WILMAPCO Council Action Item Summary Sheet

Meeting Date: January 10, 2019

Action Item #13: To Endorse the 2018 Inter-Regional Report

Description/Summary of Item: The 2018 Inter-Regional Report is a data-oriented summary of demographic changes and travel characteristics for a 28-county study area centering on the WILMAPCO region. This 2018 update utilizes more recent data from the U.S. Census Bureau, metropolitan planning organizations, and other agencies to provide detailed maps and analysis of a series of transportation and demographic trends. The report also includes an analysis of key regional corridors and updates on inter-regional planning activities.

<u>Summary of Action Taken by PAC:</u> The PAC did not take action, but received a presentation on the progress report and reviewed the document for public-friendliness.

<u>Summary of Action Taken by TAC:</u> The TAC recommended Council endorse the 2018 Inter-Regional Report at their December 20, 2018 meeting, with the following changes:

- On page 19, figure 8, change the color of urbanized areas from green to better distinguish them from rural areas.
- On page 44, figure 27, add a legend indicating rail corridors and highway corridors.

Summary of Action Taken by Subcommittee/Task Force (if applicable): N/A

<u>WILMAPCO Staff Recommendations:</u> The WILMAPCO staff recommends that the Council endorse the 2018 Inter-Regional Report.

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DRAFT RESOLUTION

BY THE WILMINGTON AREA PLANNING COUNCIL (WILMAPCO) ENDORSING THE 2018 INTER-REGIONAL REPORT

WHEREAS, the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO) has been designated the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Cecil County, Maryland and New Castle County, Delaware by the Governors of Maryland and Delaware, respectively; and

WHEREAS, effective transportation planning requires inter-regional cooperation in order to create consistent transportation plans and activities that are in the best interest of all involved stakeholders; and

WHEREAS, WILMAPCO has identified a study area that encompasses those counties that are approximately 60 miles from the center of the WILMAPCO region; and

WHEREAS, WILMAPCO, in cooperation with the agencies responsible for transportation planning within this study area, has developed the 2018 Inter-Regional Report in order to better understand regional transportation issues and to foster collaboration among the study region's planning agencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Wilmington Area Planning Council does hereby endorse the 2018 Inter-Regional Report.

Date:	John Sisson, Chairperson	
	Wilmington Area Planning Council	

