

AWG Member Comment Session: ensuring equal opportunity to shape the draft high-level recommendations

Following the June AWG meeting, the project team will be drafting more detailed findings, conclusions, and recommendations (i.e., an initial draft report). This draft report will be sent to members in advance of the September 13 AWG meeting (full day, in-person, in Las Vegas). Most (or all) of the all-day September AWG meeting will be devoted to member discussion and deliberations on the draft report.

To help the project team develop an initial draft report, AWG members are now asked to provide their reactions, suggestions, and other comments on the top-line draft recommendations published on pages 20 and 21 of the June 2022 AWG Briefing Book.

To ensure each of the 29 members have an equal opportunity to provide their reactions during the June online-only meeting, each AWG member will be called on, in alphabetical order, and asked to provide up to 2 minutes of comment. Further details about this “lightening round” style comment session are below:

1. The project team will first describe the process for the 60-minute comment session and will quickly read (and display) the draft top-line recommendations on the screen.
2. In alphabetical order, the AWG Chair will call on **each AWG member to provide up to 2 minutes of reaction, suggestions, opinions, etc.** Although an example is provided below, Members are welcome to spend their allotted time commenting on whatever they feel is important.
3. All members will be on mute during the comment session, except the recognized speaker and the AWG Chair.

All comments will be recorded and published in the meeting minutes. The project team will use all comments made during the “lightening round” session to help shape the initial DRAFT report to be circulated to AWG members in advance of the September 13, 2022, AWG meeting.

The September AWG meeting (all day, in-person) will be devoted to more thorough deliberations by members and revising the initial draft recommendations.

Example:

Chair Valentine: *“John Smith, it’s your turn to offer any comments or suggestions on the draft high-level recommendations. Please begin.”*

AWG member John Smith: *“Overall, I’m supportive of the general direction of the draft recommendations. However, there are two areas I would prefer to see changed. Under 1D, I feel we should recommend reallocating current GST to transportation purposes, because....And under 2A, I think we need to provide examples or more detail of what “other unmet needs refers to. Also, do not think we should wait much longer to pursue changes in land use...”*

Chair Valentine: *“Thank you Mr. Smith, your two minutes is up. Next is Mary Johnson...”*

For planning purposes, the alphabetical order of AWG Members is listed below. [Note: any designates serving in the place of the AWG member will speak during the AWG member's assigned slot]:

David Bobzien
Doug Buesselman
Julie Butler
Cindy Creighton
Bradley Crowell
Kyle Davis
Vice Chair Harshal Desai
Sherry Ely-Mendes
Paul Enos
Jayce Farmer
Carlos Gomez
Vinson Guthreau
Dallas Harris
Lamare Jones
Craig Madole
Chris Martinovich
MJ Maynard
Daniele Monroe-Moreno
Paul Moradkhan
Joey Paskey
Julie Regan
Kris Sanchez
Ann Silver
Marie Steele
Kristina Swallow
Kathleen Taylor
Bill Thomas
Chair Virginia Valentine
Bill Wellman