

PUBLIC NOTICE OF:

INTENT TO HOLD A VIRTUAL TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING; HOLD A FINAL VIRTUAL PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE CONCERNING THE NWARPC 2045 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN DURING A VIRTUAL NWARPC/POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING; INVITE PUBLIC COMMENT FOR A 30 DAY PERIOD.

The Northwest Arkansas Regional Planning Commission (NWARPC) is giving Notice of Intent to conclude the process of updating the NWA regional Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), titled NWARPC 2045 MTP. The Draft MTP will be available for public inspection on Thursday, January 21, 2021 online at https://www.nwarpc.org/2045-metropolitan-transportation-plan/. VIRTUAL TAC MEETING: The NWARPC Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) will hold a virtual meeting on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at 10:30 AM. The purpose of the meeting will be to review and discuss the Draft MTP, among other items. VIRTUAL PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE: NWARPC is inviting the public to view and comment on the Draft MTP by attending a virtual Open House to be held during the NWARPC/Policy Committee virtual meeting on Wednesday, January 27, 2021 beginning at 1:30 pm. HOW TO ATTEND THE OPEN HOUSE OR MEETING: Information on how to attend the virtual Open House and TAC and NWARPC/Policy Committee meetings will be available on the NWARPC web site, https://www.nwarpc.org/ or email cscottsilkwood@nwarpc.org. Members of the public are encouraged to join the Open House and voice comments. PUBLIC COMMENT: Even though the NWARPC office is closed for in-person meetings and events, NWARPC remains committed to providing opportunities for public comment. The public may offer comments on the Draft MTP during the 30-day public comment period running from January 28, 2021 through February 28, 2021. The public is encouraged to visit the NWARPC web site, https://www.nwarpc.org/2045-metropolitan-transportation-plan/ to view the document and written comments can be sent to https://www.nwarpc.org/contact/. Comments can also be written and mailed to 1311 Clayton, Springdale, AR 72762. SERVE ON A COMMITTEE: NWARPC invites members of the public to participate in non-elected committees. Please call 479-751-7125 for more information on committees and how to participate.

NWARPC DISCLAIMER: This notice is in accordance with the 2040 Northwest Arkansas MTP, the Federal Transportation Act (FAST Act) in cooperation with local agencies, ARDOT, MoDOT, FHWA, and FTA. Documents are funded in part through grant(s) from the FHWA, FTA, and/or the U.S. Department of Transportation. The views and opinions of the NWARPC expressed herein do not necessarily state or reflect those of the U.S. Department of Transportation. 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. NWARPC NOTICE OF NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY: The NWARPC complies with all civil rights provisions of federal statues and related authorities that prohibit discrimination in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance. Therefore, the NWARPC does not discriminate on the basis of race, sex, color, age, national origin, religion or disability, in the admission, access to and treatment in NWARPC's programs and activities, as well as the NWARPC's hiring or employment practices. Complaints of alleged discrimination and inquiries regarding the NWARPC's nondiscrimination policies may be directed to Celia Scott-Silkwood, AICP, Regional Planner - EEO/DBE (ADA/504/Title VI Coordinator), 1311 Clayton, Springdale, AR 72762, (479) 751-7125, (Voice/TTY 7-1-1 or 1-800-285-1131; Para llamadas en espanol, marques el 866-656-1842; papr llamadas en ingles, marque el 711 o directamente al 800-285-1131) or the following email address: cscott-silkwood@nwarpc.org. This notice is available from the ADA/504/Title VI Coordinator in large print, on audiotape and in Braille. If information is needed in another language, contact Celia Scott-Silkwood. Si necesita informacion en otro idioma, comuniqese Celia Scott-Silkwood, 479-751-7125, cuando menos 48 horas antes de la junta. Language assistance is available free of charge to all persons. Aviso de Disponible idioma servicio a las personas LEP: Ayuda con el idioma esta disponible de forma gratuita a todas las personas.