REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES
PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

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
Project Growth
7-County Central Ohio Region

2050
↑622K

2018
1,994,771

Population

Households
↑244K
776,353

Jobs
↑290K
1,059,229
We want options.

Smaller Homes  Walkability  Amenities  More Mobility  Green Space
REGIONAL GOALS

1. **Reduce Per Capita Energy Consumption and Promote Alternative Fuel Resources**
   - To increase affordability and resilience of regional energy supplies.

2. **Protect Natural Resources and Mitigate Infrastructure Vulnerabilities to Maintain a Healthy Ecosystem and Community**

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

4. **Create Sustainable Neighborhoods to Improve Residents’ Quality of Life**

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

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

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