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DOVER/KENT MPO PAC HOLDS SPECIAL LONG-RANGE PLAN MEETING

Dover (DE) -- The Dover/Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO) Public Advisory Committee (PAC) will convene a special meeting from 7:00 to 9:00 PM., on Tuesday, June 12, 2001, to recommend adoption of the MPO's revised Long-Range Transportation Plan. The meeting will be held at the MPO's office--Suite 5N, Blue Hen Corporate Center, in Dover.

Public meetings were recently held in Milford, Smyrna, Harrington and Dover, to present the Plan to Kent County residents. The Plan is updated every three years, serves as a framework for transportation investment decisions through the year 2025, and acts as a blue-print for guiding elected officials toward meeting residents' transportation needs.

This year, adoption of the Plan will help Kent County to comply with stringent federal Clean Air requirements, and in doing so, allow unrestricted use of millions of dollars in transportation funding. Mandated by federal law, the MPO is responsible for planning and prioritizing transportation improvements required to keep Kent County eligible for federal highway and transit monies. The meeting is open to the public. For further information call the MPO at 760-2713.

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MPO PAC PLANS HARRINGTON MEETING

Dover (DE) -- The Dover/Kent County MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) will hold its Public Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting at the Harrington Senior Center, on Tuesday, May 23, 2000, from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Agenda topics will include an update of the Harrington and Camden-Wyoming By-Pass studies; presentations on the Transportation Enhancement Program and Delaware Rail Plan; discussion of the redesignation of SR-1 as an Interstate; review of the proposed fiscal year 2001 Unified Planning Work Program. The Harrington Senior Center is located at 102 Fleming Street. Call the MPO at 739-4594 for more information.

Media Advisory

MPO Long Range Plan to be Presented in

County-wide Public Meetings

WHO: The Dover/Kent County MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization)

WHAT: A series of public meetings to present the MPO's updated Long-Range Transportation Plan to Kent Countians. Updated every three years, the Plan acts as a blue-print for guiding elected officials toward meeting the transportation needs of their constituencies. It spells out how the county's transportation resources should be managed and serves as the frame work for transportation investment decisions through the year 2025.

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WHEN: 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. **WHERE:**

Tuesday, May 22, 2001 Milford Parks & Recreation, 207 Franklin Street

Tuesday, May 29, 2001 Harrington Public Library, 110 Center Street

Wednesday, May 30, 2001 First Presbyterian Church of Smyrna

(118 West Commerce Street)

Thursday, May 31, 2001 University of Delaware Paradee Center-Dover

69 Transportation Circle (across Rt.113 from the Blue

Hen Corporate Center)

Copies of the Plan may be obtained at the above meetings after May 22, 2001, or by calling the MPO. Contact Ava Perrine, Public Affairs Officer, at 739-4594.

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MPO SOUTH STATE STREET MEETING CANCELED

Dover (DE) -- The public is advised that the South State Street Area and Access Study Advisory Group meeting formerly scheduled for Thursday, March 8, 2001, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m., has been canceled. The Dover/Kent MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) has re-scheduled the meeting for Thursday, April 5, 2001, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Notices will be mailed to committee members regarding an agenda and location.

Date: March 21, 2001
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MPO AND CITY OF DOVER HOLD LINCOLN PARK AND CLARENCE STREET PUBLIC MEETING

Dover (DE) -- A project proposed for the westside of downtown Dover will be the subject of a public meeting hosted by the City of Dover and the Dover/Kent County MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization), on Wednesday, March 28, 2001. The project's limits would involve an approximately 10-acre area bounded on the north by Lincoln Street, on the south by North Street, on the east by the railroad track, and the west by Clarence Street. The project is proposed as an amendment to the MPO's 2002-2004 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

The proposed project area is located within the westside's Lincoln Park neighborhood and would involve a 750 foot extension of Clarence Street, the construction of 1,125 feet of streets within Lincoln Park Center, a proposed 10-acre office and commercial park. The City of Dover has applied for \$935,000 in federal monies under the Transportation and Community and System Preservation Grant fund to help implement the project which is projected to total \$1,858,000.

The public meeting will be held from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the Police Community Room, Dover Police Department, located at Queen Street and Bank Lane in Dover (Bank Lane entrance). Copies of the proposed project can be reviewed at the Department of Planning and Inspections, in City Hall at 15 The Plaza (Loockerman Street) in downtown Dover, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., or by calling 736-7010 to request a copy.

The MPO is the federally-designated transportation agency responsible for coordinating transportation planning and programming in Kent County. Plans and programs adopted by the MPO outline how federal transportation funds will be spent and must comply with federal laws governing clean air and transportation.

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DOVER/KENT MPO WELCOMES NEW PAC MEMBER

Dover (DE) -- Audrey O. Daniels, of Dover, has accepted an appointment to the Public Advisory Committee (PAC), of the Dover/Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization. Ms. Daniels is employed with the City of Dover in the position of Community Development Director/Fair Housing Counselor, where she directs and supervises the City's housing assistance program. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration from Delaware State University, and among other civic involvements, serves on the Board of Directors for Central Delaware Habitat for Humanity.

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DOVER/KENT MPO WELCOMES NEW PAC ALTERNATE

Dover (DE) -- Bill Saunders, of Dover, has been appointed as an alternate to the Public Advisory Committee (PAC), of the Dover/Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization. Mr. Saunders, a 28 year veteran of the U.S. Air Force, has a civil engineering background and is currently employed with Johnson Controls Battery Plant in Middletown, DE. Mr. Saunders is now an alternate for long-time PAC member, Alan A. Greenwell, of Clayton. Among his other community involvements, Mr. Saunders sings with the Middletown-Odessa-Townsend Community Male Choir. The MPO is a federally-funded agency responsible for developing transportation plans and programs for urbanized areas with populations of at least 50,000 people. The PAC ensures that the MPO receives input from the public regarding all of the transportation plans, programs and policies it adopts.

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MPO PUBLIC ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETS

Dover (DE) -- The Public Advisory Committee (PAC) of the Dover/Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will hold its regular, bi-monthly meeting from 7:00-9:00 p.m., on Tuesday, February 27, 2001. The meeting will be held in Frederica, at the Frederica Town Hall, on 14 East David Street. Agenda topics will include: discussion of a proposed statewide plan to re-designate SR-1 to an Interstate; a review of the MPO's Long-Range Plan currently under revision; discussion of the MPO's draft fiscal year 2002 Unified Planning Work Program. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. Call the MPO at 739-4594 for more information.

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MPO TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETS

Dover (DE) -- The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) of the Dover/Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will hold its regular, bi-monthly meeting from 9:15-11:30 a.m., on Wednesday, February

14, 2001. The meeting will be held in the conference room of the State Office of Facilities Management, at 149 Transportation Circle (next to the Administration Building of the Delaware Department of Transportation-Route 113, Dover). Agenda topics will include: a review of the MPO's Long-Range Plan currently under revision; discussion of the MPO's draft fiscal year 2002 Unified Planning Work Program, and the South State Street Area and Access Study; an update on the Concept for US 13 Phase II; and review of the proposed fiscal year 2002-2004 Transportation Improvement Program. The public is invited and encouraged to attend. Call the MPO at 739-4594 for more information.

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DOVER/KENT MPO WELCOMES NEW PAC MEMBER

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DOVER/KENT MPO AND THE COUNCIL ON TRANSPORTATION PLAN TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM WORKSHOP AND PUBLIC HEARING

Dover (DE) -- Kent Countians are invited to join the Dover/Kent County MPO (Metropolitan Planning Organization) and the Council on Transportation (COT) for a workshop and public hearing scheduled for Wednesday, January 17, 2001, at the Delaware Department of Transportation's (DelDOT) Administration building on Route 113 in Dover. Up for review and discussion will be the MPO's draft Transportation Improvement Program (TIP for fiscal years 2002-2004, and the DelDOT Capital Improvement Program (CIP). Bicycle and pedestrian issues, transit services, roadway/bridge improvements and the state-wide long-range transportation plan will also be presented.

The workshop is planned from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m., followed by the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. MPO and COT representatives, as well as DelDOT staff will be available to receive comments and discuss proposed plans and projects. The MPO comprises representatives from state, county and local governments, as well as technical and citizen representatives. COT members are appointed by the Governor, and represent Kent, Sussex and New Castle counties.

A court reporter will be available to record comments. Interested persons who cannot attend may submit written comments for inclusion in the public record, and an interpreter for the hearing impaired can be available, if requested in advance. Please direct questions, comments to the MPO at (302) 739-5359, fax