What is the Public Participation Plan

- Establishes consistent procedures to ensure people have reasonable opportunities to be involved in the regional planning process.
- Provides examples of the types of tools and techniques PSRC may use to communicate with the public.
- PSRC completes this plan to satisfy federal requirements.
- Detailed outreach activities are part of each planning process, like Regional Transportation Plan and VISION 2050.
Update Process

• PSRC staff began the process last June
  • Last update in 2018, only minor changes have been made since 2012
• Provided a general frame to federal partners last July
• We will be asking the Executive Board to release the plan for a 45-day public comment period coming in March
  • Including Focus Groups with local planners and engagement specialists
• Plan will be adopted in June
Update Process

• Key updates were shared with the Equity Advisory Committee, we met last July and December.
• Led to revised Goals, Guiding Principles, Desired Outcomes, and Best Practices.
Leveraging the Regional Equity Strategy

**Capacity Building**
- Learning Opportunities
- Prioritizing Equity
- Inclusive Procurement
- Hiring and Retention

**Data and Research**
- Equity Tracker Data
- Data and Analysis
- Legacy of Structural Racism Interactive Report

**Community Engagement**
- Equity Advisory Committee
- Anti-Displacement Organizations
  - **Equitable Engagement Guidance**

**Best Practices**
- Racial Equity Impact Assessment
- Equity Planning Resources
Amended Goals

- Articulate how the agency approaches public engagement.
- Increase overall awareness of regional planning activities, paying specific attention to communities that have been adversely impacted by past planning decisions.
- Ensure early, continuous, and broad public notification about and participation in major actions and decisions by PSRC.
- Receive meaningful public input to inform the decision-making process.
- Seek to conduct PSRC work program and outreach in an equitable and inclusive manner.
New Additions

• Best Practices for Equitable Engagement
  • Guidance document soon to be circulated among PSRC staff

• Amended Desired Outcomes and Guiding Principles
  • Based on EAC feedback

• Expanded compensation policies
  • Direct engagement
  • Community-Based Organizations
  • Honorariums for speakers and events
Next Steps

- 45-day comment period
- Executive Board adoption
Questions?