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MEMORANDUM

To: CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee

From: CMAP Staff

Date: October 5, 2016

Re: Coordinating Committee Structure

The current governance structure of CMAP includes two coordinating committees, which are meant to provide a link between the CMAP Board and the six working committees. Each coordinating committee consists of seven Board representatives and six working committee representatives.

In 2006, CMAP established two coordinating committees: the Planning Coordinating Committee, which was responsible for the development of GO TO 2040; and the Programming Coordinating Committee, which was responsible for approving transportation investment programs and other shorter-term programming activities around energy and regionally significant developments.

In January 2011, following the adoption of GO TO 2040, the Board and MPO Policy Committee recognized that the missions of the coordinating committees were well-suited to plan development but needed to be changed to reflect plan implementation. Therefore, the committees were repurposed and renamed: the Local Coordinating Committee focused on oversight of the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program and overall relationships with counties and municipalities, and the Regional Coordinating Committee focused on regional, state, and federal policy issues.

One of CMAP's most important current activities is the development of ON TO 2050, which is due to be completed in Fall 2018. As with GO TO 2040, plan development would benefit from more direct oversight by a coordinating committee. Therefore, staff recommends a change in the coordinating committees to return them to their identities during the development of GO TO 2040: a Planning Coordinating Committee, which would oversee ON TO 2050, and a Programming Coordinating Committee, which would oversee programming decisions for transportation investment, LTA project selection, and other relevant items.

The first meetings of the new coordinating committees are proposed for early in calendar year 2017. Before the first meeting, the CMAP Board Chairman will appoint members and designate a chairperson for each committee.

This proposed change was discussed with the Board at its meeting in September and the Transportation Committee meeting in September. Both groups expressed support for the change. Staff requests that the Board and MPO Policy Committee approve the change in the structure of CMAP's coordinating committees as described in this memo.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

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