NOTICE OF PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE DRAFT 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM, AIR QUALITY ANALYSIS, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE DOCUMENTATION AND RELATED DOCUMENTS FOR MERCER COUNTY

The Shenango Valley Area Transportation Study (SVATS) Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is the legal organization through which Mercer County considers and approves plans and programs using federal and state funds for all modes of transportation.

The 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for Mercer County is a listing and description of all transportation projects expected to advance over the next four years using federal funds. The TIP includes environmental justice documentation, information on the TIP development process, TIP revision procedures and other related information. A draft air quality analysis and conformity determination of the TIP, consistent with Clean Air Act (CAA) requirements and existing associated regulations, has also been prepared for review as required.

The TIP and all related documents are available for public review and comment from May 26, 2020 until June 26, 2020. All documents are posted on the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission (MCRPC) website's Transportation webpage at https://mcrpc.com/transportation/transportation-improvement-program/. Copies of the documents will also be available at the offices of the MCRPC, 2491 Highland Road, Hermitage, PA 16148. Due to health and safety concerns outlined in current COVID-19 directives, public viewing of hard copy documents is by appointment only. Please call 724-981-2412, x3206 if you would like to make an appointment to review or receive copies of any TIP documentation. Any written comments can be emailed to Matt Stewart at mstewart@mcrpc.com or mailed to the MCRPC address above. Comments must be received by June 26, 2020.

In addition, a **VIRTUAL PUBLIC HEARING** regarding the 2021-2024 TIP will be conducted on Thursday, June 18, 2020 at 3:00PM To join the virtual meeting by computer, tablet or smartphone please visit: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/633851757. To dial in by phone call: +1 (571)-317-3122. Meeting Access Code: 633-851-757

Please be advised that this notice of public involvement and opportunity for public comment will satisfy the MPO Public Participation Plan and the program of projects requirements of the Urbanized Area Formula Program (Section 5307) of the Federal Transportation Administration.

The SVATS MPO is committed to compliance with the nondiscrimination requirements of applicable civil rights statutes, executive orders, regulations and policies. Accommodations may be provided for those with special needs related to language, sight or hearing if provided by 4:00 P.M. on June 11, 2020. If you have a request for a special need, wish to file a complaint or desire additional information, please contact Matt Stewart, Senior Planner, MCRPC at the phone number or email address listed above.

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