
To: CRCOG Transportation Committee
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Subject: 2019 Atlas of Title VI and EJ Populations in the Capitol Region – Draft

As a recipient of federal transportation funds, CRCOG is required to comply with the provisions of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 to ensure that “no person shall be subjected to discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin under any program or activity that receives Federal financial assistance.” Related to Title VI is Executive Order 12898 of 1994, which focuses on Environmental Justice (EJ). This Order directs recipients of federal funding to avoid disproportionately high and adverse health or environmental effects on minority and low-income populations as well as to provide these communities with access to public participation opportunities.

In order to ensure adequate outreach to Title VI and EJ individuals, we must first understand where concentrations of these populations reside within our Region. For that purpose, CRCOG staff has developed the *Atlas of Title VI and Environmental Justice Populations in the Capitol Region*, a series of maps showing concentrations of minority, limited English proficiency (LEP), low-income, and no car household populations. This Atlas is updated every 3-4 years using the most recently available data. The 2019 update of the Atlas reflects data from the 2013-2017, 5-year estimate American Community Survey (ACS) data for demographic and socio-economic analyses and the 2011-2015, 5-year estimate ACS data for LEP. This document will be used as an informational guide for CRCOG’s transportation planning processes in order to help identify the type of public outreach and language support needed for planning activities such as corridor studies, document preparation, and project development.

A draft of the Atlas is available at <http://crcog.org/title-vi/title-vi-plans-and-reports> for review. If you have any comments on the draft, please send them to Pramod Pandey at ppandey@crcog.org by June 28, 2019.