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Newsletter for Dover/Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization





The Air Quality Partnership (AQP) of Delaware has announced Car Free Week from September 20 through September 24, 2021. The AQP of Delaware is a coalition of public and private organizations and individuals who work collaboratively to educate the public about ways to improve the region's air quality. During Car Free Week, AQP partner organizations share information on simple ways that local residents can help improve air quality in the region via social media, websites, and newsletters.

To reduce air pollution, you can:

- Rethink how you travel. Take transit, carpool, or ride a bike to your destination.
- Don't top off your gas tank. Spillage adds two tons of pollution to the air each day.

- Refuel at the end of the day. Ozone levels are highest in the afternoon.
- Clean out your trunk. An extra 100 pounds reduces your gas mileage by 2 percent.
- Combine errands. Combine other trips with your daily commute to save time, money, and the environment.

Maintain your car. A well-maintained vehicle emits less pollution and saves gas. Properly inflated tires improve your gas mileage by 3 percent, while regular oil changes improve your gas mileage by 1 to 2 percent.

See more tips, as well as check the Air Quality Index by going to www.doverkentmpo.org

Harrington Multimodal Freight Terminal Feasibility Study

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Harrington, Delaware

Dover/Kent County Metropolitan Planning Organization City of Harrington

August 5, 2021



The City of Harrington is currently updating its Comprehensive Plan and has identified three parcels for a possible multimodal freight terminal supporting industrial, warehouse, and office park uses. The overall goal is to master plan these three parcels to allow the City to proceed with all necessary road, rail, water, and sewer infrastructure to accommodate potential employers looking to locate in the City. In addition to the City's Comprehensive Plan Update, the Kent Economic Partnership (KEP) had an Economic Analysis completed in 2018. The analysis, among other things, recommended warehousing, distribution, and logistics as a key sector to target in the future regarding Kent County's economic development initiatives. As such, this Multimodal Freight Terminal Feasibility Study supports the goals outlined in that report. The purpose of this study is to explore the feasibility of establishing a multimodal freight terminal servicing rail and truck freight logistical operations throughout Kent County and the region, and to develop a master plan for the terminal and associated industrial development on the three parcels.

The entire study was adopted by the MPO Council on September 1, 2021. It can be read by clicking <a href="https://example.com/here-read-by-clicking-here-r

If you have any questions or concerns about the study, you can email James Galvin at james.galvin@doverkentmpo.org.



1 - Map of the proposed site.

DelDOT Public Workshop for the CTP

Interested persons are encouraged to participate in the development of the state's next six-year CapitalTransportation Program (CTP) for Fiscal Years 2023 – 2028 and the Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) for Fiscal Years 2022-2025 for each county, by attending virtual public meetings listed below. The meetings are jointly sponsored by the Council on Transportation, the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT), Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO), Dover/Kent MPO, Sussex County, and Salisbury Wicomico MPO.

The meetings will include information on select projects and the new projects being considered for the program. The selected projects are being reconsidered for inclusion in the Fiscal Years 2023 – 2028 Capital Transportation Program. They are drawn from MPO long range plans, where applicable, and have been prioritized using the "Enhanced DelDOT CTP Prioritization Process" (adopted by COT in February 2020) and Decision Lens software. The meetings also include capital investments for DART First State public transit and will be used to satisfy the public involvement requirements of Federal Transit Administration Section 5307. The public is invited to provide additional comments and perspectives on the State's transportation needs over the next 25 years.

The first DelDOT public meeting will be held in conjunction with the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) on Wednesday, September 15, 2021 from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. virtual Zoom meeting – Meeting ID: 880 4752 4896 Passcode: 547118 – One Tap Mobile:

+16468769923,88047524896#,*547118#. Project information will be displayed, and there will be opportunities for discussion with DeIDOT and WILMAPCO representatives.

The second DelDOT public meeting will be held in conjunction with the Dover/Kent County MPO and will be held on Thursday, September 23, 2021 from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. virtual Zoom meeting – Meeting ID: 856 0922 6933 Passcode: 747235 – One Tap Mobile: +13126266799,85609226933#,*747235#. Project information will be displayed, and there will be opportunities for discussion with DelDOT and MPO representatives.

The third DelDOT public meeting will be held in conjunction with both Sussex County and Salisbury Wicomico MPO on Wednesday, September 29, 2021 from 4 p.m. until 6 p.m. virtual Zoom meeting – Meeting ID: 865 3245 8445 Passcode: 021097 – One Tap Mobile:

+13017158592,86532458445#,*021097#. Project information will be displayed, and there will be opportunities for discussion with DelDOT and county representatives.

The MPOs are comprised of representatives from state, county, and local governments, and citizen and technical representatives. Mandated by 29 Delaware Code, §8409, the meetings are designed to ensure that the public has ample opportunity to participate in the planning process. The Council on Transportation is composed of citizen representatives from each county in the state. Members are appointed by the Governor.

The meetings will be held on an accessible virtual platform with closed captioning provided. Persons requiring accommodations, such as an interpreter for hearing/speech or access in another language other than English, should contact: Delaware Department Of Transportation, Office of Community Relations by mail to P.O. Box 778, Dover, DE 19903, or call 302-760-2080 or email to dotpr@delaware.gov, one week prior to the meeting.

DelDOT Public Workshop for Camden Projects

The Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT) is holding a Public Workshop/Virtual Zoom Platform Presentation AND Question and Answer Session to solicit public input on the multiple DelDOT Camden Area Projects.

The Public Workshop/Virtual Zoom Platform Presentation AND Question and Answer Session will be held on Tuesday, September 28, 2021 from 5 PM until 7 PM using the Zoom platform at the registration link below:

https://centuryeng.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_1b9ms4toSLeyIsHTH0UNAg

The public is invited to register and attend a Public Workshop/Live Virtual Zoom Platform Presentation on the projects beginning at 5 PM until 7 PM on Tuesday, September 28, 2021.

Multiple DelDOT projects are in design and around the Camden area in Kent County.

The following DelDOT Camden Area Projects will be highlighted:

US13 Widening between Walnut Shade Road and Puncheon Run Connector

Camden Bypass (East and West)

Walnut Shade Road between US 13 and Peachtree Run

Extension of the Capital City Trail

Attendees will have the opportunity to view project displays for the proposed improvements and ask questions and provide comments to DelDOT's representatives.

Interested persons are invited to express their views in writing; giving reasons for and/or in opposition to the proposed projects.

Comments will be received during the Public Workshop/Virtual Zoom Platform Presentation or can be mailed to DelDOT Community Relations, ATTN: John Gaines, P.O. Box 778, Dover, DE 19903 or sent via email to dotpr@delaware.gov

A recording of the Public Workshop/Virtual Zoom Platform Presentation AND Question and Answer Session will be available on the website within a few days after the presentation.

Where will the MPO Parklet be next?



Come see us in Smyrna on September 21st for the Police Night Out event from 6-8!

And we'll be in Dover for First Friday on October 2nd from 5-8!

See our latest DMV ad, and come take the survey!



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East-West Truck Study Public Workshop

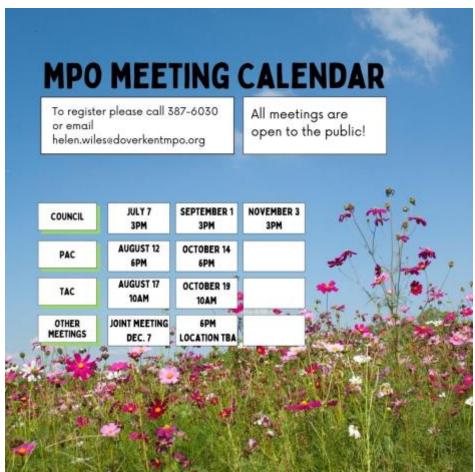






Upcoming Meetings







2 - Due to the rise in Covid Cases recently, we are going back to virtual meetings. Please keep abreast on what it happening with our meetings on our website.

New segment of Capital City Trail opened



A new multi-use path along Route 10 from Gateway Shopping Center to South State Street for pedestrians and cyclists was officially opened earlier this month. This work included the following: sidewalks, transit improvements, ADA curbs, gutters, paving, fencing, signage, and landscaping. The section of this trail is part of the overall Capital City Trail which connects Downtown Dover, Camden/Wyoming, DAFB Housing, Brecknock Park, Caesar Rodney High School, Schutte Park, Danner Campus, and points between.

The entire length of the trail is approximately 14.5 miles in length. The remaining section of the trail from South State Street to US 13 is scheduled to be constructed in conjunction with the Camden Bypass Project.



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