REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIES

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
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*
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POPULATION & EMPLOYMENT FORECASTS

Projected Growth
7-County Central Ohio Region

2050
↑622 K

2018
1,994,771

↑244K
776,353
Populations

↑290K
1,059,229
Households

Jobs
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**
INPUT
- Local Plans
- Data
- Public Engagement
- Goals, Objectives & Targets

PROCESS
- Evaluation Criteria
- Fiscal Analysis
- Impact Analysis

OUTPUT
- Regional Strategies
- Priority Projects
- Documentation
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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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