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**PUBLIC NOTIFICATION:**

**UPCOMING TAC AND NWARPC/POLICY COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR  
NARTS FY 2018 UPWP ADOPTION AND OTHER BUSINESS**

The Northwest Arkansas Regional Transportation Study (NARTS) Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) met on April 20, 2017 and recommended the Draft FY 2018 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) go to public comment. The UPWP outlines the planning activities of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC), serving as NARTS, from July 1, 2017 through June 31, 2018. A two-week public comment period for the Draft UPWP ran from Friday, April 21, 2017 through 5:00 pm Friday, May 5, 2017. No public comments were received. **NWARPC/POLICY COMMITTEE AND TAC MEETINGS FOR DRAFT UPWP REVIEW AND DISCUSSION:** The TAC will meet at 10:30 am on Thursday, May 18, 2017 and the NWARPC/Policy Committee will meet on Wednesday, May 24, 2017 at 1:30 pm. Both meetings will be held at the NWARPC office. The public is invited to attend any and all meetings. **Agendas for both meetings can be found at [www.nwarpc.org](http://www.nwarpc.org) when available.** For further information contact Celia Scott-Silkwood at [cscott-silkwood@nwarpc.org](mailto:cscott-silkwood@nwarpc.org).

**TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP) PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR PROGRAM OF PROJECTS (POP):** The public participation procedures outlined in the NWARPC Public Participation Plan (PPP) with respect to TIP development serve as the public participation process required for the development of transit projects as per FTA Circular 9030.1E. Specifically, the public participation procedures outlined in the PPP will serve to satisfy the POP requirements of the Section 5307, Urbanized Area Formula Grant Program for the University of Arkansas Razorback Transit and Ozark Regional Transit. Additionally, any and all public transit operator's capital projects and operational costs are included in the NARTS TIP which is developed through a cooperative and collaborative process with interested parties and other private and public transportation providers.

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