



# EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT



MID-OHIO REGIONAL  
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# DIRECTOR'S NOTES



# 2020 STATE OF THE REGION



## WHEN:

April 30, 2020

## WHERE:

Greater Columbus Convention Center  
Battelle Grand Ballroom North

## TIME:

11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN**

[morpc.org/sotr](http://morpc.org/sotr)



# COMMUNITY FOCUS



## CENTRAL OHIO WORKPLACE INCUBATORS



Cultivate Grove City, Franklin County

Marysville Entrepreneurial Center, Union County

Southern Perry Incubation Center for Entrepreneurs, Perry County

Innovate New Albany, Franklin County

The Delaware Entrepreneurial Center at Ohio Wesleyan University, Delaware County

## DEVELOPMENT TOUR



# COMMITTEE CHAIRS

## REGIONAL POLICY ROUNDTABLE

Chair: Ben Collins

Vice Chair: David Scheffler

## REGIONAL DATA ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chair: Brad Ebersole

Vice Chair: Jung Kim

## TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chair: Cindi Fitzpatrick

Vice Chair: James Young

## COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chair: Catherine Girves

Vice Chair: LaGrieta Holloway

## SUSTAINABILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Chair: Jim Schimmer

Vice Chair: Mike Compton

## ENERGY & AIR QUALITY WORKING GROUP

Chair: Dale Arnold

Vice Chair: Matt Stephens-Rich

## SUSTAINING SCIOTO

Chair: Kristen Atha

Vice Chair: Mike Andrako

## CENTRAL OHIO GREENWAYS BOARD

Chair: Letty Schamp

## CENTRAL OHIO RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

Chair: Mark Forrest

Vice Chair: Jeff Stauch



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# HANDS-FREE OHIO BILL



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# ENERGY ACADEMY



- CLASSES TAKE PLACE 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. at MORPC
- REGISTER ON EVENTBRITE

- |                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| <b>March 11</b>    | <b>Central Ohio's Energy Landscape and Programs</b>                |
| <b>June 10</b>     | <b>Community Resilience – Equity &amp; Health Impact of Energy</b> |
| <b>September 9</b> | <b>Solar Toolkit &amp; Benchmarking</b>                            |
| <b>December 9</b>  | <b>Planning for the Future &amp; Financing</b>                     |



# SPRING INSIGHT2050 ACADEMY



Role of Design in Affordable Housing



Every Friday, from April 3 through 17, 9 a.m. - noon

Contact Brian Williams for more information at [bwilliams@morpc.org](mailto:bwilliams@morpc.org)





# RESOURCES



**Center for Disease and Control (CDC):**

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/about/index.html>

**Ohio Department of Health:**

<https://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/>

**Franklin County Public Health:** <https://myfcph.org/>

**Flattening the Coronavirus Curve:**

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/11/science/coronavirus-curve-mitigation-infection.html>

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# Data & Mapping Update

March 2020



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# Census 2020



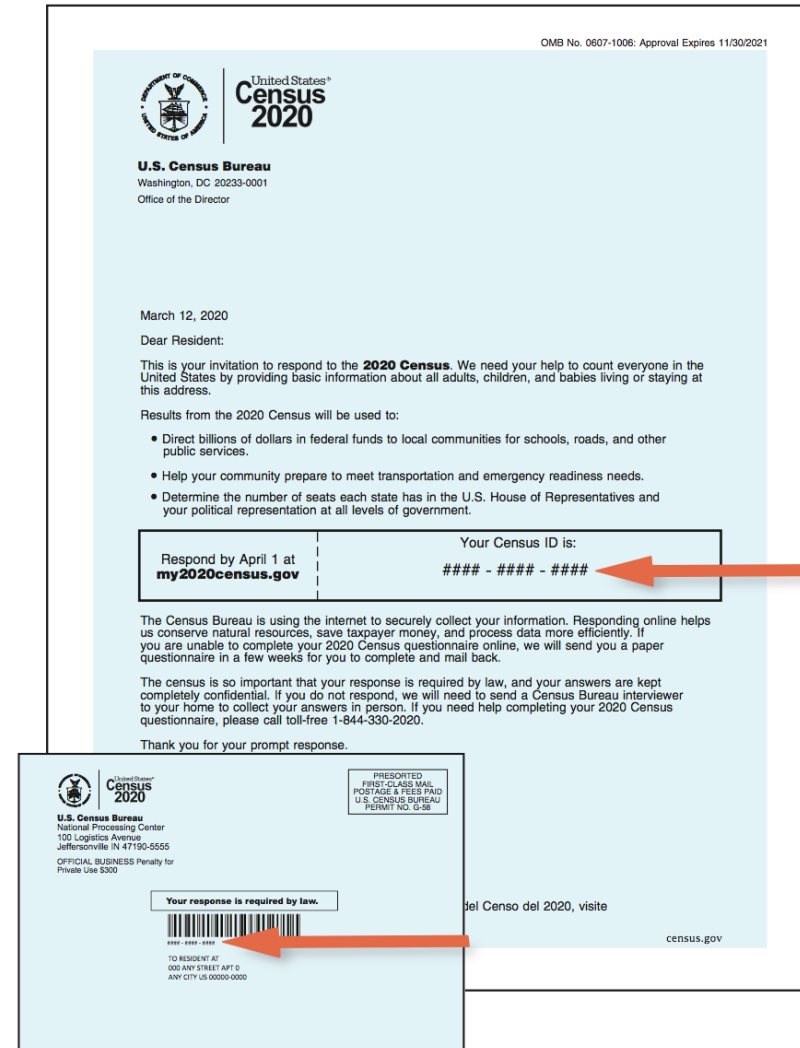
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# Census 2020 Updates



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- Invitations being mailed to Central Ohio this week
- Promotional materials & information available
  - MORPC 2020 Census Local Government Fact Sheet
  - City of Columbus
    - [Fact sheets for hard-to-count groups \(multi-lingual\)](#)
    - Printed materials & promo items
  - Census Bureau
    - [Video PSAs](#)
    - [Multi-lingual fact sheets](#)
- April 1<sup>st</sup> Census Day events
  - Awaiting information on any changes to planned events
  - Communities encouraged to make their own determinations about holding events and to follow state guidance related to public events
  - Consider alternative promotions or remote events for April 1<sup>st</sup>



# Paving the Way

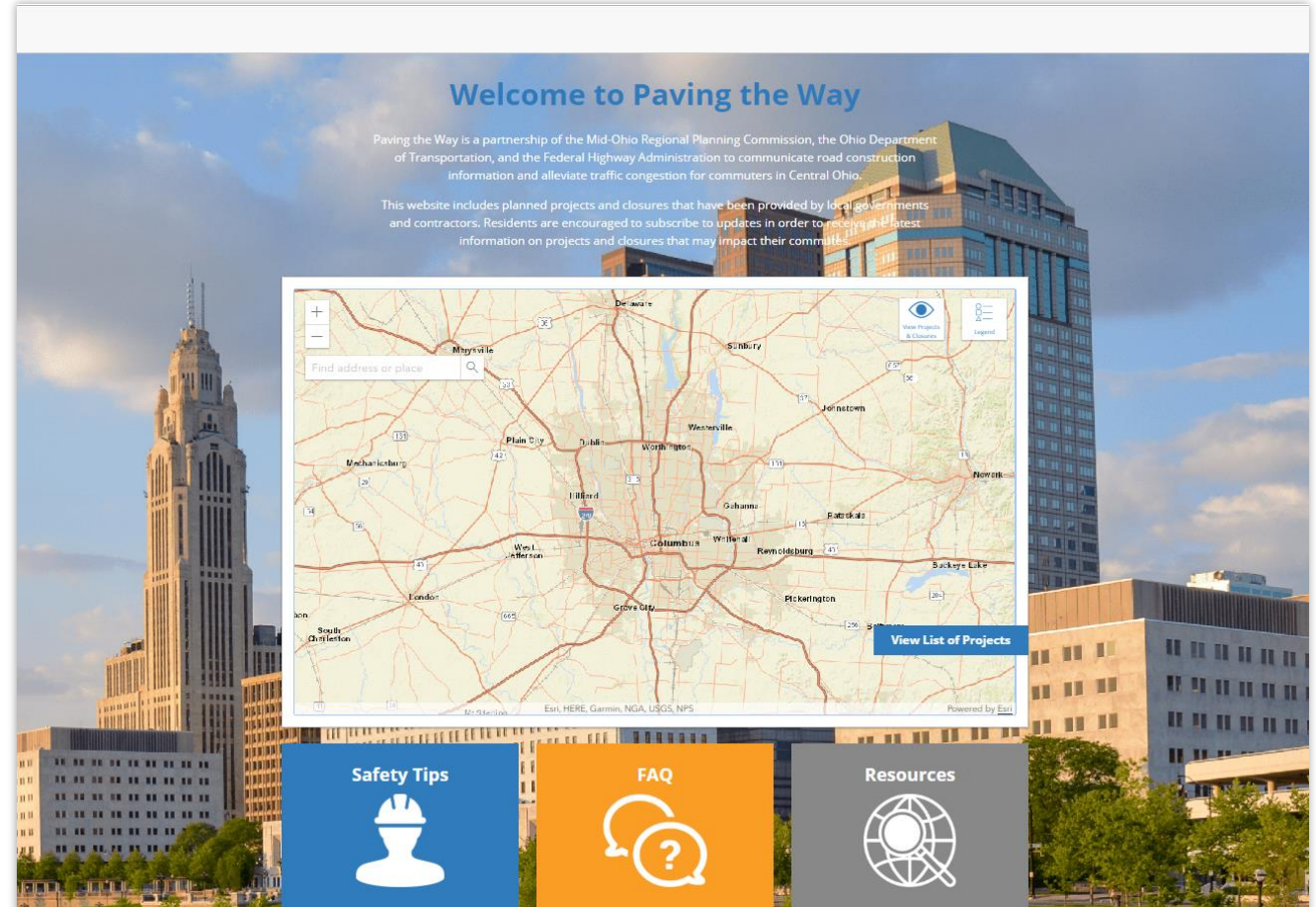


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## ANNUAL PROJECTS REVIEW MEETING

Wednesday, April 15  
9-11 a.m. at MORPC

- For project managers, section heads, or spokesperson from every agency planning significant road work
- Review of 2020 Projects
- System Update & Review
- Projects should be entered into the system ahead of the meeting. Please contact [pavingtheway@morpc.org](mailto:pavingtheway@morpc.org) if you do not have an agency admin in the system.



The screenshot shows the homepage of the 'Paving the Way' website. At the top, it says 'Welcome to Paving the Way'. Below this, there is a paragraph explaining that the website is a partnership between the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission, the Ohio Department of Transportation, and the Federal Highway Administration. It also mentions that the website includes planned projects and closures provided by local governments and contractors, and encourages users to subscribe for updates. The main feature is a map of Central Ohio with various cities labeled, including Columbus, Westerville, and Grove City. A search bar is visible on the map. Below the map, there are three buttons: 'Safety Tips' with a hard hat icon, 'FAQ' with a question mark icon, and 'Resources' with a globe icon. A 'View List of Projects' button is also present near the map.

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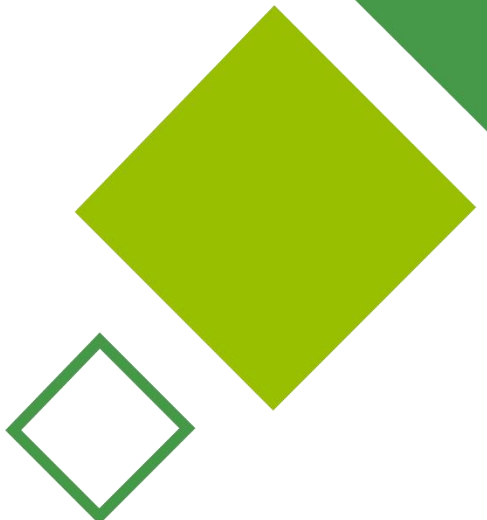


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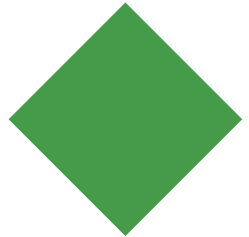
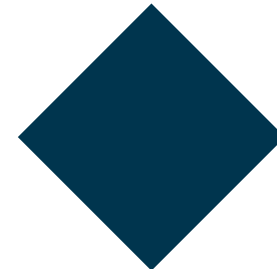
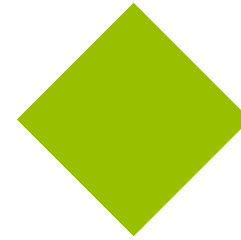
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# WHAT IS THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP)?

- Identifies regional transportation strategies and projects
- Long-range (20+ years)
- Fiscally constrained
- Formal document submitted to ODOT and USDOT every 4 years

# WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

- Central Ohio is growing
  - Demographics are changing
  - Preferences are changing
  - Demands on the transportation system are changing
- *Transportation projects must be on MTP to be eligible for federal funding*

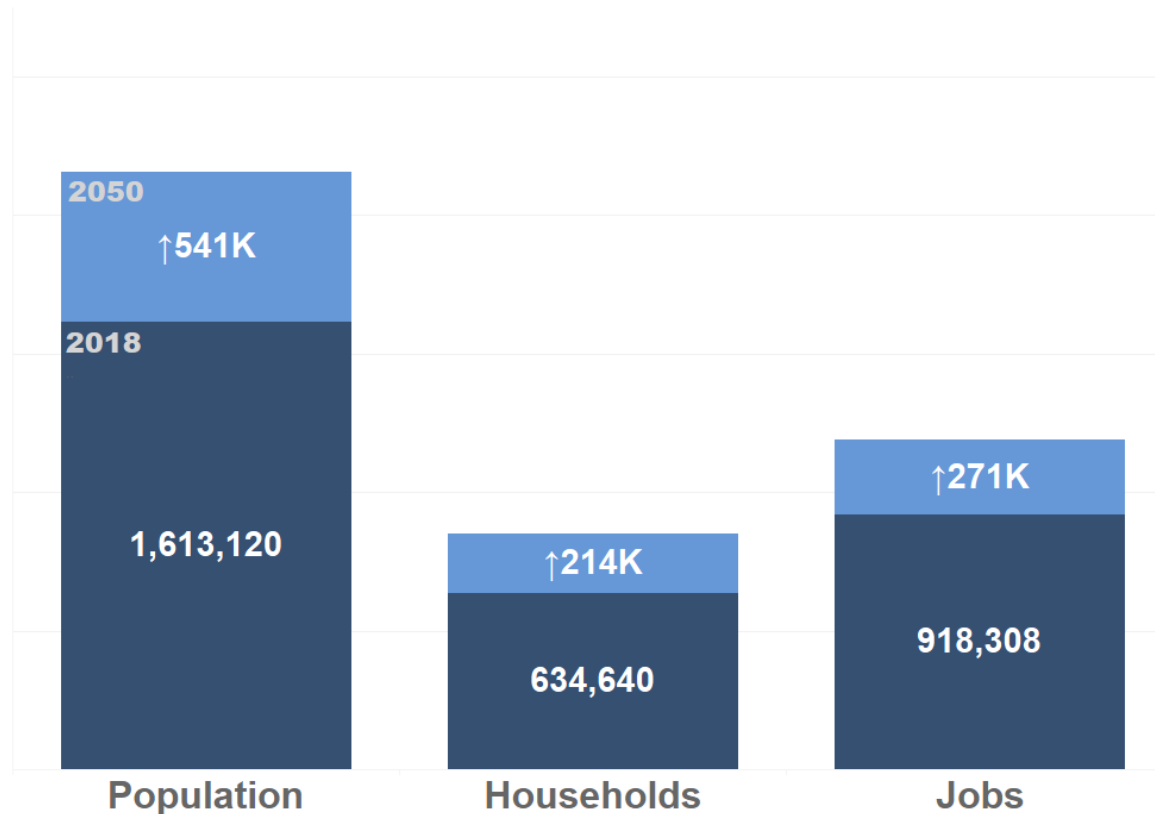




# POPULATION & EMPLOYMENT FORECASTS

## Projected Growth

Metropolitan Planning Organization Area





# PREFERENCES ARE CHANGING

We want options.



**Smaller Homes**



**Walkability**



**Amenities**



**More Mobility**



**Green Space**

# OUR TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

- 5,600 lane miles of roadways, 2,300 bridges
- More than 19 million fixed-route passenger trips annually
  - COTA
  - Delaware County Transit Board (DCTB)
  - Licking County Transit Board (LCTB)
  - Lancaster Public Transit System (LPTS)
  - Union County Area Transit Service (UCATS)
- 700 miles of existing bikeways
- 40% of arterials and collectors have sidewalk coverage
- 11.5 million Central Ohio Greenways bike/pedestrian miles traveled annually
- 5 intermodal lifts/railyards





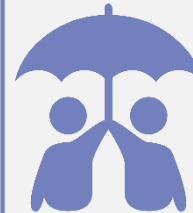
# REGIONAL GOALS

THROUGH TRANSPORTATION:

POSITION CENTRAL OHIO TO ATTRACT AND RETAIN **ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY** TO PROSPER AS A REGION AND COMPETE GLOBALLY



USE PUBLIC INVESTMENTS TO BENEFIT THE **HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE** OF PEOPLE



CREATE **SUSTAINABLE NEIGHBORHOODS** TO IMPROVE RESIDENTS' QUALITY OF LIFE



INCREASE **REGIONAL COLLABORATION** AND EMPLOY INNOVATIVE TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS TO MAXIMIZE THE RETURN ON PUBLIC EXPENDITURES



REDUCE PER CAPITA **ENERGY** CONSUMPTION AND PROMOTE ALTERNATIVE FUEL RESOURCES TO INCREASE AFFORDABILITY AND RESILIENCE OF REGIONAL ENERGY SUPPLIES



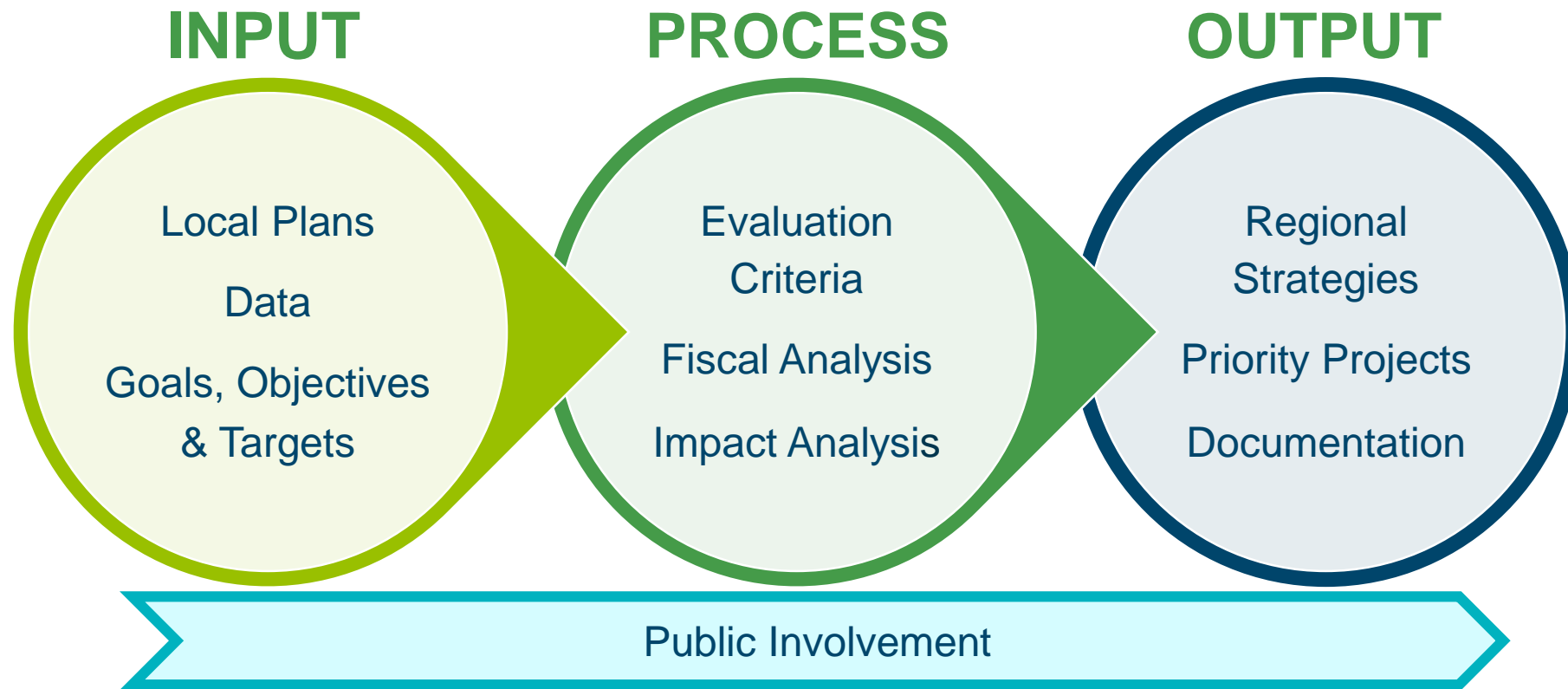
PROTECT **NATURAL RESOURCES** AND MITIGATE INFRASTRUCTURE VULNERABILITIES TO MAINTAIN A HEALTHY ECOSYSTEM AND COMMUNITY





Performance Measures & Targets





# REGIONAL STRATEGIES

- System Management
  - Physical Preservation
  - Operations
  - Safety & Security
  - Demand Management
  - *Monitored through Performance Measures & Targets*
- System Development
  - Bike & Pedestrian Infrastructure
  - Transit Infrastructure
  - Freight Rail Infrastructure
  - Multimodal Infrastructure Connections
  - Roadway Infrastructure



# SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT

- **Transit - \$12.9 billion**

- Five high-capacity transit projects covering 36 miles
- Maintain and expand COTA and DCT service
- Replacement vehicles and other capital expenses

- **Bicycle & Pedestrian - \$830 million**

- 415 miles of stand-alone bike and/or pedestrian facilities

- **Freeways - \$3.6 billion**

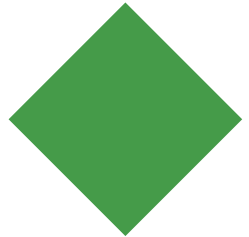
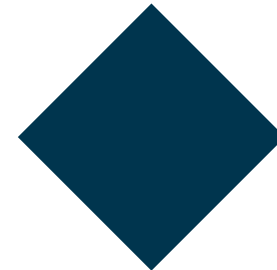
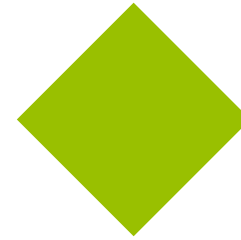
- 26 miles of freeways widened
- 17 miles of four-lane divided roadways converted to freeways
- 42 miles with lane management along freeways
- 25 interchange modifications
- 6 new interchanges

- **Non-Freeway Roadways - \$4 billion**

- 100 miles of new roadway connections
- 86 miles with through lane additions
- 119 miles with minor widening/safety improvements
- 152 intersections modifications

# MTP WEBMAP

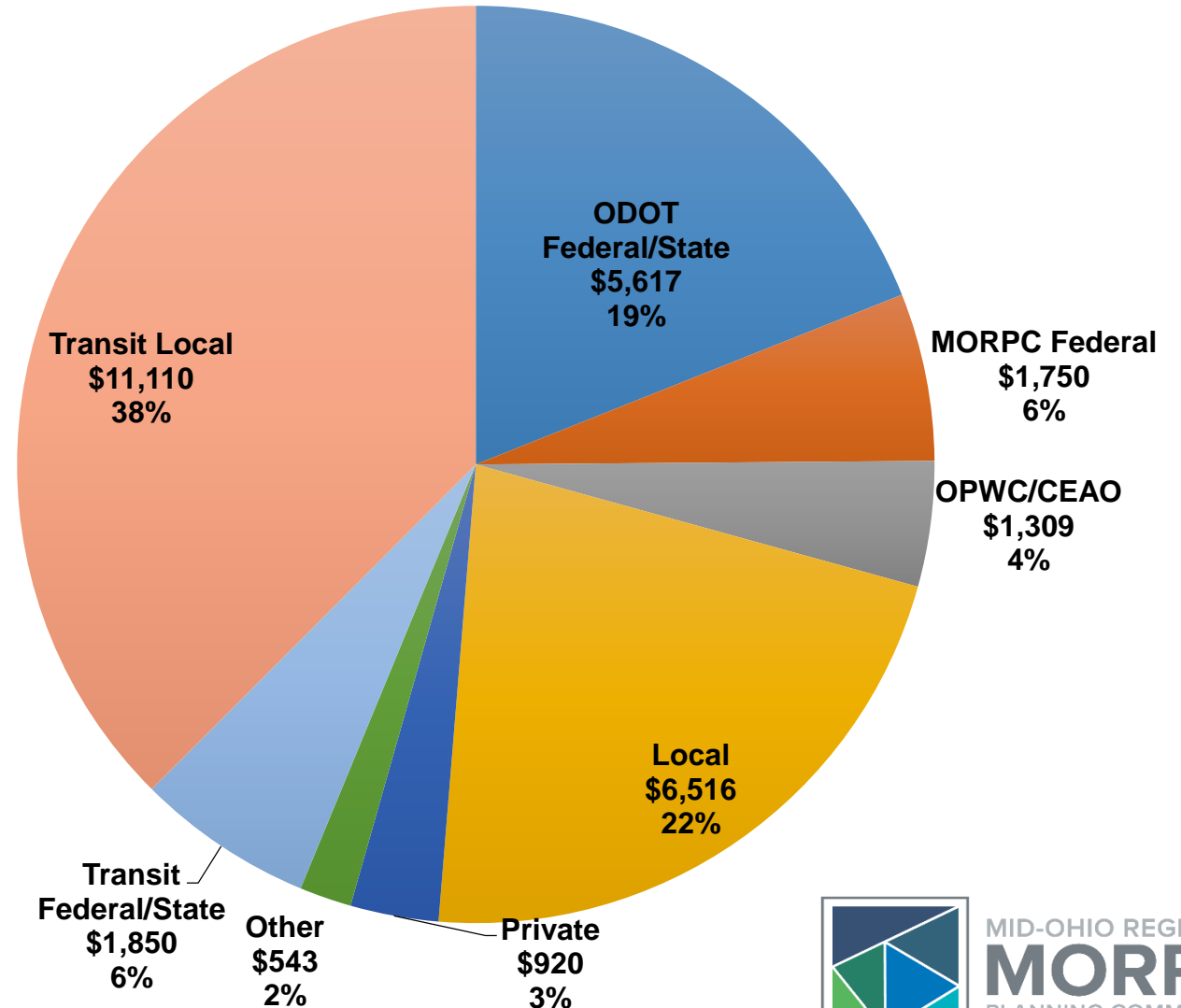
- Draft projects viewable on interactive webmap
  - Zoom
  - Pan
  - Click for project info
- [www.morpc.org/mtp2050](http://www.morpc.org/mtp2050)





# DRAFT FISCAL ANALYSIS – RESOURCES

- Federal – generally controlled through ODOT or MORPC program
- State – ODOT programs, Ohio Public Works Commission, or County Engineers Association of Ohio
- Local agency or private
- Assumes modest growth of current funding levels with some new funding in the region

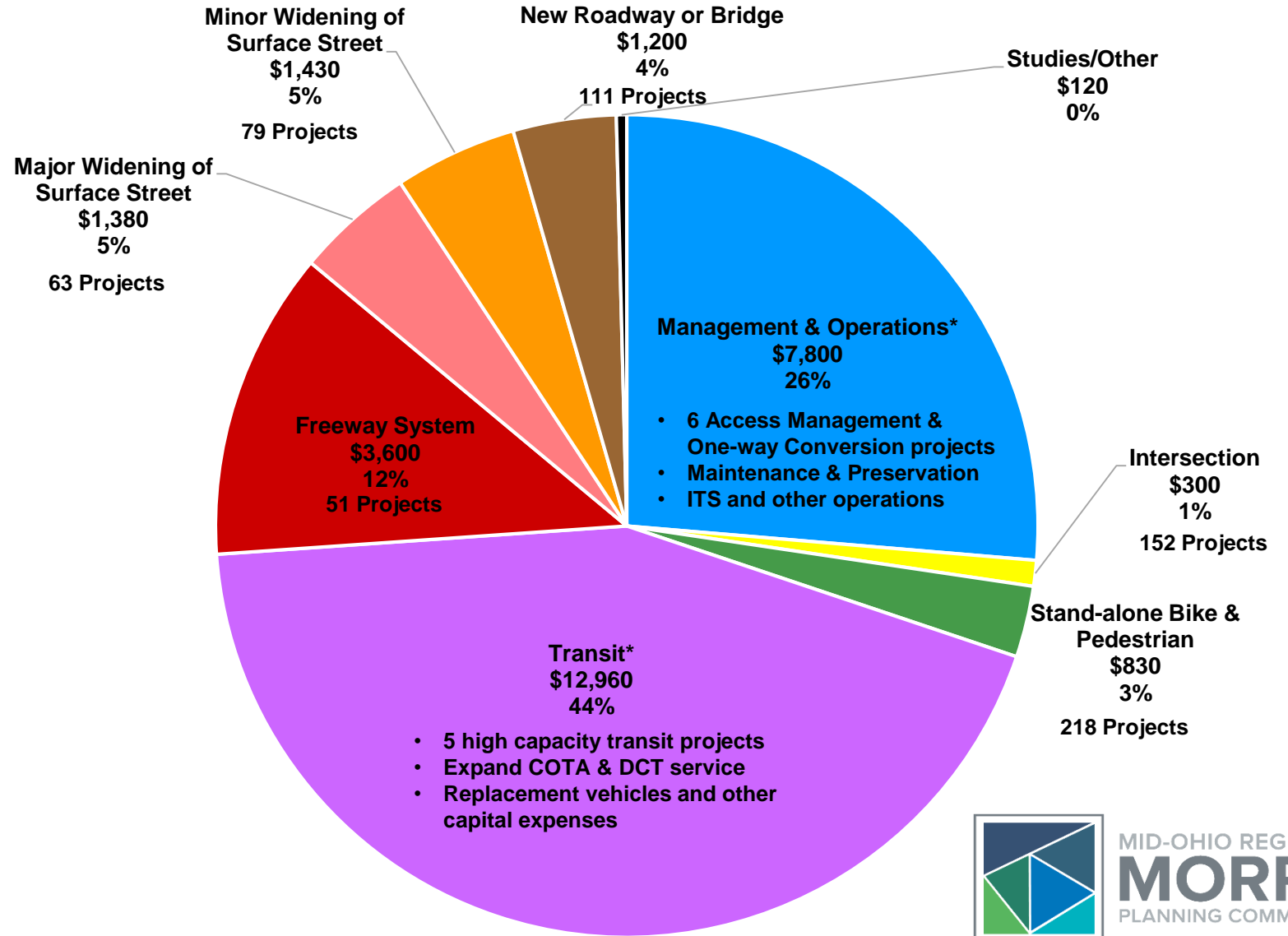




# DRAFT FISCAL ANALYSIS – EXPENDITURES

- Maintain and manage existing system
- Expand the system

**Total: \$29.6 billion**



\*cost includes activities in addition to specific projects



# PLAN MONITORING & IMPLEMENTATION



- Measurable Objectives and Targets reported in annual Report Card



# NEXT STEPS

- December 2019 – March 2020
  - Community presentations
  - Draft document available in March
- April 3, 2020 – Public comment period closes
- May 2020 – Plan Adoption



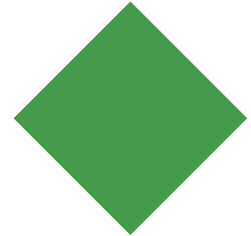
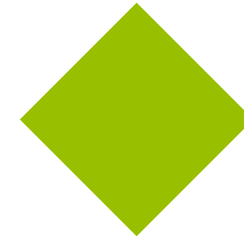


# PUBLIC OUTREACH

- Newsletters
- Interactive Webmap - over 800 comments, and counting!
- 60+ presentations to community and neighborhood groups
- February 26, 2020 - Public Open House at MORPC – over 60 in attendance
- Calls, emails, letters
- Regular updates to MORPC Community Advisory Committee, Transportation Advisory Committee, Policy Committees

# WHAT ARE WE ASKING OF YOU?

- Review & Comment
  - Draft plan
  - Comment period ends April 3, 2020
- Contact
  - [mtp@morpc.org](mailto:mtp@morpc.org)
  - For hard copies or translated materials:
    - [bschneck@morpc.org](mailto:bschneck@morpc.org)
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# DRAFT SFY 21-24 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Transportation Advisory Committee  
March 4, 2020



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# WHAT'S A TIP?



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- Transportation Improvement Program
- Product of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
- 4-year program of projects & strategies
- Fiscally balanced
- Near-term priorities in the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)



# MTP VS. TIP



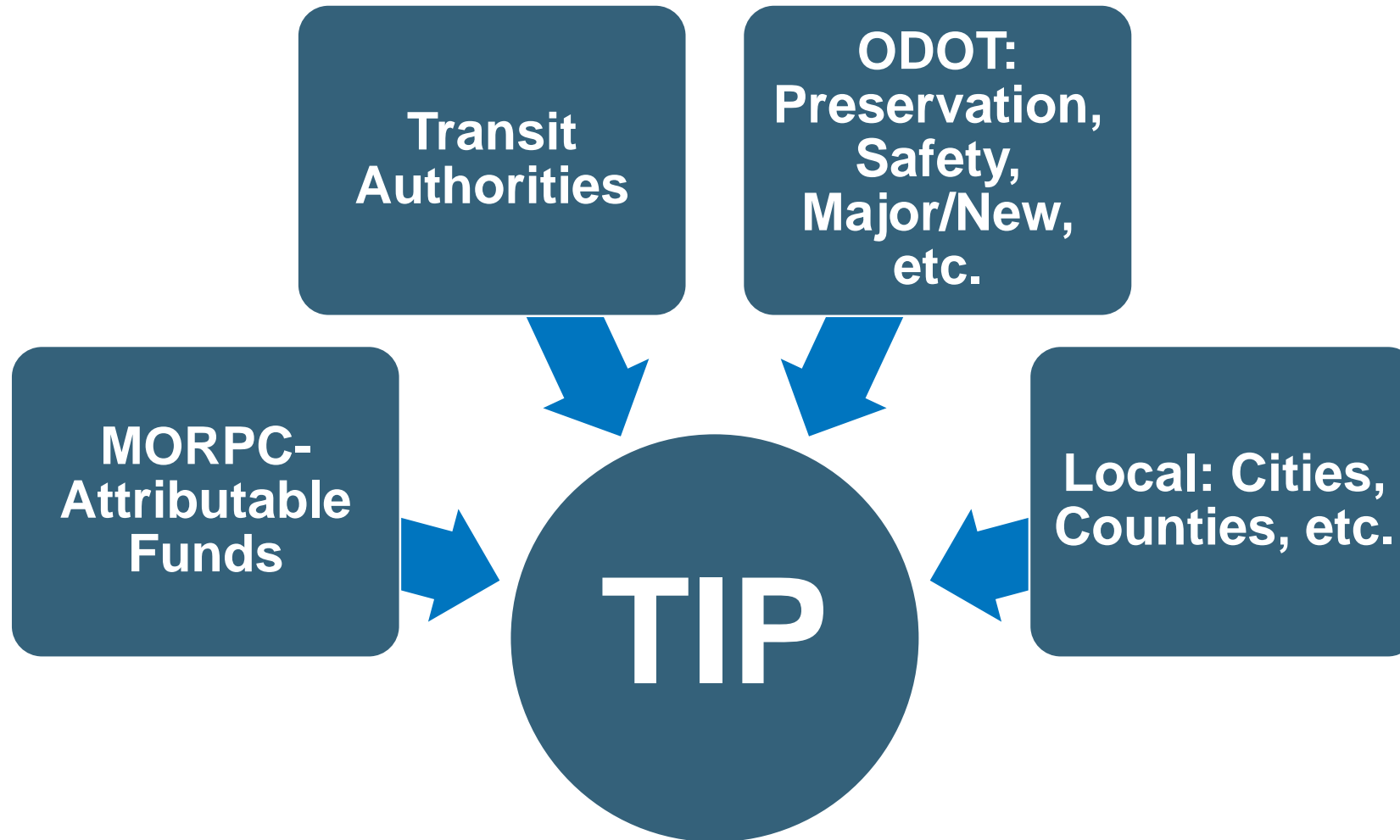
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| MTP   | vs. | TIP  |
|---|-----|--|
| Both part of the continuing, cooperative & comprehensive (3-C) planning process |     |  |
| Sets transportation goals & policies <b>through 2050</b>                        |     | Identifies specific projects & activities in each year <b>through 2024</b> |
| Estimates available resources <b>through 2050</b>                               |     | Identifies specific funding sources committed to each project & activity   |
| Identifies desired changes to the system (projects) within available resources  |     | <b>Projects <u>must</u> be in the MTP</b>                                  |
| Updated entirely every 4 years, <b>rarely amended</b>                           |     | Updated entirely every 2 years, <b>amended quarterly</b> or more often     |

# WHERE DO PROJECTS COME FROM?



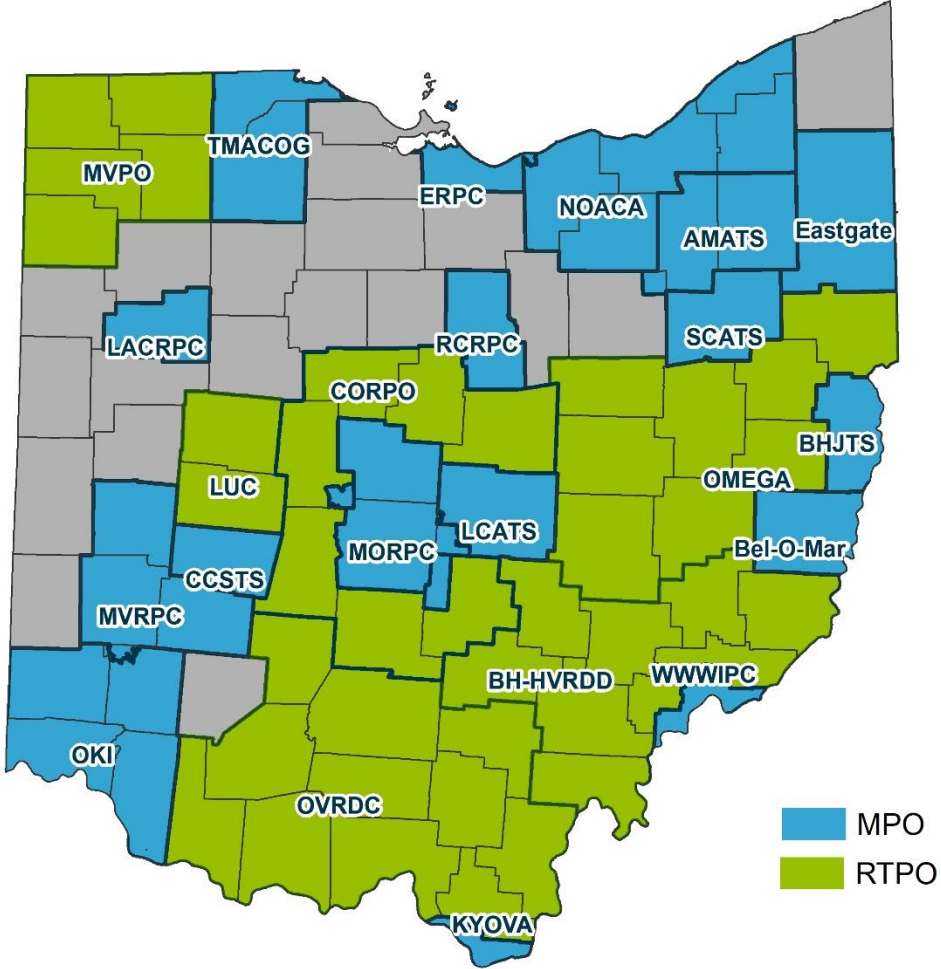
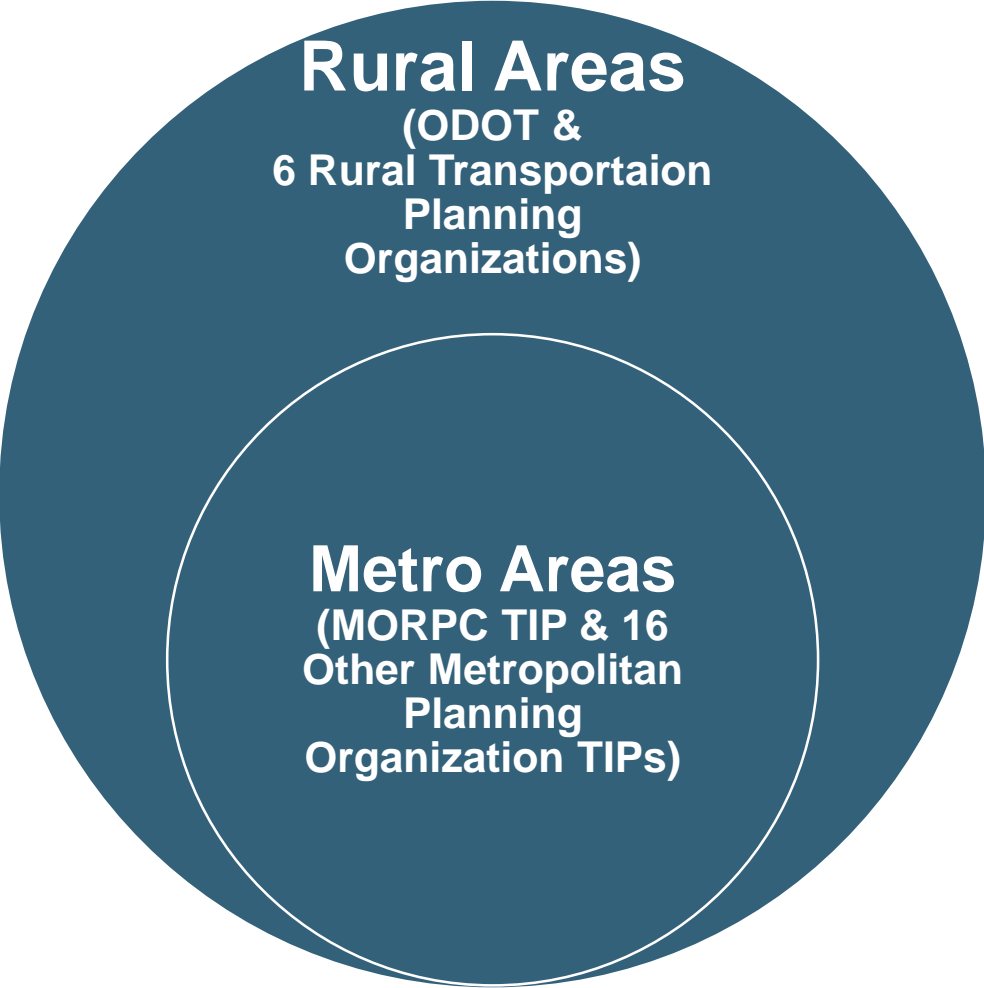
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# STATEWIDE TIP (STIP)



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# TIP CONTENTS

- Description of TIP process & public participation
- Project selection process
- Progress toward performance targets
- Analysis of impacts
  - Air quality
  - Disadvantaged populations
- Detailed listing of projects
  - Individual projects
  - Grouped projects
- Status of projects from previous TIP

# PROJECT MAP

## TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECT LOCATION MAP

Fiscal Years 2021 - 2024

February 7, 2020

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February 2020

This map does not show all TIP projects. Please check [www.morpc.org](http://www.morpc.org) for updates to this map and a complete project listing.



Ohio Location Map

### LEGEND

#### Construction Phase FY 2021 - 2024

- Major Widening
- ⋯ New Road
- New Interchange
- Minor Widening/Safety Improvement
- Interchange Modification
- ▲ Intersection Modification
- Maintenance/Resurfacing
- Bridge Repair/Replacement
- ▲ Traffic Signal Upgrade
- Noise Barrier/Study/Other
- ⋯ Bikeway/Sidewalk/Transit
- Transit/Study/Other

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MORPC Project Identification

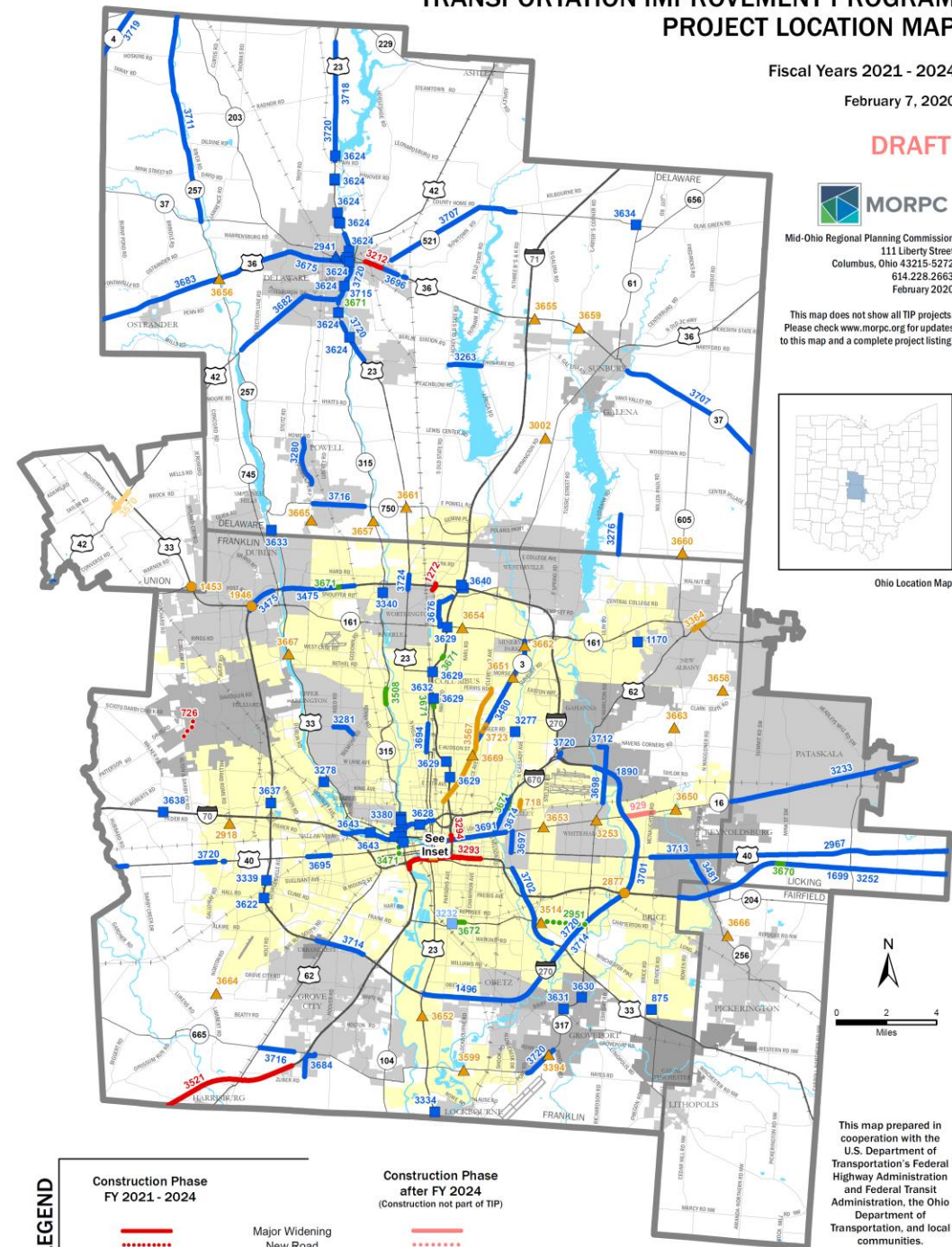
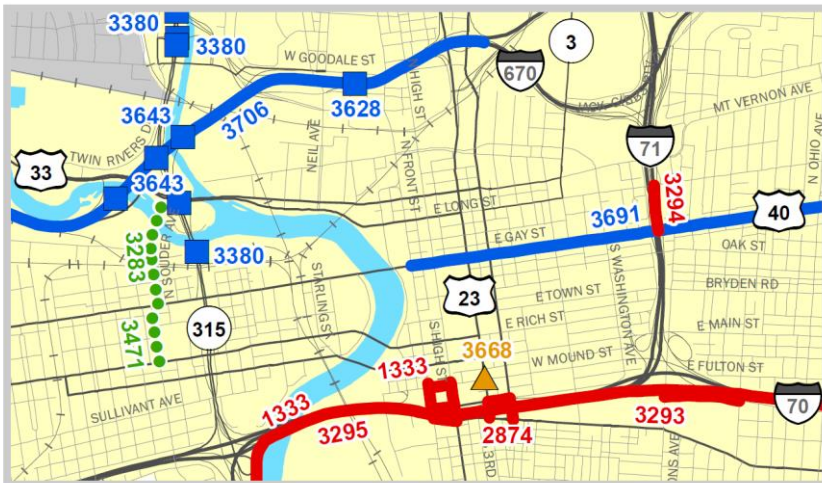
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— Planning Area

DOWNTOWN COLUMBUS



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This map prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Transportation's Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration, the Ohio Department of Transportation, and local communities.



# REVISING THE TIP

- Applies to individual projects
- Amendments
  - Major changes to scope or funding amount
  - Add or delete projects
  - Affects fiscal balance or air quality analysis
  - Approved by resolution
- Administrative Modifications
  - Minor changes to scope or funding amount
  - Split or combine projects
  - Change of fiscal year
  - Approved by MORPC staff

# SCHEDULE



|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| February 28                | First Draft TIP Available for Review                      |
| March 27                   | Final Draft TIP Available<br>Public Comment Period Begins |
| March 31, 3:30 – 6:30 p.m. | Open House at MORPC                                       |
| April 9                    | Draft TIP Presented to Transportation Policy Committee    |
| April 26                   | Public Comment Period Closes                              |
| May 14                     | Final TIP Approval by Transportation Policy Committee     |

- STIP Public Comment Period: March 30 to April 10

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