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
The Metropolitan Transportation Plan includes only communities within the official MPO boundary.
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

- 2018:
  - Population: 1,613,120
  - Households: 634,640
  - Jobs: 918,308
  - Population Growth: +214K
  - Households Growth: +214K
  - Jobs Growth: +271K

- 2050:
  - Population: 5,41K
  - Households: 918,308
  - Jobs: 918,308
  - Population Growth: +541K
  - Households Growth: +271K
  - Jobs Growth: +271K
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.
What we are trying to achieve

Goal

Objective

What needs to be done to achieve the goal

Strategy

Methods and capabilities to achieve the objective

Project

Specific activities to implement the strategy

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
• 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*
• Measurable Objectives and Targets reported in annual Report Card
NEXT STEPS

• December 2019 – March 2020
  • Community presentations
  • Draft document available in March
  • February 26, 2020 - Public Open House at MORPC
• 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

• 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

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