



STATUS UPDATE & UPCOMING MILESTONES

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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



WHY IS THE MTP IMPORTANT?

- **Central Ohio is growing**
 - Demographics are changing
 - Development is changing
 - Demands on the transportation system are changing
- **Transportation projects must be on MTP to be eligible for federal funding**
 - Formula & Discretionary (BIL)
 - Guides the work of MORPC and regional and local planning partners



By guiding investment in transportation and mobility infrastructure and services in Central Ohio, the MTP identifies strategies to advance the following six goals:



Create sustainable neighborhoods to improve all residents' quality of life.



Increase regional collaboration and employ innovative transportation solutions to maximize the return on public expenditures.



Position Central Ohio to attract and retain economic opportunity to prosper as a region and compete globally.



Provide transportation and mobility options to benefit the health, safety, and welfare of all people.



Protect natural resources and mitigate infrastructure vulnerabilities to maintain a healthy ecosystem and community.



Reduce per capita energy consumption and promote alternative fuel resources to increase affordability and resilience of regional energy supplies.



FISCAL BALANCE

- **Key determinant in what projects can be included in MTP**
 - Project cost estimates & forecast of available funding resources
 - Maintain the existing system and expand the system
- **Primary sources of project funding**
 - Federal – generally controlled by ODOT or MORPC, discretionary grants
 - State – controlled by ODOT or through programs like OPWC or CEAO
 - Local government or private developer
- **Forecasts of funding available via various programs through 2050**



RESOURCES

- **Short-term:**
 - Assume similar funding levels as previous years
- **Long-term**
 - Assume modest growth at federal, state, local and private sector



RESOURCES

- **Federal:**

- Continuation of U.S. DOT formula funding levels with modest increases as a result of each new transportation bill
- Continuation of U.S DOT discretionary programs with modest increases as a result of each new transportation bill with central Ohio capturing a fair share of funding through 2050
 - RAISE, FTA Capital programs, etc.

- **State**

- Continuation of current levels of ODOT revenues with growth in order to maintain today's purchasing power
- Continuation of OPWC programs with modest increases consistent with the last voted renewal
- Continuation of other state based programs with growth in order to maintain today's purchasing power



RESOURCES

- **Local Agency:**

- Provide funding to meet all federal and state matching requirements
- In aggregate, local governments continue current levels with innovative increases to provide modestly more funding
- Transit funding continues at current levels with modest increases to match FTA capital programs to increase service levels

- **Private**

- Continuation of current level with modest increases as local governments expect more assistance in providing infrastructure to support new development

- **New**

- MTP will also include discussion and forecast of new funding sources that could support new modes and new transportation services
 - ODOT's Alternative Revenue Study



COST ESTIMATES

- **Current estimates with possible**
 - TIP, CIP, plans, etc
- **Develop unit costs per mile, bridge based on similar projects already constructed**
- **Year of expenditure dollars (annual inflation factors)**





2022

- Review, update, adopt Goals, Objectives, Performance Measures
- Develop and adopt 2050 population and employment growth projections

2023

- Compile candidate strategies and projects
- Project Evaluation Criteria
- Interactive webmap
- Strategy and project evaluation
- Fiscal Analysis
- Draft strategies and projects

2024

- Impact Analyses
- Full draft document
- Public comment period
- May: MTP Adoption

Public Participation

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