

CTB Rail Subcommittee Meeting Agenda May 19, 2015 at 8 a.m. – 9 a.m.

CTB Rail Committee Attendees:
Jim Dyke
Shannon Valentine
Court Rosen
Robert Cole
Jennifer Mitchell

Mr. Latimer began the meeting by explaining the handouts provided to the members of the Rail Committee: REF Program Policy Goals adopted by the CTB in October 2005; REF Application List; Copy of the Presentation.

REF Program Policy Goals were reviewed and discussed as a jumping off point for the Committee to recommend changes to the Program's policies and goals.

During the presentation the Committee members had comments on the summary stakeholder feedback:

- Mr. Dyke was in favor of considering State of Good Repair (SoGR) in light of WMATA's needs.
- Ms. Valentine noted that VDOT funding recently set 40% of funding for SoGR needs.
- Mr. Kasprowicz asked if DRPT requires SoGR as qualifying criteria when considering an application, noting evidence of maintained infrastructure may be a qualifying consideration.
- Mr. Pittard noted that in our operating agreements with Amtrak and VRE there are charges associated with SoGR efforts.
- Director Mitchell noted that the BCA puts DRPT in a reactive position: waiting for applications and requiring match.
- Mr. Dyke asked for more specifics over the stakeholder comments for or against requiring a 30% match.
- Director Mitchell noted the 2005 policy goals may need to be narrowed down and that we now have a smaller fund with greater demand.
- Ms. Valentine asked how our rail plan aligns with priorities.

- Mr. Cole asked if it was possible to show a percentage of projects on schedule, funded/under agreement; the final slide in the presentation showed projects that are underway.
- There was discussion about a policy to deallocate projects which will not move forward in a timely fashion.

Public Comments: Doug Allen, CEO of VRE; Gale Wilson, VRRA President

Director Mitchell provided closing comments regarding the next meeting and a possible Rail tour for the CTB members on the rail committee.