Public Involvement Plan (PIP)

- FAST Act requirement for all MPOs
  “to develop and use a documented public participation plan…that provides all interested parties with reasonable opportunities to be involved in the metropolitan transportation planning process.”
PIP Update: Why Now?

- Ensure compliance with FAST Act 23 CFR 450.316 – Interested parties, participation, and consultation
- Prior to the update of the Long Range Transportation Plan (2018-19)
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❖ Make it useful for three audiences:
  ➢ General public
  ➢ MIC staff
  ➢ MnDOT/FHWA staff

❖ Describe what needs to happen, when, how, and who needs to be involved
Public Involvement Objective

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Public Involvement Objectives

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❖ Early in the planning process, before key decisions are made and while there is ample opportunity to influence decisions.
I - Project Development – Stakeholder identification, project scope

II - Project Execution – Data collection, draft recommendations

III - Project Delivery – Reporting final recommendations, implementation timeline
“Timely notice and reasonable access to information about transportation issues and processes”

- Meeting times and locations
- Information available online
- Employ visualization techniques
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- TIP and LRTP processes are most prescriptive
- MPO can determine project-specific processes and strategies
  - MIC website
  - Survey tools
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➢ In-person methods
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❖ “To fully consider and document public input”

➢ Summarize input received and describe how it has been considered and/or incorporated into final recommendations.
Various transportation interest groups including “citizens, public transportation agencies, freight shippers, private transportation providers” (safety and enforcement agencies, public officials, environmental groups)

Modal representatives “including users of public transportation, pedestrian walkways and bicycle facilities” (rail, harbor, airport)
“Traditionally underserved, including households with low income, minorities and people with disabilities;”
Public Involvement for the PIP

- Minimum public comment period of forty five (45) days before the PIP is adopted, revised, or updated
- Will be distributing the draft document directly to TAC & MIC by email for comment
- Consultation and review by state and fed agencies, transportation interest groups
Action Requested:
Motion to approve start of 45-day public review period for draft Public Involvement Plan

Comments? Questions?