

~~(C) THE DEPARTMENT MAY CONDUCT ITS ANALYSIS OF PLANNED TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS IN PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS ON A STATEWIDE BASIS OR IN GROUPINGS OF PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS CENTERED ON REGIONS, METROPOLITAN AREAS, CITIES, OR OTHER GROUPINGS SUITABLE FOR TRANSPORTATION MODELING, AND THE DEPARTMENT MAY CHOOSE TO EXCLUDE FROM ANALYSIS PRIORITY FUNDING AREAS WHICH HAVE AN INSIGNIFICANT ROLE IN TRANSPORTATION TRENDS BECAUSE OF SMALL SIZE, POPULATION, OR PHYSICAL ISOLATION.~~

~~(H) IN REPORTING ON THE ATTAINMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PERFORMANCE GOALS AND BENCHMARKS, THE DEPARTMENT AND OFFICE OF PLANNING SHALL:~~

~~(1) USE NARRATIVE, GRAPHS, CHARTS, TABLES, AND MAPS AS APPROPRIATE TO MAKE THE RESULTS EASILY UNDERSTOOD BY THE PUBLIC;~~

~~(2) INCLUDE PROJECTED LONG TERM TRENDS FOR EACH OF THE INDICATORS AND THE EFFECT OF PLANNED TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS ON THE TRENDS;~~

~~(3) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, ACCOUNT FOR THE EFFECT OF PLANNED TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENTS ON INDUCING AUTOMOBILE TRAVEL;~~

~~(4) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, ACCOUNT FOR AUTOMOBILE TRIPS NOT TAKEN DUE TO DEMAND MANAGEMENT MEASURES, INCLUDING TELEWORK, TELES SHOPPING, AND LAND USE PATTERNS SUPPORTING ALTERNATIVES TO DRIVING, AND~~

~~(5) INDICATE THE COST EFFECTIVENESS OF INVESTMENTS FOR ACHIEVING RELEVANT PERFORMANCE GOALS AND BENCHMARKS.~~

Article - Transportation

2-103.1.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

(2) "Capital project" means:

(i) Any project for which funds are expended for construction, reconstruction, or rehabilitation of a transportation facility by the Department or of a transportation facilities project by the Maryland Transportation Authority; or

(ii) Capital equipment, as defined by the Secretary.

(3) "Construction phase" means the phase of a capital project in which the project is committed and advanced from the project development phase to completion.

(4) "Major capital project" means any new, expanded, or significantly improved facility or service that involves planning, environmental studies, design, right-of-way, construction, or purchase of essential equipment related to the facility or service.