

## Cumberland / Perry Counties Joint Task Force on Transportation & Planning

### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Cumberland / Perry Counties Joint Task Force on Transportation and Planning, as more fully set forth in the Resolution adopted by its members, is to quantify, prioritize, and recommend implementation of improvements for roadway safety/congestion problems and land use planning with respect to commuting and through-traffic between Perry and Cumberland/Dauphin Counties.

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### OVERVIEW

Data show that 70% of the workers who live in Perry County work for employers located outside of the County. The subsequent commuting patterns have created safety and congestion problems in the area, particularly as traffic moves between Perry and Cumberland County through PA 34 (Sterrett's Gap), PA 274, PA 850, PA 944 (Wertzville Road), US 11/15, I-81, PA 849, and US 22/322. A group of municipalities concerned with this problem organized to form the Cumberland / Perry Counties Joint Task Force on Transportation and Planning (CPTF).

A study is currently being sponsored by the CPTF and is funded through federal, state and local sources. The purpose of the study is to quantify existing safety and congestion problems with respect to commuting between and through Perry and Cumberland/Dauphin Counties, and suggest improvements. Concurrently, the study will identify existing or potential future transportation impacts from land development near major corridors in the study area. Although the study will cover a broad geographic area (including 4 municipalities in Cumberland County and 13 municipalities in Perry County), study efforts will focus on the improvements of the roadway corridors noted above. Development activity and existing zoning regulations with influence upon those corridors will provide a context within which to evaluate necessary transportation improvements.

The success of the study is dependent upon two key elements: continuous public involvement and a thorough understanding of the travel demand generated by existing and expected development and its impact upon the area's travel corridors. These two elements will ensure that immediate needs are addressed (such as stop signs, turn lanes, or additional transit routes), and

that the resulting Year 2020 transportation network can adequately support expected development to maintain the desired quality of life in the community. In the end, a balance between public investment in transportation infrastructure and land development must be achieved.

The study will be completed by June 30, 2002 (about 18 months).

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**PARTICIPATING MUNICIPALITIES and  
THEIR OFFICIAL TASK FORCE DELEGATES**

**East Pennsboro** Township:

Delegate – Alicia Stine, Township Commissioner  
Alternate – Don Tappan, Assistant Manager

**Hampden** Township:

Delegate – John Bradley, Township Manager  
Alternate – Isabell Stathas, Township Commissioner

**Middlesex** Township:

Delegate – Robert Eppley, Township Supervisor  
Alternate – Mark Carpenter, Zoning Officer

**Silver Spring** Township:

Delegate – Jan N. LeBlanc, Township Supervisor  
Alternate – Kelly Kelch, Assistant Township Manager

**Bloomfield** Borough:

Delegate – Dale J. Beaston, Councilman  
Alternate – Gary Eby, Perry County Transportation Authority

**Carroll** Township:

Delegate – Stephen Naylor, Township Supervisor  
Alternate – Dave Clymer, Planning Commission Secretary

**Centre** Township:

Delegate – Keith Thebes, Township Supervisor  
Alternate – Ann Chubb, Township Secretary

**Duncannon** Borough:

Delegate – Jack Zogby  
Alternate – (none)

**Howe Township:**

Delegate – Wendy Brunner, Township Secretary  
Alternate – (none)

**Marysville Borough:**

Delegate – Marita Kelley, Borough Manager  
Alternate – Jim Lewis  
Rich Stees, Planning Commission Chairman

**Miller Township:**

Delegate – Earl Brandt, Township Supervisor  
Alternate – (none)

**Newport Borough:**

Delegate – Robert Sharar, Mayor  
Alternate – (none)

**Oliver Township:**

Delegate –  
Alternate –

**Penn Township:**

Delegate – Robert E. Shaffer, Sr., Township Supervisor  
Alternate – Bob Greene, Field Operations Manager

**Rye Township:**

Delegate – Ronald R. Evans, Township Supervisor  
Alternate – Richard F. Pierce, Township Supervisor (1<sup>st</sup> alternate)  
Daisy Moore, Secretary/Treasurer (2<sup>nd</sup> alternate)

**Watts Township:**

Delegate – Barry Deaven, Township Supervisor  
Alternate – (TBA)

**Wheatfield Township:**

Delegate – James L. Fuller, Township Supervisor  
Alternate – Paul Fisher, Township Supervisor