

# Regional Governance: The Planning Challenge of the Current Decade for the Potomac-Patapsco Regional Community

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- **Metropolitan Washington COG**
  - 7 Counties & Washington, D.C.
  - 4,257,398 population (9<sup>th</sup> among regions)
  - 14.8% population growth 1990-2000
  - FY2004 budget of \$22,194,490
- **Baltimore Metropolitan Council**
  - 5 Counties & Baltimore City
  - 2,512,431 population (20<sup>th</sup> among regions)
  - 7.0% population growth 1990-2000
  - FY 2004 budget of \$4,126,518
- **Potomac-Patapsco Regional Community**
  - 12 counties, two core cities
  - 6,769,820 population (5<sup>th</sup> among regions)
  - 11.8% population growth 1990-2000

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## **Current COG and BMC Cooperation**

- **Air Quality**
  - Clean Air Partners
- **Transportation**
  - Cooperative Forecasting Program
  - Modeling Practices
- **General**
  - BMC/COG Executive Directors Meetings
  - COG/BMC Board Members Joint Meetings

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## Other Washington-Baltimore Bi-Regional Efforts

- **Public Safety**

- Regional Crime Analysis System

- **Transportation**

- MAGLEV concept

- **Tourism / Economic Development**

- 2012 Olympic bid
- Baltimore-Washington Corridor Chamber of Commerce

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## Avenues Moving to Bi-Regional Governance

- **Perception**
  - Complement
- **Process**
  - Bi-regional planning authority
  - Bi-regional general agreement
  - Bi-regional community trust fund
  - Bi-regional Olympic salvage
  - Bi-regional citizenship

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For data on regions, see the National Association of Regional Councils' Regional Information Clearinghouse at [www.narc.org](http://www.narc.org). This information was gathered for the *State of the Regions 2000, A Baseline for the Century of the Region*.