

Public Participation Plan 2026 Change Summary

Comparison of 2019 PPP and 2026 Draft PPP

1. Public Comment Periods for Major Plans

Activity	2019 Version		2026 Draft	Change
	Plan Approvals			
LRTP Approval	21 days	14 days	7 days	
TIP Approval	21 days	14 days	7 days	
UPWP Approval	21 days	14 days	7 days	
Title VI Plan Approval	21 days	14 days	7 days	
PPP Approval	45 days	45 days	No change	
Other Major Plans Approval	21 days	14 days	7 days	
Plan Amendments				
LRTP Amendments	21 days	14 days	7 days	
TIP Amendments	21 days	7 days	14 days	
UPWP Amendments	21 days	21 days	No change	
Title VI Plan Amendments	21 days	14 days	7 days	
PPP Amendments	45 days	45 days	No change	
Other Major Plan Amendments	21 days	14 days	7 days	

2. Accessibility Service Request Timeframes

Activity	2019 Version	2026 Draft	Change
Sign Language Interpreters	7 working days	3 business days	4 days
LEP/Language Interpreters	7 working days	3 business days	4 days
Accessible Formats (Braille, Large Print, Audio)	7 working days	3 business days	4 days

3. Staff Response Time to General Questions and Comments

Activity	2019 Version	2026 Draft	Change
Advertised Plans Information	3 working days	Not specified	Removed
General Information Requests	5 working days	Not specified	Removed

4. Publication Requirements

Activity	2019 Version	2026 Draft	Status
			Still Require Newspaper
Regular Meeting Schedule	Newspaper + Website	Newspaper + Website	No change
Special/Rescheduled Meetings	Newspaper + Website	Newspaper + Website	No change
PPP Approval/Amendments	Newspaper + Website	Newspaper + Website	No change
Website Only			
LRTP Approval	Newspaper + Website	Website only	Changed
TIP Approval	Newspaper + Website	Website only	Changed
UPWP Approval	Newspaper + Website	Website only	Changed
Title VI Plan Approval	Newspaper + Website	Website only	Changed
All Plan Amendments (except PPP)	Newspaper + Website	Website only	Changed

5. Major Content Sections Removed

Content Area	2019 Version	2026 Draft	Impact
Stakeholder List (Section 2.1)	8 specific categories listed: • Citizens • Affected public agencies • Transit providers	Generalize to include all people and not list specific groups	More broad, comprehensive language
Performance Measures	13 specific measurable targets	4 general categories	Consolidated similar targets into more specific categories
Property Owner Notification	30-day advance notice Direct mailings required	Not included	No longer required to notify property owners
Bi-annual Review	Required "bi-annual basis"	Changed to "as needed"	Less prescriptive schedule to provide flexibility

Document Availability	4 physical locations (Staunton, Waynesboro, Augusta County, and CSPDC)	1 location (CSPDC only)	Reduced public access points
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6. Goals Consolidation

2019 Version (9 Individual Goals)	2026 Draft (4 Consolidated Goals)	Type	Impact
3.1.1 - Provide complete information	Goal 1: Transparency and Regulatory Compliance	Consolidated	More streamlined
3.1.2 - Provide adequate notice	Goal 3: Responsiveness to Public Input	Consolidated	More streamlined
3.1.3 - Multiple means of notice	Goal 2: Comprehensive and Accessible Engagement	Consolidated	More streamlined
3.1.4 - Convenient meetings	Goal 3: Responsiveness to Public Input	Consolidated	More streamlined
3.1.5 - Seek underserved populations	Goal 2: Comprehensive and Accessible Engagement	Consolidated	More streamlined
3.1.6 - Environmental justice/LEP	Goal 3: Responsiveness to Public Input	Removal	Changed to underserved populations throughout document
3.1.7 - Use visualization techniques	Goal 3: Responsiveness to Public Input	Consolidated	Specific commitments embedded in broader goals
3.1.8 - Consider public input	Goal 3: Responsiveness to Public Input	Consolidated	More streamlined
3.1.9 - Review effectiveness	Goal 4: Continuous Improvement	Consolidated	More streamlined

7. Document Structure and Formatting

Change Category	2019 Version	2026 Draft	Description
Number of Sections	6 main sections	4 main sections	Consolidation and reorganization
Presentation Format	Numbered paragraph outline	6 comprehensive tables	More visual, scannable format
Goals Format	Numbered list (3.1.1-3.1.9)	Table format	Reduces citation specificity
New Content Added	N/A	3-C process explanation APA/AICP Code of Ethics Expanded LRTP/TIP/UPWP descriptions	Enhanced educational context