2020-2050 COLUMBUS AREA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

WHO IS MORPC?

- Transportation & Infrastructure Development
- Planning & Sustainability
- Data & Mapping
- Residential Services
- Government Affairs
- Communications & Engagement
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
PREFERENCES ARE CHANGING

We want options.

Smaller Homes  Walkability  Amenities  More Mobility  Green Space
REGIONAL GOALS

- **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**

- **Position Central Ohio to Attract and Retain Economic Opportunity to Prosper as a Region and Compete Globally**

- **Create Sustainable Neighborhoods to Improve Residents’ Quality of Life**

- **Increase Regional Collaboration and Employ Innovative Transportation Solutions to Maximize the Return on Public Expenditures**

- **Use Public Investments to Benefit the Health, Safety, and Welfare of People**
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STRATEGY & PROJECT IDENTIFICATION

• Most suggested project type: Stand-alone Bike & Pedestrian

[Suggested Projects by Type diagram]

- Bike/Pedestrian: 82
- Transit: 28
- Intersection Modification: 17
- New Roadway: 17
- Major Widening: 13
- Interchange Modification: 11
- Operations: 9
- Minor Widening: 7
- New Interchange: 7
- New Freeway: 7
- Convert to Freeway: 2
REGIONAL STRATEGIES

• System Management
  • Physical Preservation
  • Operations
  • Safety & Security
  • Demand Management

• System Development
  • Bike & Pedestrian Infrastructure
  • Transit Infrastructure
  • Freight Rail Infrastructure
  • Multimodal Infrastructure Connections
  • Roadway Infrastructure
NEXT STEPS

- December 2019 – February 2020
  - Community presentations
  - Draft document available in February
  - February 26, 2020 - Public Open House at MORPC
- April 3, 2020 – Public comment period closes
- May 2020 – Plan Adoption
WHAT ARE WE ASKING OF YOU?

• Review & Comment
  • Draft plan
  • Comment period ends April 3, 2020

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