

**ITEM #9: HAMPTON ROADS CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROCESS: PART I –  
INTRODUCTION AND SYSTEM MONITORING: DRAFT REPORT**  
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The Hampton Roads Congestion Management Process (CMP) is an on-going systematic process for managing congestion that provides information and analysis on multimodal transportation system performance and on strategies to alleviate congestion and enhance the mobility of persons and goods regionwide. During this process, HRTPO staff works with state and local agencies to develop these strategies and mobility options. All Transportation Management Areas (TMAs), which are urban areas over 200,000 in population, are required by Federal regulations to prepare a CMP. The first Congestion Management Process for Hampton Roads was prepared in 1995, and updates were released in 1997, 2001, 2005, 2010, and 2014.

HRTPO staff will be updating the CMP report in 2020. Similar to the 2014 report, the 2020 CMP report will include a thorough assessment of the roadway system in Hampton Roads, a regional roadway network congestion analysis, a ranking of the most congested corridors, and a list of congestion mitigation strategies and recommended improvements for the congested corridors. The 2020 CMP will also provide data and a list of candidate projects for consideration in the 2045 LRTP Project Prioritization Process.

The 2020 Hampton Roads CMP Report will be released in three parts:

- Part I – Introduction and System Monitoring (February 2020)
- Part II – System Performance (Spring 2020)
- Part III – Congestion Mitigation (Summer 2020)

The Introduction section of the CMP report includes information on Performance Management and Performance-Based Planning and Programming, the elements of a CMP, CMP goals and objectives, and how the CMP is incorporated into the regional transportation planning process. The System Monitoring section details HRTPO's system monitoring efforts including the State of Transportation report, Annual Roadway Performance report, and regional performance measures and target setting. This section also includes information on regional roadway travel and trends, traffic volumes and characteristics at major bridges and tunnels, recently completed roadway projects, and the benefits of selected projects.

The draft *Hampton Roads Congestion Management Process: Part I – Introduction and System Monitoring* report was made available for public review and comment from January 29, 2020 through February 21, 2020.

**Recommended Action:**

For informational purposes. The final report will be on the March 19, 2020 HRTPO Consent Agenda for HRTPO Board approval.