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**NOTICE OF A MEETING
SUSTAINING SCIOTO BOARD
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**

REMOTE MEETING

June 26, 2024, 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm

AGENDA

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Please notify Lynn Kaufman at 614-233-4189 or lkaufman@morpc.org to confirm your attendance at this meeting or if you require special assistance.

**The next Sustaining Scioto Board Meeting
will be on August 28, 2024, at 2:30 pm.**

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Every 4 years MORPC produces two sets of forecasts



CENTRAL OHIO POPULATION RESOURCE HUB

FUTURE GROWTH IN CENTRAL OHIO COUNTIES

MORPC produces projections of population, households, and employment for Central Ohio counties every four years. A statistical model of population growth is the foundation of these projections. We then consider the demographic, social, economic, and political factors that are likely to influence the future housing and employment needs of the population.

[Read our insights](#)

[Download the data](#)

[See the map](#)

2020 to 2050 County Forec...

Select your variable and region of interest using the se...
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Year	Population (M)
2020	2.421M
2025	2.555M
2030	2.677M
2035	2.827M
2040	2.945M
2045	3.046M
2050	3.046M

Chart About

County-level
(available for 15 counties)

CENTRAL OHIO POPULATION RESOURCE HUB

FUTURE GROWTH IN SMALL AREAS IN CENTRAL OHIO

MORPC produces geographically detailed forecasts of population, households, and employment every four years. These forecasts allow us to plan our future transportation system to meet shifting local transportation demands. Our model allocates expected future growth (based on our county projections) to small geographies known as traffic analysis zones (TAZ) based on local plans and zoning, capacity for new development, and other factors that are likely to attract or deter new development (e.g., environmental constraints, tax incentives). The forecasts currently available on this page were produced for the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) using 2021-vintage data.

Earthstar Geographics | Esri, TomTom, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USG... Powered by Esri

Traffic Analysis Zone (TAZ) level
(available for 10 counties)

Latest forecasts cover 2025 to 2050 in 5-year intervals, with 2021 baseline estimates

Find the data at <https://www.morpc.org/popdata>

Comparison of forecast products



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County Forecasts

- Standard format: Excel (multiple sheets)
- Geographic coverage: 15 counties
- Variables included:
 - Total population
 - Total population confidence intervals
 - Population by age (17 and under, 18-64, 65 and over)
 - Household population
 - Household population by age
 - Group quarters population
 - Households
 - Housing units
 - Labor force
 - Workers
 - Total jobs
 - Jobs by category (office, industrial, retail services, retail goods, other)

TAZ Forecasts

- Standard formats:
 - Geospatial (Shapefile, geodatabase, etc.)
 - Tabular (CSV, Excel)
- Geographic coverage: 10 counties
- Variables included:
 - Most variables included in county forecasts
 - School enrollment (K-8, high school, university)
 - Household income
 - Population growth 2021 to 2050
 - Job growth 2021 to 2050

The forecasts support long-range planning for transportation investments in Central Ohio.



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- Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)
 - Documents transportation planning process
 - Identifies strategies and projects
- Mandated by federal law
- Led by MORPC
- Adopted by a committee of representatives from regional governments and organizations operating as the region's Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO)
- Influences how federal funding is allocated to projects in the region
- **Forecasts help to evaluate the need for and benefits of candidate projects**

2024-2050 COLUMBUS AREA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

CHAPTER 1: PLAN PURPOSE & DEVELOPMENT

The 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) documents the transportation planning process of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) and its partners. It includes recommended strategies, including projects, that will maintain, manage, and improve, central Ohio's transportation system over the next 26 years. The MTP process is continuous, comprehensive and cooperative. The next update is scheduled for 2028.

Planning for a regional transportation system that includes roadways, transit, bicycle facilities, pedestrian facilities, rail, and multimodal connections must reflect local priorities and meet federal guidelines. Just as important, it must also consider any negative impacts on our communities, environment, and air quality.

The plan was developed with guidance from a set of regional goals established to advance the quality of life for residents in central Ohio.



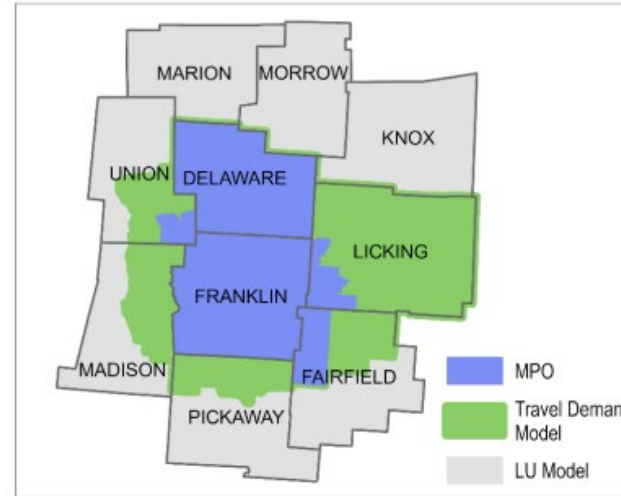
Find the plan at www.morpc.org/2024-2050-metropolitan-transportation-plan/

Our overall strategy is to start broad and general, then add specificity.

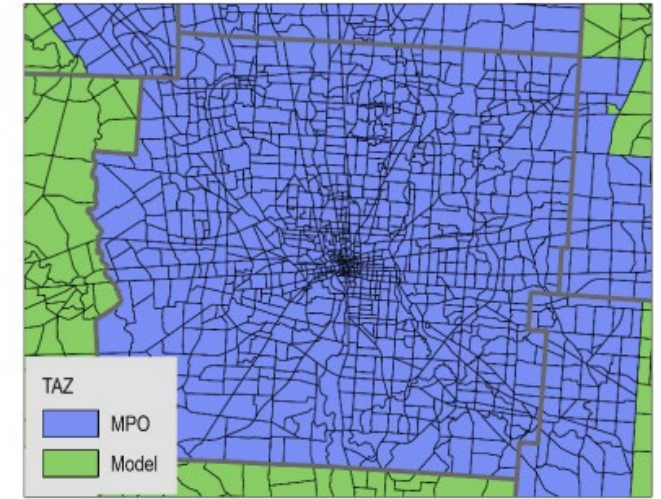


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- Rationale: Forecasts for large populations likely to be more accurate than forecasts for small populations.
- County forecasts serve as “control totals” for TAZ forecasts
- General groups serve as control totals for more specific sub-groups
- TAZ forecasts often “built up” from smaller geographies



10 County Area / MORPC MPO



Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZ)



TAZ - MAZ - GridMAZ

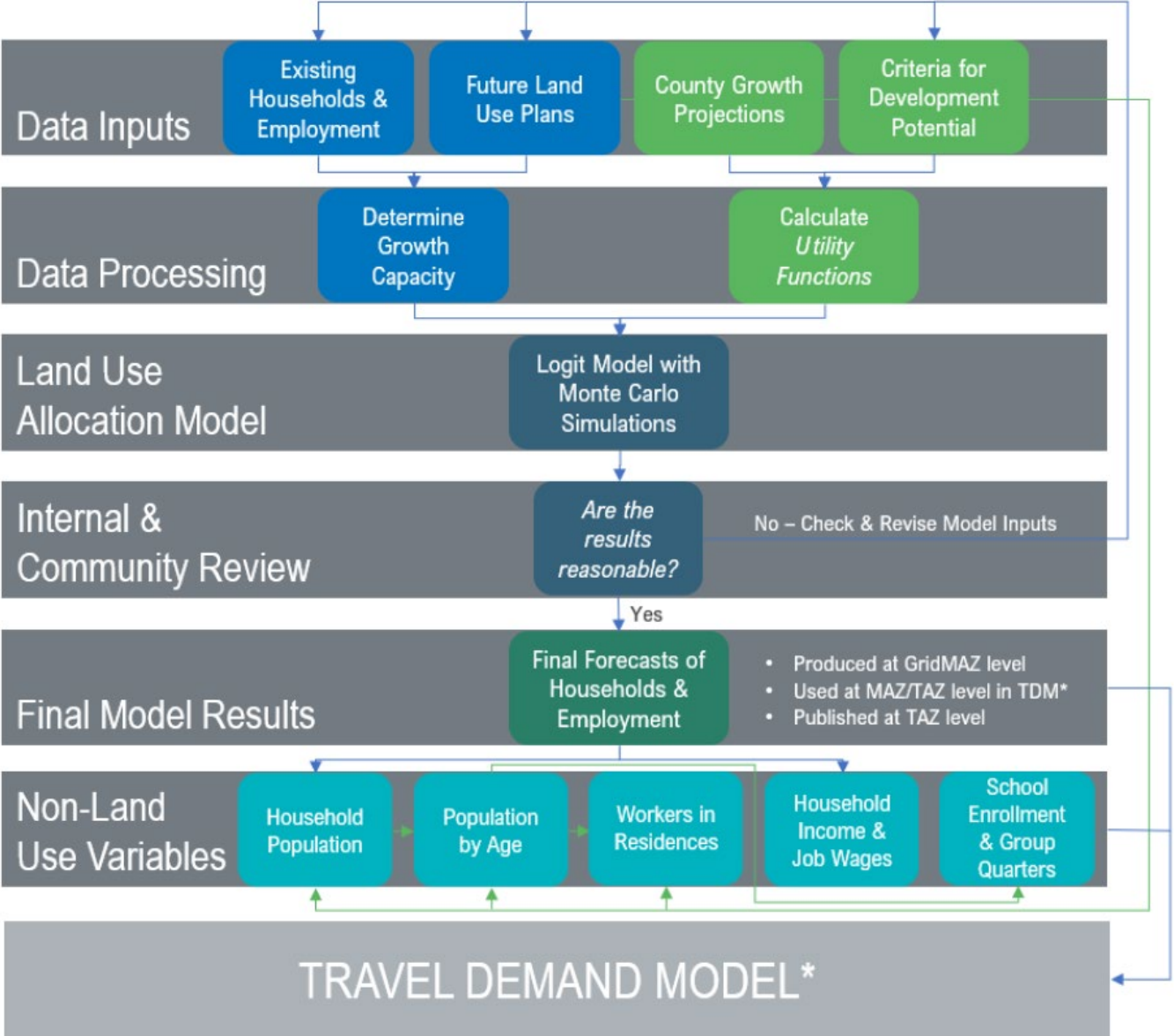


Parcels (by land use type)

The Big Picture



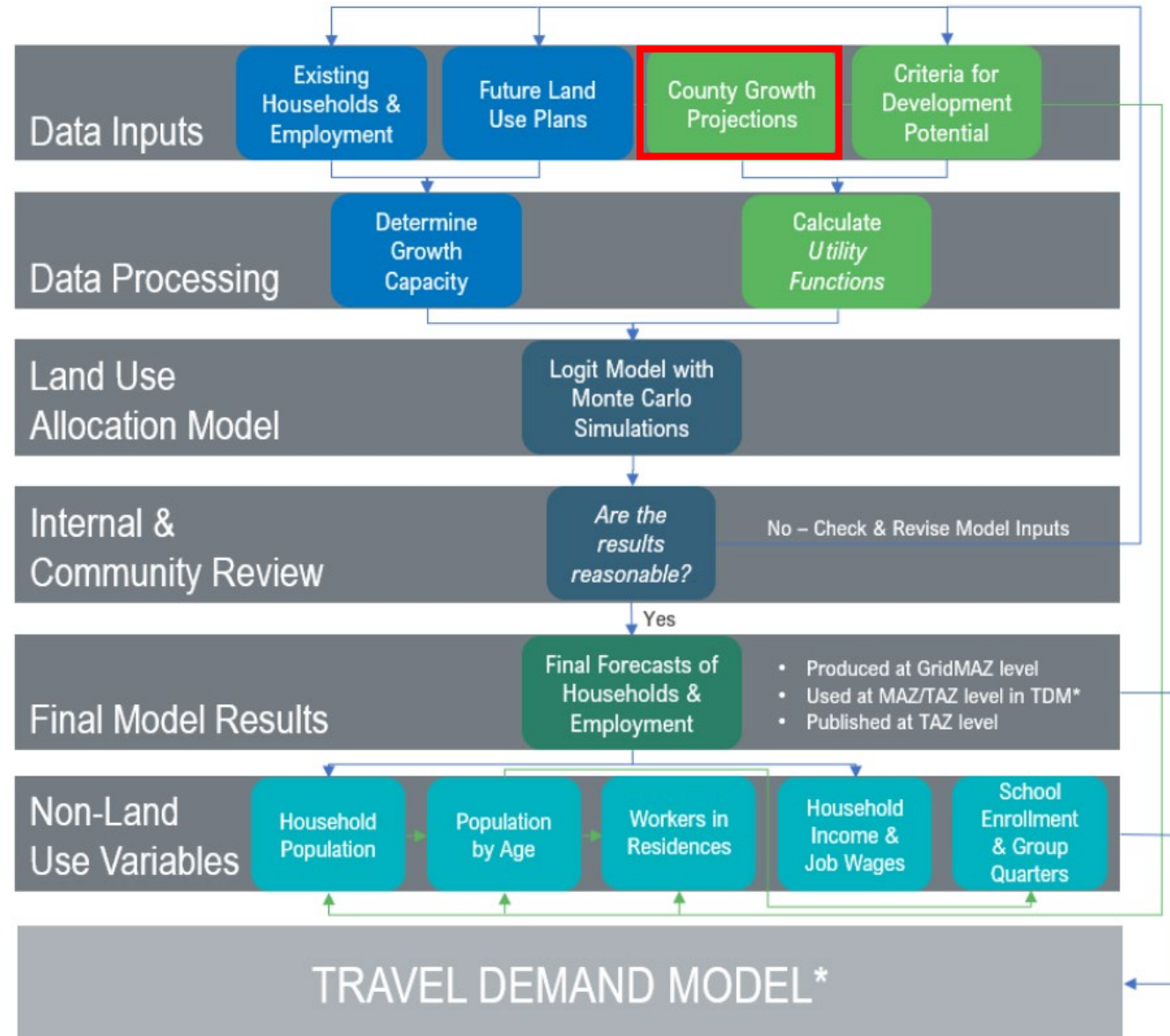
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First, county forecasts (aka “county control totals”)



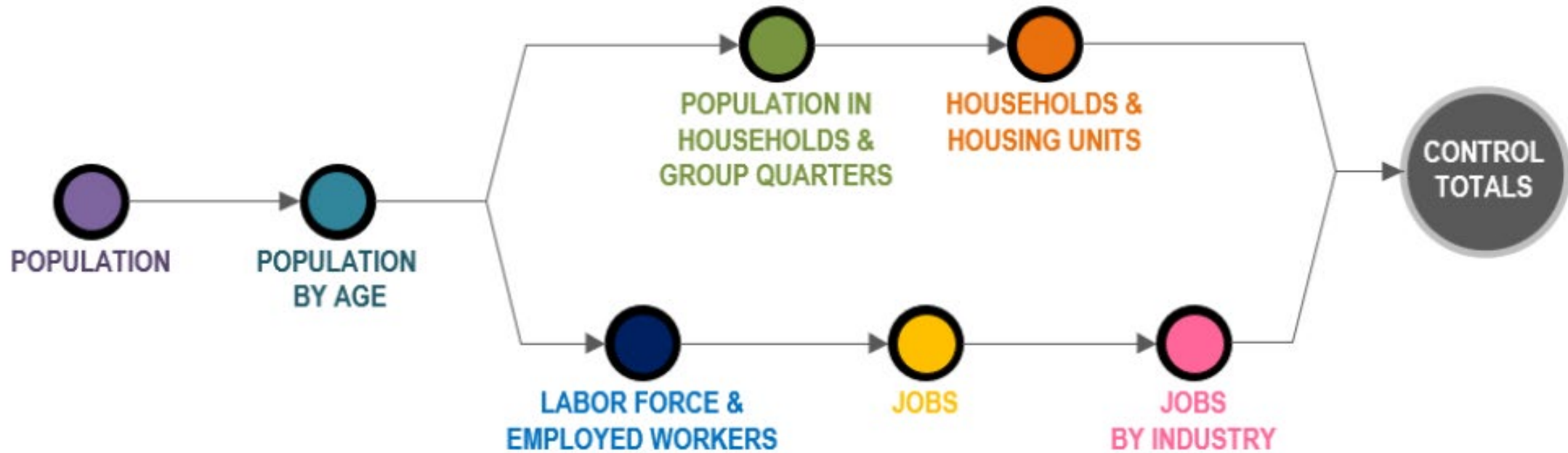
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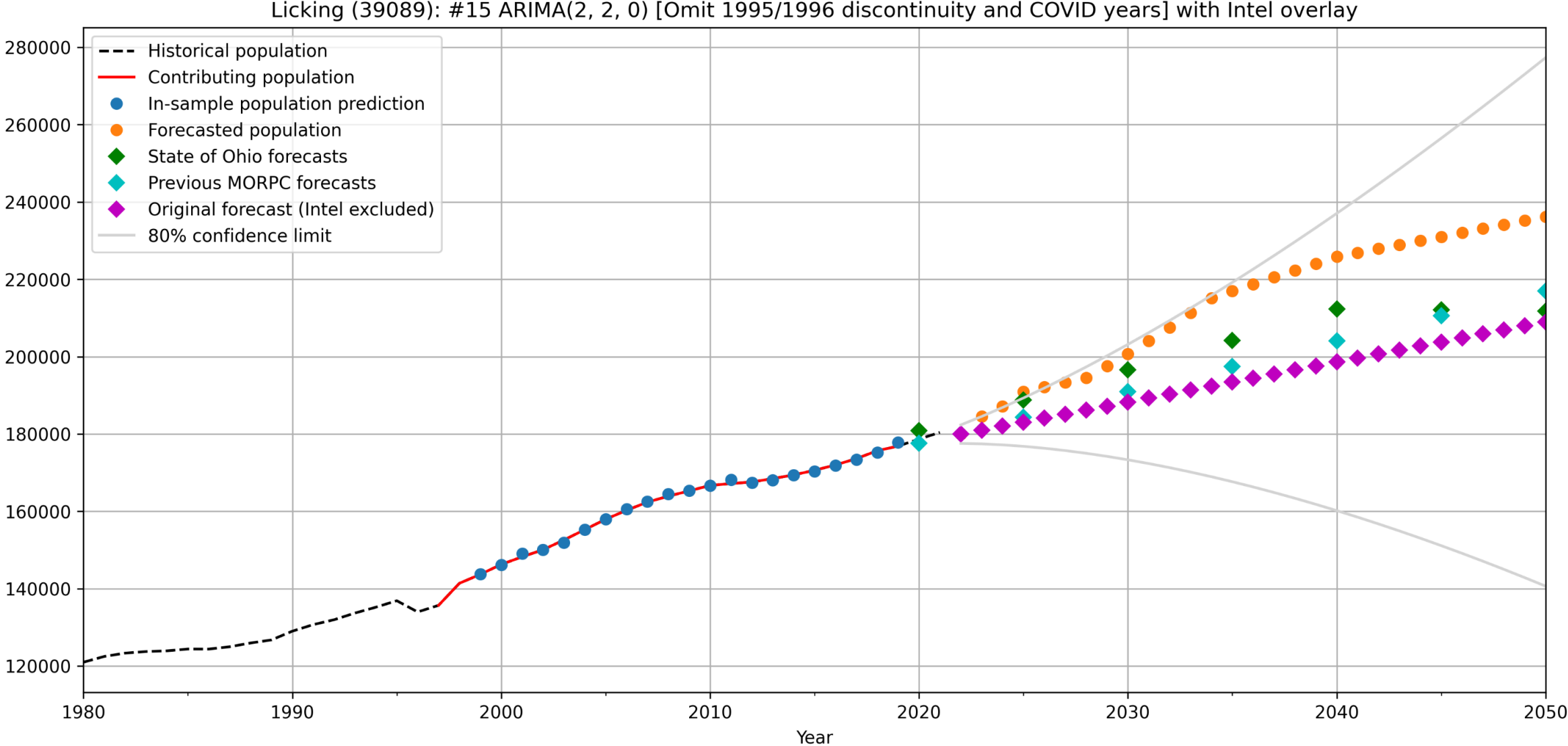
County forecasts are produced for overall population first, then broken down into subgroups.



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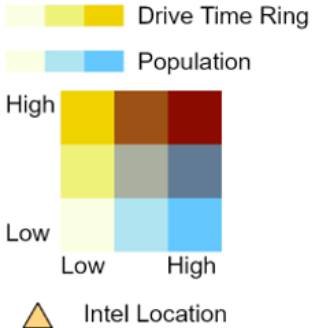
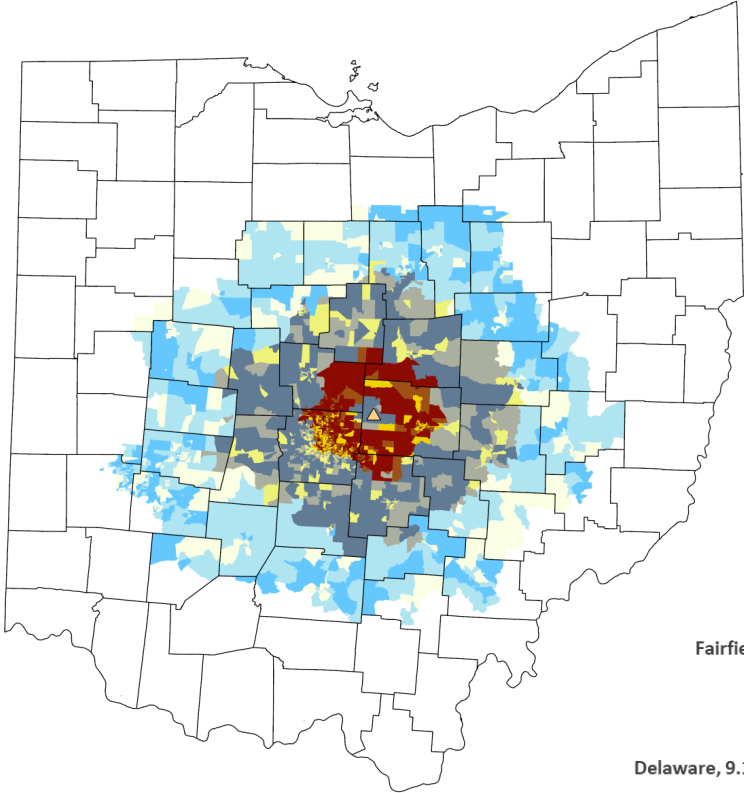
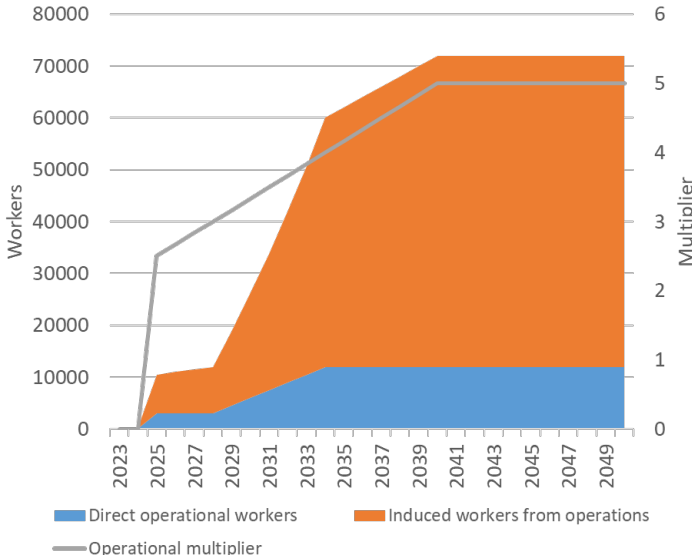
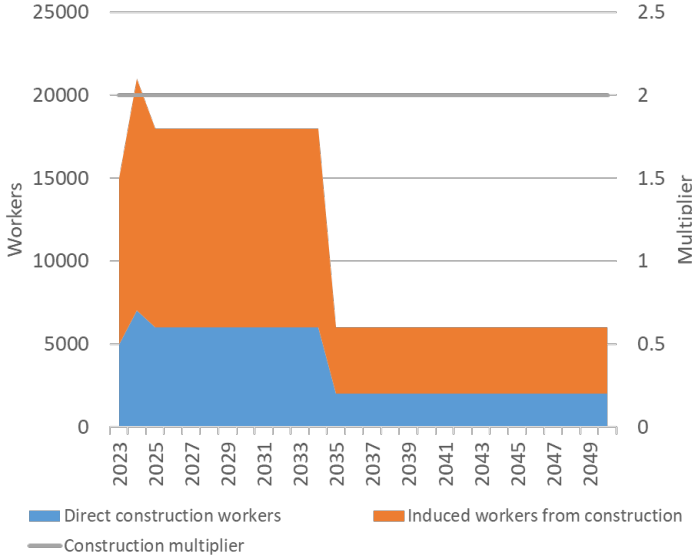
Overall population forecast example (Licking County)



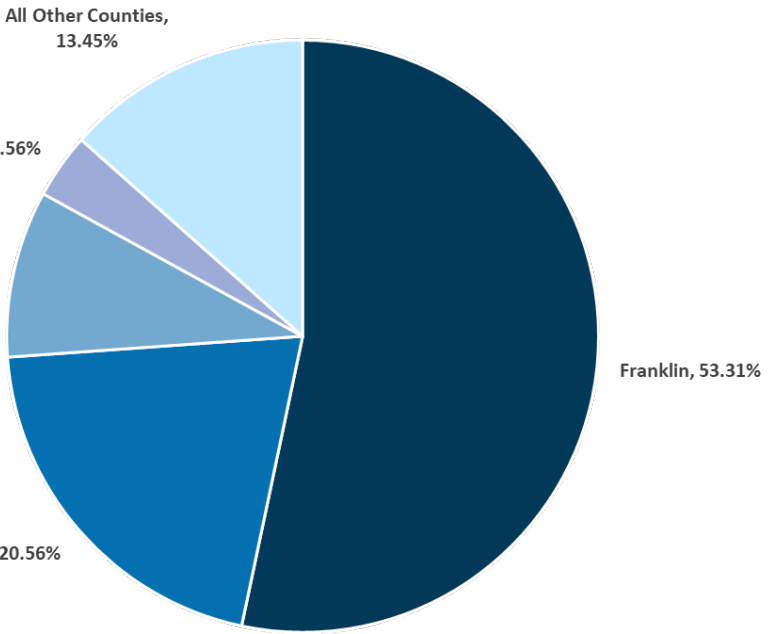
For the first time, we attempted to account for anticipated economic development (Intel)



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% Intel Employment by County of Residence



Our method deviates from the more typical method used by the State of Ohio



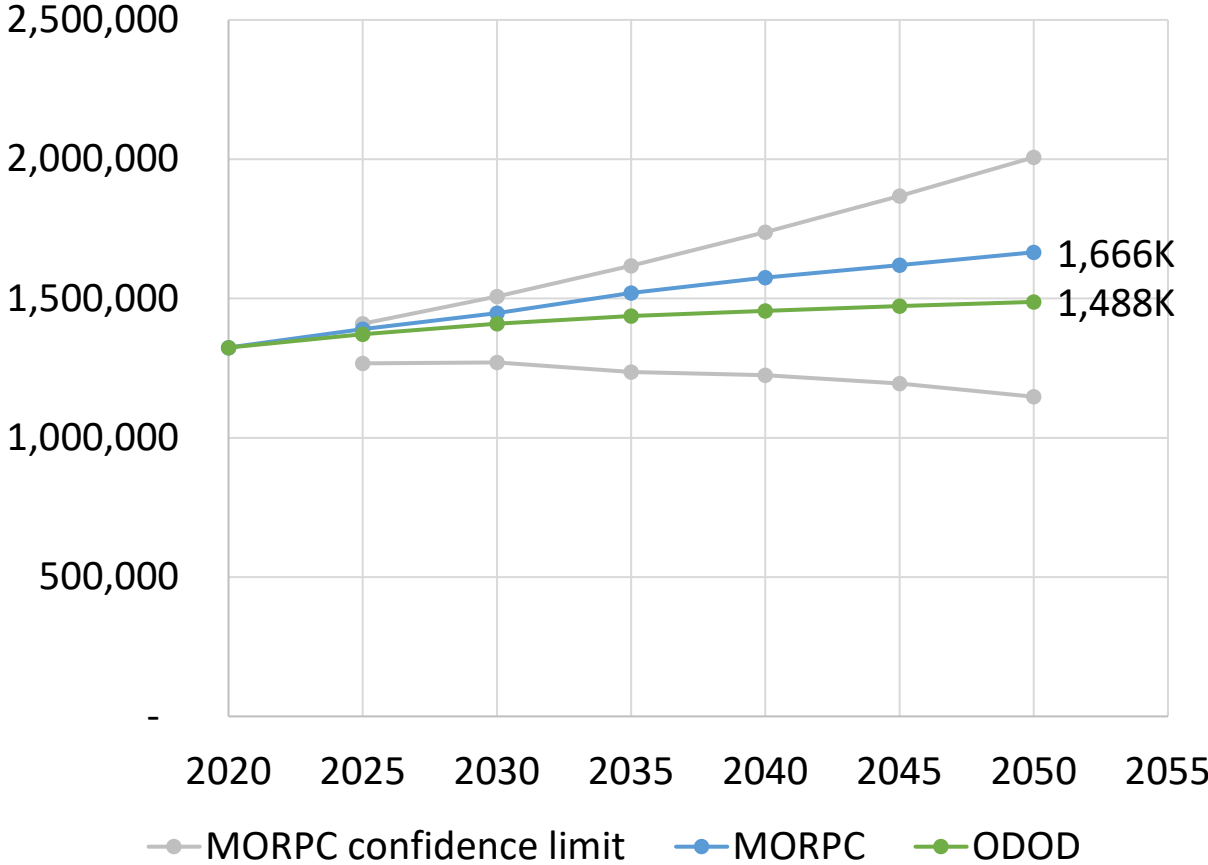
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Ohio Department of Development	MORPC
Cohort component model	Modified ARIMA statistical model
Total population built up from projections of sex-age cohorts	Total population forecasted directly
Assumes constant birth, death, and migration rates.	Assumes overall historic trends will continue. (Migration expected to compensate for changes in natural increase.)
Birth/death/migration rates determined from recent history	Trend parameters determined from recent history
Produces nominal total population, population by age, population by sex	Produces nominal total population and confidence interval
Accounts for generational population patterns (existing generations only)	Ignores generational population patterns
Intentionally excludes non-historic factors	Attempts to include certain non-historic factors (Intel factory)

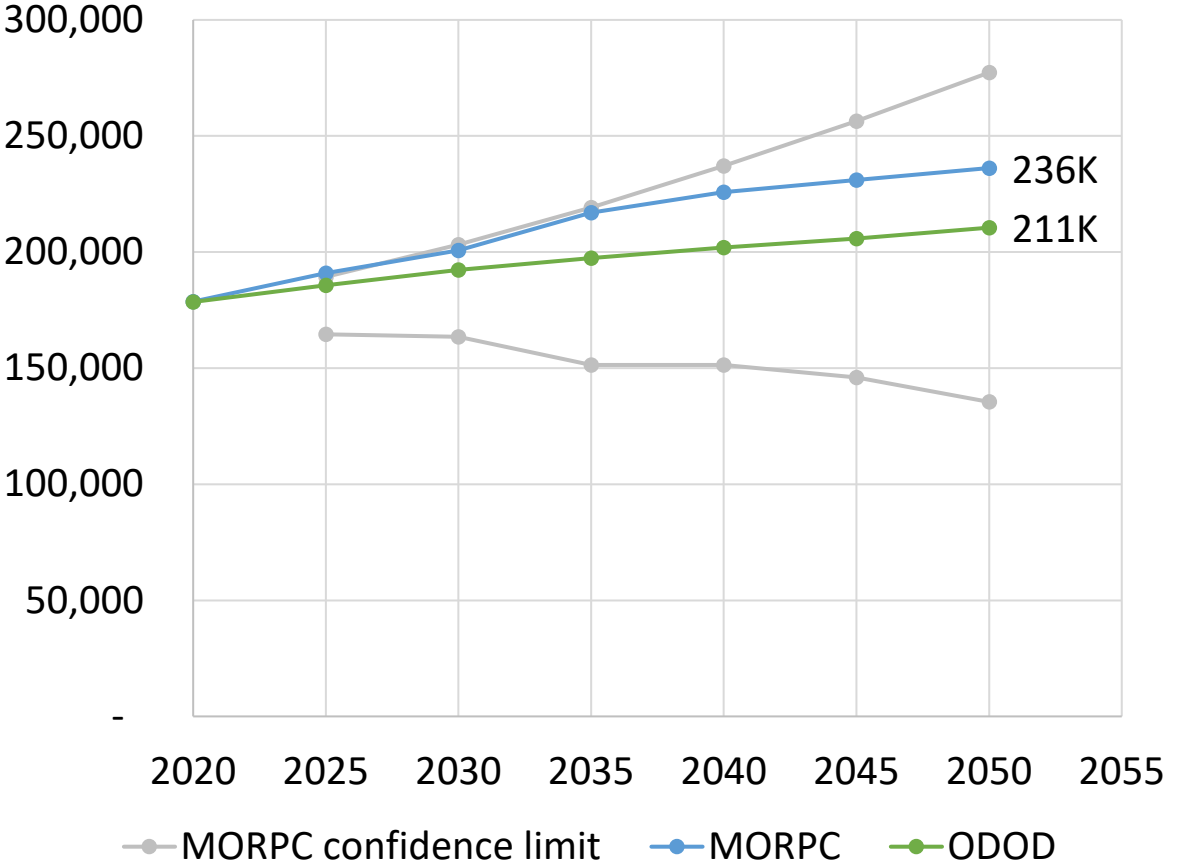
Our method tends to produce more optimistic estimates than the cohort-component method



Franklin County



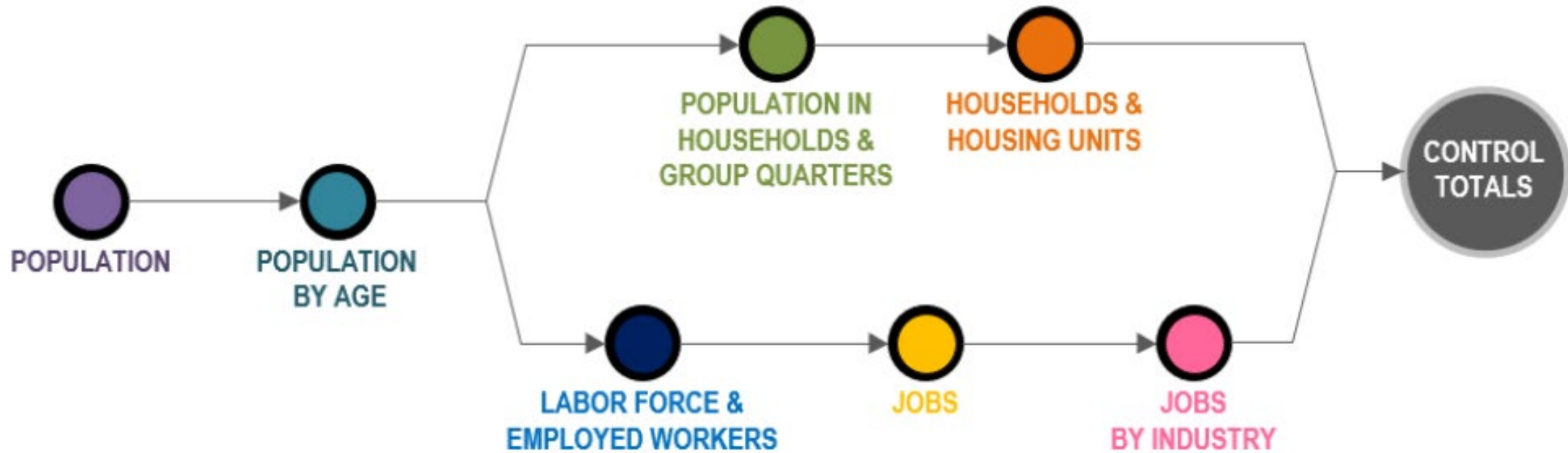
Licking County



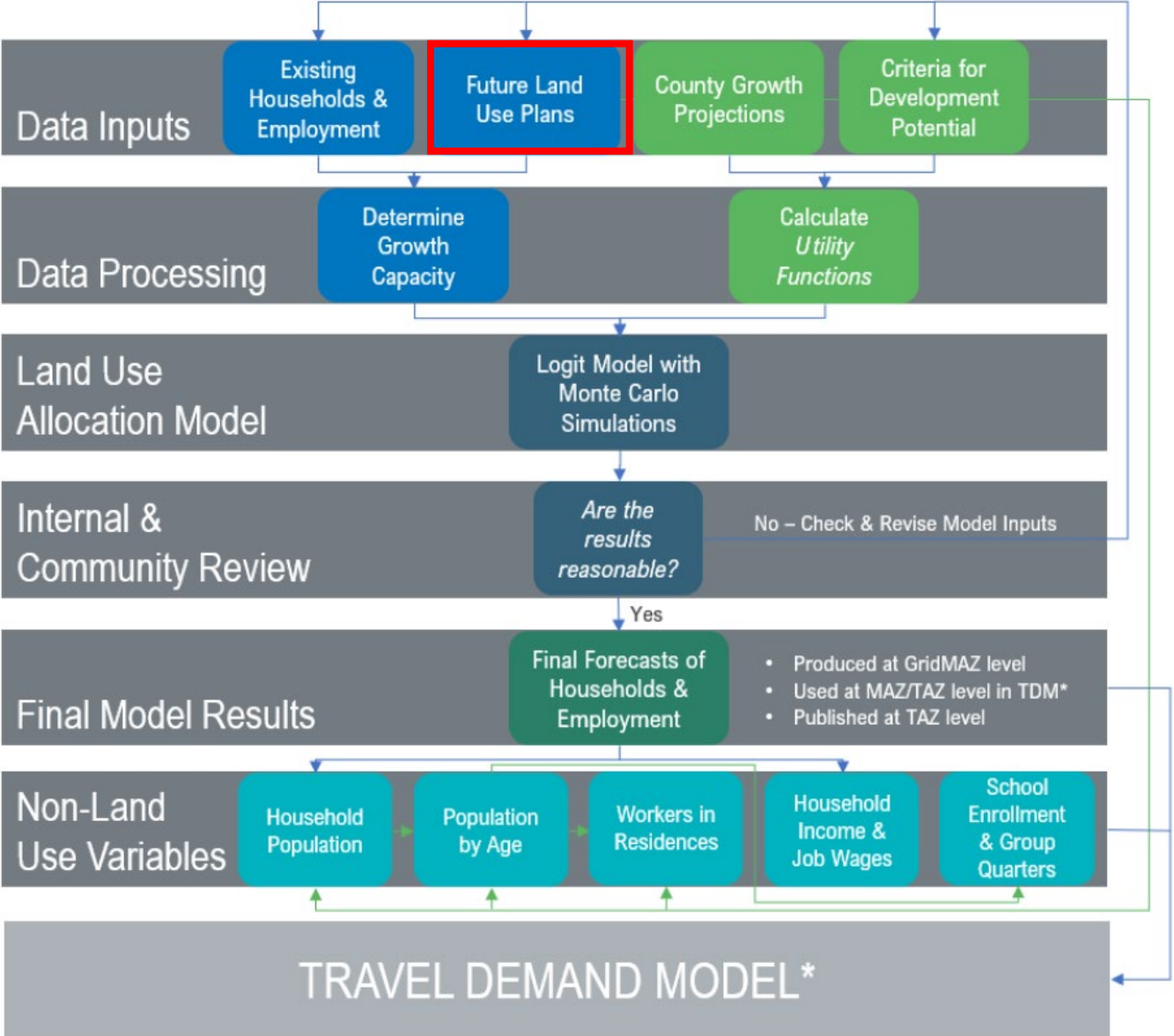
Once we have overall population, we can forecast subgroups based on certain assumptions.



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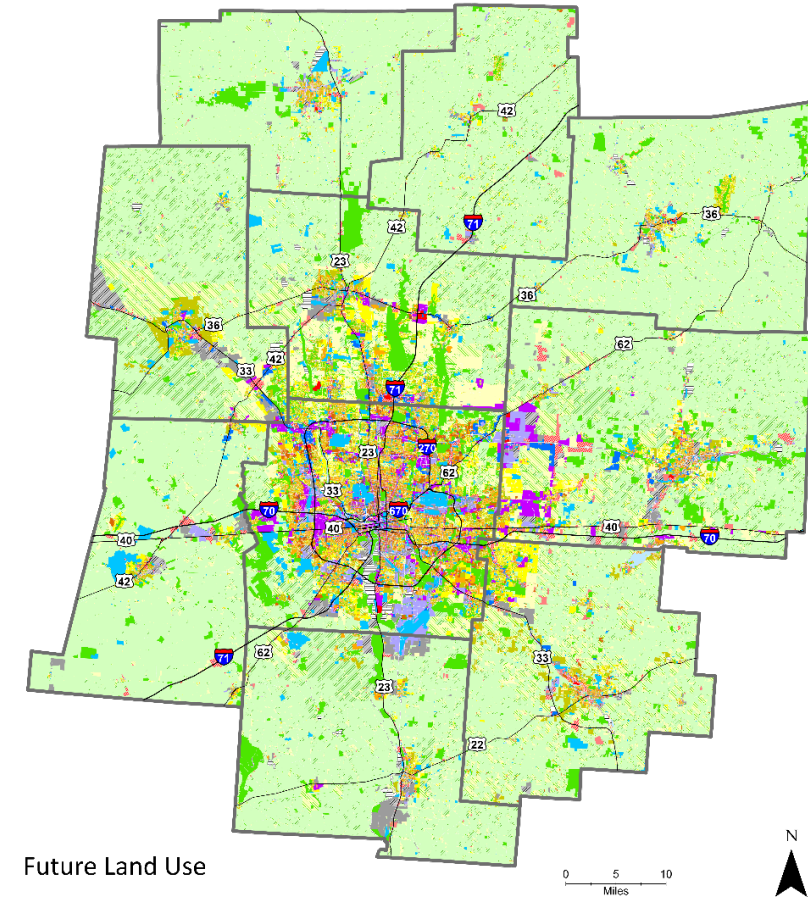
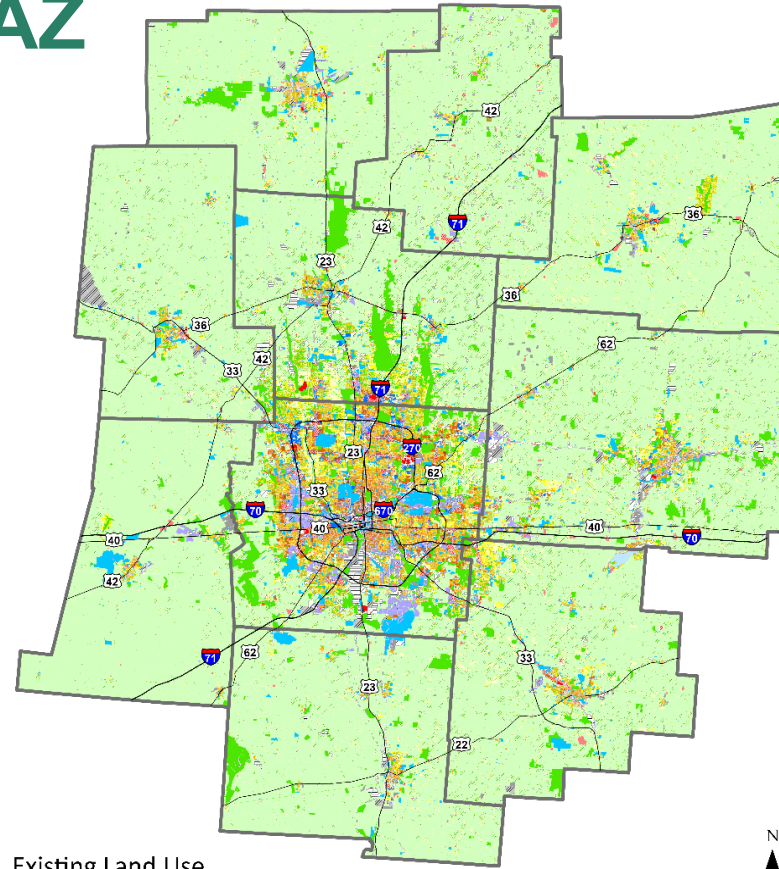
Next up, land use



Land use is assigned to parcels based on auditors' data and community plans then summarized by GridMAZ



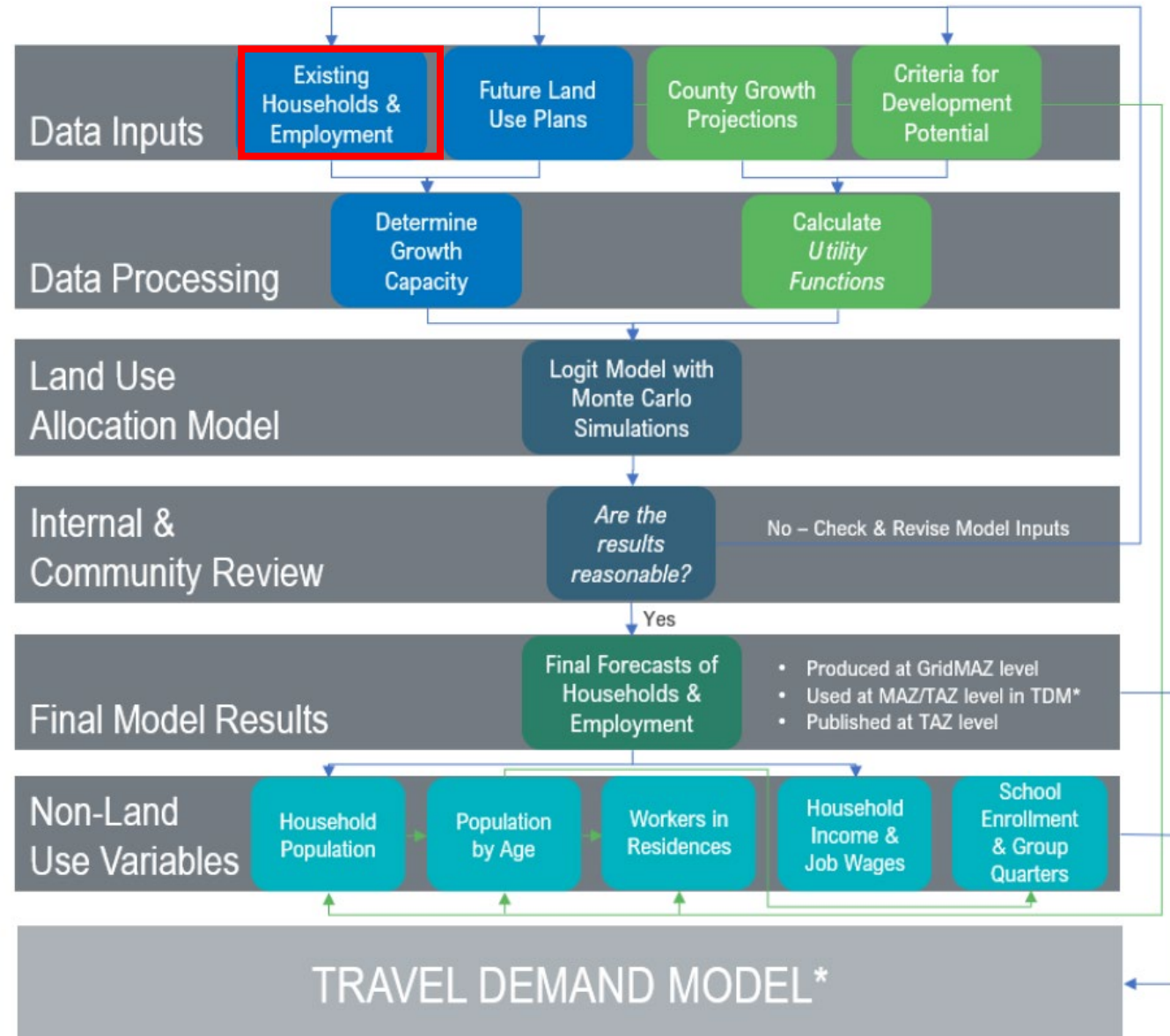
- Existing LU based on parcel data for 10 counties
- Future LU based on land use plans for 10 counties
- Uses are converted to MORPC standard land use classification system
- Determine mix of LU type by GridMAZ for existing and future



Next: Existing conditions for households and employment



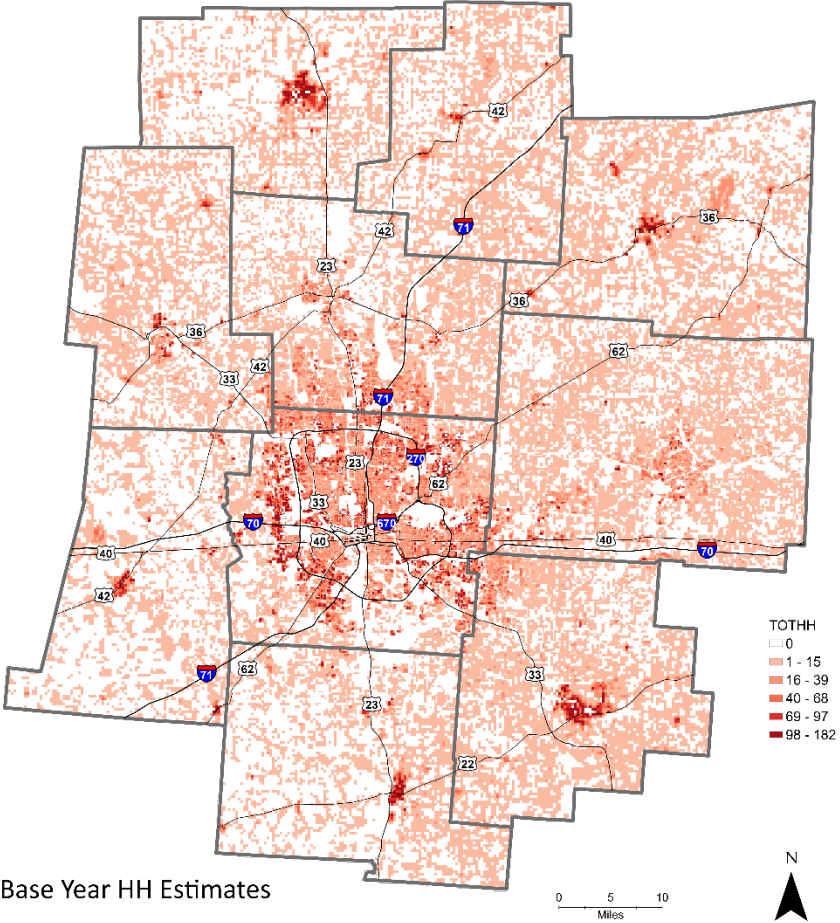
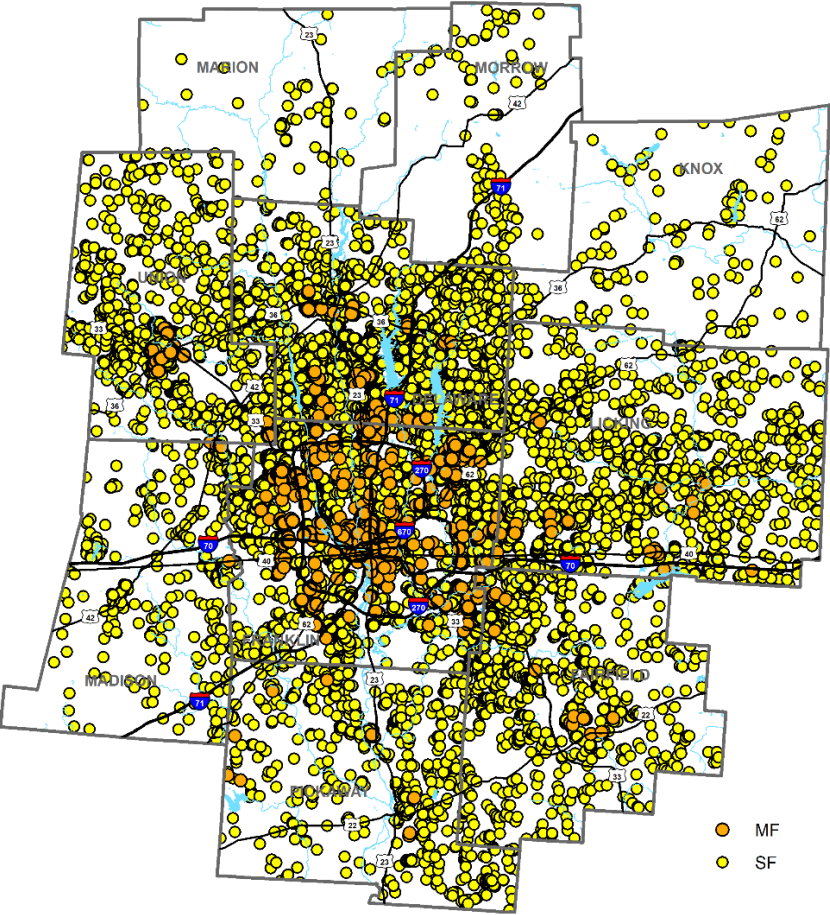
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Existing households are estimated from Census data and building permits from local jurisdictions



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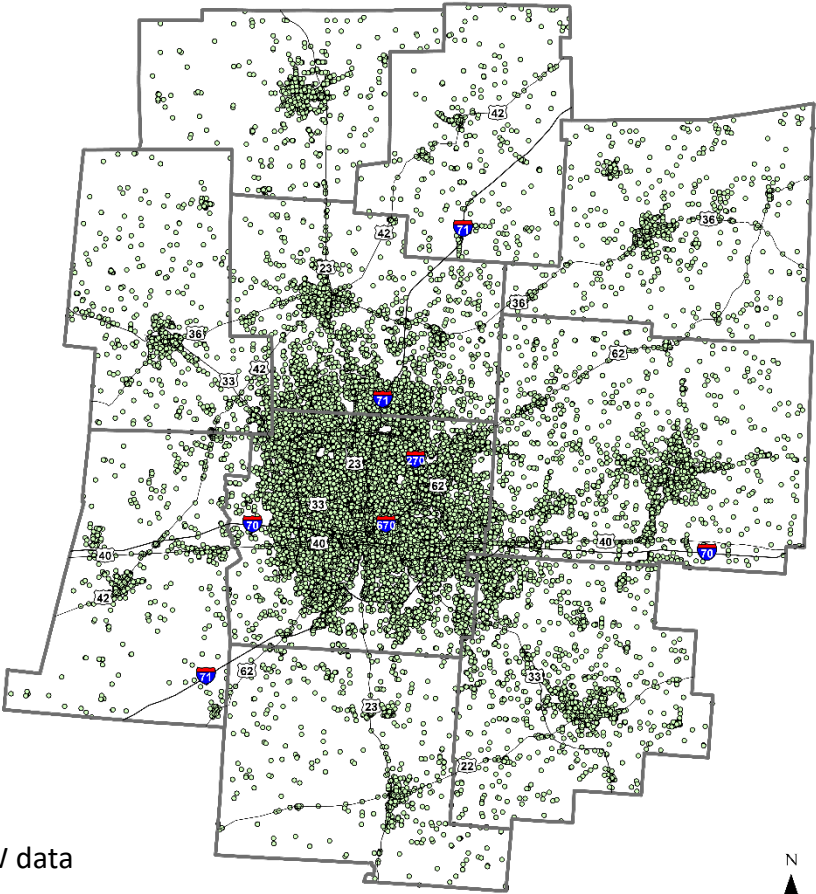


Base Year HH Estimates

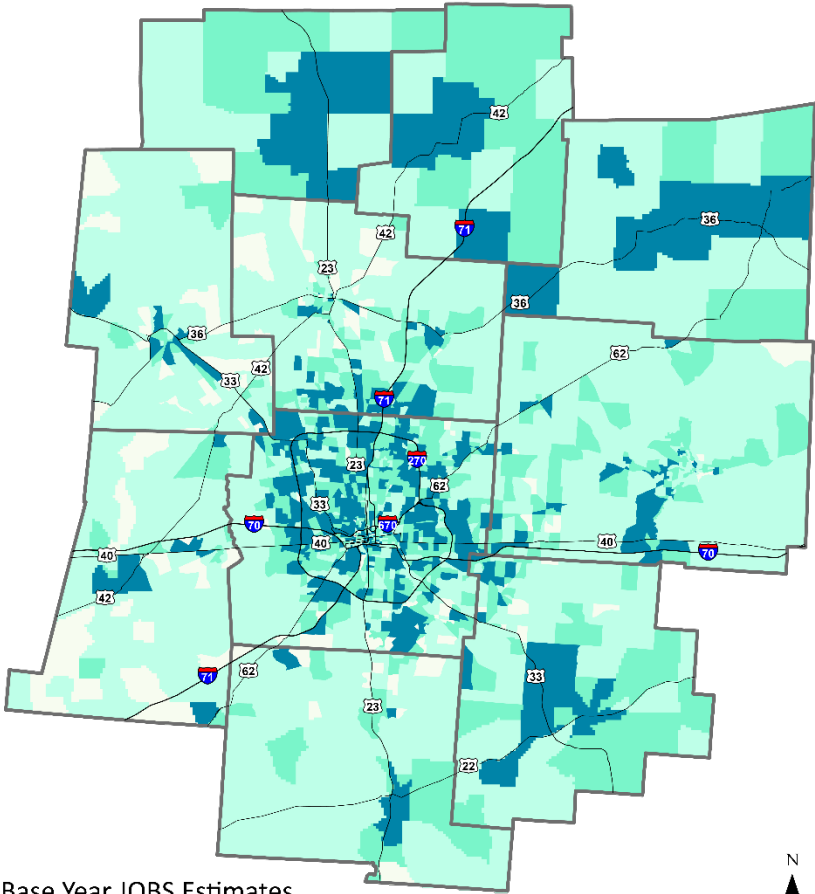
Existing jobs are estimated from QCEW point-level employer data



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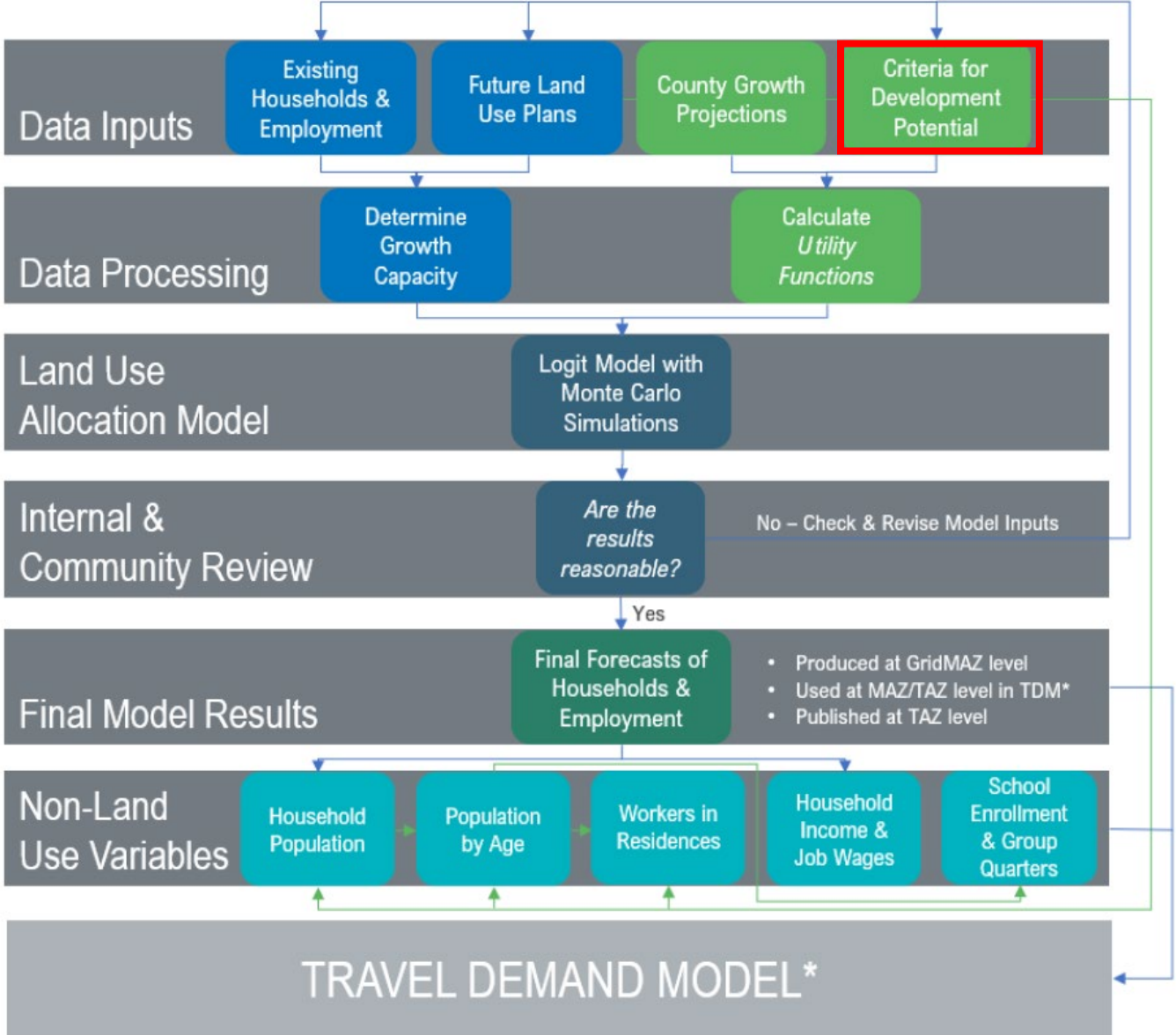


QCEW data



Base Year JOBS Estimates

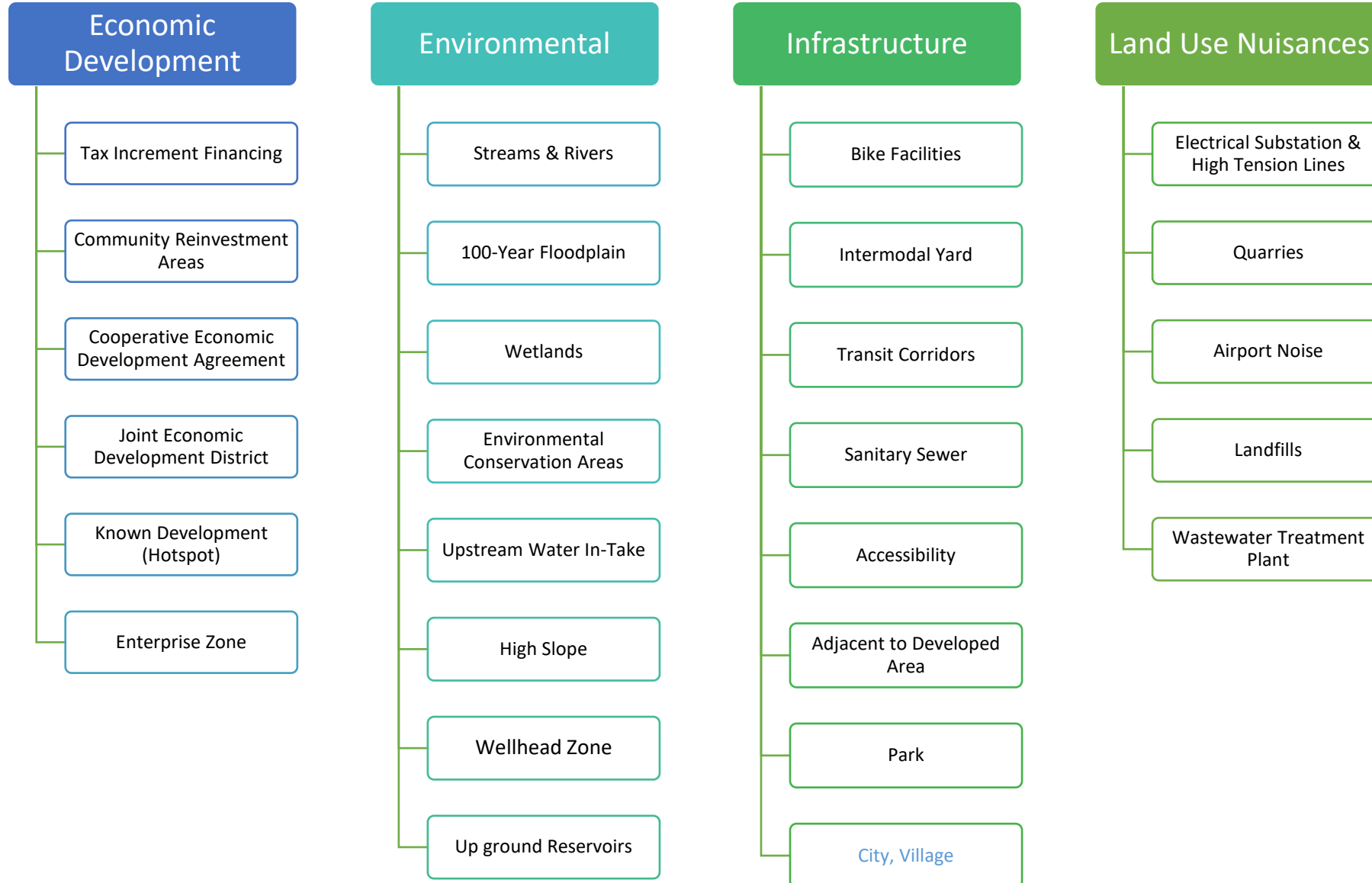
Next: Criteria for development potential



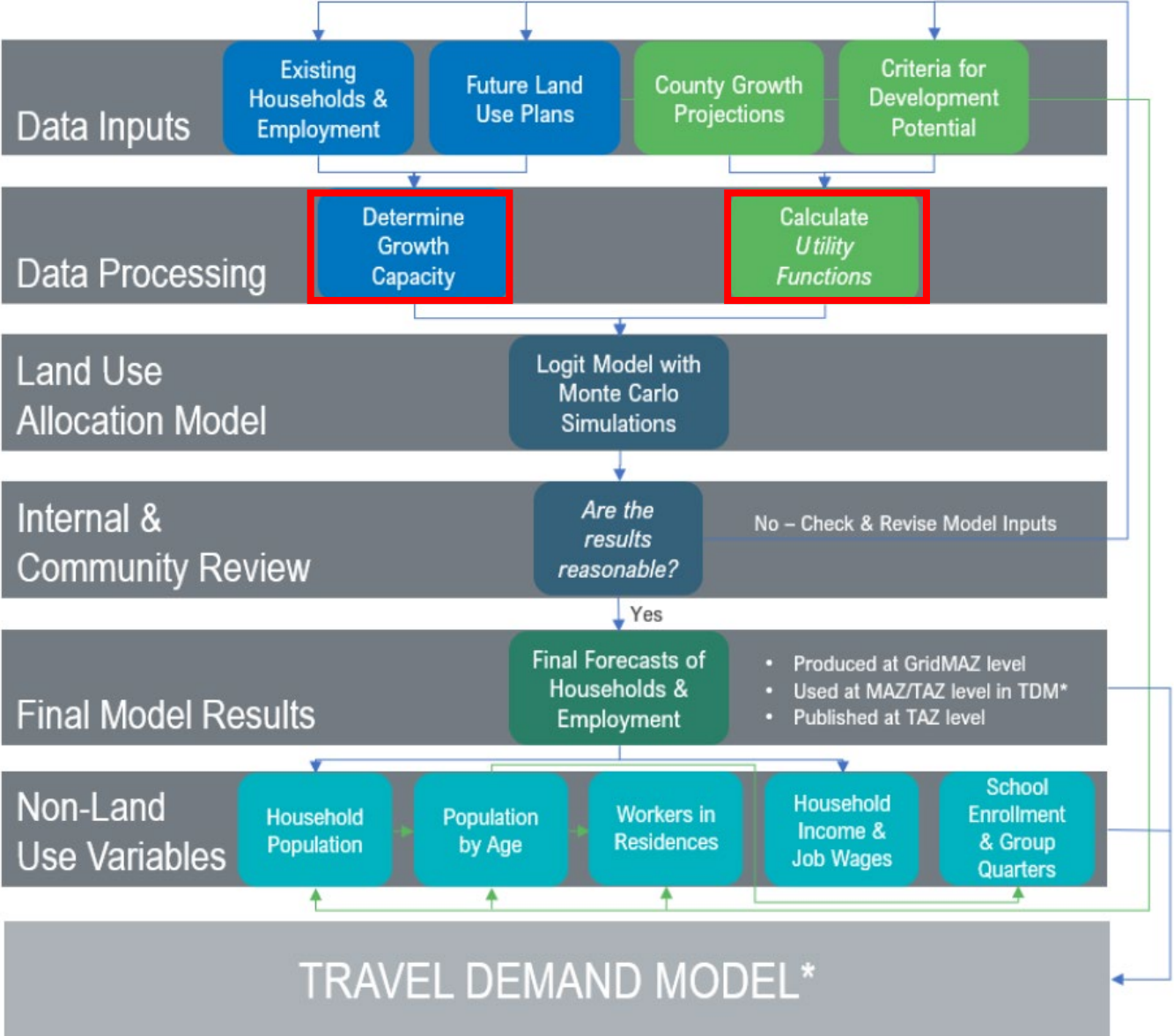
Each GridMAZ is given a utility score based on a weighted combination of criteria



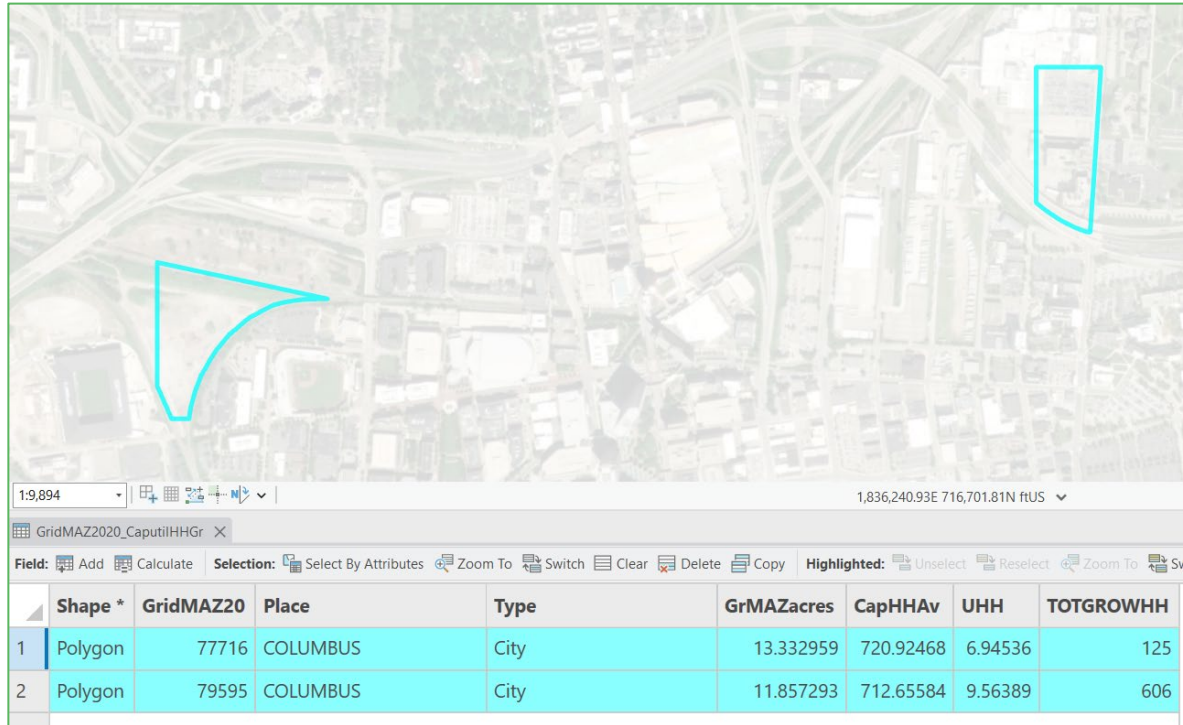
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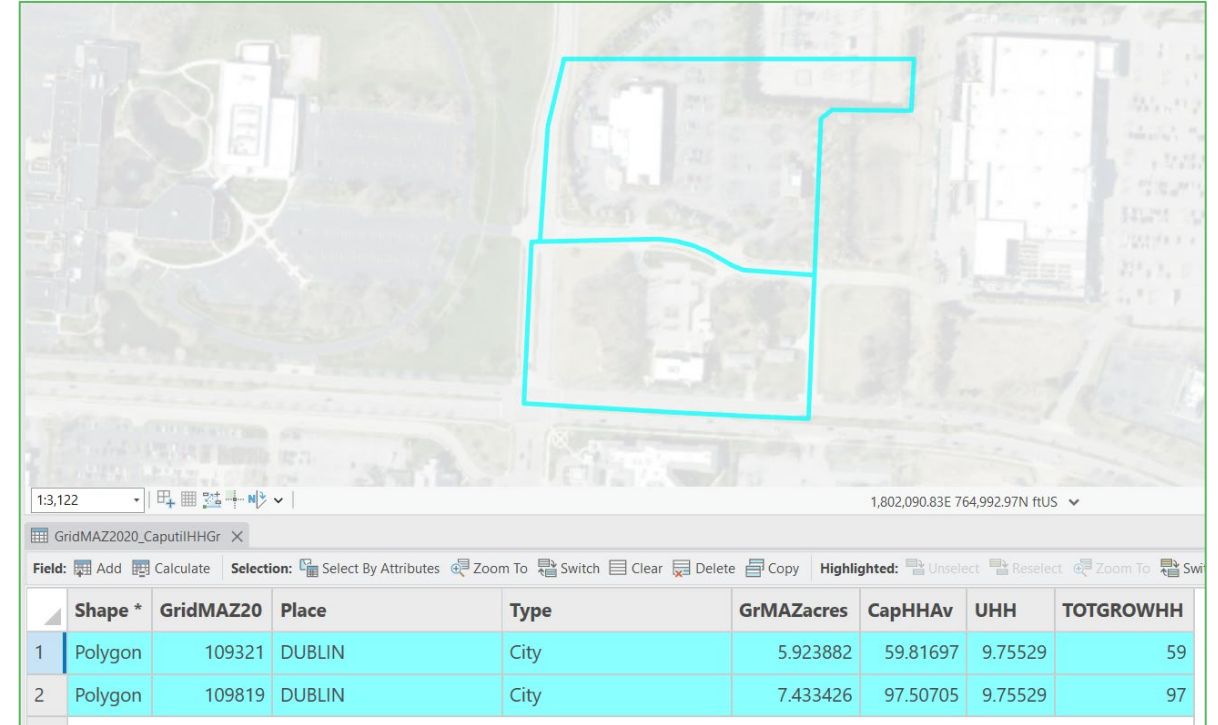
Next: Capacity vs utility



The amount of growth allocated to a GridMAZ is proportional to its utility and constrained by its capacity

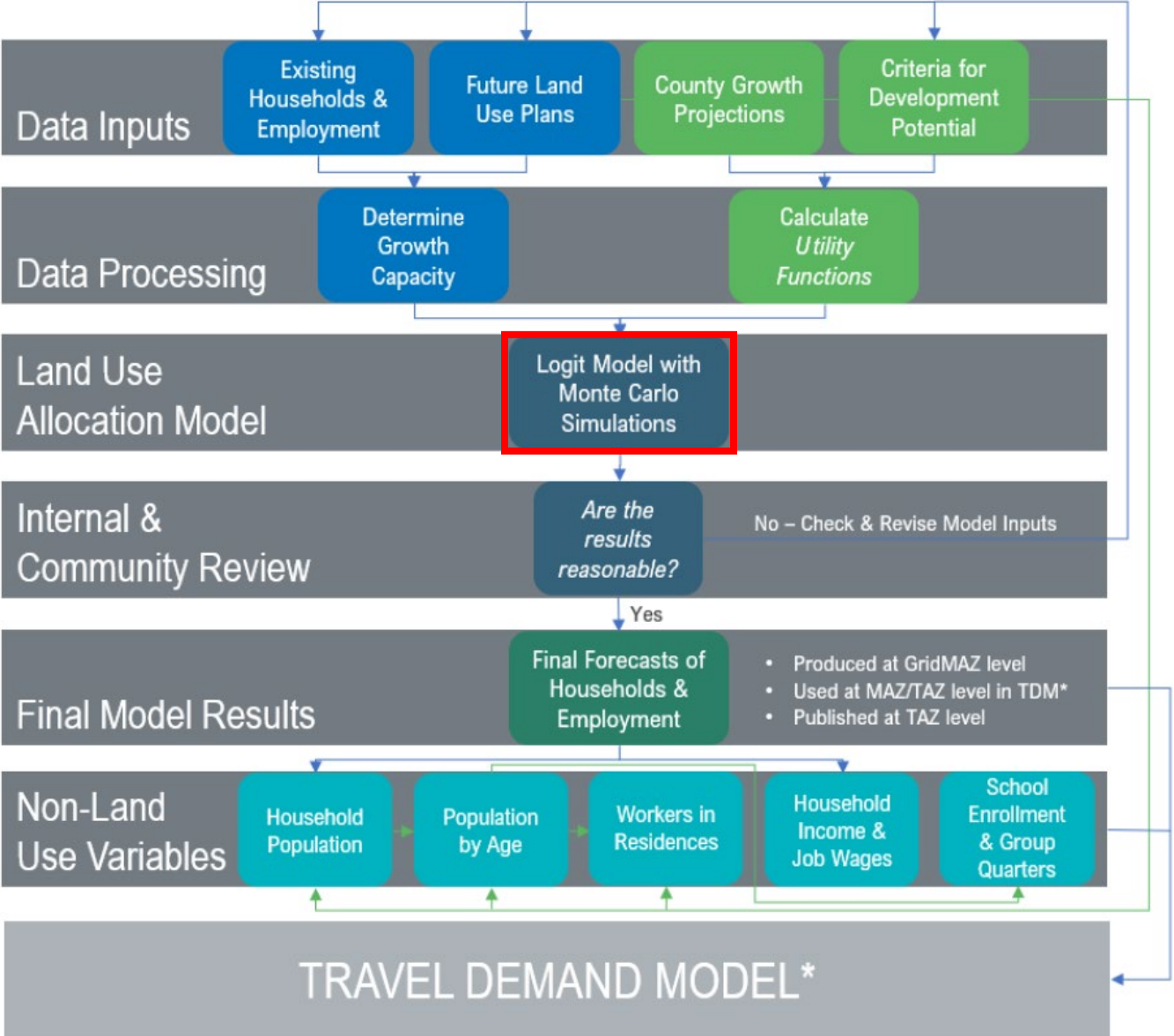


Similar Capacity, Different Utility



Similar Utility, Different Capacity

Next: Allocation of growth based on simulation





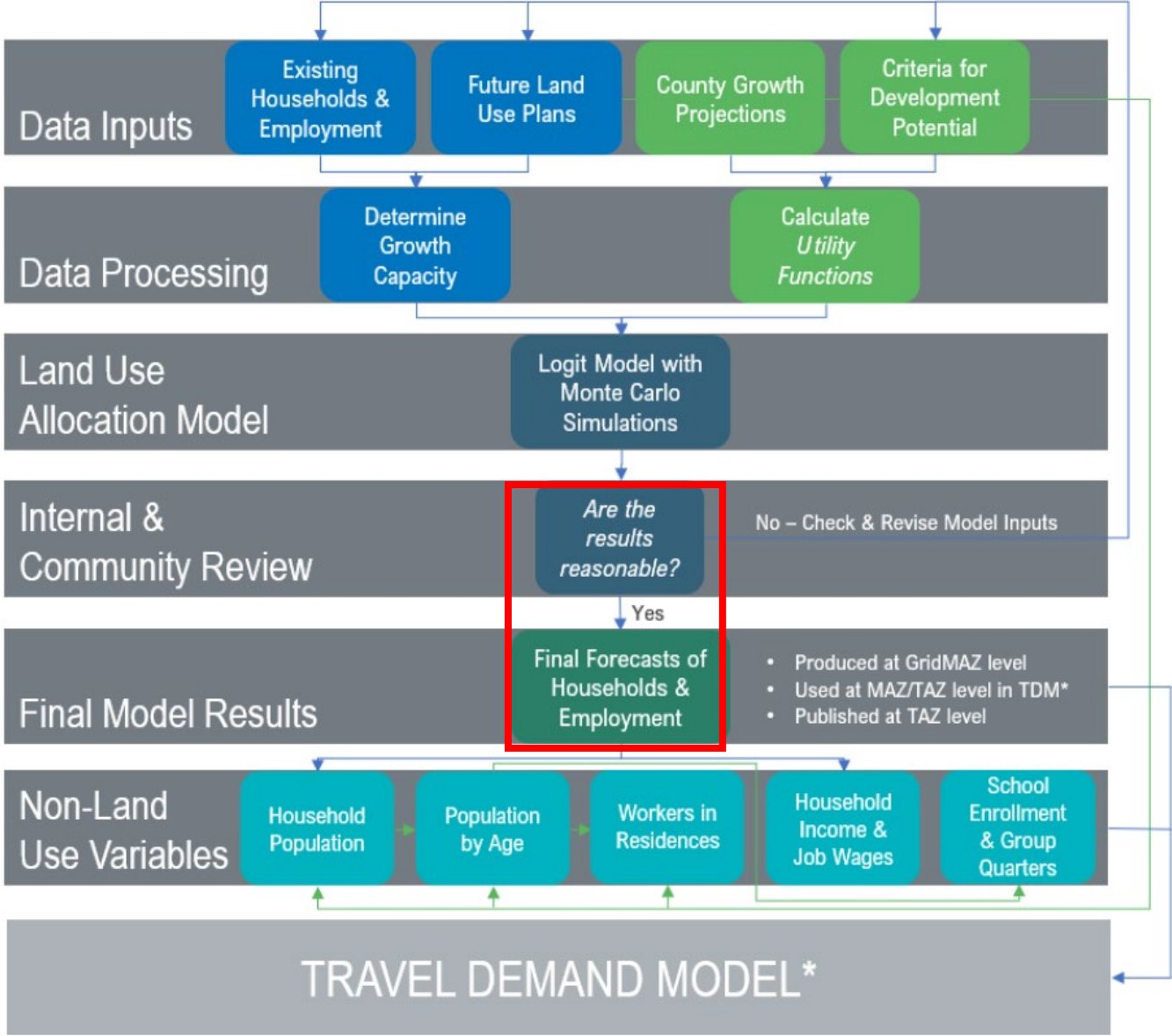
Growth for each GridMAZ is the average of 200 randomized simulations

Think of this like a game of darts:

1. Two players collect their darts.
 1. One player throws for households, one for jobs
 2. Total number of darts for each is equal to the forecasted county-level growth in households and growth in jobs, respectively
2. Players each throw their darts at their own copy of the 10-county map
 1. Each aims for a GridMAZ with a preference for those having the highest attractiveness for their land use.
 2. When capacity is reached for a land use, that player can no longer throw darts at that GridMAZ.
3. When all darts are expended, the players tabulate the number of darts in each GridMAZ for both maps
4. Players repeat the game 199 more times
5. For each GridMAZ, compute the average number of darts of each type for the 200 games
6. For each land use, adjust the values for all GridMAZ such that their sum is equal to the county growth (i.e control the values to the county control total)



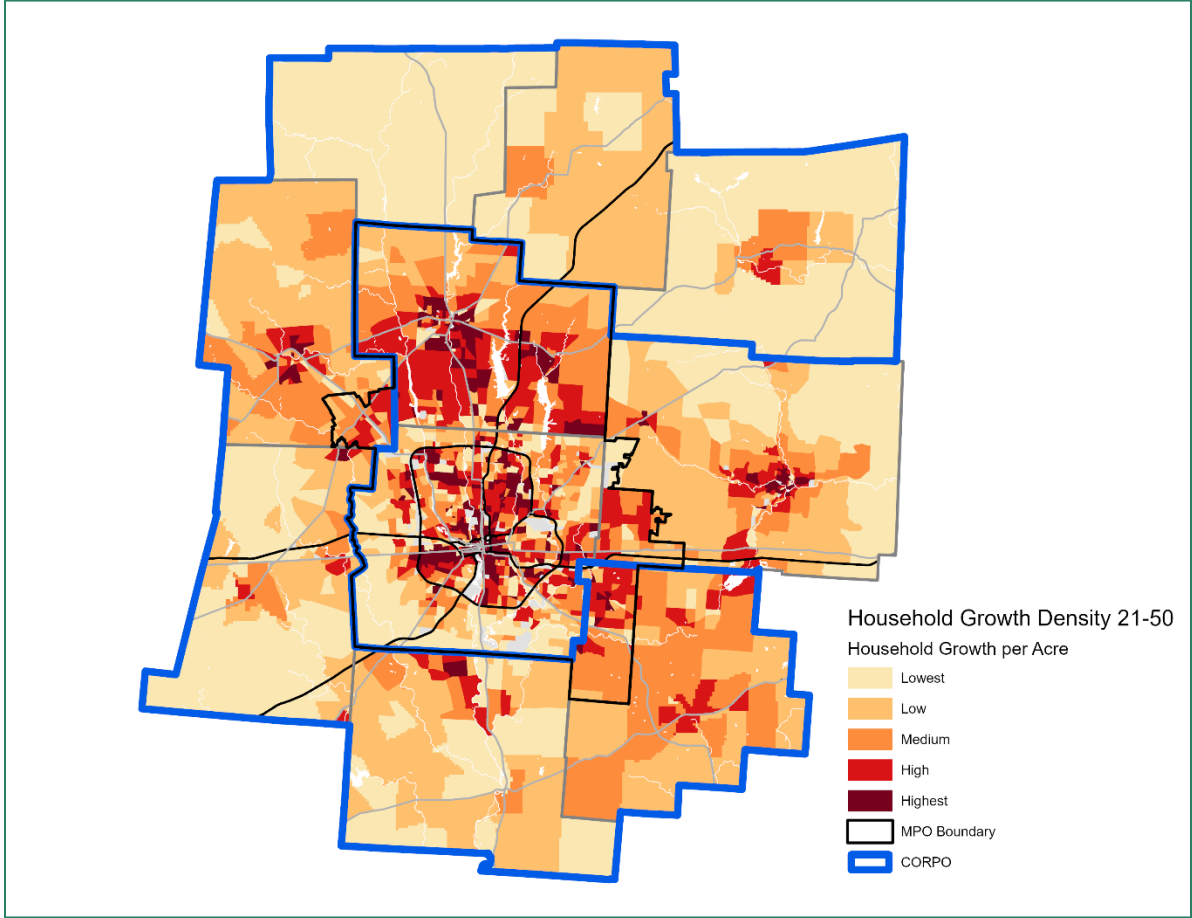
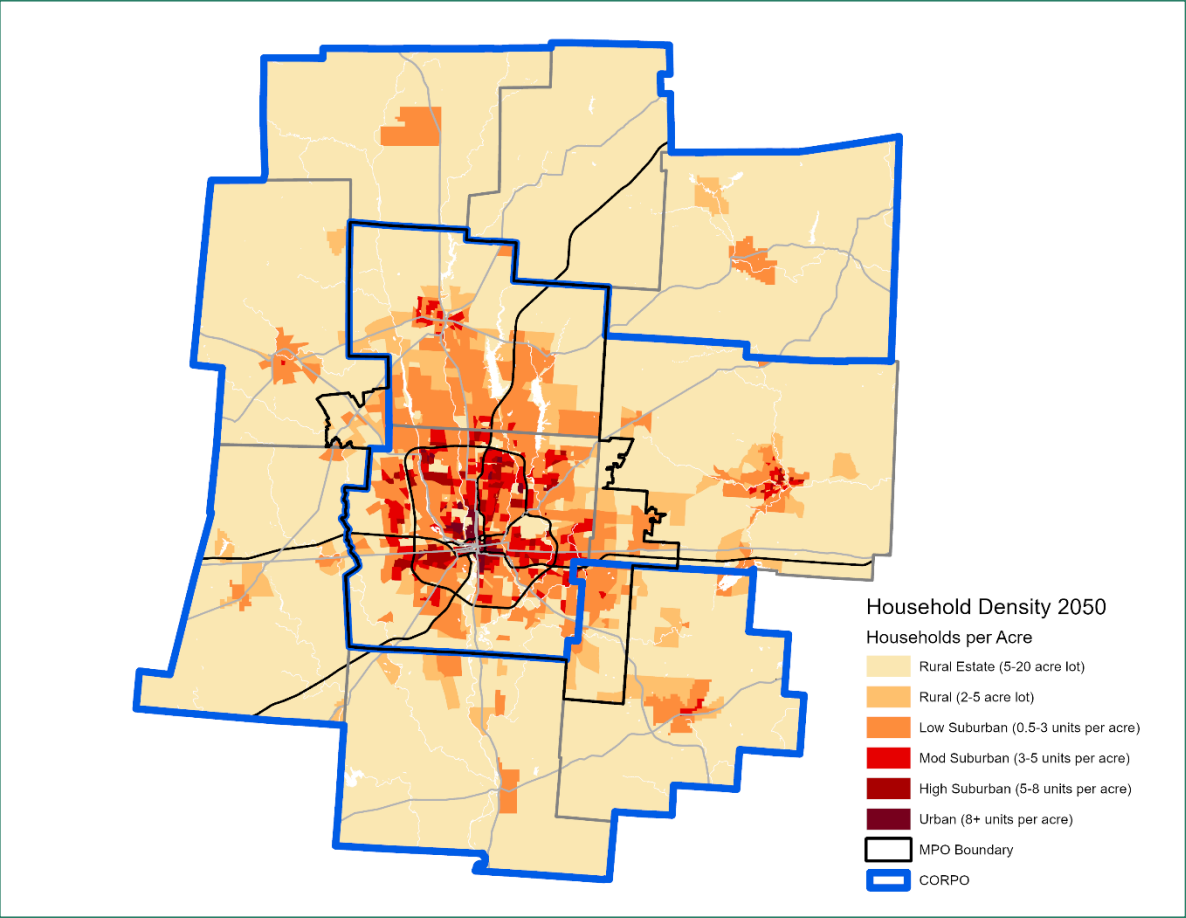
Next: Review results



Final Results - Households



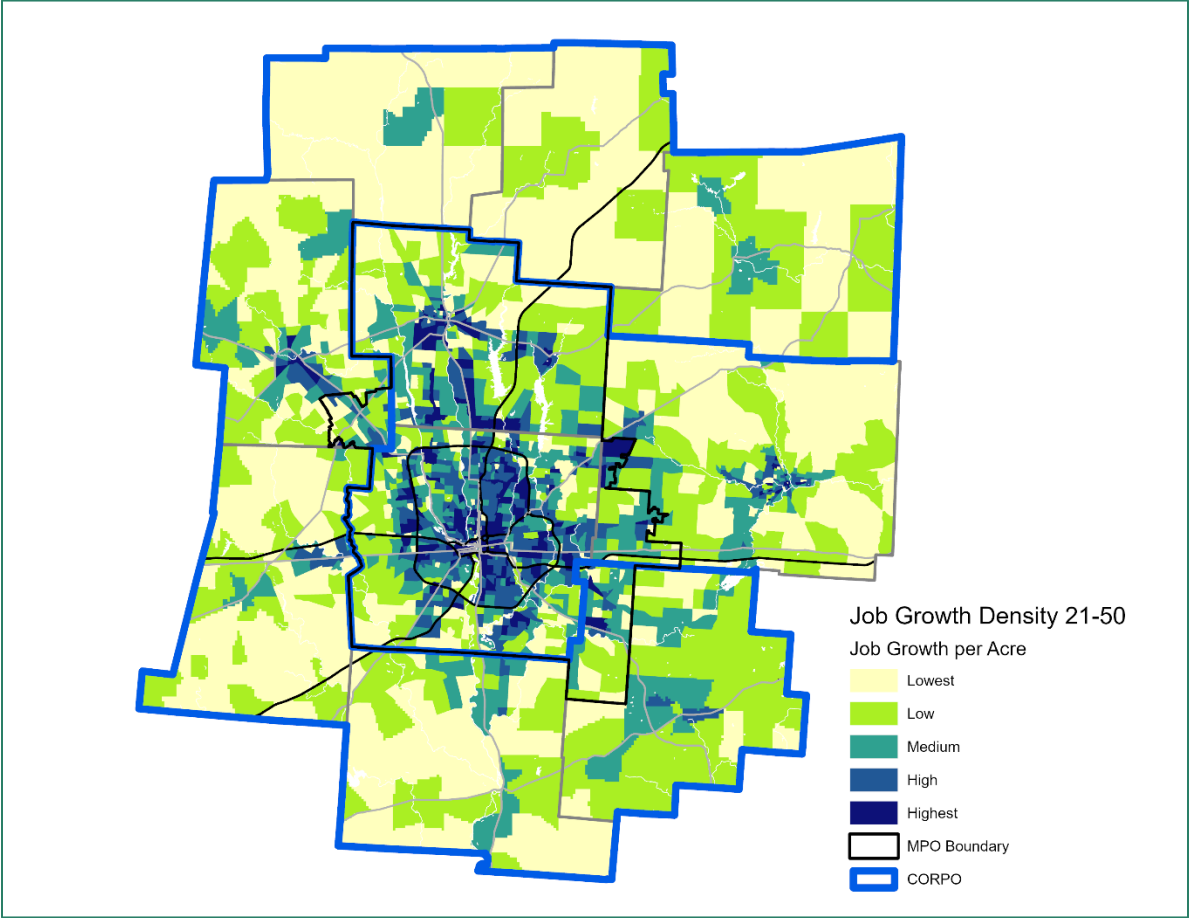
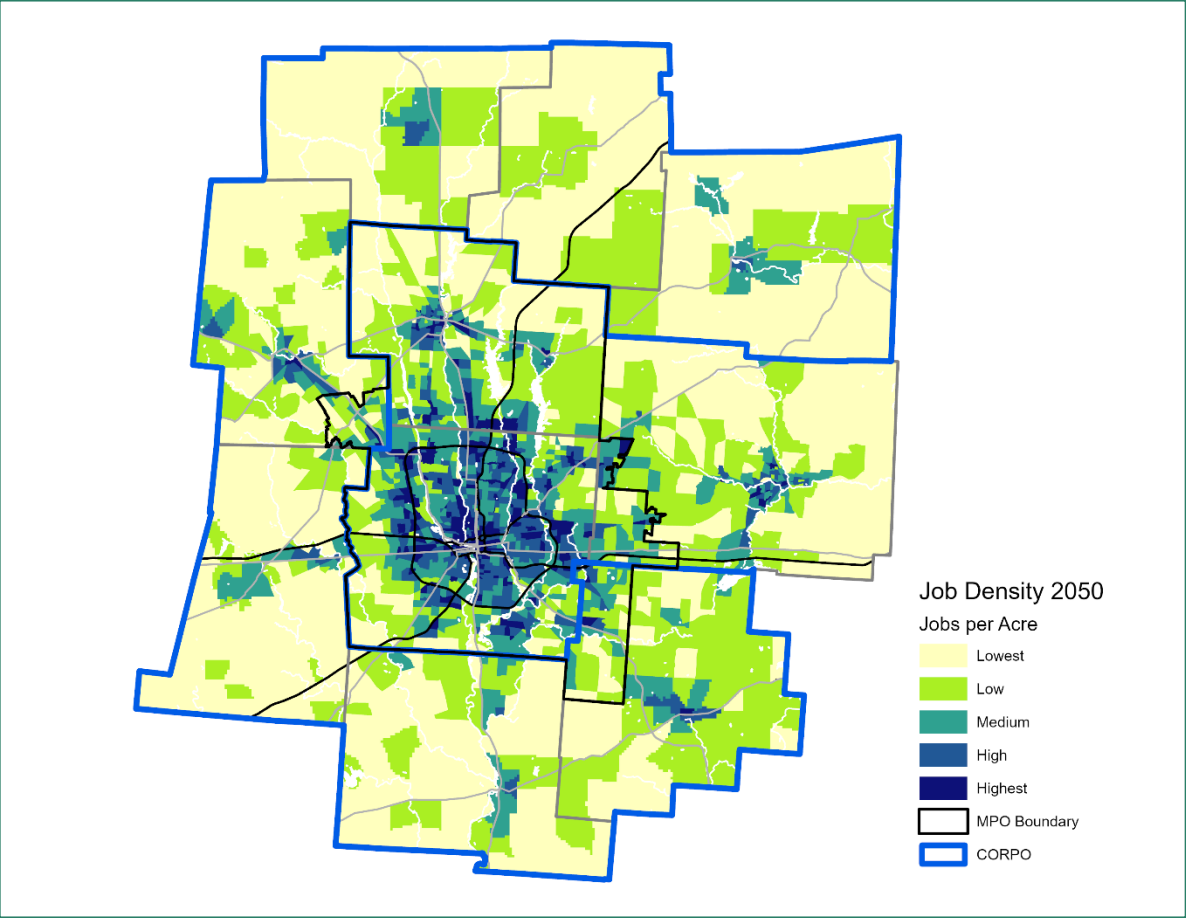
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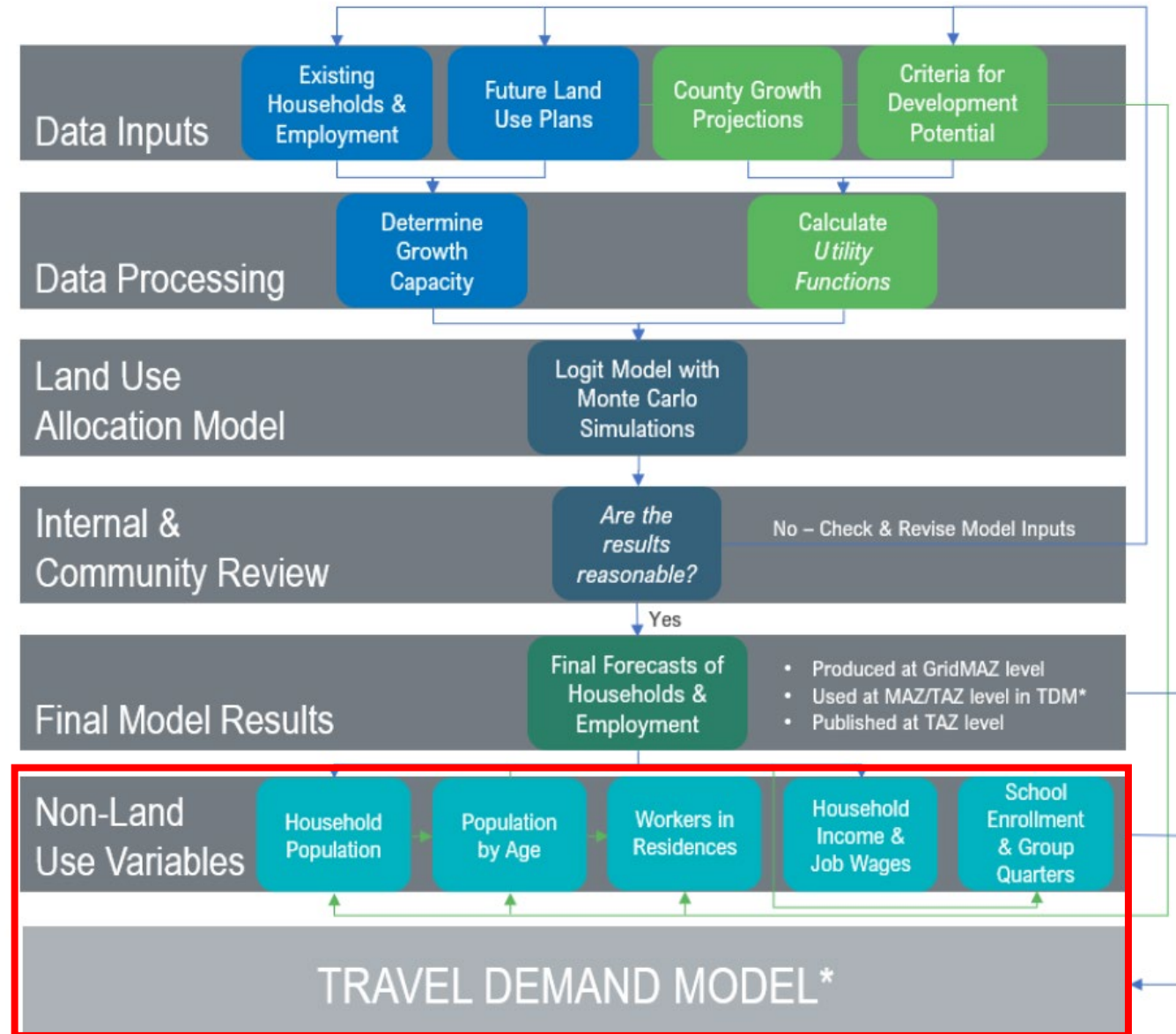
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What's left? A lot!

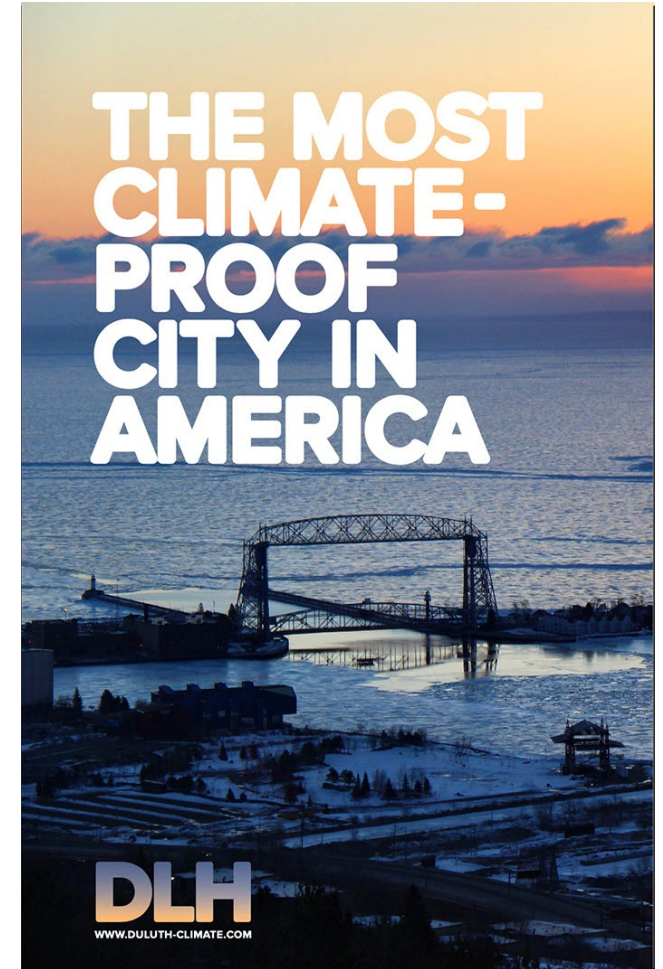
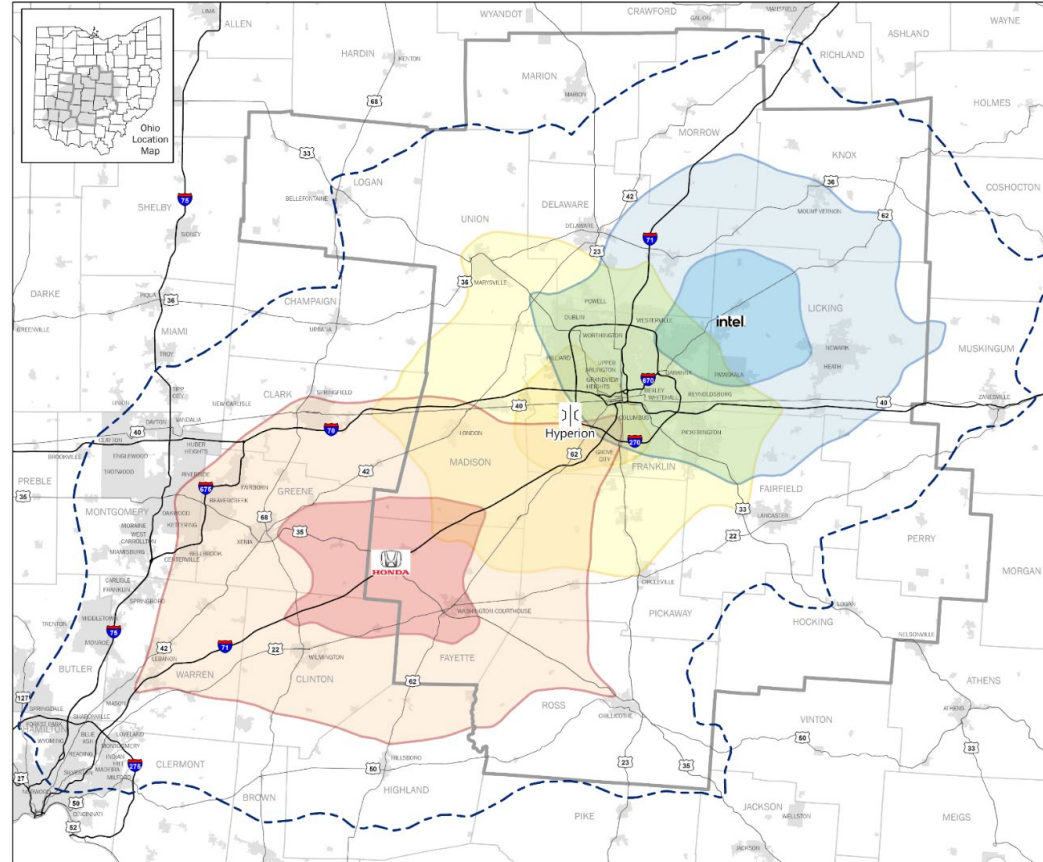


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And plenty to think about for next time.

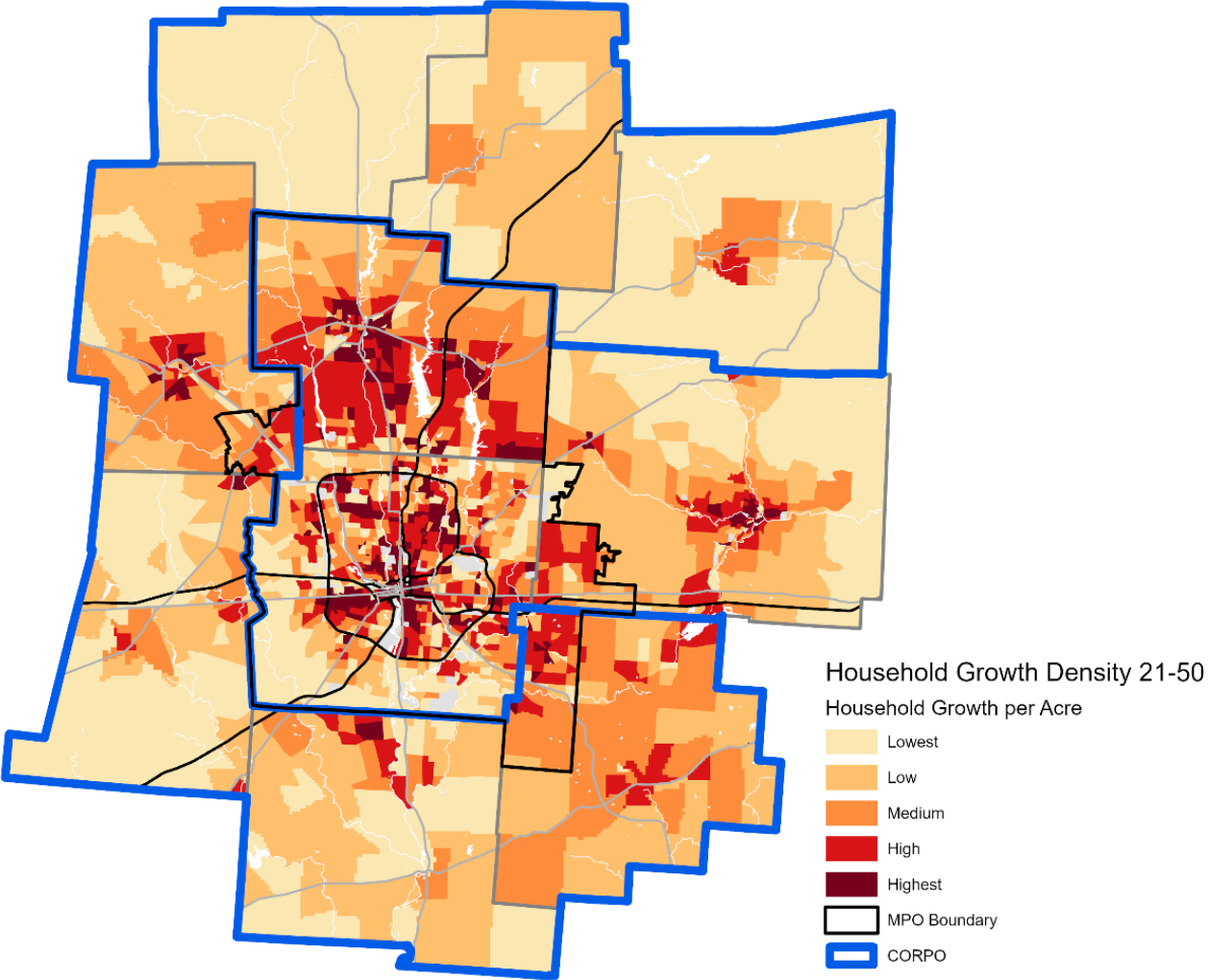
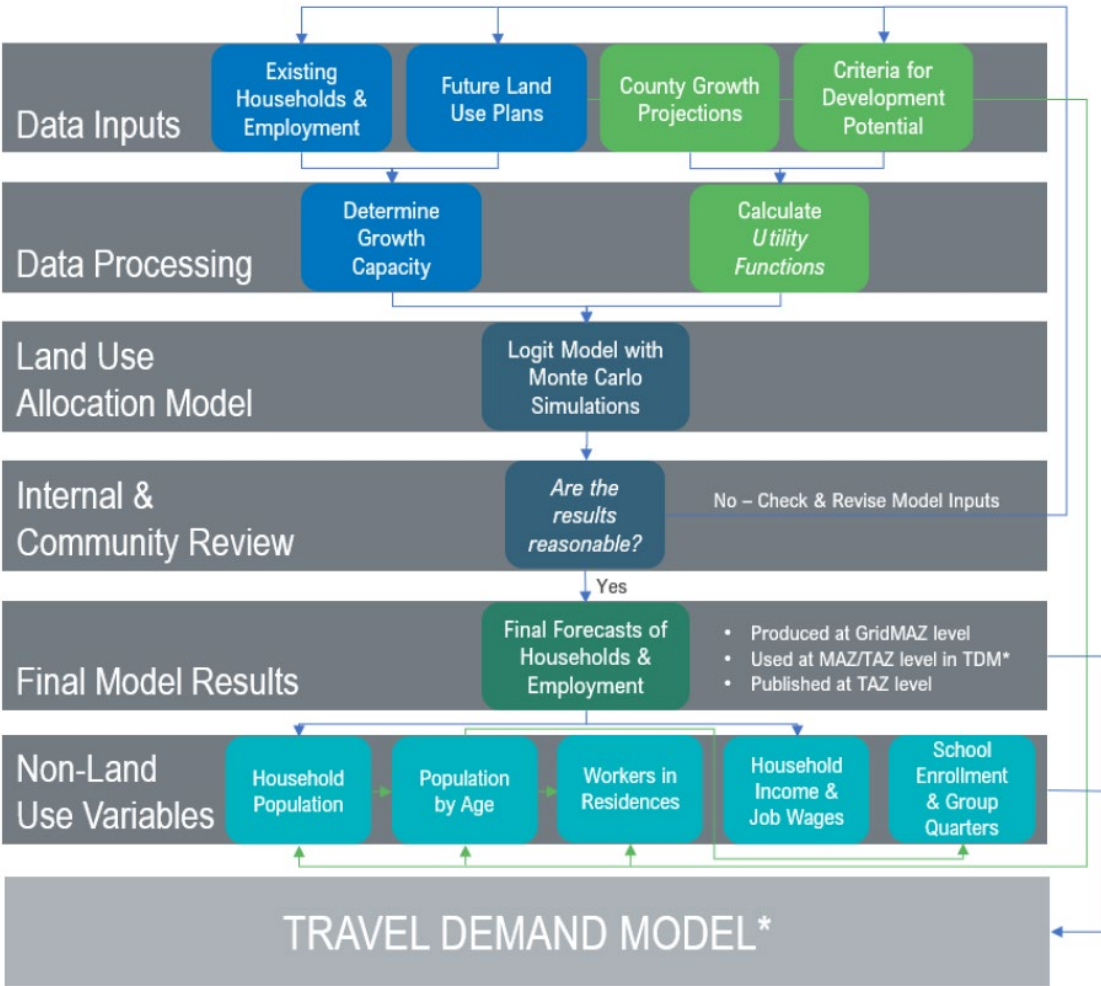
- Other economic development (Hyperion, Honda, Carmenton)
- Climate migration
- Declining natural increase
- Population decline in Ohio
- Etc.



Thanks! Questions?



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