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## **Hampton Roads Transportation Management Area Planning Certification Review**

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# What is the Certification Review

- Federal requirement for urban areas over 200,000 every four years
- Review of the “3-C” (coordinated, continuing, and comprehensive) planning process
- Involves several planning partners - TPO, VDOT, transit operators (HRT, WATA and Suffolk Transit)
- Conducted jointly by FTA Regional Office and FHWA Division Office
- Risked-based approach

# Overview of the Certification Process

- Desk review – Prior to site visit
- A site visit with TPO and planning partners - Conducted September 23-24, 2020 via Zoom. Included input from public and CAC
- A prepared report by FHWA and FTA – Final report sent 2/1/2021
- A closeout presentation of review findings - Today

# Certification Review Findings

- Corrective actions - None
- Commendations – Four
- Recommendations - Four

# Certification Commendations

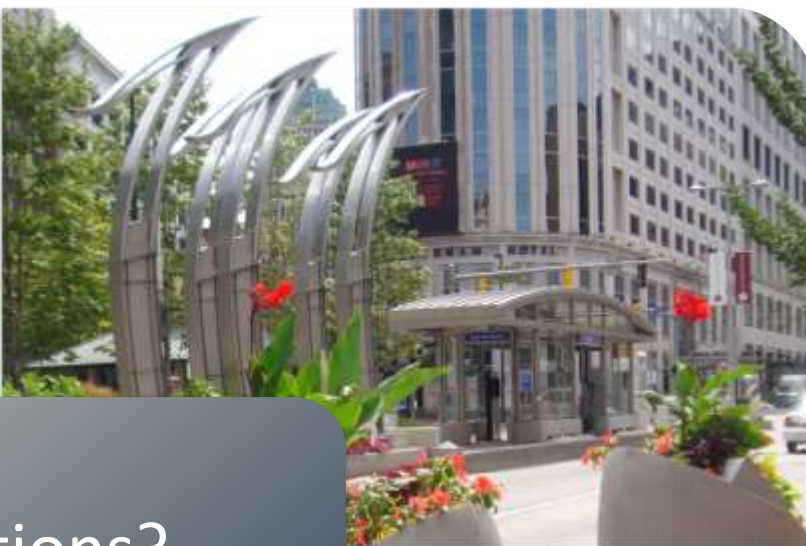
- Ambitious scenario planning effort as part of the 2045 LRTP update
- Excellent mapping and enhanced visualization techniques for TIP projects
- Comprehensive and engaged Public Participation Plan
- Robust administration of the Title VI Program and Environmental Justice strategies

# Certification Recommendations

- Reconsider Regional Priority Projects definition
- Consider elevating public transportation planning and investments to better demonstrate a balanced approach to meet regional priorities
- Include transit summary costs in the financial plan for next TIP Update
- The Federal Review team is requesting that VDOT (Hampton Roads District office) conduct a Title VI/ Nondiscrimination review of the HRPDC

# Conclusion

- FHWA/ FTA jointly certify transportation the planning process for the Hampton Roads Transportation Management Area (TMA).
- The certification remains in effect until November 20, 2024.
- Federal partners to work with TPO on the report's recommendations for improvements and enhancements to the planning process.



Questions?

