

AGENDA ITEM #12: HAMPTON ROADS CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROCESS: SYSTEM PERFORMANCE AND MITIGATION REPORT: DRAFT

As the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Hampton Roads, Virginia region, HRTPO is required by federal law to maintain a Congestion Management Process (CMP). The Hampton Roads 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 works with state and local agencies to develop these strategies and mobility options. Federal regulations require that a CMP be in place in all Transportation Management Areas (TMAs), which are urban areas over 200,000 in population. The first Congestion Management System for Hampton Roads was released in 1995, and was updated in 1997, 2001, 2005, and 2010.

This report provides a thorough assessment of the roadway system in Hampton Roads, updates the regional LOS congestion analysis (using the 2013 Existing and the 2034 Roadway Network), ranks the most congested corridors, and provides congestion mitigation strategies and recommended improvements for the congested corridors.

Mr. Keith Nichols, Senior Transportation Engineer, will brief the TTAC on the results. The draft version of the *Hampton Roads Congestion Management Process: System Performance and Mitigation Report* will be made available for public review and comment from September 3, 2014 through September 19, 2014. Staff will request approval of the final report at the October 2014 TTAC meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Review the draft report and submit comments to Keith Nichols (knichols@hrtpo.org) by COB Friday, September 19, 2014.