

3.1 Corridor Advisory Committees

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Table 1: CAC Draft Meeting Schedule

Meeting Dates	Meeting Topics
<i>CAC #10 – Week of April 3, 2017</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductions • Expectations • Overview of CAC Program Plan and Public Involvement Plan • Topics for future meetings • Project Schedule and Update
<i>CAC #11 – Week of May 22, 2017</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Station Locations • Station Architecture • Service Planning Overview
<i>CAC #12 – Week of July 10, 2017¹</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bicycle and Pedestrian Accommodations • Transit Signal Priority • Environmental Documentation
<i>CAC #13 – Week of September 11, 2017¹</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on Environmental Documentation • BRT Operations Plan/Local Bus Service Plan Overview - Resource: US 29 Existing Conditions Report • Community Improvement Hotspot Activity
<i>CAC #14 – Week of November 5, 2017¹</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on TSP Locations • Preliminary Design Review • Next Steps: Final Design Public Outreach Summary/ CAC Program Plan

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¹ Meeting may be subject to schedule adjustment due to project updates or meeting site availability

Starting in May 2017, the US 29 CACs will be divided into three segments: the US 29 Northern Committee, the US 29 Central Committee, and the US 29 Southern Committee. The Northern Committee comprises members who live north of New Hampshire Avenue, the Central Group comprises members who live south of New Hampshire Avenue and outside (north of) the Capital Beltway, and the Southern group comprises those who live inside (south of) the Capital Beltway. The CACs will continue to meet throughout the design and implementation process.

The Corridor Advisory Committee Program Plan outlines the plans for the next phase of CAC meetings, spanning from March 2017 to October 2017 (see Corridor Advisory Committee Program Plan in **Appendix I**). The program plan includes an overview of the upcoming meeting schedule and topics that will be covered (**Table 1**).

With CAC members' assistance, the project team will conduct outreach to engage the broader community in the design and implementation process. Types of outreach are listed in **Table 2**.

Table 2: Types of Outreach (Examples are not exhaustive)

Type	Outreach	Groups and Residents Engaged
Written	Monthly e-newsletter	All individuals in database.
	Sample paragraph updates for use in other newsletters	Municipal, County, State, and Federal elected officials' newsletters.
	Mailed newsletters	Individuals on mailing list.
	Employers	Flyers to be distributed.
In-person	School outreach	Outreach includes school plays, Back to School Nights, and sporting events.
	Umbrella Civic Groups	Includes citizens' associations in East Silver Spring, South Four Corners, Northwood Four Corners, Burtonsville, and Calverton as well as the Presidents' Council in Silver Spring.
	Silver Spring Opinion Leaders Groups	Includes Advisory boards in Silver Spring and East County.
	Residential Communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enclave rental apartments • Riderwood
	Religious Institutions	Includes churches, temples, and religious centers.
	Outdoor Pools and Recreational Centers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Martin Luther King County Pool • Community pools during swim meets
	Shopping Centers	Includes shopping centers in White Oak, Burnt Mills, Woodmoor, WesTech, Briggs Chaney, and Burtonsville.
	Rotary Clubs	E-blasts to clubs such as Knights of Columbus and Lions' Clubs.
	Event Tabling	Includes the Silver Spring Farmer's Market, concert series, and Burtonsville Day.
	County Parks	Includes playing fields in Indian Spring Terrace Local Park.
	Libraries	Silver Spring, White Oak, and Marilyn Praisner libraries.
	Grocery stores	Supermarkets along the US 29 corridor.
Pop-Up Events	Community Locations	Transit centers in along the project corridor.
	Montgomery County Parks "Pop Up" events	Parks include Fairview Road Urban Park, North Four Corners Local Park, and Caroline Freeland Urban Park