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- Matthew Driscoll, New York State Department of Transportation Commissioner and NYMTC co-chair
- MaryEllen Odell, Putnam County Executive and NYMTC co-chair
- Polly Trottenberg, Commissioner, New York City Department of Transportation

## Next PFAC Meeting Will Include a Presentation on the Fourth Regional Plan

June 16, 2016, 1:15 p.m.

NYMTC, 25 Beaver Street, Suite 201, NYC.

The next meeting of the Program, Finance and Administration Committee (PFAC) will include a presentation by Tom Wright, president of the Regional Plan Association (RPA) on the **Fourth Regional Plan**, due out in 2017. This long-range vision for the region's shared prosperity, livability, resiliency and good governance will propose investments and policies to ensure the region's success for all residents. RPA's aspirational vision for the metropolitan region draws on three years of research, analysis and engagement with policy experts, civic groups and community members throughout the tri-state area. For more information on RPA and the Fourth Regional Plan go to [www.rpa.org](http://www.rpa.org)



In addition to this timely presentation, PFAC will take action on a number of items including self-certification, technical corrections to the Language Access Operating Procedures, and amendments to Plan 2040 and the UPWP. For the agenda and supporting documents go to [www.nymtc.org](http://www.nymtc.org).

This meeting will also be webcast. To attend in person RSVP to Andrea Miles-Cole at [andrea.miles-cole@dot.ny.gov](mailto:andrea.miles-cole@dot.ny.gov) or call 212-383-7200.

## NYMTC Launches Its New Website!

On May 13<sup>th</sup> we switched over to our new website, at <https://www.nymtc.org>. We're very proud of our new site and hope you'll take some time to go through the different sections and pages to see the improvements first hand.

With the new website comes the new **Transportation Information Gateway (TIG)**. This online data warehouse allows users to locate, query, visualize and download transportation planning data for the region. It's never been easier to find and use our data. Please let us know what you think! Send your comments to [nymtc-web@dot.ny.gov](mailto:nymtc-web@dot.ny.gov).

## Help Plan the Region's Transportation Future

We're in the process of developing our next Regional Transportation Plan, *Plan 2045*, and we want to know what you think. Our outreach website, [www.nymtc.mysidewalk.com](http://www.nymtc.mysidewalk.com), will be open through the end of July and your responses will provide valuable input into the Plan.



Please watch this video, <http://bit.ly/1oqirxW>, which explains the approach to Plan 2045 and upcoming milestones. We hope you'll take a few moments and help plan the region's transportation future!

For more information go to [www.nymtc-rtp.org](http://www.nymtc-rtp.org).

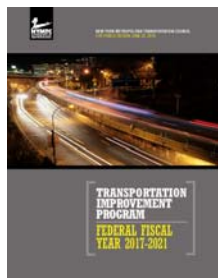
- Carl Weisbrod, Chair, New York City Planning Commission
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- Edward P. Mangano, Nassau County Executive
- Ed Day, Rockland County Executive
- Steve Bellone, Suffolk County Executive
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- Patrick Foye, Executive Director, Port Authority of New York and New Jersey
- Dennis J. Martin, Interim Executive Director, New Jersey Transit
- Mary K. Murphy, Executive Director, North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority
- Basil Seggos, Acting Commissioner, NYS Department of Environmental Conservation
- Henrika Buchanan-Smith, Acting Regional Administrator,

## Upcoming Public Comment Period and Review Meetings

NYMTC has prepared drafts of its Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2017-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and related [Transportation Conformity Determination](#) for the draft TIP as well as any changes proposed to the FFYs 2014-2040 Regional Transportation Plan, as amended, which are classified as "non-exempt" under the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990.



The TIP lists more than 1,200 transportation improvement projects totaling over \$30 billion of federal, state and local funding that are to be scheduled during FFYs 2017 through 2021.

These draft documents will be available for download at <https://www.nymtc.org> at the start of the comment period. To request a hard copy of the draft Conformity Determination and draft 2017-2021 TIP, contact

Toshema Johnson at 212-383-7256 or [Toshema.Johnson@dot.ny.gov](mailto:Toshema.Johnson@dot.ny.gov).



**A thirty day public comment period for these draft products will begin on Wednesday, June 22, 2016 and end at 4 pm on Thursday, July 21, 2016. Additionally, public review meetings will be held during this comment period per the following schedule. The meetings will be held at 3PM and 6:30PM and will be offered as webinars for those unable to attend in person.**

| July 12<br>Long Island                                                                                                                                                                                           | July 13<br>New York City                                                                                                                                                                                           | July 14<br>Lower Hudson Valley                                                                                                                                                                                   |
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| Republic Airport<br>Main Terminal<br>7150 Republic Airport<br>Farmingdale, NY 11725                                                                                                                              | NYMTC<br>25 Beaver Street, Suite<br>201<br>New York, NY 10004                                                                                                                                                      | Westchester County<br>Center<br>198 Central Ave, White<br>Plains, NY 10606                                                                                                                                       |
| 3:00 PM Webinar<br>Registration<br><a href="http://tinyurl.com/z8zqym6">http://tinyurl.com/z8zqym6</a><br>6:30 PM Webinar<br>Registration<br><a href="http://tinyurl.com/gtxyl4s">http://tinyurl.com/gtxyl4s</a> | 3:00 PM Webinar<br>Registration<br><a href="http://tinyurl.com/gs6coa3">http://tinyurl.com/gs6coa3</a><br>6:30 PM Webinar<br>Registration<br><a href="http://tinyurl.com/z5vnvsvr">http://tinyurl.com/z5vnvsvr</a> | 3:00 PM Webinar<br>Registration<br><a href="http://tinyurl.com/jyswgq9">http://tinyurl.com/jyswgq9</a><br>6:30 PM Webinar<br>Registration<br><a href="http://tinyurl.com/zh82kjf">http://tinyurl.com/zh82kjf</a> |

To RSVP for in-person meetings, contact Toshema Johnson at 212-383-7256 or [Toshema.Johnson@dot.ny.gov](mailto:Toshema.Johnson@dot.ny.gov). The links in the above table can be used to register for the webinars.

Comment Submission:

Written comments can be sent by mail, fax and e-mail by **4 pm on July 21, 2016**.

Email comments for the TIP can be sent to the following address: [comments@sharepointnymtc.org](mailto:comments@sharepointnymtc.org), and for the Transportation Conformity Determination to: [aqcomments@sharepointnymtc.org](mailto:aqcomments@sharepointnymtc.org)

Mail and fax comments can be sent to:

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## Section 5310 Solicitation Open

The New York State Department of Transportation is announcing the availability of nearly \$10 million in funding made available through the Federal Transit Administration's Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program (Section 5310).

The Section 5310 program supports improved mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by removing barriers to transportation services and expanding the transportation mobility options. This grant opportunity requires a 20 percent local match for capital and mobility management projects and a 50 percent match for operating projects. No less than 55 percent of the program funding will be made available for traditional 5310 projects. This program is intended to enhance mobility for seniors and persons with disabilities by supporting activities that serve the special needs of transit-dependent populations beyond traditional public transportation services and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) complementary paratransit services.



For more information, including the application and webinars access, go to <https://www.dot.ny.gov/divisions/policy-and-strategy/public-transportation/specialized-transportation/5310/section%205310-application-material>. Please note that the application deadline is July 1, 2016.

## Language Access Services Now Available

On April 1, 2016, NYMTC launched a Language Access Program as a step toward a more inclusive planning process. The program is designed to further enhance NYMTC's public involvement efforts to increase access to information about the planning process.

The United States Census identifies the size and proportion of Limited English Proficiency (LEP) populations in NYMTC's planning area. LEP populations are comprised of persons who are unable to communicate effectively in English because their primary language is not English and they have not developed fluency in the language. Thus, people included in LEP populations may have difficulty speaking or reading English and will benefit from translation to and from their primary language.

The 2010 Census identifies an LEP population of roughly 2.2 million people in the NYMTC planning area. Just over 70% of the total LEP population speaks one of three languages – Spanish, Chinese and Russian – and therefore these three languages are considered as primary LEP languages in NYMTC's planning area. An additional thirty one languages are considered secondary LEP languages.

In addition to verbal translation services available in person and over the phone, the Language Access Program provides: Translations of NYMTC's core regional planning products and analyses; Public announcements of meetings, public comment periods, and other public events and announcements; Real-time oral and American Sign Language translation services for general public meetings and workshops; and guidelines for planning projects and studies funded through NYMTC's planning process in specifically-defined study areas.

For more information on the program and how to access services, go to <https://www.nymtc.org/Get-Involved/Language-Access-Program>.

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