WILMAPCO Council Action Item Summary Sheet

Meeting Date: July 11, 2024

Action Item #11: To Approve the 2024 CMAQ Performance Plan

Description/Summary of Item:

This report addresses federal requirements to incorporate performance measurement into Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) planning and programming. Specifically, it satisfies the requirement for the 2nd Performance Period's Mid-Period Progress Report and Performance Plan. It documents the region's progress meeting required traffic congestion and mobile source emissions targets stemming from CMAQ projects.

This report shows that, after two years, the WILMAPCO region is well within reach of meeting 4-year targets for traffic congestion. Measured Peak Hour Excessive Delay conditions in 2022 and 2023 were under or slightly above both the 2- and 4-year targets, while the percentage of non-Single Occupancy Vehicle commutes outperformed expectations.

CMAQ mobile source emission reductions are also on track to meet the 4-year target in Delaware and in Cecil County.

The 2024 CMAQ Performance Plan was developed through an interagency coordination process involving members of the Air Quality Subcommittee, especially MDOT and DelDOT, along with the DVRPC and BMC.

Summary of Action Taken by PAC: The WILMAPCO PAC did not take action on this item.

Summary of Action Taken by TAC:

The TAC recommended that the Council approve the 2024 CMAQ Performance Plan via email vote.

Summary of Action Taken by Subcommittee/Task Force (if applicable):

The Air Quality Subcommittee reviewed the Plan and recommended approval at their June 6 meeting.

WILMAPCO Staff Recommendations:

The WILMAPCO staff recommends that Council approve the 2024 CMAQ Performance Plan.

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DRAFT RESOLUTION

BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO) APPROVING THE 2024 CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) PERFORMANCE PLAN

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and

WHEREAS, Federal surface transportation legislation established performance management requirements for States and MPOs under the Transportation Performance Management (TPM) program; and

WHEREAS, as part of this legislation, WILMAPCO must incorporate ongoing performance measurement into CMAQ planning and programming; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 CMAQ Performance Plan underwent significant interagency coordination during its development with the Air Quality Subcommittee, generally, and the Maryland and Delaware Departments of Transportation and the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission and Baltimore Metropolitan Council, specifically; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 CMAQ Performance Plan is comprised of a Mid-Period Progress Report for the 2nd Performance Period; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 CMAQ Performance Plan tracks performance against baseline conditions and two and four-year targets for traffic congestion measures and on-road mobile source emissions measures; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 CMAQ Performance Plan describes how CMAQ projects have and will continue to help achieve performance targets;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that WILMAPCO approves the 2024 CMAQ Performance Plan.

Date:	John Sisson, Chairperson
	Wilmington Area Planning Council

