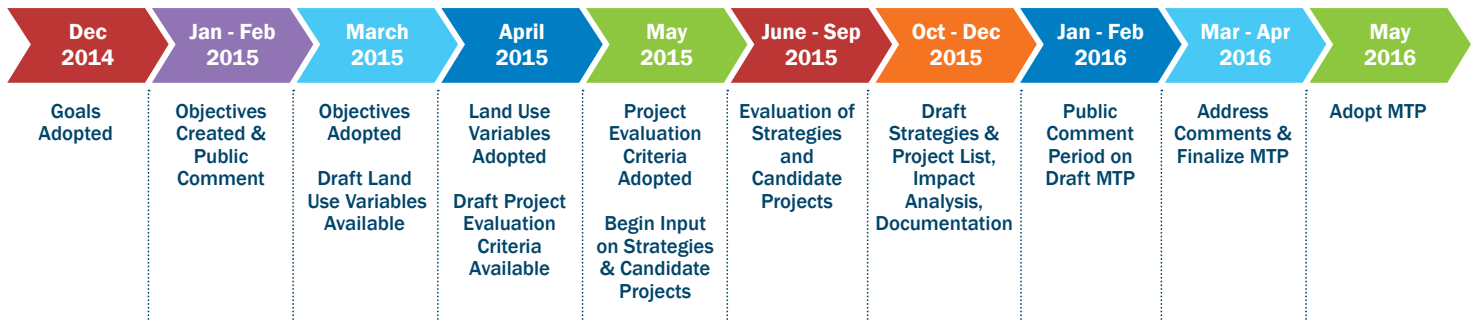




METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

The Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) is a long-range planning document that brings together local governments from around Central Ohio and other local, state, and federal agencies to identify and coordinate transportation goals and policies over the next two decades. The MTP will identify transportation needs, strategies, and projects, and provide the basis for how federal transportation funding will be spent to improve highways, transit, freight, bikeways, and pedestrian facilities.



Work on the 2016-2040 MTP is underway. The goals of the plan were established in December 2014. Currently, candidate transportation projects are being compiled for evaluation and potential inclusion in the plan. More information on these milestones is available at www.morpc.org/mtp2040.

The MTP will include two types of strategies for accomplishing the regional transportation goals: **System Development** and **System Management** strategies.

SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT

The entire transportation system is made up of several sub-systems that should be seamlessly connected to provide fluid movement across the system.

These include the roadway system, transit system, bikeway system, pedestrian system, and the intermodal facilities that connect these surface systems with ground and air freight.

These components each serve their own particular and equally important role in providing for mobility throughout the region.

The System Development Strategies include projects that expand the transportation system.



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The MORPC team is now identifying transportation needs and potential projects located within MORPC's transportation planning area. This area includes Delaware and Franklin counties, Bloom and Violet townships in Fairfield County, New Albany, Pataskala and Etna Township in Licking County, and Jerome Township in Union County. The types of projects to be included in the plan are:

- New roadway or widening of a roadway
- Intersection improvement
- New or modified freeway interchange
- Other roadway projects such as roadway diet or access management
- Multi-use trail
- On-street bicycle facility
- New sidewalk
- New or improved transit service such as bus or rail

Do you have a project suggestion?

Visit morpc.org/mtp2040 to add your suggested projects on our web map and provide comments on the current candidate project list.





SYSTEM MANAGEMENT

Managing and preserving the existing transportation system is necessary to ensure past investments are maintained and operated efficiently. These strategies focus on keeping the system in a state of good repair, managing the system through the use of technology, and making the system safe and secure.

Operations & Maintenance

Spending money on preservation, maintenance and operations makes up the largest single category of what the region spends on the transportation system. The existing system needs to be maintained and operated efficiently to insure the health, safety and welfare of the region. While operations, maintenance and system preservation in aggregate are significant, the individual projects are often so small they seem trivial to the region. Consequently, the MTP does not individually identify these types of projects. Operations & Maintenance projects can include:

- **Reconstruction**
- **Resurfacing**
- **Bridge Replacements**
- **Transit fleet operations & vehicle replacement**
- **Technology such as ramp meters, dynamic messaging signs, and signal coordination**

Bridge, pavement, and transit fleet condition, as well as the regional coordination and implementation of Intelligent Transportation Systems are all monitored through the adopted MTP performance measures and targets.



Safety & Security

While most of the specific projects identified in the MTP will help to make the system safer, the MTP also includes specific strategies to address the safety of all users. These strategies include ongoing data collection, analysis, reporting, and awareness of high crash locations and activities. Regional collaboration among local stakeholders is also key in making the system safer. Severe and fatal crash rates are monitored through the performance measures and targets of the MTP.

Regional cooperation and coordination are also essential to transportation security and emergency preparedness. The MTP creates a forum to coordinate regional planning in preparation for and anticipation of potential incidents. The technical analyses of the transportation network completed as part of the MTP development can play a critical role in emergency preparedness and security planning.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO SIGN UP FOR UPDATES ON THE MTP, VISIT morpc.org/mtp2040.

WHAT'S NEXT?

Help us identify transportation needs! Do you have a project suggestion?

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