expected to become large urbanized areas, with population at or over 200,000, after the results of the 2020 Census come out in 2022. This session will explore the feasibility of ride-share service, such as Uber/Lyft, to provide transit service in a growing urbanized area faced with a significant cut in federal transit operations funding. This session will also highlight two case studies from small MPOs that conducted household travel surveys in 2017–2019. It will conclude with a road map for small and medium-sized MPOs on how to approach freight planning in their communities, using the Champaign-Urbana Region Freight Plan as an example. It will also showcase some innovative ways of utilizing local, national, and commercial data sources, as well as modeling tools to assist the planning process.

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9:00 am – 10:15 am Constellation EF	MPO Merger/Organization Issues	Moderator: DeLania Hardy, AMPO Presenters: Fred Wagner, Venable & Rebecca Higgins, US Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works	Presenters Fred Wagner, Venable LLP and Rebeca Higgins, US Senate Environment and Public Works Committee, will be discussing MPO Merger/Organizational Issues. The session will discuss a recent example in south Texas and will explore the future roles and responsibilities of MPOs
10:30 am – 12:00 pm Constellation C	MPO & State Coordination Roundtable	Moderator: Todd Lang, Baltimore Metropolitan Council Presenter: Tyson Byrne, MDOT	This session will explore the State-MPO relationship regarding funding, auditing, and oversight. Topics will range from State Oversight and Developing Standard Operating Procedures, Successful MPO-State Partnerships, and the needs of Small, Medium, and Large MPOs from a State’s Perspective. Several MPOs and State DOTs will participate on a panel discussion before opening it up to a conversation with the audience.
10:30 am – 12:00 pm Constellation D	Small MPOs Part II	Moderator: Paul Agnello, GW Regional Commission/Fredericksburg Area MPO Presenters: Beth Beltran, Martin MPO Amy Martin, Southern Georgia Regional Commission Corinne Tucker, Sarasota/Manatee MPO	This session will highlight the MPO’s partnerships with the Community Redevelopment Agency, Chambers of Commerce, School District and local governments to not only better educate elected officials and business owners about the MPO process, but also to work together to develop an effective, safe transportation system. We will examine a Public Participation Technique Performance Matrix to track what techniques we use for each project and what the actual results so that we can better utilize the techniques that provide the most input from the public in our community. The session will conclude with Transform 2045 YPAG which consists of young professionals, under the age of 45, who live, work, or play in the Sarasota/Manatee region.
10:30 am – 12:00 pm Constellation EF	Funding and Financing: Creative Funding Options	Moderator: Jesse A. Elam, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Presenters: Peter Gies, Broward MPO Bill Ball, Tindale Oliver Nefretiti Harrison, US DOT Pete Mancauskas, FHWA	This session will outline a creative approach developed by the Broward MPO to set budgets for and allocate projects to six funding programs. The 2045 Metropolitan Transportation Plan established the framework for these funding programs to be implemented through the Transportation Improvement Program and the annual Multimodal Priorities. Participants in this presentation will learn about the application of this new approach and the lessons learned for future program enhancements. We will also hear from USDOT and look at how future transportation infrastructure needs far outweigh resources, and the innovative finance methods which are essential to delivering transportation projects. A surprising variety of funding mechanisms are available to supplement limited federal funding.
12:15 pm -1:30 pm Constellation AB	Lunch with Keynote Speaker: Nicole Nason, FHWA Administrator		
1:45 pm – 3:00 pm Constellation C	Performance Measures: Data	Moderator: Carl Mikyska, Florida MPO Advisory Council Presenters: Ryan Brown, Sarasota/Manatee MPO Alvimarie Corales, Sarasota/Manatee MPO Chris Upchurch, Wichita Area MPO Caitlin Zibers, Mid-America Regional Council (MARC)	In this session, you will hear lessons learned from the Sarasota/Manatee MPO who has spent the past year updating the performance-based project prioritization process to be more accurate and efficient. By utilizing ArcGIS online, the MPO has gone from scoring projects on a piece of paper to scoring them interactively. And additional insight from WAMPO who will outline what lead them to hire consultant assistance to help project sponsors develop potential project submissions for their MTP update, obstacles they encountered along the way, and success stories and lessons learned from the process. It will conclude with MARC who is in the middle of updating the long-range plan, having just wrapped up the project scoring and ranking process. They will walk you thru the process and share several lessons, including: how to improve the web-based application, database management, anticipating the range of responses and establishing clear expectations for when scoring goes wrong.

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1:45 pm – 3:00 pm Constellation EF	Scenario Planning: Best Practices	<p>Moderator: Brian Fineman, North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority</p> <p>Presenters: Joe Zissman, Cambridge Systematics Dale Stith, Hampton Roads TPO Jeff Welch, Knoxville Regional TPO Preston Elliott, KCI Kayla Ferguson, KCI</p>	<p>Scenario planning isn't just for the big kids! This first part of this presentation will walk through the concepts, terminology, and best practices of scenario planning, and will introduce rules-of-thumb that work no matter how many staff you have or how much you can spend. In addition, you will hear about the 2045 Long-Range Transportation Plan update and another important regional planning study, the Regional Connectors Study, the Hampton Roads Transportation Planning Organization (HRTPO) is employing Exploratory Scenario Planning to investigate plausible alternate futures and their potential impacts on the transportation system. To conclude, you will hear the highlights of the experiences of the Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) in developing a sub-regional study for a rapidly growing area in its region, which largely consists of lands that have been designated as 'Rural' in the City and County's Growth Policy Plan.</p>
1:45 pm – 3:00 pm Constellation D	Public Involvement: Challenges, Successes and Lessons Learned	<p>Moderator: David Wessel, Flagstaff MPO</p> <p>Presenters: Charlene Howard, MWCOG and National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board Stacy Cook, MWCOG and National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board Allison Blazosky, Alamo Area MPO Jeff Kramer, Center for Urban Transportation Research (CUTR) at the University of South Florida (USF)</p>	<p>This session will look at how the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG) National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) supplemented the traditional Long-Range Plan (LRP) with an interactive online Story Map featuring the plan, Visualize 2045. We will also hear from the Alamo Area Metropolitan Planning Organization with a new generation digital native (Generation Z). The presentation will discuss how the Alamo Area MPO uses current best practices and social media metrics to optimize their message, creative content, and social media strategies. It will conclude with thoughts from the Center for Urban Transportation Research and key challenges faced by Florida MPOs in engaging the public.</p>
3:00 pm - 3:30 pm Atrium	Break		
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Constellation C	Performance Based Planning and Programming: Best Practices and Examples of Implementation	<p>Moderator: Saleem Salameh, KYOVA Interstate Planning Commission</p> <p>Presenters: Cynthia Burch, Baltimore Metropolitan Council Matt Mullenax, Hagerstown/Eastern Panhandle MPO Jon Schermann, National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board</p>	<p>This session will begin with highlights from our host city that will describe efforts to develop local Strategic Highway Safety Plans in the Baltimore region. It will provide information about state collaboration, local processes, and the incorporation of the local plans into regional programs. It will also include a discussion on the process consisted of a multidisciplinary safety audit team of City and County engineers and planners, DOT highway, planning and pedestrian staff, as well as City, County and State law enforcement, the HEPMPO and its consultants. Traffic signal upgrades, sidewalks, curb ramps and transit amenities are being constructed by Maryland State Highway Administration implementing the study's recommendations. This session will wrap up with a final discussion on how MPO staff can leverage federal target setting requirements to foster MPO board engagement on the topic of highway safety. It addresses the topic areas of board member education and orientation, coordination with state DOT(s), and PM1 safety.</p>

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3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Constellation D	Interregional Compacts	Moderator: Corey Hull, Southern GA Regional Commission Presenters: Robert Cook, Charlotte Regional TPO Jessica Hill, Centralina Council of Governments Robby Moody, Catawba Regional COG Karissa Lemon, Bowling Green-Warren County MPO Preston Elliott, KCI Technologies Liesel Goethert, KCI Technologies	This presentation will highlight the experience of the Bowling Green-Warren County, Kentucky MPO as they crafted a shared vision and integrated approach to advancing non-motorized improvements within their region. The presentation will not only cover elements of the plan but, more importantly, will showcase innovative approaches that could be valuable to other MPOs exploring how best to engage diverse stakeholder groups—which often have competing priorities when it comes to non-motorized accommodations.
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm Constellation EF	Future of Transportation: Impacts of Disruptive Technologies	Moderator: Kofi Wakhisi, Atlanta Regional Commission Presenters: Lorna Parkins, Michael Baker International William Thomas, Michael Baker International Daniel Haake, HDR	Participants will gain an understanding of the latest federal and local guidance in developing a framework for forecasting the impacts of technology uncertainty, including establishing adoption timelines, critical considerations for updating forecasting tools, and how to communicate uncertainty to decision makers. It will also cover communities that are struggling to understand how disruptive technologies like connected and autonomous vehicles (CAVs) will affect the built environment. Within the transportation planning profession, that conversation has mainly focused on passenger vehicles, neglecting a critical aspect of any livable community: freight.
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Atrium	Light Reception with Conference Sponsors		
Friday, October 25			
Time/Room	Session	Speakers	Description
7:30 am. - 9:00 am Constellation AB	Breakfast/Member General Session		
9:15 am – 11:00 am Constellation AB	US DOT Spotlight Session	Moderator: James Garland, FHWA Presenters: Ed Strocko, BTS Dwayne Weeks, FTA Susanna Reck, ITS JPO	Participants will hear important information from the FTA regarding the National Transit Database and a new reporting tool that will include a table with transit asset condition by transit provider by urbanized area. They will also introduce a tool that can be used to do scenario planning (TAMPLATE) that transit provides and MPO's can use to test different investment levels on changes to State of Good Repair Performance Targets. The session will also include a presentation from the USDOT ITS Joint Program Office on the workzone data exchange and the upcoming notice of proposed funding (NOFO). In addition, the USDOT Bureau of Transportation Statistics will discuss important new tools and activities, including a tool that develops estimates of average weekday household person trips, vehicle trips, person miles traveled, and vehicle miles traveled (per day), for all Census tracts in the United States. Finally, participants will hear from the FHWA Office of Planning regarding ongoing activities. There will be an opportunity to ask questions and engage with USDOT staff on various topics.
9:15 am - 12:00 pm Hyatt Regency Lobby	Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB) Mobile Workshop *Registration required and fee will apply.		The Baltimore Regional Transportation Board is pleased to offer a tour of the Port of Baltimore. Please join us and learn about The Seagirt Marine Terminal which stands as a working monument to the innovative and progressive spirit of the Port of Baltimore.

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