

Legislation Text

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Draft Public Involvement Policy (PIP) and Limited English Proficiency Plan (LEP) (10 minutes) **Anne Phillips, LPA Staff**

In December 2020, the MPO Board released the draft Public Involvement Policy and Limited English Proficiency Plan for a 45-day public comment period. The public comment period was advertised in the Herald Sun, the Triangle Tribune, Que Pasa, and on the MPO's website and social media accounts. No public comments were received. A public hearing was held for the PIP and LEP Plan at the January 2021 MPO Board meeting. No members of the public spoke during the hearing.

DCHC MPO's last Public Involvement Policy (PIP) was adopted in 2012. This updated plan builds on the 2012 plan and will guide efforts to proactively involve the public to plan a multimodal transportation system that meets the region's economic, sustainability, and equity goals. This plan covers the development and approval process for DCHC's major plans, programs, and studies. It guides how the public will be notified about programs, plans, and studies; opportunities available for the public to provide input; and the length of public input periods.

DCHC MPO's first Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan was adopted along with the PIP in 2012. A person with Limited English Proficiency is one who does not speak English as their primary language and who has a limited ability to read, speak, write, or understand English. The updated plan provides guidance on how the MPO will provide language assistance for people with limited English proficiency.

TC Action: Recommended that the Board adopt the Public Involvement Policy and Limited English Proficiency Plan.

Board Action: Adopt the Public Involvement Policy and Limited English Proficiency Plan.