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Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
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Wednesday, March 3, 2021
9:00 a.m.

AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. Welcome & Introductions – Cindi Fitzpatrick, Chair
- 9:03 a.m. Approval of February 3, 2021, Meeting Minutes (enclosed)
- 9:05 a.m. Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Report (enclosed) – Thea Ewing, MORPC
  - Monthly Report – Data & Mapping – Aaron Schill, MORPC
  - Monthly Report – Planning & Sustainability - Stephen Patchan, MORPC
  - Monthly Report – Communications & Engagement – Ralonda Hampton, MORPC
- 9:20 a.m. Funding Programs
  - Attributable Funds Project Status Update - Thomas Graham, MORPC
  - T-1-21 Amending the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2024-2027 Transportation Improvement Program – Thomas Graham, MORPC
- 9:30 a.m. Information Items
  - COG Trail Prioritization Results – Melinda Vonstein, MORPC
  - Competitive Advantage Projects – Ted Geer, MORPC
  - Regional Mobility Plan – Lexi Petrella, MORPC

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director
Karen J. Angelou
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Erik J. Janas
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Chris Amorose Grooms
Secretary
● 9:55 Other Business

● 10:00 a.m. Adjourn

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The next TAC Meeting is
Wednesday, March 31, 2021 @ 9:00 a.m
(Virtual)
I. **Welcome & Introductions**
Chair Cindy Fitzpatrick called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. Chair Fitzpatrick welcomed new members Letty Schamp and Matt Huffman. *(Side note: Denny Schooley was “left out” the December meeting attendance list)*

[TAC Meeting Packet](#)

II. **Approval of December 2, 2020 Meeting Minutes**
Chair Fitzpatrick asked for a motion to approve the minutes; Matt Peoples moved; Kevin Weaver seconded; none opposed, and the motion carried.

III. **Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Report** – Thea Ewing, MORPC
- *Regional Mobility Plan* - MORPC is working with nine Central Ohio counties to develop a transit coordinated plan for the ODOT Human Service Transportation Coordination Region 6 – the Regional Mobility Plan. To fully
evaluate the needs and limitations of the region, MORPC is kicking off an extensive public engagement campaign for the Regional Mobility Plan. There will be four virtual public meetings announcing the work on the Regional Mobility Plan. Anyone within the MORPC’s 15-county area of interest is encouraged to attend an online presentation and question/comment opportunity. Virtual meeting links can be found on the MORPC website. The meeting times are:
  o The first meetings were held on Feb. 2.
  o 6-7 p.m. Feb. 4, 2021
  o 12-1 p.m. Feb. 10, 2021

- USDOT Discretionary Programs (BUILD & INFRA) – USDOT released to Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) for both programs and withdrew them with a day or two later. The new administration is currently revising them. We do anticipate they will re-release these NOFOs before the end of April. We anticipate that we may see some new criteria for the awards over previous rounds with the edits.
  o BUILD (Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development) is generally $1 billion in funding available for multi-modal, multi-jurisdictional projects that are more difficult to support through traditional DOT programs.
    ▪ The program can provide $5 - $25 million awards for urban areas
    ▪ Project awards in rural areas can be as low as $1 million
  o INFRA (Infrastructure For Rebuilding America) is generally $1 billion in funding available for major freight mobility projects on highways, bridges, rail, maritime and ports.
    ▪ The program can provide at least $5 million for small projects and $25 million for large projects.

- Miscellaneous Topics – On Monday, February 1, we did kick off the first Community Advisory Committee meeting with seven new members. They represent various communities, with a heavy influence by the bicycling impaired community; an individual who works with reformed citizens coming out of jail as well as someone who works with people with health needs in the Delaware County area.
- MORPC is also tracking what is going on with the stimulus bills and the potential for funding. If you need more information, please reach out to Thea Ewing or Joe Garrity.

Data & Mapping Monthly Report – Aaron Schill, MORPC –

- Regional Data Advisory Committee (RDAC)– this committee guides the work in data and the direction of the projects that we prioritized. Currently, we are working on updating the agenda, taking a look at which agenda items are still relevant, where our work has changed or where priorities have changed and where we need to add or revise these agenda items. This new agenda should be ready by the March 2 RDAC meeting. More information can be found at Regional Mobility Plan
• Census – the first release of the Census data for redistricting purposes, which is provided to the President and to Congress, is anticipated to be available by April 30. The state redistricting data will not be available before July 30.

Planner & Sustainability Monthly Report – Stephen Patchan, MORPC
• Active Transportation Plan – we are currently in the public outreach phase. We have received the public surveys results and are in the process of analyzing the data with a summary analysis to the committee by next month or April, at the latest. We are currently hosting focus groups, which will occur starting Friday, February 5 through the end of the month. The focus groups include economic development and workforce mobility, children and young adults, older adults, minority health and individuals with disabilities. We are also hosting our next stakeholder meeting for the plan on April 13 at 9:00 a.m. Formal invites are forthcoming. In addition, we are drafting an updated level of the stress map for pedestrians and cyclists.
• Central Ohio Greenways Trail Corridors Update – this is a framework/guidance for building out the regional trail vision by 2050 and indexed from highest to lowest. We do encourage/support for local jurisdictions that if a trail is not identified as a high priority, but funds are available, to still proceed.
• We are also conducting an economic impact of trails study; we’ve released an RFP for the project. Please reach out to Melinda Vonstein at mvonstein@morpc.org if you have questions.

IV. Funding Programs
• Attributable Funds Project Status Update – Thomas Graham (MORPC) – Mr. Graham noted that $187,000 has been encumbered on the US 23 corridor study out of a total of $250,000 commitment. The remainder of that commitment is now expected to be encumbered in State Fiscal Year 2022. Additionally, the City of Columbus Refugee Road Sidewalks Project was originally programmed for State Fiscal Year 2022, but given the availability of funds, we believe we’re going to be able to advance this project to State Fiscal Year 2021.
• The Attributable Funds Committee (AFC) meeting immediately follows this meeting. As a reminder, there is a separate Teams invite for the AFC meeting.
• Attributable Funds Commitments for SFY 2021

V. Informational Items
• Ohio Public Works Commission Infrastructure & Conservation Update – Nathaniel Vogt, MORPC
  o An informational update was provided on programs that provide funding for local governments but operate outside of MORPC’s role as the Metropolitan Planning Organization. These programs do not bring resolutions to this committee for approval.
  o The Ohio Public Works Commission administers three programs that offer funding to local governments:
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- State Capital Improvements Program (SCIP) – helps local governments maintain and improve a variety of infrastructure types. There are two subprograms – Small Government Program & Emergency Program.
- Local Transportation Improvement Program (LTIP) – provides funding for road and bridge improvements only.
- Clean Ohio Conservation Fund – provides grants to communities to acquire and conserve open spaces and restore stream corridors.
  - The legislature established an infrastructure program by creating 19 districts across the state to facilitate local decision making in terms of setting criteria and policies and selecting projects at the local level. MORPC provides staff support for District 3, which consists of Franklin County. Each of these districts operates as an integrating committee to oversee the SCIP & LTIP process as well as a Natural Resources Assistance Council (NRAC) to oversee the Clean Ohio process. Further information can be found at pwc.ohio.org
  - Mr. Vogt explained the duties and responsibilities of the Integrating Committee as well further detail regarding the SCIP and LTIP programs.
  - The funding recommendations for Fiscal Year 2022 were completed in December 2021. All projects must be on a schedule to begin construction within the next state fiscal year. Therefore, this last round was open to projects starting construction in State Fiscal Year 2022. $27 million in grants/loans were available. There were 20 applications and 13 were selected for funding, which are now in the hands of the OPWC, and will be executed effective July 1, 2021.
  - Mr. Vogt then explained the infrastructure schedule for Fiscal Year 2023. New this year is a plan to have a meeting with the applicants in November to review the scores and answer any questions they may have.
- Clean Ohio Conservation Fund –
  - Mr. Vogt provided an overview of the Clean Ohio Fund. There are two primary activities for these funds - acquiring land for preservation and the other is protecting and restoring stream corridors.
  - There is approximately $5.4 million available to fund eligible projects.
  - Final applications are due on March 19. Physical site visits will be held following public health guidelines and using new mobile technologies.
    - Presentation slides included in Meeting Packet
- Air Quality Program Update – Brooke White, MORPC
  - Dr. White provided an end of season report, which covered November 2019 through October 2020.
  - The report covers particulate matter and ozone and is slightly different from other years because of the pandemic shut down. Our analysis will show how that did or did not impact air quality.
  - MORPC is embarking on a project using low-cost air quality monitors and will be focusing on more communities that are vulnerable to the effects of air pollution.
Presentation slides included in Meeting Packet

• 2020 Review – Bevan Schneck, MORPC
  o Highlights of the CAC 2020 Accomplishments include:
    ▪ Eight meetings were switched to remote meetings
    ▪ 15 transportation-related resolutions were adopted
    ▪ Established the Active Transportation Committee as a subcommittee
    ▪ Certified the Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process
    ▪ Adopted the MTP, TIP and PWP as well as amendments
    ▪ COTA C-pass was renewed
    ▪ Paving the Way System
    ▪ LinkUS
    ▪ Employee Telework Policy Guide
    ▪ Regional Transportation System Impacts (COVID-19)
  o More details are included on the one-pager that was included in the meeting packet.

VI. Other Business

None

VII. Adjourn

• Chair Fitzpatrick entertained a motion to adjourn. Barb Cox moved; Kevin Weaver seconded, none opposed, motion carried. Motion adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Thea J Ewing, Secretary
Transportation & Infrastructure Development
Thea Ewing, Director - twalsh@morpc.org

**Metropolitan Transportation Plan**

Staff drafted a general timeline of tasks and milestones for the development of the next Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the Columbus area, which must be adopted by May 2024. The timeline was shared with internal agency departments to begin work planning and coordination.

Staff also began to brainstorm ideas for the 2021 MTP Report Card and think about the best format and information to include. This report card will be the first report card for the recently adopted 2020-2050 MTP.

MORPC staff also sent documentation to ODOT in compliance with the federal performance management program safety targets.

**Transit, Mobility & Human Services**

- **Mobility Management**
  - MORPC staff have initiated county meetings with the 9 counties included in ODOT Human Service Transportation Coordination Region 6, the focus area for the Regional Mobility Plan. These conversations focus on discussing local level mobility challenges that should be considered in the plan.
  - MORPC staff have developed a Webmap tool for individuals involved in the Regional Mobility Plan to review for identifying gaps in service and unmet needs.
  - The public meetings for the Regional Mobility Plan have been facilitated virtually. There were two meetings at lunchtime and two in the evening during the first two weeks of February. The recordings will be posted to the program website: morpc.org/mobilityplan
  - MORPC staff have continued working with the OARC Rideshare and Air Quality subcommittee members, ODOT Office of Transit, and the platform provider Ride Amigos to finalize changes to the specialized mobility search tool (now called Gohio Mobility). This work includes working with partners to prepare the website for expansion to counties that did not previously have access to Gohio Commute.
5310 Designated Recipient

- The FFY 2021 and FFY 2021 CRRSAA Section 5310 funding was reviewed with FTA.

Gohio

- Columbus City Schools C-pass: Partnering with Columbus City Schools, COTA and Capital Crossroads Special Improvement District, we have begun working to enable Columbus City School students to use the C-pass to ride a COTA bus to school, free of charge.
- MORPC staff presented Gohio Commute Services at the GreenSpot sustainable business class. This class highlighted green transportation in central Ohio.

Transportation Planning Activities

Linkus

- MORPC staff continued to work with LinkUS partners COTA and City of Columbus to advance the Northwest and East-West corridor studies. This includes continuing to participate in project meetings at all levels, from executive leadership and technical working groups, to stakeholder and public input meetings.
- MORPC staff members have been reviewing technical documentation provided by the consultant teams and working with the project team on data and methodology quality.
- MORPC staff are providing support to COTA and City of Columbus for public meetings scheduled throughout February for both corridor studies. MORPC staff also assisted with the creation of virtual public engagement opportunities available through the LinkUS website.

Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO)

CORPO Update

- CORPO Subcommittee Meetings are now scheduled for late March in Fairfield, Knox, Madison, Morrow and Union counties.
- CORPO staff continues to support Union County, ODOT and consultants with the US 33 Corridor Plan. The Final draft of the plan will be shared in April and CORPO will determine the best ways to incorporate the plan into their planning documents.
- Draft chapters of the Madison County Thoroughfare Plan have been developed and under review by Madison County officials.
- CORPO staff is working with Knox and Morrow counties on a Freeway Access Study intended to identify mobility needs to connect to regional freeways. CORPO is currently developing a working group of local stakeholders to guide the progress of the study.

Infrastructure Funding

MORPC Attributable Funding
• The Attributable Funds Committee held meetings on February 3rd and February 24th to develop draft recommendations for new funding commitments. The draft recommendations are available for public comment through late March.

➢ Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC)

• The Public Works Integrating Committee (PWIC) for OPWC District 3 will meet on March 12 for a working session on the policies and criteria for FY23 funding.

➢ Natural Resources Assistance Council (NRAC)

• Final applications for Round 15 of Clean Ohio Conservation funding are due by March 19. There is approximately $5.4 million available.

➢ TRAC

• ODOT will conduct an expeditated TRAC round. Applications due in April (exact date TBA). Regional hearings will be held in May. TRAC will vote on the draft list in July with the final adoption by TRAC in August. MORPC’s priority ranking and public comment period will likely need to be completed during the May meeting cycle.

➢ Federal Competitive Programs

• The U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) has published a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to apply for approximately $1 billion in Fiscal Year (FY) 2021 discretionary grant funding through the Infrastructure for Rebuilding America (INFRA) program. These grants are awarded on a competitive basis to projects that improve transportation networks. The minimum grant award is $25 million for large projects and $5 million for small projects. MORPC is convening discussions with ODOT and other regional partners on possible projects for submission. Applications are due by March 19th.

• The Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) to apply for discretionary grant funding through the Better Utilizing Investments to Leverage Development (BUILD) program is expected in the coming weeks.

➢ Competitive Advantage Projects (CAP)

• The CAP program update started last fall was completed this month. The final CAP prioritized infrastructure project list includes approximately 50 locally-identified projects across the region with potential to drive economic development. The full list will be released in the coming weeks.
Regional Data Advisory Committee (RDAC)

The RDAC will meet on March 2 to discuss, among other matters, review of the updated Regional Data Agenda, Broadband Access, and the COVID-19 Research Briefs.

Working Groups
- The Regional Data Agenda Working Group met on January 28 and February 17 to review and update the current Regional Data Agenda. The intention is to bring a final updated Regional Data Agenda to the RDAC and then to Commission in the first half of 2021.
- The Regional Municipal Fiber Strategy Working Group continues their work via the Fiber Network Subgroup. The Working Group will meet again in the near future.

User Groups
- 44 members of the Central Ohio GIS User Group (COGUG) met on February 10 with presentations from the City of Dublin, COTA, and MORPC Staff. Members discussed the OEPA PFAS Action Plan website, and then broke into four groups to discuss LBRS, Data, ArcPro, and Web Apps. The next meeting will be on May 19.
- The Regional Information & Data Group (RIDG) met on February 3 for presentations from Frank Kohstall, InnovateOhio, on Data ohio.gov, and from MORPC Staff on the Regional Data Agenda and the Regional Housing Strategy Metrics Dashboard. 31 members attended. The next RIDG meeting will be on May 5.

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- GIS Manager Cheri Mansperger is working with ODOT Technical Services to help them consume Franklin County LBRS data.
- MORPC GIS Staff continue in their work to support CORPO with mapping projects.
- GIS Manager Cheri Mansperger has recently instituted a series of iGIS meetings for MORPC staff, which introduces GIS capabilities and uses to MORPC Staff that may not use GIS on a regular basis.

Data and Mapping Outreach and Collaboration

Broadband Access
- Central Oho Broadband Access Pilot Program
  - Data & Mapping Director Aaron Schill, ESCCO staff, and PCs for People staff continue to meet with prospective funders, wireless vendors, school superintendents and other interested parties to further the success of the Program.
  - Data & Mapping Staff has been busy geocoding recipient addresses to make donation data usable.
- Franklin County Digital Equity Coalition
  - Data & Mapping Director Aaron Schill is serving as Co-Chair of the Franklin County Digital Equity Coalition Steering Committee, and as Chair of their Device Access Working Group.
COVID-19 Research Briefs
Data & Mapping Director Aaron Schill and Staff are continuing their work with the vendor (New Reach Community Consulting) and with local partners to develop a series of data-based research briefs to prepare and inform regional policy and decision-makers on the likely mid- and long-term effects of the pandemic and shutdowns.

Planning & Sustainability
- Data & Mapping Staff are collaborating with Planning & Sustainability Staff to produce and analyze the Active Transportation Plan, Trail Counts, the Technical Assistance Plans, and the Regional Housing Strategy.
- The Data Team created a Metrics Dashboard for use with the Regional Housing Strategy. The Dashboard can be viewed at https://www.morpc.org/rhs/metrics-dashboard/
- Data & Mapping Staff are also supporting Planning & Sustainability Staff with Alternative Fuel Corridor, Future Land Use, Bike Ohio, and Complete Streets mapping.
- Data Manager Liz Whelan continues her collaboration with MORPC’s Planning & Sustainability Staff on the Regional Sustainability Agenda Subcommittee.
- The Data Team is currently analyzing the outcomes of the Active Transportation Plan Focus Groups held in February. The completed analysis is expected very soon.

- Data & Mapping Staff are working with partners and other agencies to gather data for use with the new ESRI ArcGIS Urban program being rolled out.

- Data & Mapping Staff continue to update the COVID-19 Resource Hub (https://central-ohio-covid19-morpc.hub.arcgis.com/) with information pertinent to members.

- Data & Mapping Director Aaron Schill updated members of COMMA at their February 5 meeting on the status of the Regional Municipal Fiber Strategy.

- Data & Mapping Director Aaron Schill and Executive Director William Murdock presented at the February 10 NARC National Conference of Regions regarding “Re-approaching the Digital Divide.”
**Active Transportation Planning**

- **Active Transportation Plan (ATP):** Staff held a series of focus groups with populations traditionally underrepresented in active transportation planning. The outcome of these discussions, together with complete survey results, will be instrumental to ensuring the strategies and recommendations of the ATP prioritize the needs of the workforce; children; older adults; individuals with disabilities; and people of color. A Regional Stakeholder Workshop will be held on Tuesday, April 13 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am to review and discuss the tools and recommendations that have been developed thus far.

- **Complete Streets:** Work to update the Regional Complete Streets policy continues this year. These meetings were put on hold last year to kick off the ATP update so the Plan and Policy could be developed in a coordinated manner. The regional Complete Streets policy is expected to be updated by the end of 2021.

- **Active Transportation Committee (ATC):** The second quarter ATC meeting has been replaced by the Regional Stakeholder Workshop for the ATP on Tuesday, April 13 from 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

- **Data Collection Program:** Staff are coordinating with FHWA and the Volpe Center to host a national peer exchange/workshop focused on non-motorized data collection and information management. This workshop will provide an opportunity for MORPC staff to learn from peer agencies regarding non-motorized data collection and management and improve our regional programming and services related to this topic area.

- **Outreach:** Staff coordinated with FHWA-contracted instructors to host a workshop on the FHWA Bikeway Selection Guide on March 5. Local agency staff were invited to participate and learn more about bikeway policy and planning, bikeway types, facility selection tools, assessing and evaluating feasibility, and bikeway selection.

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- **Technical Assistance Program:** Team members met with Franklin County Engineer’s Office staff to discuss spatial data and mapping needs for the Complete Streets Policy Implementation Toolkit. Team members continued work on the Toolkit, determining key data for decision-making. Team members continue to refine land use and transportation recommendations for Jefferson Township’s Blacklick Station project and Hilliard’s Cemetery Road project. Team members also began working on final reports. Team members continued adding and tagging recommendations for Westerville’s Cleveland Avenue Recommendations Inventory. Team members are developing a first draft of Columbus’ Speed Management Framework tool.

**Regional Housing Strategy (RHS)**

The RHS Team presented an update to RHS stakeholders which included an introduction to the new housing metrics dashboard and a preview of new programs to assist MORPC members with implementing the actions of the RHS.

The Regional Housing Strategy Speaker Series kicked off on February 19 with a session titled “There’s Nothing Cookie Cutter About These Homes.” A panel of builders and policy experts discussed innovations and trends in residential development, and what it takes to make them feasible in our communities.
Transportation Safety

Committee Meetings:
- Staff participated in the Ohio Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP) Steering Committee meeting on February 2, 2021. Five of the past six years (2014-2020) have seen an increase in traffic fatalities in Ohio. Preliminary data for 2020 shows the highest number of fatalities seen since the mid-2000s (more than 1,200 statewide). Overall crashes statewide in 2020 were down significantly from previous years.
- Staff participated in the Franklin County Traffic Fatality Review meeting on February 4, 2021. Columbus Police reported that motorcycle fatalities were significantly higher in 2020 than in previous years, and that pedestrians comprised 26% of all fatal crashes that occurred in 2020. The percentage of fatal crashes that occurred on freeways were also reported as abnormally high for the year.
- Staff participated in the OARC Transportation Safety Subcommittee meeting on February 9, 2021. The Subcommittee adopted official bylaws and voted on a proposal that ODOT will take to the TRCC for funding. The ODOT proposal includes the purchase and installation of permanent traffic count equipment to collect motorized and non-motorized data at strategic locations throughout the state. If the funding is awarded, ODOT will be looking for local partners interested in having the equipment installed on local roadways. Please reach out to lcardoni@morpc.org for more information.
- Staff participated in the Franklin County Safe Communities Coalition meeting on February 10, 2021 and presented a summary of recent Central Ohio Transportation Safety trends as well as a detailed summary of crashes involving people walking and bicycling in the region. The Coalition is actively looking for new members and hoping to engage additional communities within Franklin County, including local police departments. Please contact lcardoni@morpc.org if someone from your agency or police department might be interested in participating. The Coalition focuses on education and outreach around transportation safety.

Technical Assistance: Staff participated in the kick-off and scoping meeting for the US62 Corridor Safety Study with ODOT Central Office, ODOT District 6, and the City of Grove City. The Safety Study will be evaluating the US 62 corridor from the I-270 ramps to Southwest Blvd within Grove City.

Sustainable2050

Member Engagement: Monthly updates to members included several webinars and virtual panels on topics ranging from urban forestry to EPA funding opportunities. The first member meeting will take place March 19 with a focus on energy and renewables.

Greenways & Water Resources Program

The Central Ohio Greenways (COG) Board met on January 20, 2021 and welcomed new board members Autumn Glover and Bertie Fields.
- Trail Development Working Group: The group proposed four minor Regional Trail Vision changes which the Board voted to adopt. The Working Group is also advising MORPC on the Trail Prioritization Effort. The results of the study were shared during the meeting, and the Board plans to discuss strategies to encourage communities to collaborate on state and federal grant applications to quickly implement some of the key segments that ranked highest in the Trail Prioritization Effort.
- Marketing & Communications Working Group: The Working Group has been strategizing ways to share virtual race routes and curated walking and biking trail routes. The Working Group
met with the City of Dublin to learn more about a bike loop they are planning and is interested collaborating with other communities to plan similar curated bike loops.

- **Operations & Access Working Group:** The Working Group shared a social media engagement effort led by COG Intern Jasmine Walker that focused on reaching out to people of color to learn more how communities of color and black-owned businesses believe trails and COG efforts could impact their communities.

- **Partnership Working Group:** The Working Group received funding from the Columbus Realtors and The Columbus Foundation to complete an Impacts of Trail Study. MORPC released an RFP to select a consultant to assist with estimating the COG Regional Trail Vision expected return on investment.

**Sustaining Scioto Board:** The Board met on February 24 to discuss a National Science Foundation application and hear from Danny Johnson on best practices for water utilities addressing climate change in their planning documents.

- **Agriculture & Rural Communities Outreach Team:** The Team met in January to discuss opportunities in creating partnerships and engagement activities between the agricultural and rural stakeholders. Against this backdrop, the Team is preparing to gather data by employing SWCD County Supervisors and elected officials including township trustees who are a resource to the communities of interest of the Team. The goal is to provide a sense of what is of interest to the communities to help shape the Team’s work on creating partnerships and engagement activities.

**Water Quality Management Plans:** MORPC is providing planning services to the Ohio EPA to develop updated and comprehensive water quality management plans for the Central Ohio region, with the next phase focused on Morrow, Logan, and Champaign counties. A new [web page](#) was created for the project and our first stakeholder engagement meeting will be hosted virtually for Morrow County February 25.

**Energy & Air Quality**

**Energy & Air Quality Working Group:** The Energy and Air Quality Working Group met on January 26 and approved a 2021 Work Plan.

- **Air Quality Network Sensor Subcommittee:** The Subcommittee continues to work with Ohio EPA to collocate low-cost PurpleAir monitors with an existing particulate matter monitor. The air quality monitoring project runs from January 2021 to May 2022 and includes siting the monitors, communication through public presentations, a website, data visualizations, establishing data handling protocols, and a final report. Zip codes for siting the monitors have been chosen based on sociodemographic as well as asthma and COVID-19 rate data. Sensor placement is prioritized in communities more vulnerable to air pollution exposure based on this data.

- **Solar Subcommittee:** The Solar Subcommittee is compiling the application for the SolSmart designation and is expecting to submit it by the end of February. Currently, the subcommittee is also assisting two OSU student projects focused on solar development.

- **Diversity & Environmental Justice Subcommittee:** The Subcommittee is developing outreach materials and potential candidates for inclusion on both the Energy and Air Quality Working Group as well as the DEJ Subcommittee.

- **Local Government Energy Partnership:** The Local Government Energy Partnership hosted Solar Week, February 1 – 4, which was focused on solar development and how local governments can and should be involved. Presenters covered topics from engaging with the Ohio Power Siting Board to economic development to community solar and aggregation. The event averaged 100 attendees each day. Attendees primarily consisted of MORPC members, officials, and staff.
Sustainability Advisory Committee (SAC): A new member orientation meeting was hosted on February 9 to provide information about the SAC including its role, structure, and topics of interest. The SAC held its first meeting of 2021 on February 17 at 2:30pm. The Planning & Sustainability Team presented on their accomplishments in 2020 and highlighted 2021 initiatives. The meeting also included updates on the Regional Sustainability Agenda and Working Group reports. The next meeting will be on April 17, when the Committee will be presented with the updated Regional Sustainability Agenda.

- **Regional Sustainability Agenda Subcommittee:** A draft is in place for the updated Regional Sustainability Agenda (RSA), with input from the RSA subcommittee, SAC, and Sustainable2050 members. The Subcommittee continues to meet monthly. In January, members reviewed proposed strategies to support the goals and objectives. Staff is preparing to reach out to broader community stakeholder groups in the region for input. An informational meeting will be offered during first week of March. The SAC will review and adopt the RSA at their April meeting.

- **Outreach:** Several outreach events and meetings in February to highlight:
  - The Ohio Sustainability Network (primarily private sector sustainability professionals) will featured their new (draft) Regional Sustainability Agenda at their next meeting on February 19. They are interested in learning more and providing input on ways to align goals.
  - MORPC and the Bexley Environmental Sustainability Advisory Committee hosted a Sustainability Forum on February 25 via Zoom. The Forum brought together resident-based sustainability advisory groups working in concert with local governments to support sustainability initiatives.
  - The Society of Women Engineers at OSU included a presentation from MORPC’s Sustainability Officer as part of their week-long sustainability series on February 2.
Communications & Engagement

Niel Jurist, Director – njurist@morpc.com

Four virtual, public meetings for the Regional Mobility Plan were held, which were marketed through Communications & Engagement through a press release, graphics, social media, e-mails and the website. The materials also pointed people to where and how they can take a public survey, which is also available in Spanish and Somali.

MORPC assisted in the creation and review of a story map on the LinkUS Mobility Initiative to help the initiative with its public input process.

To advance MORPC’s diversity and inclusion efforts and better help our communities, MORPC announced a new partnership with YWCA Columbus with new support and access to expertise for our local government members. This brings our members new opportunities for trainings and services on antiracism and racial equity.

News Releases

- Work Begins on Regional Mobility Plan for Older Adults, Those with Disabilities
- MORPC Releases 2021-2022 Public Policy Agenda
- More Than $27 Million Awarded to Franklin County Communities
- MORPC Receives Financial Reporting Award
- MORPC Releases 2020 Report on Central Ohio Air Quality
- Ike Stage Named to National Leadership Role for Regions

MORPC In The News

- New Group Formed to Take On NIMBYs
- Virgin Hyperloop Aims to Get Angelenos to San Francisco in 45 Minutes — Within the Decade
- Virgin Hyperloop unveils its vision for the passenger experience of the future
- MORPC sets public policy goals for 2021-22
- Work underway on Regional Mobility Plan
- Whitehall adds more federal funding to fix Broad-Hamilton intersection
- COTA board approves capital budget, including money for transit center near Rickenbacker
- Photos: The Virgin Hyperloop Now Seems a Little More Real
- LinkUs Team Presents Vision for Northwest Transit Corridor
- Bus rapid transit recommended from Downtown to Northwest Side as part of Columbus LinkUS plan
- Amtrak will release new plan soon, stays silent on future for Columbus, Ohio
- Amtrak passenger railway could be coming to Columbus
- It's complicated: Sustainability impacts of working from home
- Columbus studies bridge over West North Broadway for Olentangy Trail
- Options Presented for Clintonville Bike Bridges
- MORPC Matters: Central Ohio shifting toward complete mobility network
- MORPC releases 2019-2020 air quality report
• Shutdown led to better ozone days in the spring followed by high ozone days in the summer
• Central Ohio Greenways - A Unifying Vision

Digital Content

Social media and website content for the month included:

Regional Housing Strategy Speakers Series, Public Policy Agenda, Regional Mobility Plan, New Traffic System Dispatch Article, Trail Moments/Central Ohio Greenways, Air Quality, Competitive Advantage Projects, State of the Region, LinkUS, Gohio Commute, SCIP/LTIP Awards, ODOT Safety, Black History Month, FCEO Public Meeting, NW Corridor Open House, Super Bowl (Safety), and Ohio Loves Transit Week.
REGIONAL DIVERSITY SNAPSHOT

MORPC's Diversity & Inclusion Initiatives
March 2021

15-COUNTY AREA MAP
**REGIONAL DIVERSITY SNAPSHOT - RACE & ETHNICITY**

Percent & Estimate of Residents by Race/Ethnicity for 15-County Region

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Source: US Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program, 2019

Percent of Population for Non-White Residents by Race/Ethnicity Over Time for 15-County Region

**REGIONAL DIVERSITY SNAPSHOT - FOREIGN-BORN POPULATION**

Top 10 Countries of Origin of Foreign-Born Residents for 15-County Region

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Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2015-2019

Central Ohio Foreign-Born Population and Citizenship Status

55% U.S. Citizen
45% Not a U.S. Citizen

Franklin County
140,504
+-/ 3,500

46% U.S. Citizen
54% Not a U.S. Citizen

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2015-2019
REGIONAL DIVERSITY SNAPSHOT - VETERANS

There are an estimated 131,384 veterans in Central Ohio, which is about 7% of the civilian population over 18 years of age.

- Hocking and Ross counties have the highest percentages, each with 9.5%
- Franklin and Delaware counties have the lowest percentages, each with 6.4%

![Veterans by Age Group for 15-County Region](image)

Veterans by Sex for 15-County Region

- Male: 91.8% ± 2,176
- Female: 8.2% ± 772

![Veterans by Sex for 15-County Region](image)

Veterans by Age Group for 15-County Region

- 18 to 34: 12,051 ± 920
- 35 to 54: 34,440 ± 1325
- 55 to 64: 33,887 ± 965
- 65 to 74: 26,102 ± 724
- 75 and over: 12,051 ± 920

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2015-2019

REGIONAL DIVERSITY SNAPSHOT - DISABILITY

Estimate of Population with a Disability by Type for Columbus MSA

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Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2015-2019

* Disability estimates by type do not sum to total due to persons with more than one type of disability

Percent of Population with a Disability by County*

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2015-2019

* Estimates reflect the noninstitutionalized civilian population
DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION WORK PLAN

• Guides the diversity efforts of the MORPC Board and Staff
• One area of focus is Workforce & Leadership

Goals:

• Improve diverse representation and voices in MORPC’s work, committees and members
• Commit to a culturally competent MORPC workforce and Board

MORPC COMMITTEES DEMOGRAPHIC SURVEY

• One of the greatest strengths of our region is the diversity of our communities, and MORPC strives to reflect that diversity in all forms

• Committed to ongoing evaluation and last month we created a brief survey to capture the demographics of our committees

• Surveyed 14 MORPC committees with 6 questions pertaining to age, race, gender, veteran, and disability status; received 172 responses
**Race & Ethnicity**

- White or Caucasian - 87.13%
- Black or African American - 9.94%
- Hispanic or Latino - 1.75%
- Asian or Asian American - 1.17%
- American Indian or Alaska Native - 0.00%
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander - 0.00%
- Prefer not to answer - 1.17%

**Gender**

- Male - 60.47%
- Female - 38.95%
- Non-binary - 0.58%

**Veteran Status**

- Yes - 4.65%
- No - 95.35%
MORPC COMMITTEES DEMOGRAPHIC SURVEY RESULTS

Disability Status

- Yes - 1.75%
- No - 98.25%

Age

- 18-24 - 1.16%
- 25-34 - 13.37%
- 35-44 - 32.56%
- 45-54 - 26.16%
- 55-64 - 16.86%
- 65+ - 9.88%

MORPC COMMISSION DEMOGRAPHICS

Race

- White or Caucasian - 149
- Black or African American - 8
- American Indian or Alaska Native – 1
- Total = 158 Board Members

Gender

- Males - 111
- Females - 47

Age

- 25 and Under - 1
- 25-44 - 35
- 45-64 - 102
- 65+ - 20
DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION TRAINING

• Great news…new and exciting partnership with the Columbus YWCA!

• Racial Equity Foundations & Applications and Racial Equity 101 Video
  - Discuss structural racism and connections to inequities in our communities, such as housing and community development

• Workshops will be held in April and May

• Contact: Ralonda Hampton - Diversity, Inclusion and Engagement Officer
  rhampton@morpc.org or 614.233.4157

RACIAL EQUITY & SOCIAL JUSTICE CHALLENGE

• Join us! 21-Day Racial Equity and Social Justice Challenge
  - designed to create more effective social justice habits

• March 1 - March 29 (Monday through Friday)

• Free! Engage in self-learning to increase awareness regarding moving communities forward

• Participants will be presented with activities such as reading articles, listening to a podcast, reflecting on personal experiences and more

• Register at ywcacolumbus.org
Memorandum

TO: Community Advisory Committee
Transportation Advisory Committee

FROM: Thea Ewing, Director
Transportation & Infrastructure Development

DATE: February 24, 2021

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-1-21: “Amending the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program”

Proposed Resolution T-1-21 will add or modify nine projects to the SFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with commitments totaling over $168 million. These changes are necessary to enable the projects to advance and to maintain fiscal constraint. In April, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will ask the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to amend the Statewide TIP to include these changes.

Attachment 1 to the resolution provides a description of the funding and scope of the projects, including a description of the bicycle and pedestrian components. One project includes MORPC-attributable funding.

An explanation of the proposed changes to the TIP follows.

**COTA** - The following modifications to the TIP are being made for COTA projects:
- PID 112116 – COTA High Capacity Transit EW Corridor: Modifying local funding in the TIP.
- PID 114449 – COTA SFY 21 DERG Buses: Add project to the TIP.
- PID 114757 – Rickenbacker Mobility Center: Add project to the TIP.
- PID 114758 – COTA Integrated Mobility Innovation Grant: Add project to the TIP.
- PID 114759 – Demonstration of Enhanced Data Infrastructure: Add project to the TIP.

**Dublin**: The following modification to the TIP is being made to a Dublin project:
- PID 113532 – University Boulevard: Updating ODOT PID for this project. MORPC ID 3817.

**ODOT, District 6**: The following additions to the TIP are being made for ODOT projects:
- PID 111158 – Innovation Campus Way West: Add project to the TIP. This PID was previously assigned to the Dublin University Boulevard project.
Proposed Resolution T-1-21
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- PID 111091 – Statewide ATCMTD Truck Platoon Grant: Add project to the TIP.

Whitehall - The following modification to the TIP is being made to a Whitehall project:
- PID 105768 – E Broad Street at S Hamilton Road: Add $67,680 in SFY 2021 for PE Environmental Study phase. This project includes MORPC funding in the construction phase, but there is no change to the MORPC funding.

NTG: TG

Attachments:
- Proposed Resolution T-1-21
RESOLUTION T-1-21

“Amending the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program”

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Committee of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) adopted the SFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) by Resolution T-7-20; and

WHEREAS, five project additions or modifications to the 2021-2024 TIP have been identified as needed for COTA projects as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, one project modification to the 2021-2024 TIP has been identified as needed for a Dublin project as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, two project additions to the 2021-2024 TIP have been identified as needed for Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) projects as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, one project modification to the 2021-2024 TIP has been identified as needed for a Whitehall project as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, the projects are consistent with the transportation policies, plans, and programs, including the most recent Metropolitan Transportation Plan adopted by the Transportation Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, the Community Advisory Committee at its meeting March 1, 2021, and the Transportation Advisory Committee at its meeting on March 3, 2020 recommended approval of this resolution to the Transportation Policy Committee; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

Section 1. That the MORPC SFY 2021-2024 TIP be amended to include the project information as shown in Attachment 1.

Section 2. That it affirms that the fiscal balance of the SFY 2021-2024 TIP is maintained.

Section 3. That the determination of conformity between the TIP and the State Implementation Plan (SIP) is hereby reaffirmed, as the projects are exempt from conformity requirements or have been included in the most recent air quality conformity approval.

Section 4. That it affirms that the amendment was developed in compliance with the transportation performance measures as described in Section 6 of the SFY 2021-2024 TIP as modified.

Section 5. That this resolution will be transmitted to ODOT and all sponsoring agencies in Attachment 1 for appropriate action.
Section 6. That the Transportation Policy Committee finds and determines that all formal deliberations and actions of this committee concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this committee.

Karen Angelou, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Date

Prepared by: Transportation Staff

Attachment 1: Amended Project Information for the SFY 2021-2024 TIP
### Resolution T-1-21

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<td><strong>Description:</strong> COTA Rickenbacker Mobility Center, Transit Activity, The Rickenbacker Area Mobility Center is envisioned as a hub connecting multiple rural, workforce, and urban transit systems in one multi use space that also provides access to food, healthcare, childcare</td>
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## Resolution T-1-21

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**Project Type(s):** Transit Operating/ITS  
**Air Quality:** Exempt

**Description:**

- *COTA Integrated Mobility Innovation Grant, Transit Operating & ITS, Regional Cloud-based Traffic Management Artificial Intelligence (AI) System (IMI)*  
  ALI 55.50.00

**Bike Components:** Not applicable.  
**Ped Components:** Not applicable.

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**Project Type(s):** Transit Activity/ITS  
**Air Quality:** Exempt

**Description:**

- *COTA Demonstration of Enhanced Data Infrastructure, Transit Activity & ITS, Demonstration of Enhanced Data Infrastructure for Multimodal Planning in the COVID-19 Environment to Improve Public Confidence in Transit Service Reliability*  
  ALI 55.50.00

**Bike Components:** Not applicable.  
**Ped Components:** Not applicable.

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**Project Type(s):** New Roadway  
**Air Quality:** System Analyzed

**Description:**

- *University Boulevard from Shier Rings Road to Eitermann Road, New Roadway, 4 lanes, The business will be constructing a new roadway for this project. They will be building in a greenfield that currently has no roads. This road will be called University B*

**Bike Components:** Multi-use path. 0.75 mi. added to bike network.  
**Ped Components:** Sidewalk on 1 side, multi-use path on 1 side. 1.5 mi. added to ped network.

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**Resolution T-1-21**

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**Co-Route-Sec:** STW-ATCMTD Truck Platoon Grant-

**Project Type(s):** Operational Upgrades/Planning Activity

**Air Quality:** System Analyzed

**Description:** ATCMTD Truck Platoon Grant, Operational Upgrades & Planning Activity, 2019 Advanced Transportation and Congestion Management Technologies Deployment (ATCMTD) Truck Platooning Grant. Statewide ATCMTD Truck Platooning Grant - I-70 Focus with InDOT

**Bike Components:** Not applicable.

**Ped Components:** Not applicable.

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**Co-Route-Sec:** FRA-Innovation Campus Way West-

**Project Type(s):** New Roadway

**Air Quality:** System Analyzed

**Description:** Innovation Campus Way West, New Roadway, 2 lanes, Extension of Innovation Campus Way west. $250,000 J&C funds will be contributed to the project

**Bike Components:** Maybe - To be determined.

**Ped Components:** Maybe - To be determined.

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Resolution T-1-21
Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: Whitehall
PID: 105768
TIP ID: 3253
MTP ID: 185

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-SR016-06.87
Length (mi.): 0.7

Project Type(s): Intersection Modification
Air Quality: Exempt

Description: E Broad St at Hamilton Rd, Intersection Modification, Proposed:
- EB Broad: 2 thru, 1 LTL, 1 RTL
- WB Broad: 2 thru, 2 LTL, 1 RTL
- NB Hamilton: 1 thru, 2 LTL, 1 thru/RTL
- SB Hamilton: 1 thru, 2 LTL, 1 thru/RTL
Includes medians on all 4 approaches, signal r

Bike Components: Multi-use path. 10’ path along NE corner of intersection. 0.34 mi. added to bike network.

Ped Components: Modify existing facilities. Replace existing sidewalks with 6’-8’ sidewalks on all approaches except no change on E side of S Hamilton.

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COMPETITIVE ADVANTAGE PROJECTS

Community Advisory Committee – March 1, 2021
Transportation Advisory Committee – March 3, 2021

Informational Only

- No Action Requested
What is Competitive Advantage Projects?

- MORPC develops and maintains a priority list of regional infrastructure projects
- Focused on projects that benefit economic and community growth
- Advances projects through advocacy and technical assistance

INITIATIVE OVERVIEW

PROCESS

Driven at the County Level

- County-based working groups organized or identified from existing committees
- MORPC provides data and support to help facilitate prioritization
- County working groups determine top 3-5 local priority projects, with 6 “regionally significant” projects
PROCESS

VETTED LIST
Vetted project list is a resource for advocates and elected officials

MAPPING & INFO SHEETS
Interactive map and project profiles created for priority projects

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE
MORPC staff tracks funding opportunities and assists with funding strategies

INFRASTRUCTURE TYPES
Highways & Roads  Freight  Transit  Active Transportation
Energy Systems  Water & Sewer  Telecom & Smart Tech  Strategic Planning
PROCESS OUTPUTS

Project Profiles

Web Map

morpc.org/CAP
INITIATIVE PROGRESS

Round 3 Update

- Updated for new Congress and General Assembly
- County working groups continue to drive the process
- Enhancements:
  - Focus on strategic funding opportunities
  - Alignment across agency
  - Linking infrastructure and economic development (CEDS)

INITIATIVE PROGRESS

Round 3 Results

- 47 projects
- 12 counties identified projects
- Pickaway and Morrow counties participating for the first time
- Projects total over $5 billion
- Range from $800,000 to over $2 billion
**INITIATIVE PROGRESS**

**Round 3 Project Types**

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**INITIATIVE PROGRESS**

**Round 3 New Projects**

- **Circleville Grade Separation** – Pickaway County
- **Industrial Parkway Widening** – Union County
- **SoMoCo Sanitary Sewer Upgrade** – Morrow County
- **Columbus Region Broadband Access** – Regionally Significant
- **LinkUS Corridor Initiative** – Regionally Significant
INITIATIVE PROGRESS

Next Steps

- Anticipate federal and state funding opportunities
- Responsiveness to economic recovery
- Foundation for agency economic development initiatives

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COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
March 1, 2021

HUMAN SERVICES TRANSPORTATION COORDINATION REGIONS

• ODOT established ten Human Services Transportation Coordination (HSTC) regions in Ohio.

• Organizing transportation by region can
  • improve service delivery
  • increase regional coordination
  • reduce duplication
  • fill gaps in service
**ODOT HSTC Region 6**

- ODOT HSTC Region 6
  - Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Licking, Logan, Madison, Pickaway, and Union counties
- MORPC Mobility Management Area of Interest
  - Hocking, Knox, Marion, Morrow, Perry and Ross Counties

**REGIONAL MOBILITY PLAN**

- Goals:
  - *Identify* community resources
  - *Understand* mobility gaps and unmet needs
  - *Determine* education and awareness strategies
  - *Prioritize* local and regional:
    - Transportation services
    - Projects for funding and implementation
WHY IS MORPC LEADING THIS PLAN?

- Identify local and regional transportation projects
- Include priorities that can be funded with federal, state, local and private funds
- Required by the Federal Transit Administration for rural and urban funding
- Preparedness for local and regional funding opportunities

MOBILITY MANAGEMENT

- What is it?
  - Support connections among transportation and social service organizations, education, and employment.

- Connection with the Regional Mobility Plan
  - Increase coordination with regional stakeholders
  - Increase coordination with transportation providers
  - Meaningful involvement with the population
PLAN REQUIREMENTS

• Private and public transportation providers, human services providers, and members of the public

• Identify transportation needs of individuals with disabilities, older adults, and people with lower incomes

REGIONAL MOBILITY PLAN

• Collaborative process with partners from 9 different counties
• Locally developed with public input
• Estimated completion in October 2021
**PROJECT TIMELINE**

**January - February**
- Public announcements
- Public involvement

**March - April**
- Public involvement continues
- Data collection
- Map review

**May - July**
- Prioritize strategies and goals
- Open strategies and goals for comment
- Draft document

**August - October**
- Finalize document
- Obtain stakeholder, county, and MORPC approval
- Submit to ODOT

**PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT**

- **Virtual Public Meetings**
  - Feb. 2, 2021 – 12:30-1:30 p.m.
  - Feb. 2, 2021 – 7-8 p.m.
  - Feb. 4, 2021 – 6-7 p.m.
  - Feb. 10, 2021 – 12-1 p.m.

- **Online and Paper Surveys**
  - Transportation User Survey
  - Distribution of marketing materials
  - Translated in Spanish and Somali
  - Transportation Provider Survey

- **Virtual Focus Groups**

- **County Breakout Meetings**
EXPECTED MOBILITY NEEDS

• Access to transit providers
• Awareness of available modes and services
• Long distance transit services
• Language barriers for non-native English speakers
• Difficulty in scheduling drivers-for-hire
• Displacement issues
• Accessible communities
• Inflexible policies or funding

POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

• Education and outreach for available transit services
  • Individuals
  • Social service and health centers

• Mobility management services

• Travel training for fixed route and paratransit services

• Improve multimodal connectivity

• Improvement of coordination and efficiency of transit services
THANK YOU!

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