

The Northern Virginia Regional Commission

<http://www.novaregion.org/>

Land Use and Transportation

The Northern Virginia Regional Commission (NVRC) provides,

- A regional perspective on land use issues and their interrelationship with other planning functions;
- Information, technical assistance and analysis to local governments for their development and implementation of local land use plans;
- Legislative and regulatory monitoring and analysis related to Northern Virginia's land use and transportation issues;
- Support for regular meetings of local planning directors to promote information exchange of information and encourage



cooperation and coordination.

NVRC area

Special Projects

In addition, NVRC conducts local contract projects such as ordinance and comprehensive plan updates.

Metropolitan Planning Organisation (MwCOG)

The National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) at the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MwCOG) is the federally-designated "Metropolitan Planning Organization" for the Washington metropolitan area. Visit the MwCOG website www.mwcog.org.

Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA)

The NVTA is responsible for long-range transportation projects in Northern Virginia. For more information on the regional transportation programs that affect Northern Virginia, suburban Maryland, and Washington, DC, visit the NVTA website www.thenovaauthority.org

The NVRC is an Observer within METREX

The NVTA has the following powers and functions:

- The Authority shall prepare a regional transportation plan for Planning District Eight, to include, but not necessarily be limited to, transportation improvements of regional significance, and shall from time to time revise and amend the plan.
- Once the plan is adopted, the Authority may construct or otherwise implement the transportation facilities in the plan.
- The Authority may contract with others to provide transportation facilities or to operate its facilities, or it may provide and/or operate such facilities itself.
- The Authority does not have the power to regulate services provided by taxicabs.
- The Authority may acquire land for the purposes of providing transportation facilities or services. The land can be for the Authority's use in providing transportation facilities or services, or it can be transferred to another agency for use by that agency in connection with an adopted transportation plan.
- The Authority may prepare a plan for mass transportation services and may contract with others to provide the necessary facilities, equipment, operations, etc., needed to implement the plan.