

Meeting Summary
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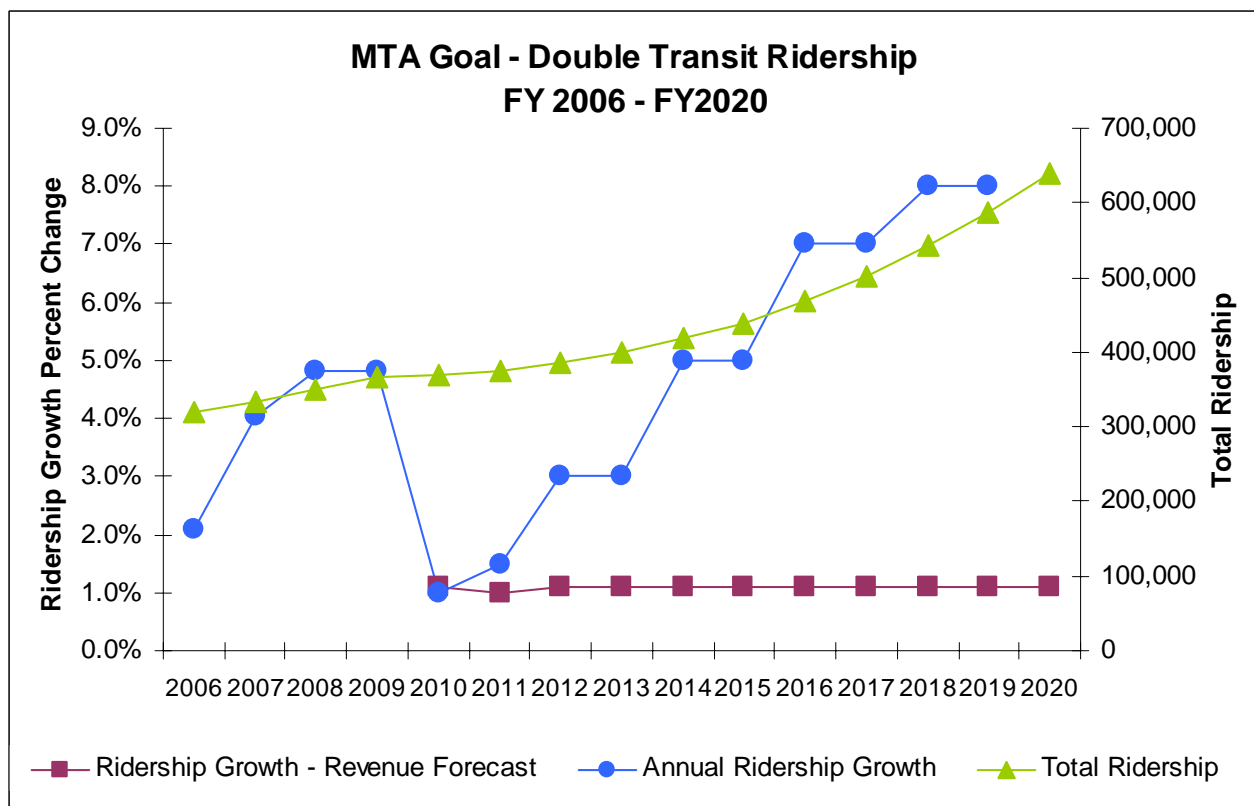
Agency: MTA (MDOT)

Date of Meeting: March 5, 2010

Following is a summary of issues discussed at the MTA Stat on March 5, 2010. Analysis is provided by StateStat and the Governor’s Delivery Unit (GDU).

General Discussion

- **Transit Ridership Goal Delivery Plan.** MTA reported that a final draft of its plan to double transit ridership by 2020 had been prepared. The agency hopes to accomplish this through ensuring quality service, improving safety and security, implementing additional services and enhancing existing services. The agency identified its target group for ridership gains as ‘choice riders,’ who are riders with the option of driving that elect to use mass transit for convenience and other factors.



- **February Winter Storms.** MTA provided a briefing of its activity during February’s winter storms. The agency believed that it was successful in getting accurate transit delay and cancellation information to its customers through the MTA website. The agency targeted communication with local jurisdictions as an area of improvement, as certain localities struggled to clear roads that were part of MTA bus routes.

- **MARC Diesel Locomotives.** MTA reported that the diesel locomotives purchased by the agency were becoming operational. The agency purchased 26 new diesel locomotives. Currently, three of the locomotives are in service, one is being transported, and that one locomotive will be sent every two weeks until the shipment is complete.