

# EASTERN SHORE METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION

## RESOLUTION NO. 2020-07

Approving the 2020 Public Participation Plan for the Eastern Shore Metropolitan Area

**WHEREAS, the Eastern Shore Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)** is the organization designated by the Governor of the State of Alabama as being responsible, together with the State of Alabama, for implementing the applicable provisions of 23 USC 134 and 135 (amended by FAST Act, Sections 1201 and 1202, December 2015); 42 USC 2000d-1, 7401; 23 CFR 450 and 500; 40 CFR 51 and 93; and

**WHEREAS, Title 23 CFR 450.316(a)(1) et al,** provides that the MPO's must prepare a public participation plan to describe the process to ensure all citizens have reasonable opportunities to be involved in transportation planning, defines the segments of population to be included in that process, and further describes the means, methods, and formats used in providing those opportunities; and

**WHEREAS, in meeting requirements of 450.316 (a)(ix),** the MPO agrees to periodically review the effectiveness of procedures and strategies intended to provide full and open access to all citizens; and

**WHEREAS, consistent with the declaration of the above provisions,** the Eastern Shore MPO, in consultation with the Alabama Department of Transportation, has prepared a 2020 Public Participation Plan (PPP); and

**WHEREAS, pursuant to 450.316 (a)(3),** the MPO has provided a public comment period of forty-five (45) days to review the PPP prior to final MPO approval; now

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Eastern Shore MPO has reviewed its public participation procedures, hereafter referred to as the 2020 Public Participation Plan (PPP), to assure that full and open access to the transportation planning process is provided to all citizens, to maintain consistency with federal and state requirements, and to improve and streamline the public involvement process.

The foregoing resolution was adopted and approved on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July 2020, by the Eastern Shore Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Board.



Date: 7/20/20

Dane Haygood, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Katherine Robinson Date: 7/22/2020