PUBLIC NOTICE OF TWO-WEEK PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR NARTS DRAFT FY 2021 UPWP

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) has authorized the Northwest Arkansas Transportation Study (NARTS) Draft FY 2021 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to go to a public comment period. The UPWP outlines the planning activities of the Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission, serving as NARTS, from July 1, 2020 through June 31, 2021. A two-week public comment period for the Draft UPWP will run from April 16, 2020 through April 30, 2020. The FY 2021 UPWP will be approved by the TAC and NWARPC/Policy Committee by May 31, 2020. The Draft UPWP will be available on April 16, 2020 on the NWARPC website at http://nwarpc.org and at the NWARPC office. The public is encouraged to send comments to Celia Scott-Silkwood, cscott-silkwood@nwarpc.org, or the NWARPC office, 1311 Clayton, Springdale, AR 72762.

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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