
ATTAINMENT REPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ARAC) MEETING #4 SUMMARY TSO RICHARD TRAINOR CONFERENCE ROOM MAY 7, 2018 2:00-4:00 PM

1. Introductions and Meeting Objectives

- Pat Keller and Michelle Martin opened the meeting and noted its objectives: Reviewing environmental measures; confirming measures to include in the AR; and seeking input on the AR report and dashboard interface, including how best to convey performance data to our customers.

2. Discussion of Measures under Draft Goal – Ensure Environmental Protection and Sensitivity

Objective 1: Protect and enhance the natural, historic, and cultural environment through avoidance, minimization, and mitigation of adverse impacts related to transportation infrastructure, including support for broader efforts to improve the health of the Chesapeake Bay.

- The ARAC **supported adding 1a** (Acres of wetland ...) **and 1b** (Water quality treatment...) to the AR.
- The ARAC **proposed Total Acres affected by treatments for drainage as a future AR measure** (i.e. not just those directly treated). The results could possibly be displayed using a color-coded map.
- The ARAC recommended clearly explaining 1a and 1b, and noting the Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration's (MDOT SHA) grants to the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR), with MS4 funding, in the partnerships section of the AR.

Objective 2: Employ resource protection and conservation practices in project development, construction, operations, and maintenance of transportation assets

- The ARAC **recommended moving 2b** (Total Electric Vehicles (EV) registered...) **and 2c** (Total publicly available EV...) **to fall under Objective 3**. Where appropriate, they may be shown together in the AR.

Objective 3: Implement initiatives to reduce fossil fuel consumption, mitigate greenhouse gases (GHG), and improve air quality.

- **The ARAC recommended moving 3d and 3e** (Electricity consumption and renewable energy generation measures) **to fall under Objective 2**.

3. Fiscal Responsibility Goal – Review of Changes

- The ARAC **supported the addition of 1a** (Percent of projects completed by...) and the **removal of the measure related to permitting within 21 days**. The ARAC also **supported dropping two other measures** (one related to alternative service delivery, which is covered elsewhere in the AR, and GHG emissions reductions from trips not taken). The ARAC **supported making Objective 3 narrative-only**.

4. Summary of Proposed Changes to AR Measures

Goal: Ensure a Safe, Secure, and Resilient Transportation System

- The ARAC **agreed with removing the Baltimore Washington International (BWI) Thurgood Marshall Airport crime rate measure** (based on the understanding that it will be reported upon in other publications).
- The ARAC **supported adding 1c** (Number of transit passenger...) **and 4a** (Average incident duration...).

Goal – Maintain a High Standard and Modernize Maryland’s Multimodal Transportation System

- The ARAC requested that MDOT reflect upon how new technologies will influence future measures.

Goal – Improve the Quality and Efficiency of the Transportation System to Enhance the Customer Experience

- The ARAC **agreed to add the percentage of transit transactions done electronically to the list of potential future measures** and requested that MDOT begin collecting data on this as soon as appropriate.

Goal – Provide Better Transportation Choices and Connections

- The ARAC **agreed with adding the BLOC measure replacement (1d) to the list of future measures.**
- The ARAC **agreed, after a lengthy discussion, to remove 2a** (Connections from transit to airport).
- The ARAC **agreed to recommend a measure on the percentage of passengers who travel to BWI Airport via transit to the list of potential future measures**, noting the importance of transit connections to BWI Airport.
- The ARAC **recommended asking about the impact of Bikeshare and perceptions of safety, particularly pedestrian, in the MDOT survey (2d)** regarding perceptions of multimodal connectivity.

Goal – Support Economic Opportunity and Reduce Congestion in Maryland through Strategic System Expansion

- The ARAC **recommended** referencing the Howard Street Tunnel in a discussion of strategies.

5. Potential Enhancements to AR Format and Dashboard

- The ARAC discussed the possibility of using graphics (i.e., arrows, green vs. red indicators, etc.) to indicate whether performance is on track to achieve the target and which direction of change is desired. The AR team will work with graphic designers to identify and consider some options for doing this.
- The ARAC suggested using language in the legend to clarify the desired change in direction (e.g., “more is better”).
- The ARAC proposed using the term “highlights” to refer to the measures selected for the dashboard and/or seeing whether the Environmental Systems Research Institute’s (ESRI) Storybook format would be an appropriate format for presenting information.
- The ARAC and MDOT staff discussed the possibility of acknowledging the ARAC members in the AR, both in the booklet and online.
- The ARAC **recommended providing hyperlinks to the policy documents** that guide the strategies taken to enhance performance on each measure. The ARAC also **recommended showing a visual of the AR cover and a hyperlink to the AR on the left side of the dashboard.**

6. Next Steps

- The ARAC agreed that the **fifth meeting should be held as a teleconference (“GoToMeeting”) on June 11th at 2:00pm**, likely for an hour-long meeting. MDOT will send the ARAC members a draft to review prior to that call.

ARAC Members in Attendance

<u>Representation</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Chair / Maryland Department of Planning	Pat Keller	Assistant Secretary for Planning Services	Maryland Department of Planning
Maryland Municipal League	Jim Beauchamp	Town Council Vice President	Town of Centreville
	Tim Davis	Transportation Planner	City of Frederick
Transit Users Group	Steve Chan	US Department of Veterans Affairs	Chair, MARC Riders Advisory Council
Auto Users Group	Ragina Cooper Averella	Public & Gov't Affairs Manager	AAA
Environmental Advocacy Organization	Joel Dunn	President/CEO	The Chesapeake Conservancy
Disabled Citizens Community	Janice Jackson	Commissioner	Maryland Commission on Disabilities
Maryland Association of Counties	Alex Rawls	Long-Range Planner	Harford County Planning & Zoning
Maryland Business Community	Christine Ross	President/CEO	MD Chamber of Commerce
National Expert: Pedestrian/Bike Transportation	Jennifer L. Toole, AICP, ASLA	President	Toole Design Group

ARAC Members Unable to Attend

<u>Representation</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Goods Movement Industry	Louis Campion	President/CEO	MMTA
Maryland Association of Counties	Keith Hall, AICP	Chief, Long Range and Transportation Planning	Salisbury/Wicomico Co.
National Expert: Transportation Performance Management	Matthew H. Hardy, Ph.D.	Program Director for Planning and Policy	American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO)
National Expert: Transportation Demand Management	Nicholas William Ramfos	Director, Transportation Operations Programs	Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments
Rural Interests	Geoff Turner	President/CEO	Choptank Transport

Other Attendees

Name	Organization
Michelle Martin	MDOT The Secretary's Office (TSO)
Gladys Hurwitz	MDOT TSO
Diane Langhorne	MDOT TSO
Virginia Burke	MDOT TSO
Beth Counterman	MDOT TSO
Lorraine Moore	MDOT SHA
David K. Greene	MDOT Maryland Transportation Authority (MDTA)
Kameel Hall	MDOT Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA)
Ross Turlington	MDOT Maryland Transit Administration (MTA)
Tom Harrington	Cambridge Systematics (CS)
Stacy Cook	Cambridge Systematics (CS)
Alanna McKeeman	Foursquare ITP