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CMAP workshops 'Go To 2040' Aug. 18-19

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One month left to "Invent the Future!" Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning is in the final month of its public-input phase of "GO TO 2040." Through early September 2009, people across the seven-county region can weigh in via interactive "GO TO 2040" Web tools (www.goto2040.org), workshops, kiosks and booths at community festivals.

See a CMAP news release and a set of charts summarizing public input to date at the Web site. People are clearly favoring more transit investments and compact development. Do you agree? Disagree? Be sure to chime in while there's time left.

To help keep public participation strong through the remaining weeks, CMAP will give away iPods to randomly selected residents of the region who complete a simple entry form after submitting their preferred scenario for how the region should look in 2040. See www.goto2040.org/iPod for details of the giveaway, which is made possible by Harris Bank.

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There's still time to attend one of CMAP's many public-input workshops, which wrap up in August. The next workshop is from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Aug. 18 at the Berkeley Public Library, 1637 N. Taft Ave. This workshop is co-sponsored by the Village of Berkeley, the Berkeley Public Library and the North Central Council of Mayors.

Following that, a workshop will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. Aug. 19 at the Elmwood Park Village Hall, in the third floor Council Chambers, 11 W. Conti Parkway. This workshop is being co-sponsored by the Village of Elmwood Park and the North Central Council of Mayors.

Registration for workshops is requested but not required. You can register online, via e-mail or by calling Joey-Lin Silberhorn at (312) 386-8814.

Aug. 26 to 30, CMAP will be at the Will County Fair in Peotone and Sept. 19 at the Fiesta De Luces in Aurora.

Don't forget to regularly check CMAP's Recovery Web pages. New posts this week include $3 billion in additional stimulus money available for renewable energy companies and Illinois Recovery in the news: the good, the bad, and the improving.

You can comment through Aug. 29 on CMAP's proposed "FY 2010 - FY 2011 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement" program. The comment period on a conformity amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program also ends on Aug. 29.

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