

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

FOR CRCOG TO JOIN THE METROPOLITAN AREA PLANNING (MAP) FORUM

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Area Planning (MAP) Forum includes nine Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPOs) and Councils of Government (COGs) in the New York-New Jersey-Connecticut-Pennsylvania metropolitan region that are characterized by socio-economic and environmental interdependence, as evidenced through shared ecosystems, interconnected transportation systems, and inter-related patterns of employment and population; and,

WHEREAS, the member MPOs and COGs of the MAP Forum are party to a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) that constitutes a multi-state, multi-party agreement which addresses the requirements of 23 CFR 450.314(d) for the MPOs, as well as complies with other relevant provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act (Pub. L. No. 114-94); and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the MOU is to ensure coordination in the development of mandated products of the metropolitan transportation planning process including the process for meeting attainment of National Ambient Air Quality Standards; and,

WHEREAS, this MOU is also intended to ensure that the products of each MPO's transportation planning process take into account the impacts of the plans and programs developed by the other MPOs; helps avoid duplication of effort; reflects consistency of approaches where possible; and ensures the consideration of the interests of all participating MPOs; and,

WHEREAS, parties of the MOU agree to perform in good faith, and to the extent practicable and appropriate, activities of voluntary coordination, cooperation, and consultation amongst themselves; and,

WHEREAS, it has been determined that participation in this MOU by additional, adjacent MPOs would be advisable; and,

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) is adjacent to the existing boundaries of the MAP Forum and shares a Transportation Management Area (TMA) with two of the MAP Forum's member COGs; and,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that CRCOG's Executive Director, Lyle D. Wray, is authorized to act on behalf of the Capitol Region Council of Governments in joining the Metropolitan Area Planning Forum and becoming party to the associated Memorandum of Understanding.

CERTIFICATE

I certify the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Policy Board at its meeting held on February 26, 2020.

BY: _____

Lori L. Spielman, Secretary

DATE: _____

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