2020 Central Arkansas MPO Federal Planning Certification Review

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Why Are We Here?

- 4-year required joint review of metropolitan planning process for areas over 200,000 in population.

- Seeking public input on how the process works.
How We’ll Use Your Comment

- Comments received until August 15, 2020 will be summarized in the final report.

- Comments will be taken into consideration while evaluating the transportation planning process for Central Arkansas.
What is the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process?

Process by which transportation decisions are made and projects are planned, selected, and prioritized for implementation within the region.
Why is the Metropolitan Planning Process Important?

- Used to determine how a large part of the Federal transportation funding is spent nationwide.

- Helps the MPO to prioritize regional needs and determine the best and most economical solution.

- Provides the framework for the future transportation system.
Who is involved?

- MPO
- Arkansas Department of Transportation
- Rock Region Metro
- Local Jurisdictions
- Other modes of Transportation (Airport and Port Authority)
- Interest Groups
- FTA & FHWA
- The Public
How is the process carried out?

- 3-C Approach
  - Continuing
  - Cooperative
  - Comprehensive

- Multimodal

- Public Input
Planning Products

- Unified Planning Work Program
- Metropolitan Transportation Plan
- Congestion Management Process
- Transportation Improvement Program
- Public Participation Plan
Have you been involved in the transportation planning process?

Do you have enough opportunity to participate?

What are your views on the process?
  - Is it working?
  - What improvements do you recommend?
Comments?

- Comments accepted until August 20, 2020
- Please email comments to Amy.Heflin@dot.gov