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NOTICE OF A MEETING

TRANSPORTATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
111 Liberty Street, Suite 100
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Wednesday, April 6, 2022
9 a.m.

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AGENDA

- 9:00 a.m. Welcome & Introductions – James Young, Chair**
- 9:02 a.m. Approval of March 2, 2022 Meeting Minutes**
- 9:03 a.m. Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Report – Nick Gill, MORPC**
- Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) Update – Dina Lopez, MORPC
- 9:10 a.m. Funding Programs**
- Attributable Funds Project Status Update – Thomas Graham, MORPC
 - Resolution T-4-22: Adoption of Revised Funding Commitment for US 33/SR161/Post Road Interchange Project – Thomas Graham, MORPC
- 9:20 a.m. Informational Items**
- Draft FY 2023 Planning Work Program (PWP) – Nick Gill, MORPC
 - Subcommittees of TAC – Nick Gill, MORPC
 - Active Transportation Committee – Scott Ulrich, Columbus Public Health
 - Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) – Mark Stephenoff, Columbus Public Service
 - Grants & Investment Update – Abby Barnes, MORPC
- 9:45 a.m. Other Business**
- 9:50 a.m. Adjourn**

William Murdock, AICP
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Chair

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The next TAC meeting is **May 4, 2022, at 9 a.m.**

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes



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Date: **March 2, 2022**
Time: **9 a.m.**
Location: **MORPC**

Members/Alternates Present

Mike Barker
Zakee Bashir
Andrew Biesterveld
Bill Ferrigno
Cindi Fitzpatrick

Corey Francis
Alan Moran
Tim Nittle
Scott Sanders
Letty Schamp

Kevin Weaver
James Young

Members/Alternates Participating Online

Mike Andrako
Greg Butcher
Laura Comek
Barbara Cox
Brian Davidson

Matt Huffman
Morgan Kauffman
Joshua Lockhart
Kimberly Moss

Guests Present

John Gallagher
Adam Moorman

Guests Online

Mike Avellano
Dan Hoying

MORPC Staff

Lauren Cardoni
Thea Ewing
Mary Ann Frantz
Nick Gill

Thomas Graham
Jonathan Miller
Jennifer Noll
Maria Schaper

Bevan Schneck
Nathaniel Vogt
Melinda Vonstein
Brandi Whetstone

I. Welcome & Introductions

- Chair Young called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. There was a quorum present.

II. Approval of February 2, 2022 Meeting Minutes

- Chair Young asked for a motion to approve the February 2, 2022 minutes. Mr. Ferrigno moved; Mr. Nittle seconded; and the motion passed.

III. Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Report – Nick Gill, MORPC

- Mr. Gill provided a COTA update about the 50% discount low-income riders can receive by using the digital fare system. This pilot program starts March 1, and there are pop-up locations for riders to learn more. COTA is continuing to market the Transit App for fare payment, and COTA Plus ridership is continuing to grow. There is also a new program to “adopt a stop” for organizations to clean up litter

at bus stops. Mr. Biesterveld noted that COTA's Amenity Contribution program allows businesses to fund bus shelters or other facilities based on ridership, which is a new option in conjunction with adopt a stop.

- Delaware County Transit's new executive director, Harry Kamdar, is starting this week, and they are considering restarting the Green Route, which connects to COTA service at Crosswoods.
- Not a lot of information has come out about the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act in the past month; we are waiting on the appropriations bill to pass, which funds the infrastructure package. MORPC's new grants & investment officer will be starting in March.
- MORPC had its first Interregional Connections Committee meeting, which will work on multi-modal options to connect Central Ohio with other cities and regions in the Midwest.
- The Policies for Managing MORPC-attributable Funding currently have a comment period through March 18, and they will be considered for adoption by the committee in May.
- MORPC is working on its Planning Work Program, which specifies the agency's planning, programs, and products, which will also be up for adoption in May.

IV. Funding Programs

- **Attributable Funds Project State Update – Thomas Graham, MORPC**
 - Mr. Graham said new encumbrances included the second loan payment for the I-270 at US33/SR161 interchange and payments for the Powell Sawmill Parkway project.
 - The two COTA high-capacity transit corridors had FTA transfers requested and should be encumbered soon.
- **Resolution T-3-22: Amending the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program – Thomas Graham, MORPC**
 - Mr. Graham said the proposed resolution would update the current Transportation Improvement Program by adding or modifying nine projects with commitments totaling \$170 million. Four projects include MORPC-attributable funding.
 - The COTA projects include: Splitting the former High Capacity Transit East-West Corridor into two projects, the High Capacity Transit East Main Street Corridor and High Capacity Transit West Broad Street Corridor; Electric Charging Stations; Rickenbacker Mobility Center; DERG Buses; and Reynoldsburg Park and Ride.
 - The ODOT projects include I-71 Bridge Maintenance and I-270 (South Outerbelt) at US 23.
 - The Upper Arlington Fishinger Road Reconstruction project is also included.
 - Chair Young asked for a motion to approve Resolution T-3-2022. Ms. Fitzpatrick moved; Mr. Biesterveld seconded; and the motion passed.

V. Informational Items

- **Air Quality Program Update – Brandi Whetstone, MORPC**

- Ms Whetstone provided a recap of the past air quality season, highlighting that there were no days that fell in to the Unhealthy for Sensitive Groups category and that this continues a trend of improvement over the past 29 years.
- Most days fell into the category of Good, and smoke from Canada contributed to PM2.5 pollution, leading to some moderate days. Weather conditions played a role with ozone due to temperatures and precipitation.
- MORPC's annual air quality report is available at morpc.org/airquality.
- Technical Assistance Program – Lauren Cardoni, MORPC
 - Ms. Cardoni reminded members that the Technical Assistance Program provides community-based planning services to local agencies within the MPO area. The program was updated this year to focus on implementing the goals and strategies of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and other regional plans.
 - Information about Technical Assistance services that have been completed in the past is now available on the MORPC website at morpc.org/program-service/technical-assistance-program.
 - Six applications were received and evaluated for the 2022 program, and the four awardees were Franklin County Metro Parks, City Sunbury, City of Columbus, and City of Dublin – all for services related to the Central Ohio Greenways Vision.
 - The goal for the program this year is to complete all of these services by the fall.
- Celebrate Trails Day & Outdoor Trails Passport – Melinda Vonstein, MORPC
 - Ms. Vonstein, MORPC's program manager for the Central Ohio Greenways, highlighted upcoming events and activities related to trails.
 - Celebrate Trails Day will take place April 23, 2022. It is an annual celebration that encourages people across the country to get outside to enjoy trails and trail systems and will likely take place simultaneously with other local events.
 - Ms. Vonstein also highlighted the local Outdoor Trails Pass program, which is a virtual passport and partnership with Experience Columbus that encourages people to use the trails and trail system to visit local attractions and boost tourism. The passport will be relaunched in April with the Celebrate Trails event.

VI. Other Business

- Mr. Schneck highlighted that MORPC's State of the Region event was coming up on March 16 and told committee members to be sure to register.
- Mr. Gill introduced Jonathan Miller, who recently started at MORPC as a senior planner in the Planning Department. Ms. Ewing noted that Ted Geer, who was MORPC's economic development officer, had taken a position working on the Intel project for One Columbus. In addition to the grant and investment officer starting at MORPC in March, MORPC will have a senior planner starting.

VII. Adjourn

- The meeting was adjourned at 9:38 a.m.



Thea J Ewing, Secretary



METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION REPORT

March 2022

PROGRAMMING

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Transportation

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Metropolitan Transportation Plan:

- Staff is beginning the process of compiling data for the 2022 MTP Report Card update, in preparation to publish the 2022 MTP Report Card later this spring.
- Staff is working with the Data & Mapping team to develop new 2050 population and employment forecast data for use in the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.
- Staff will begin reviewing MTP goals, objectives, and performance measures and engaging stakeholders in identifying potential revisions to be incorporated into the 2024-2050 MTP development.

Transit, Mobility & Human Services:

Mobility Management

- MORPC staff met with Fairfield, Pickaway, Union, and Logan counties in ODOT HSTC Region 6 for discussions in coordination with the regional coordinated plan.
- MORPC staff attended the OPTA Board meeting and COTA Mobility Advisory Board meeting in interest to transit and mobility management topics.
- MORPC staff presented the mobility management program and resources during a virtual conference on resources for people with autism presented by Nationwide Children's hospital.
- MORPC staff hosted a training for Ohio mobility managers for administering the Gohio Mobility specialized transportation search tool.
- MORPC staff continue to meet with ODOT HSTC Region 6 stakeholders to begin working towards goals and strategies outlined in the recently adopted regional coordinated plan.

FTA Section 5310 Designated Recipient

- Staff continues to monitor the original equipment manufacturer (OEM) production shortages for active and in-progress purchase orders for the 5310 program. Vendors and ODOT are suggesting that vehicle delivery is likely to slide into 2023 and 2024 with price escalations occurring during the period.

Gohio Commute

- MORPC staff is collaborating with Central Ohio Greenways and the Rails to Trails Conservancy for Celebrate Trails. This event will be located at Genoa Park and will focus on encouraging biking as a form of transportation
- MORPC staff is planning an educational social media campaign in May (National Bike Month) called People Who Bike to highlight biking as a form of transportation and as an extension of the Celebrate Trails event.
- MORPC staff had started developing the next Central Ohio Transportation Demand Management Strategic Plan.
- MORPC staff launched a vanpool testimonial video. This video describes how the Gohio Commute vanpool program is a rural solution for transportation issues where a bus isn't available. Universal Veneer describes how they eliminated their second shift worker shortage with the program. The video can be viewed at <https://youtu.be/q2wXv17CBuo>
- MORPC has added two new vanpools in March. One traveling from Columbus, OH to Newark, OH, and one traveling from Grove City, OH to Lancaster, Ohio. Both of these companies are manufacturing companies that need their employees on site to perform their duties.
- MORPC staff has extended the Commute Action Fund for another year. MORPC has matching funds up to 5,000 for companies who want to provide commuter benefits for their employees. More information on this program can be found at morpc.gohio.com/commute-action-fund.

Transportation Planning Activities:

US 23 Connect Study

- MORPC continues to provide data and support to the ODOT study team as Phase 2 of the study wraps up and Phase 2 public comment period ended on February 28, 2022.

LinkUS Mobility Initiative

- The LinkUS partners have completed the first round of regional outreach to discuss the overview of the LinkUS mobility initiative with the COTA service area stakeholders and will begin the second round of outreach in April.
- Northwest corridor planning for the locally preferred alternative (LPA) is ongoing with multiple public engagement opportunities scheduled in March. A final LPA will be decided by summer 2022 to find the terminus of the NW Corridor BRT line.
- The LinkUS team will be submitting a U.S. Department of Transportation RAISE planning grant for prioritization, feasibility, and engineering for transit-supportive infrastructure elements (sidewalks, greenways, and bikeways).

Interregional Connections Committee (ICC):

- This committee is continuing the work of the Rapid Speed Transportation Initiative.
- Staff is writing a request for proposals for a rail station feasibility study for interested parties for future passenger rail services.

Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization (CORPO):

- CORPO staff submitted a draft FY 2023 Planning Work Program to ODOT on March 4, 2022
- On March 21, 2022, the CORPO committee completed its first CORPO Dedicated Funds cycle by passing a resolution committing SFY 2022-2023 CORPO Dedicated Funds to six transportation projects. Nearly \$900,000 was committed to projects in the CORPO study area.
- County-level subcommittees will be held April 8-15.
- CORPO staff met with Knox County transit officials and will be working with them over the next few months to help them prepare for the development of new transit-related infrastructure.

Transportation Safety:

- MORPC staff is finalizing deliverables for the Franklin County Public Health Complete Streets Safety Audit project with the cities of Grove City, Reynoldsburg, and Whitehall. The project will be substantially complete at the end of March and will serve as a model going forward for future pedestrian safety studies and walk audits. MORPC has developed templates for these assessments that can be used by/for any community in the region.

Technical Assistance Program:

- Four communities were awarded technical assistance for the 2022 Technical Assistance Program, and the MORPC team has been coordinating with each community to kick off the following services:
 - Columbus and Franklin County Metro Parks - Scioto Trail Southern Extension
 - City of Columbus - Downtown and Near-East Side Trail Access and Connectivity
 - City of Dublin - Regional Trail Network Connectivity
 - City of Sunbury - Ohio to Erie Trail Access and Connectivity

Infrastructure Funding:

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- The TIP Amendment approved by T-3-22 will be incorporated into the state TIP (STIP) in April.

MORPC-Attributable Funding

- The public comment period for the Policies for Managing MORPC-Attributable Funds ended on March 18. No comments were received, and the policies will be considered for final approval by CAC, TAC, and the Transportation Policy Committee in May.

Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC)

- The next meeting of the Public Works Integrating Committee, District 3 (Franklin County), will be held on Friday, April 16.

Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC)

- TRAC held a meeting on March 23, during which ODOT staff presented proposed updates to the TRAC application guidelines. The updates are to reflect the bipartisan infrastructure law (BIL) policies. MORPC will provide members with updates as appropriate as part of regular participation in the TRAC process.

Federal Competitive Programs

- There are four Central Ohio applications for the Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) discretionary grant program:
 - MORPC's application on behalf of LinkUS.
 - Licking County Area Transit Service (LCATS) is submitting an application for a planning study for a multimodal mobility ecosystem to address growing needs for employment access and commuters in Licking County.
 - The City of Columbus is submitting an application for a planning grant for the Williams Road Corridor Plan project.
 - Franklin County is submitting an application for the Hubbard Road Connector project, which aims to build 2.9 miles of shared-use path along Hubbard Road and Roberts Road from Interstate 70 to U.S. Route 40, connecting Prairie Oaks Metro Park and Battelle Darby Metro Park and completing a vital link in the Darby Creek Trail.
- On March 23, 2022, the U.S. Department of Transportation announced a Notice of Funding Opportunity which allows for one application to apply for up to three separate grant opportunities:
 - MEGA- New program focused on supporting large, complex projects that are "difficult to fund by other means and likely to generate national or regional economic, mobility, or safety benefits."
 - INFRA- Existing program that was updated to include new eligibilities, set-asides, and other programming changes.
 - Rural Surface Transportation Grant- New program that aims to support projects to improve and expand the surface transportation infrastructure in rural areas to increase connectivity, improve the safety and reliability of the movement of people and freight, and generate regional economic growth and improve quality of life.
 - Applications are due May 23, 2022. More information can be found [here](#).

PLANNING

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Community Development

Active Transportation Planning:

- The MORPC Active Transportation Committee will hold its Q2 meeting on Thursday, April 21 at 10 a.m. in the MORPC Town Hall meeting room. A Microsoft Teams meeting link will be provided for those who cannot attend in person.
- The agenda for the Q2 meeting will include an update on Columbus Vision Zero from Maria Cantrell, a member roundtable with quick active transportation highlights from communities around the region, and an update on funding programs available for active transportation projects.

Central Ohio Greenways

- The Central Ohio Greenways (COG) partners continue preparations for Celebrate Trails Day on April 23. Several MORPC member communities are hosting local events across the region. Additionally, MORPC and COG partners will host a Celebrate Trails event at the annual Columbus Earth Day Celebration at Genoa Park (please note, this replaces the original location at Nelson Park).
- Celebrate Trails Day will also mark the re-launch of the Outdoor Trails Passport, a program of Experience Columbus. Trail users are invited to access the passport online and check into locations across the COG network for the opportunity to win prizes.
- COG board members and partners continue to advance the Trail Town Framework planning effort. The group has made strong progress and the project remains on track for completion this summer.

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LinkUS Mobility Initiative

- Together with the Programming Department, team members are engaged in ongoing committee and working group meetings for the LinkUS initiative, including developing goals, metrics, and targets.

RAPID 5

- A printed copy of the final visions for each corridor is now available. If you are interested in obtaining a hard copy, please contact Kerstin Carr.

Regional Housing Strategy (RHS):

Outreach

- Team members participated in a February Intel listening session for Central Ohio communities to share an update on the RHS.

Implementation Assistance

- MORPC members can look forward to an improved and expanded RHS Resource Hub this spring. Resources will include examples of administrative and policy best practices, templates, and data, and will promote the efforts of MORPC members and partners to advance the goals of the RHS. If your community or organization would like to share resources for inclusion in the Resource Hub, please contact us.

Sustainability

Outreach

- Team members participated in a February Intel listening session for Central Ohio communities to share an update on sustainability programs.
- MORPC hosted the resident-based Environmental Sustainability Forum on March 3 to convene local groups from around the region to share updates on their sustainability efforts. The group plans to meet quarterly moving forward.

Sustainability Advisory Committee:

- The next Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting will be hosted in person at the MORPC office on April 20, when we will engage the committee in planning for the Summit on Sustainability. City of Gahanna Mayor Laurie Jadwin has been appointed to serve as the vice chair of the committee.

Sustainable2050:

- Sustainable2050 members met on March 18 with a featured presentation from SWACO's Kyle O'Keefe. The MORPC team provided updates to the group and asked for member input on the creation of a Local Government Legislative Toolkit in partnership with City of Bexley. The next meeting will take place in-person on June 17.

Water Resources Program:

Sustaining Scioto Board

- The board met on February 23 with a featured presentation by Bartlett Durand, Jr. Esq. of Sand County Foundation on the topic *Municipal-Agriculture Watershed Partnerships in Iowa — A Successful Approach to Water Quality Improvement*. Sand County Foundation is a national nonprofit conservation working at the intersection of agriculture and environmental improvement. Dr. Matthew Hamilton, Asst. Professor from the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Services also gave a presentation on behalf of his capstone class on *Farmer and Non-Farmer Stakeholder Engagement in the Scioto Watershed: Findings from OSU Capstone Projects*. Recommendations including providing information on nutrient management, on-farm research, cover crops, and

increased education within communities will guide program development and outreach of the Agricultural & Rural Communities Outreach Team.

Agricultural & Rural Communities Outreach Team

- The team met virtually on March 17 and enjoyed a presentation from Mark Wilson, American Farmland Trust, “*Farming for Cleaner Water in the Upper Scioto Watershed: A Story Map*.” Chair Brian Brandt led the group to discuss coordination involved in organizing a field day/farm demonstration tour focused on learning about best management practices for water quality and flood management in the Scioto watershed. The team also discussed coordination for a webinar focused on highlighting the Sustaining Scioto Board and its goals.

Energy & Air Quality:

Energy & Air Quality Working Group

- The group met on March 22 with a specific focus on an education and engagement strategy surrounding SB 52 and the new powers it gives county commissioners to restrict utility-scale solar. After being briefed on the law, hearing added perspectives from working group members, and a robust discussion, the EAQWG recommended drafting a set of policy guidelines for local government officials. Once completed the chair will take them to the Sustainability Advisory Committee for review. The next meeting will be held on May 24.

Air quality specific activities

- March 1 marked the start of ozone monitoring season. Staff continues to move forward with the neighborhood-level air monitoring program and has been working with Franklin County Public Health to apply for a federal air monitoring grant with a focus on environmental justice and health disparities. COSI is producing signage and will be hosting an air monitor at their facility. The team is also planning for Air Quality Awareness Week May 2-6.

Energy specific activities

- MORPC is leading two solar co-ops that will be made available to its members. The first is the Columbus Area Residential Solar Co-op, which will be open to all residents who live in Franklin County. More information to come this summer. The second is a part of the Regional Schools Energy Strategy, or ReSES. It will be an opportunity for schools, school districts, and municipalities to purchase solar power through a solar power purchase agreement co-op. MORPC is in discussions with those interested.
- Additionally, the Rickenbacker Energy Consortium reconvened on March 9 and discussed best pathways forward on clean energy solutions for the area. The meeting highlighted an update on COTA’s Rickenbacker Area Mobility Center. The consortium will meet again in May.
- Two members earned new SolSmart designations, which help their communities adopt solar more efficiently. Congratulations to the City of Delaware on its bronze status and to the City of Upper Arlington on achieving gold designation. Upper Arlington is the first community to earn gold in the state of Ohio!

Clean Ohio Conservation Fund:

- Final applications for Round 16 of the Clean Ohio Greenspace Conservation Fund were due on March 11. Applicant site visits are scheduled for March 25.

Data, Mapping & Modeling

Regional Data Advisory Committee (RDAC):

The first RDAC meeting of 2022 was a hybrid meeting on March 1. Members heard updates from the recent Intel listening session held at MORPC and participated in breakout sessions to discuss working group strategies for 2022. The next RDAC meeting will be held as an in-person meeting on June 7 at MORPC.

Working Groups

- The Capacity Building & Partnerships Working Group met on March 10 to discuss the two main initiatives they will be working on for this year. Planning for a “Data Day” event is taking priority. The tentative date for Data Day is September 15, and the Call for Proposals is anticipated to be distributed in April with a deadline for responses in May. A resource for assistance with data is also being considered for this year, but discussions are being postponed until Data Day is further along in planning.
- The Local Government Resources Working Group is establishing a process for selecting/creating data policy resources for MORPC members, which will inform the creation of a living clearinghouse for these resources. Meetings are held the fourth Tuesday of every month.
- The Regional Municipal Fiber Strategy Working Group is collecting Letters of Intent. Members and interested parties will meet on March 31.

User Groups

- The Regional Information & Data Group (RIDG) met on March 2, focused on data management and organization. The group will meet again on June 1.

Data Management

- Staff finalized and submitted a joint application with OSU CURA to join the National Neighborhood Indicators Partnership (NNIP) – pending approval to join at the end of March. This will provide opportunities for the data team to discuss and learn from other similar community data intermediaries.
- Staff members are working with communities to identify ways to more efficiently share building permit data on a timely basis for the MTP and population estimate processes.
- Staff is reviewing the presentation and documents from the March 2 RIDG meeting to evaluate the potential improvements to documentation and management of data storage and processing here at MORPC.
- The American Community Survey released the five-year estimate data for 2020 on March 17.

- A new LBRS version was created, which allowed the City of New Albany to create a replica of the centerline, address point data, and edit the countywide layers.
- The LBRS file received from ODOT consultant was pushed to current schema and shared with Franklin County editors for consumption over time.

Data Analytics, Mapping, and Research:

Data & Research Activities

- Data and research activities are focused on inputs to the land use allocation model for the coming cycle of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and CORPP Transportation Plan, and staff is internally reviewing draft county population projections and conducting research for other county control totals (e.g., households, labor force, employment).
- Staff is working on FTA appropriation data collection and processes for future updates and streamlining and supported updating points-of-interest for school buildings locations and building populations. Staff also assisted with the survey analysis for Central Ohio Trail Town Framework project.
- The new American Community Survey 2016-2020 is now available and staff updated data sets accordingly.
- A new data analyst, Sam McLaughlin, started at MORPC on March 21.

Mapping Activities

- A draft of existing land use and future land use at the parcel level is complete as part of the 2024 MTP and will be set up for community review via a web map.
- Maps for the City of Columbus, City of Dublin, City of Sunbury, and Metro Parks Technical Assistance Program (TAP) projects have been set up.
- Staff supported the Intel listening session by creating multiple drive time maps around the proposed Intel site to better understand the number of communities within a 60-minute drive time.

Modeling Activities

- The team is continuing to support the LinkUS Mobility Initiative with transportation modeling estimates.
- Staff also responded to Traffic Growth Rate requests for various locations and continues to maintain the Traffic Count Program.

COMMUNICATIONS & ENGAGEMENT

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News Releases:

- [MORPC Releases 2021 Report on Central Ohio Air Quality](#)
- [Madison County & The Village of Buckeye Lake Join MORPC](#)
- [MORPC Holds Annual State of the Region](#)

MORPC in the News:

- [Will Intel traffic create Route 161 gridlock between Columbus and Licking County?](#)
- [Columbus region's air quality is improving, latest monitoring report says](#)
- [Opinion: Commitment Needed for Smart, Equitable, and Accessible “Silicon Heartland”](#)
- [Intel's impact: Former Johnstown city manager wants to help localities prepare](#)
- [Sunbury seeks input on trails](#)
- [Northland: Construction projects to start in spring along state Route 161](#)
- [Mount Vernon residents asked to share thoughts on Ohio to Erie Trail](#)
- [LinkUS develops vision for rapid transit across Central Ohio](#)
- [I-70-I-71 road projects to look out for in Downtown Columbus soon](#)
- [Mount Vernon to join Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission](#)
- [Intel's impact: Licking County developers discuss housing, business growth and infrastructure](#)
- [Future of Pittsburgh hyperloop gets murky with company layoffs](#)
- [‘Your community is in a panic’: Johnstown working to calm Intel concerns](#)
- [MORPC Matters: Regional Mobility Plan focused on optimizing transportation options](#)
- [Monroe Township examines new commercial corridor ahead of Intel project](#)
- [Our view: \\$4 gas prices yet another reason lawmakers should get onboard Amtrak's plan](#)
- [MORPC: Use infrastructure money on Amtrak, affordable housing, broadband in Columbus area](#)
- [Mobility and housing are top priority as region prepares for Intel, others](#)

Digital Content:

- Air Quality Alerts, Careers/Jobs, Central Ohio Greenways, Columbus Vision Zero, eSource, Gohio Commute, LinkUS, Mid-Ohio Open Data Site, Educational Partnership, Paving the Way, Regional Housing Strategy, Rentful (rent assistance), RFPs/RFQs, Sustainability, Water, Weatherization, MORPC Matters, SOTR promotion, Women's History Month, SOTR award winners (post-event; one post per winner), SOTR thank you.
 - o Top Digital Content
 - [February 2022](#)
 - [March 2022 \(as of 3/22/22\)](#)

Diversity & Inclusion:

- MORPC, in partnership with the YWCA Columbus will offer a DE&I training to staff and members on Tuesday, May 24th from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. To register for this training, *Beyond Inclusion: Building a Community of Belonging*, click [here](#).

Public Involvement & Engagement:

- Staff participated in The Ohio State University Fisher College of Business panel discussion, which was held as an educational session for students who are interested in pursuing future careers in government, business, HR/DE&I, transportation and more. This was a great opportunity to engage students about career opportunities in public services and share information about MORPC.
- MORPC will serve as a community ambassador for the Columbus Metropolitan Library's 150th anniversary in 2023. The event will be a great opportunity to engage with the community about MORPC's key initiatives and programs.
- Participated in the Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity's Spring 2022 Forums. One topic included, *Building Equitable and Inclusive Civic Engagement Environments*.
- Comment periods for the following subjects were promoted: the Transportation Improvement Plan; Allocation of MORPC- Attributable Transportation Funding; and CORPO Proposes More than \$900,000 for Transportation Projects. These messages were shared on our [website](#), in our eSource newsletter during periods where comment was open, and on social media.
 - o Social media:
 - [Allocation of MORPC- Attributable Transportation Funding](#)
 - [CORPO Proposes More than \\$900,000 for Transportation Projects](#)

Marketing Campaigns:

- MORPC's Gohio Commute program is running a brand awareness campaign from March through June, targeting Central Ohio's workforce. Advertisements are currently running on local radio stations, Google search, and social media.

Events:

- MORPC held its annual [State of the Region](#) event on March 16 at the Greater Columbus Convention Center with almost 800 attendees. This year's theme was, *From Possibility To Reality*, and included keynote speaker Andy Burke, Special Representative for Broadband, National Telecommunications and Information Administration. A recording of the event can be found on [MORPC's YouTube Channel](#).
- Be sure to save the date for other exciting events hosted by MORPC alongside our partners throughout 2022:
 - o NARC 56th Annual Conference & Exhibition, June 12-15, 2022, Hilton Columbus Downtown
 - o Ohio Conference on Freight, June 16, 2022
 - o OARC Gubernatorial Luncheon, August 26, 2022, Hilton Columbus Downtown
 - o Summit on Sustainability, October 14, 2022, Hilton Columbus Downtown



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Memorandum

TO: Transportation Policy Committee
Transportation Advisory Committee

FROM: Nick Gill, Transportation Study Director

DATE: March 31, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-4-22: “**Adoption of Revised Funding Commitment for US 33/SR 161/Post Road Interchange Project**”

Resolution T-4-22 revises the MORPC-attributable funding commitment towards the US 33/SR 161/Post Road Interchange project, previously approved via Resolution T-2-21. The resolution will increase the MORPC commitment from \$10 million to \$12 million.

This action was prompted in response to a request by the Union County Engineer’s Office and the City of Dublin to increase the MORPC funding because of inflation. The construction costs estimate had risen by more than 10% since the estimate developed at the time of our commitment. Furthermore, when the bids were opened on March 10th, the best bidder exceeded the final state estimate by approximately 10% more. In response to the higher bid price, the project sponsors have secured an additional \$3.5 million from the Transportation Review and Advisory Council (TRAC) and an additional \$275,000 of ODOT district preservation funding. This increased the commitment from these sources combined from \$12.18 million to \$15.955 million.

The current MORPC funding commitment towards this project is a fixed \$10 million. Per the Policies for Managing MORPC-Attributable Funding, there is an allowance for an increase for most typical funding commitments should bids come in higher than anticipated. However, funding commitments that are a fixed amount have no leeway for allowing for an increase in funding should bids come in higher. As a result, this resolution is necessary to increase the funding commitment for this project and MORPC staff recommends approval of the requested funding commitment increase to \$12 million.

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Attachment: Resolution T-4-22

RESOLUTION T-4-22

“Adoption of Revised Funding Commitment for US 33/SR 161/Post Road Interchange Project”

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Committee of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Columbus metropolitan planning area; and

WHEREAS, the MPO is responsible for allocating certain federal transportation funds that are attributed to it; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Committee adopted Resolution T-9-97, "Principles for Allocation of MORPC-Attributable Federal Funding," in order to fairly allocate these funds in conformance with federal and state laws and regulations; and

WHEREAS, it most recently adopted revised management tools in the Policies by Resolution T-4-20, “Adopting ‘Policies for Managing MORPC-Attributable Funds’”; and

WHEREAS, Resolution T-2-21, “Adopting MORPC-Attributable Funding Commitments,” included a \$10 million fixed commitment for the US 33/SR 161/Post Road Interchange Project; and

WHEREAS, ongoing inflation has caused significant increases to the cost of construction since MORPC \$10 million funding commitment; and

WHEREAS, the bids for the US 33/ SR 161/Post Road were opened on March 10, 2022, with the best bidder exceeding the final state estimate by approximately 10%, and

WHEREAS, the Union County Engineer’s Office and the City of Dublin have successfully secured increased ODOT funding for the project with an increase from the Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) of \$3.5 million (from \$11.3 million) and an increase from District 6 of \$275,000 (from \$880,000); and

WHEREAS, the Union County Engineer’s Office and the City of Dublin have requested the MORPC-Attributable Funding Commitment for the US 33/SR 161/Post Road Interchange Project be increased from \$10 million to \$12 million; and

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

WHEREAS, the Transportation Advisory Committee at its meeting on April 6, 2022, 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 it commits to increasing the funding for the US 33/ SR 161/Post Road interchange from \$10 million to \$12 million.
- Section 2. That it authorizes staff to modify the TIP to reflect the updated MORPC-attributable funding commitment.

- Section 3. That this resolution will be transmitted to ODOT, the Union County Engineer's Office and the City of Dublin for appropriate action.
- Section 4. 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



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The following pages are informational items that will be discussed
or presented at the meeting.

SUMMARY
FISCAL YEAR 2023 MORPC PLANNING WORK PROGRAM

Notes on Listing

Total budget of all work elements (including funds spent prior to SFY 2023) **\$6,681,147**

\$6,366,147 is estimated to remain to be expended in SFY 2023 or subsequent years.

I. Formula Funded Planning Program Projects

Total Budget \$3,446,024

WORK ELEMENT BUDGET	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
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60123-3000

\$185,000

Management & Operations Planning

Managing and maintaining the extensive existing transportation system is a priority of transportation agencies. This work element coordinates on the benefits of a holistically managed transportation system. Helping members collaborate on M&O, advancing ITS including connected infrastructure and CV/AV, access management, estimating costs to maintain the condition of the transportation system including pavement management and deficient bridges, etc., and incorporating security and emergency response into the planning process. Monitoring freight rail activities and analyzing for developing trends; meeting one-on-one with communities that are impacted by freight; and providing timely information via the web. Monitoring goods movement-related legislation and other regional freight initiatives.

Products/Activities

Condition report of highway system and resources

Access Management

Maintain Regional ITS Architecture

Participation and education on freight initiatives

Transportation security assistance

60153-3000

\$100,000

Transit and Human Services Planning

Coordination, assistance, and oversight to improve transit service and workforce mobility. Work includes integration of all aspects of transit and mobility to ensure that an adequate level of access is afforded to all populations while improving the range of options for meeting diverse mobility needs.

Products/Activities

Maintain the urbanized area's Coordinated Plan for Franklin and Delaware Counties

Public transit provider coordination

Transit Service planning assistance

Monitor agreements and funding in the region

Workforce Mobility Assistance

60203-3000

\$400,000

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Implementation

The TIP is one of the two required items to allow for the flow of federal and state transportation funds into the region. This activity includes the development, update and revisions of the TIP, monitoring of federally funded projects, coordination of federally funded infrastructure projects with projects funded from other sources, allocation of STBG, CMAQ, and TAP funding, the TRAC process, environmental studies and engineering source document review including complete street implementation, innovative financing, and financing education. Specific activities for the year are listed below.

Products/Activities

Maintain the SFY 2021-2024 TIP & Prepare SFY 24-27 TIP

Prioritized list of regional projects for TRAC

Collaboration on innovative project delivery and financing options for projects

Reports on the status of federally funded projects & annual obligation report

Program of projects to use MORPC-attributable funding

Complete Streets Policy and Implementation

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<p>60513-2000 \$495,000</p>	<p>Manage, Map, Collect, and Share Data</p> <p>This element pertains to MORPC's role as a leader in coordinating data providers throughout the region, as well as managing its own internal data and GIS systems. It includes using technology for collecting, maintaining and sharing data sets that support transportation programs. It includes keeping data sets current and organized, and managing and monitoring the GIS system. In addition, it includes advancing collaboration among local data providers to reduce redundancies and improve efficiencies associated with information management.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase efficiencies of internal data systems Update and maintain data sets to support transportation planning efforts Promote data sharing among data providers to reduce redundancy Coordinate with U.S. Census Collection and maintenance of mobility data sets
<p>60523-2000 \$490,000</p>	<p>Data Analytics and Research for Transportation Projects and Programs</p> <p>Many transportation programs and projects require GIS and database analytical methods. This element includes using information and tools to develop and prepare final products associated with the various projects and programs of the Metropolitan Planning Organization. In addition, MORPC functions as a regional resource for requests for information regarding transportation, demographic, development, and various other community needs. This element includes aspects of research associated with fulfilling those requests.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provide GIS and technical assistance to transportation programs Prepare annual estimates of population and employment at the county and sub-county levels Transform raw data into useful information, suggest conclusions, and support decision-making Update the Transportation Plan Report Card Respond to and document requests
<p>60553-3000 \$455,000</p>	<p>Transportation Systems Analysis Techniques and Applications</p> <p>Building upon transportation data, this activity maintains, updates and refines the regional transportation models and continues to refine and implement the Congestion Management Process (CMP) procedures in the 3C planning process, including monitoring congestion, Environmental Justice (social equity) analysis, TIP and Transportation Plan air quality conformity, SIP revisions, and CMAQ justifications. Participation in other regional congestion management and air quality initiatives.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up-to-date travel demand model Up-to-date data sets for SIP development and air quality conformity Up-to-date CMP and EJ analysis procedures, data and documents Determination of the emissions changes from proposed CMAQ projects Up-to-date Land Use Model processes Modeling assistance to ODOT staff in the certified design traffic development
<p>61013-3000 \$485,000</p>	<p>Long-Range Multimodal Transportation Planning</p> <p>The Long-Range Transportation Plan is the major requirement of the MPO, including coordinating all Transportation Plan-related activities. This includes any follow-up to the completed 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and significant steps of the next Metropolitan Transportation Plan to be adopted in 2024. This activity is also to coordinate with state and local agencies on transportation studies and plans. Specific activities this year are listed below.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2020-2050 MTP Follow-up Goals and Objectives for the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan 2020-2050 MTP Candidate Strategies and Projects Active Transportation Plan Complete long-range system studies Coordination with ODOT planning activities Functional Class, National Highway System, and Thoroughfare Planning Intercity transportation service planning

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<p>61023-0400 \$121,024</p>	<p>Transportation Public Involvement</p> <p>Public involvement and outreach are vital components of the transportation planning process. These activities maintain the public involvement process for transportation consistent with the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), federal regulations, and local needs. Efforts continue to seek the involvement of low-income and minority populations, handicapped, and elderly in the transportation planning process, Metropolitan Transportation Plan, Transportation Improvement Program, Active Transportation Plan, FTA's Section 5310, FTA's Section 5307, and other transportation-related studies. The Public Participation Plan supports the activities of the Community Advisory Committee and provides updates on transportation planning activities through in-person and virtual presentations, the web, electronic newsletters, social media, and other public involvement and outreach activities.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transportation Public Involvement Process Public Involvement Activities for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan Public Involvement Activities for the Transportation Improvement Program Public Involvement Activities for the Active Transportation Plan Public Involvement for Miscellaneous Transportation Activities
<p>61033-1000 \$370,000</p>	<p>Regional Strategic Initiatives</p> <p>Transportation is interrelated with land use, housing, air quality, energy, environmental sustainability, and quality of life. This work element is to ensure MORPC is leading the region in studying, identifying, and communicating best practices, as well as developing plans, tools, and programming to address these issues and advance regional goals in these areas. This work element includes connecting people to green space and our natural resources. Specific activities this year are listed below.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> insight2050 Resource Updates and Outreach Planning for Housing Regional Trail Planning Central Ohio Greenways Vision Planning and Implementation River Corridor Development Planning
<p>62513-1000 \$210,000</p>	<p>Planning Coordination and Support</p> <p>Coordination of transportation planning efforts among different jurisdictions is a critical element to ensuring regional consistency in the transportation network. This activity includes informational sharing meetings among MORPC and others, regional collaboration meetings, and educational transportation workshops and forums. MORPC staff also provides support to individual communities with integrating regional initiatives into local land use and transportation plans and provides education around advancing active transportation..</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Informational Meetings Regional Collaboration Group Meetings Member Education Cross-jurisdictional Planning Assistance Active Transportation Education and Outreach
<p>69713-3000 \$135,000</p>	<p>Program Administration</p> <p>This work element is to facilitate the efficient administration of the transportation planning program. This work element provides for technical and policy direction of activities to fulfill ODOT, U.S. EPA, Ohio EPA, FHWA, FTA and jointly funded work as described in the Planning Work Program, where such activities are not directly attributable to specific work elements. The specific items are listed below.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CAC, TAC, TPC agendas and meeting summaries Annual Planning Work Program and Completion Report Title VI & DBE Process Maintain certification and planning agreements Monitor federal and state planning requirements

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II. Special Studies

Total Budget \$1,985,123

\$315,000 spent prior to SFY 2023 Balance for SFY 2023 or later is \$1,670,123

WORK ELEMENT	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
BUDGET	

<p>66513-1000 \$290,000</p> <p>remaining</p>	<p>Central Ohio Greenways Wayfinding Strategy</p> <p>This work element will assist communities to plan for and implement a cohesive wayfinding strategy that unifies regional trail networks and celebrates the uniqueness of diverse communities. The wayfinding strategy will include guidance for selecting directional content such as destinations and landmarks, as well as appropriate placement of wayfinding tools, such as signs, maps, and digital applications. A replicable process for collecting data and inventorying assets along trails, including trail use data, will inform the wayfinding strategy.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u> A cohesive wayfinding strategy that unifies regional trail networks</p>
<p>66522-3000 \$500,000</p> <p>* \$250,000 remaining 100% MORPC STBG with Toll Credit</p>	<p>LinkUS Regional Corridors Planning</p> <p>This work element focuses on conducting regional high capacity transit corridor planning and outreach to ensure a safe, accessible, and equitable implementation of the LinkUS Transit Corridors. The LinkUS Committees which include leaders from MORPC, COTA, City of Columbus, Franklin County and many other regional stakeholders will serve as the advisory bodies guiding most of this work. The City of Columbus and COTA have initiated the next step of planning and project development in three corridors. This work element supports that work including coordination of multiple regional stakeholders, technical planning and analysis, revenue forecasting, fiscally constrained budgeting, transit capital funds grant writing and extensive public engagement.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u> Outreach, Education & Engagement High Capacity Transit Planning Transit Oriented Development Planning Corridor Funding Strategies</p>
<p>66543-0400 \$50,000</p> <p>100% MORPC STBG using toll credit</p>	<p>Paving The Way</p> <p>The purpose of this work element is to provide transportation project construction and other road closure information to the public. Paving the Way acts as a liaison between the government agencies implementing projects and the public, and it is unique in that it can provide information on all projects affecting traffic regardless of which agency (state, local, or utility) is responsible. Paving the Way addresses construction management and communication on a regional, rather than project, basis. The program regularly provides information and education to the public on roadway construction, traffic management, and work zone safety and alternative transportation options with the goal of ensuring that drivers experience the least possible inconvenience while traveling in and around Central Ohio.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u> Project Coordination Communications and Outreach</p>
<p>66563-3000 \$350,000</p> <p>100% MORPC STBG using toll credit</p>	<p>Supplemental Planning</p> <p>This work element supplements the formula-funded program and includes research and planning efforts that are required to fulfill MPO planning and project implementation responsibilities. The activity includes elements that supplement project delivery, data collection and data management, RSTI support, long-range studies and sustainability. Specific activities this year are listed below.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u> Regular reports to members and MORPC committees on project delivery Traffic counts for approximately 200 locations, including bike and pedestrian counts as identified in active transportation count plan Implement projects to address the goals, objectives, and action items detailed in the Regional Data Agenda. Provide special services and conduct special transportation studies Support for the Rapid Speed Transportation Initiative (RSTI) activities</p>

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Resiliency Planning

Coordination with other regional activities, such as the Regional Sustainability Agenda to further the 2020-2050 MTP goals

66573-1000	Technical Assistance Program
\$250,000	The purpose of this work element is to provide technical planning assistance to support individual communities with effective integration of insight2050 findings into local land use and transportation plans. Services will be provided for specific community planning and development projects related to transportation, air quality, traffic, and other projects that support consideration of transportation in land use planning and/or demonstrate the benefits of various modes of transportation. Part of this work element is to maintain online references, tools, policies, and expertise developed under this PWP work element.
100% MORPC STBG using toll credit	<u>Products/Activities</u> Planning Assistance Outreach Maintenance of insight2050 resources
67412-3000	5310 Designated Recipient-2022
\$116,044	This work element is to carry out the responsibility and authority for the administration of the FTA Section 5310 Program for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities for each federal fiscal year apportionment for the Columbus urbanized area. The program will follow FTA policy and program guidance in the selection of projects and apply for FTA funding using the designated FTA electronic grant management system on behalf of eligible recipients.
* \$86,044 remaining	<u>Products/Activities</u> A Program Management Plan (PMP) according to FTA provisions Comply with other FTA requirements Program of Projects Update and Maintain the Coordinated Plan
100% FTA 5310 Administration 10% of Apportionment	
67413-3000	5310 Designated Recipient-2023
\$169,079 ^	This work element is to carry out the responsibility and authority for the administration of the FTA Section 5310 Program for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities for each federal fiscal year apportionment for the Columbus urbanized area. The program will follow FTA policy and program guidance in the selection of projects and apply for FTA funding using the designated FTA electronic grant management system on behalf of eligible recipients.
100% FTA 5310 Administration 10% of Apportionment	<u>Products/Activities</u> A Program Management Plan (PMP) according to FTA provisions Comply with other FTA requirements Program of Projects Update and Maintain the Coordinated Plan
67422-3000	Mobility Management 2022
\$130,000	This work element will support mobility management coordinating programs among public, private and human service transportation providers that serve older adults, people with disabilities and individuals with lower incomes. Mobility management will focus on increasing access to service by increasing awareness, coordinating services and addressing barriers to achieve a more efficient transportation system. MORPC maintains the locally developed Coordinated Plan for the MPO and administers the FTA's Section 5310 funding for the Columbus urbanized area.
* \$95,000 remaining	<u>Products/Activities</u> Engagement Increase capacity Information coordination State and local coordination Awareness and accessibility
100% FTA 5310, 0% local per COVID-19 Relief	

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67423-3000

\$130,000

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Mobility Management 2023

This work element will support mobility management coordinating programs among public, private and human service transportation providers that serve older adults, people with disabilities and individuals with lower incomes. Mobility management will focus on increasing access to service by increasing awareness, coordinating services and addressing barriers to achieve a more efficient transportation system. MORPC maintains the locally developed Coordinated Plan for the MPO and administers the FTA's Section 5310 funding for the Columbus urbanized area.

80% FTA 5310, 20%
local

Products/Activities

Engagement

Increase capacity

Information coordination

State and local coordination

Awareness and accessibility

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III. Ridesharing and Air Quality Projects

Total Budget \$1,250,000

WORK ELEMENT BUDGET	PROJECT DESCRIPTION
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66713-3000
\$700,000

100% MORPC CMAQ

Transportation Services (Ridesharing)
 Promote Travel Demand Reduction (TDM) in Central Ohio; and market programs and service in a 15-county area. Program services include carpool matching, vanpool formation, transit, bike and pedestrian support and strategies for employers and the general public. MORPC administers an emergency ride home program, vanpool program, and a statewide rideshare matching vendor contract in coordination with OARC rideshare agencies.

Products/Activities

- Promote a culture of sustainable and smart multimodal travel throughout Central Ohio. Public education and ridematching services
- Raise public awareness about mobility options in the region. Increase ridesharing and TDM acceptance to improve air quality
- National Transit Database reporting
- Program evaluation, strategic plan and telework policy
- Promote TDM services to reduce SOV travel and associated air pollution in communities near high-volume corridors as well as in diverse and underserved populations

66733-1000
\$550,000

100% MORPC CMAQ

Air Quality Awareness
 This work element ensures that MORPC continues air pollution forecasting and educating its members and the public on the importance of air quality, its health and environmental impacts, and how to reduce air pollution. Furthermore, MORPC provides technical and planning assistance to the region on strategies to reduce fuel use and reduce emissions and energy use.

Products/Activities

- Operate a year-round daily air quality forecasting and alert system to communicate important air quality information to Central Ohio residents
- Air Quality Alerts
- Education and Outreach
- Conduct special studies and projects related to air quality
- Planning and policy assistance

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IV. Projects Undertaken By Other Entities

Total Budget \$0

WORK ELEMENT PROJECT DESCRIPTION
BUDGET

<p>66505-3000 \$0 No funding</p>	<p>Ongoing Local Planning Other agencies also undertake transportation planning activities. This activity includes identifying local planning efforts and coordinating with them through other projects. No budget.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u> Integrate local planning efforts into MORPC's regional transportation planning processes</p>
<p>67401-3000 \$0 No funding</p>	<p>Ongoing COTA Activities This work element is for coordination with COTA to ensure adherence to federal and state requirements and for the facilitation of effective transit services in the COTA service area, mainly in Franklin County and in portions of adjacent counties. No budget.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u> COTA's planning process Continued refinement of COTA's Long-Range Plan and other planning activities Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP) update Service change planning COTA safety and asset management plans</p>
<p>67402-3000 \$0 No funding</p>	<p>Ongoing DCT Activities This work element is for coordination with DCT to ensure adherence to federal and state requirements and for the facilitation of effective transit services in Delaware County. No budget.</p> <p><u>Products/Activities</u> DCT's planning process and requirements needed to receive federal urban area and state funds Implement recommendations from DCT's Interim SRTP DCT safety and asset management plans</p>

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