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PUBLIC NOTICE

## **PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION PLAN - FISCAL YEAR 2011 UPDATE**

The Des Moines Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) will host a public meeting to receive comments on the *Passenger Transportation Plan (PTP) - Fiscal Year 2011 Update*. The meeting starts at **6:00 p.m., Tuesday, March 30, 2010, at the North Side Library - 3516 5th Avenue, Des Moines, IA.** The North Side Library is accessible via public transportation using the Des Moines Area Regional Transit Authority's #3 bus route.

The purpose of the PTP is to promote joint, coordinated passenger transportation planning programs that further the development of the local and regional public transportation systems, particularly for transportation disadvantaged populations. The Iowa Department of Transportation (DOT) requires the development or update of a PTP annually. This year, the MPO is required to submit an update.

The PTP update reviews prior and new public input regarding transportation needs, documents planning efforts and key participants, reviews the status of previously recommended projects to determine their impacts, and reaffirms or amends the previously recommended program of projects that will use Iowa DOT or Federal Transit Administration (FTA) funding.

The MPO staff forwarded the draft PTP update to the Iowa DOT on February 1, 2010, for review and comment. Staff will incorporate any suggested revisions into the PTP update once Iowa DOT comments are available.

This public meeting will be held using an open forum format to encourage meeting attendees to express views, share opinions, and ask questions regarding the PTP update. One may share their opinion with MPO staff in three ways: 1) orally at the meeting; 2) in writing via forms available at the meeting; or, 3) by submitting written comments to the MPO after the March 30, 2010, meeting but prior to the close of the comment period on April 1, 2010.

The draft PTP update is available on the MPO website, <http://www.dmampo.org/>, or one may request a paper copy from MPO staff. If anyone has questions or comments, please contact the MPO staff by telephone at (515) 334-0075 or via e-mail at [dmullenix@dmampo.org](mailto:dmullenix@dmampo.org).