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NOTICE OF A MEETING

**COMMISSION MEETING
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
111 LIBERTY STREET, SUITE 100
COLUMBUS, OH 43215
*TOWN HALL***

Thursday, September 8, 2022
1:30 p.m.

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AGENDA - UPDATED

- 1:30 p.m.
- 1. Pledge of Allegiance**
 - 2. Welcome and Introductions** – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair
 - **Recognition of Guests and New Members** – Eileen Leuby, MORPC Membership Services Officer
 - 3. Executive Director’s Report** – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director
 - 4. Proposed Resolution 13-22: “Accepting the Village of New Lexington as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)”** – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director

Erik J. Janas
Chair

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Vice Chair

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Secretary

Committees

5. **Regional Data Advisory Committee** – Brad Ebersole (Delaware County), Regional Data Advisory Committee Chair
6. **Regional Policy Roundtable** – David Scheffler (City of Lancaster), Regional Policy Roundtable Chair
 - **Legislative Update** – Steve Tugend, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter and Joseph Garrity, MORPC Senior Director of Government Affairs & Community Relations
7. **Sustainability Advisory Committee** – Ben Kessler (City of Bexley), Sustainability Advisory Committee Chair
 - **Trail Town Update** – Kerstin Carr, MORPC Chief Regional Strategy Officer & Senior Director of Planning
8. **Transportation Policy Committee (MPO)** – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair
 - a. **Call to Order** – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair
 - b. **Metropolitan Planning Organization Report**
 - Programming – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming
 - c. **Proposed Resolution T-9-22: “Amending the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan”** – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming
 - d. **2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Update** – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming
 - e. **Transportation Policy Committee Consent Agenda**
 - 1) Approval of **August 11, 2022 Transportation Policy Committee Meeting Minutes**
 - 2) **Proposed Resolution T-10-22: “Amending the State Fiscal Year 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program”**
 - 3) **Proposed Resolution T-11-22: “Establishing priorities for Central Ohio Candidate Projects submitted in 2022 for TRAC Funding”**
 - 4) **Proposed Resolution T-12-22: “Accepting the Planning Work Program Completion Report for State Fiscal Year 2022”**
 - 5) **Proposed Resolution T-13-22: “Support ODOT Federal Performance Measure Targets”**

- f. **Adjourn Transportation Policy Committee (MPO)** – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair

9. Commission Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of **August 11, 2022 Commission Meeting Minutes**
- b. **Proposed Resolution 11-22: “Authorizing the executive director to enter into and administer a contract for up to \$175,000 with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to support online distribution of existing 208-related information, update plans for Licking and Delaware Counties, and host education opportunities around wastewater infrastructure needs”**
- c. **Proposed Resolution 12-22: “Authorizing the executive director to participate in contracts awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Cooperative Purchasing Program”**
- d. Approval of Actions of the Transportation Policy Committee

10. Other Business

2:45 p.m. **11. Adjourn** – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair

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The next Commission Meeting is
Thursday, October 13, 2022, 1:30 p.m.
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MORPC Monthly Agency Report

August 2022

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DRIVE INVESTMENT

Metropolitan Transportation Plan

The public comment period on a proposed amendment to the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) was open July 15-August 15, 2022. The proposed amendment adjusts the limits of Project ID 464 and adds ten new roadway projects to the MTP. The added projects directly support the Intel site development in New Albany. Ten comments were received during the comment period. The nature of each comment can be categorized into one of the following two categories:

- Calls for consideration and incorporation of transit and other multi-mobility elements into the identified infrastructure improvements and future infrastructure improvements beyond the area immediately serving the site.
- Calls for transportation improvements on a broader network than is included in the identified projects.

In response to these comments, language is included in the amendment resolution recognizing the need for additional planning on the broader transportation network that incorporates multi-mobility interventions to serve the expected regional growth.

Team Members continue to develop the 2024-2050 MTP.

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

By the end of August, MORPC visited eight of the eleven counties in the CEDS territory. Team Members shared exciting updates on the upcoming EDD application to the U.S. Economic Development Administration, the CEDS, upcoming grant funding opportunities and each meeting/presentation concluded with a request for a letter of support from each county for the EDD designation that will be submitted this fall. MORPC will visit the remaining counties in September.

Our goal is to receive letters of support from each of the eleven counties to show unified support for the EDD designation in the region. So far, MORPC has received the minimum required six letters of support.

ODOT Revenue Alternatives Study

ODOT received a federal grant to study revenue alternatives to replace or otherwise supplement the motor fuel user fees collected in Ohio. The ODOT Revenue Alternatives Study is using the grant to recommend the next steps needed to pilot and implement an alternative user-based revenue program in Ohio. To help work through the alternatives and make recommendations, an External Advisory Committee (EAC) was created to provide guidance and feedback. Members of the committee will provide relevant information and perspectives of their organization or industry. MPO's are being represented through OARC by Grace Gallucci, NOACA Executive Director.

MORPC Attributable Funding

Team Members provided feedback and guidance for the commitment updates and new applications received in July. The final application due date is September 28.

Transportation Review Advisory Council

The public comment period for the six applications submitted within the MORPC MPO region closed August 12. MORPC incorporated the comments received into the project prioritization process and will present the recommended priority list of applications to the Community Advisory Committee, Transportation Advisory Committee, and Transportation Policy Committee for approval at their next meetings. The approved priority list and collection of public comments will be transmitted to TRAC for their review. Final awards are expected in December 2022. TRAC is hosting a regional public hearing at ODOT's Central Office on October 12, 10 a.m., for all applications submitted within ODOT Districts 5 and 6.

Competitive Advantage Projects (CAP)

MORPC met with CAP project partners through county visits this summer and early fall.

Brownfield Assessments

While projects under MORPC's current U.S. EPA Brownfield Phase I and Phase II grant wrap-up, MORPC is looking forward to applying for funding from the U.S. EPA again in the fall/winter of 2022. MORPC is planning an equity-focused approach to the Brownfield application this year, as it's a main priority of the U.S. EPA. The application will have an emphasis on focusing on areas in the region are noted as food deserts.

Legislative Advocacy

Team Members met with Senate Banking Committee Staff and Senator Brown Staff on Amtrack.

The Regional Policy Roundtable met August 16 to form the 2023-2024 Public Policy Agenda Working Group. Lourdes Barroso de Padilla is chairing the group.

Defense

Team Members are preparing an RFP to craft an Intergovernmental Service Agreement with Rickenbacker, Defense Supply.

Team Members participated in the National Guard Association 144th General Conference. More than 5,000 members of the military, national administration officials, elected officials and private industry representatives who are members, partners and supporters of the National Guard attended the conference.

US 23 Connect Study

Team Members continue supporting ODOT and participating in partner meetings. Community Partner meetings occurred the last two weeks of August.

RAPID 5

RAPID 5 welcomed its newest team member, Melissa Sever, who serves as Chief of Staff for the organization. Sever brings deep expertise in public health and organizational leadership, including in her most recent role as the Director of Organizational Development and Culture at Columbus Public Health. As RAPID 5 continues to evolve as its own non-profit, the organization will host community events and listening sessions with community leaders. Stay up to date with RAPID 5 news and events at <https://www.rapid5.org/>. MORPC's main contact for the RAPID 5 initiative is Chief Regional Strategy Officer Kerstin Carr (KCarr@morpc.org).

LinkUs Mobility Initiative

MORPC continues to coordinate with LinkUS partner agencies to refine the Transit Supportive Infrastructure (TSI) structure. The Ohio Revised Code (ORC) allows MORPC to officially begin TSI activities on August 31, 2022.

Interregional Connections

The August 2022 quarterly meeting provided an update to the committee about Amtrak/FRA Passenger Rail Program, ODOT's Alternative Revenue Analysis Study, and the Rapid 5 initiative.

CORPO

Team Members assisted with the following:

- Evaluated two TRAC applications for the CORPO region and shared priority recommendations with CORPO members for comment.

- Scheduled CORPO subcommittee meetings for September which will also act as STIP-related rural consultation.
- Developed draft performance measures for the impending update to the CTP.

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

MORPC is collecting information from peer agencies regarding TP management to improve MORPC's TIP management process.

Ohio Public Works Commission (OPWC)

District 3 (Franklin County) funding applications for improvements to local infrastructure scheduled to begin construction between July 1, 2023, and June 30, 2024, are due by 5 p.m. on Friday, September 2, 2022. More information is available at: <https://www.morpc.org/toolresource/local-infrastructure-funding-from-ohio-public-works/>.

PAY IT FORWARD

Denison Edge

MORPC announced a new educational partnership with Denison University which provides programs and training for in-demand skills. [Denison Edge](#) is an initiative of Denison University's [Austin E. Knowlton Center for Career Exploration](#) in downtown Columbus. MORPC members' employees receive a 25% discount on all credentials, accelerators, and leadership edge programs. [Learn more here.](#)

Social Media Summit

MORPC hosted the Social Media Summit on August 2nd. Over 75 people attended the event that featured representatives from HOMAGE, The Ohio State University, and the Saunders PR Group in breakout sessions and discussion. This event gave members the ability to learn about engaging with their audiences and growing connections on social media.

Events

MORPC hosted the August 26 Ohio Association of Regional Councils' Candidates Forum. Over 175 people attended the event and heard from Gubernatorial candidates Governor Mike DeWine and Former Mayor Nan Whaley on issues pertaining to transportation, infrastructure, job creation, and economic development. The day also featured panel discussions about infrastructure and economic development in Ohio.

Upcoming Events:

- Summit on Sustainability – October 14, Hilton Columbus Downtown. The theme is **Transforming Our Future**. [Register here.](#)
- 2023 State of the Region – April 6, 2023, Hilton Downtown Columbus.

Member Briefings, Events and Visits:

- Ten member visits and two prospective member visits

Local Government Summer Internship Program

MORPC's Local Government Summer Internship program wrapped up with 31 interns receiving certificates of completion. Interns worked with local governments all over Central Ohio on special projects and tasks that set them up for long-term success in the job market.

Public Involvement & Engagement

In August, MORPC promoted the following requests for public input through social media:

- 2022 TRAC Projects Funding: [8/12](#) and [8/1](#)
- [Retweet PUCO Call for Infrastructure & Jobs Act](#)
- [MORPC's Transportation Improvement Plan](#) (also featured on MORPC's [website](#))

Team Members promoted the African American Male Wellness Walk, Summit on Sustainability, and our Weatherization programs through TikTok videos that increase engagement and promote inclusivity. View our videos [here](#).

CREATE AN ENVIRONMENT FOR PROSPERITY

Diversity & Inclusion

MORPC participated in the 19th Annual National African American Male Wellness Walk on August 13, hosted by the National African American Male Wellness Agency. This year's Honorary Chair was Commissioner Kevin L. Boyce, MORPC Board Member, and over 30,000 people were in attendance. Team Members joined in the 5K and interacted with attendees to provide information about the agency and its resources, while soliciting public comment on the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

The New Growth Innovation Network launched four informative sessions for community partners to engage and share best practices. Team Members joined the topic of "Inclusive Capital Access to Ensure Equitable Economic Recovery." We heard from leaders who shared their experiences on how to incorporate equity while fostering innovation and encouraging cities and regions to drive investments in community assets and infrastructure.

MORPC engaged with community members at the 4th Annual Culture Fusion Festival organized by Liberians In Columbus, Inc. (LICI). The festival hosted nearly 1,000 people and was a great opportunity to share our programs and services with diverse audiences with Limited English Proficiency (LEP).

MORPC's Diversity & Inclusion's internal work group met to focus on updating the Diversity & Inclusion Plan to include a focus on equity.

Transportation Safety

Team Members participated as stakeholders for Hilliard's Safe Streets Action Plan, engaging with local officials and community advocates on safety concerns such as speeding, intersection crossings, young drivers, and vulnerable road users.

MORPC continues to coordinate with members applying for Implementation Grants through the Safe Streets and Roads for All program.

Regional Housing Strategy (RHS)

Team Members met with several community leaders this month, discussing opportunities for collaboration on data analysis and outreach pertaining to regional housing supply and affordability.

MORPC is accepting requests for presentations and workshops for those interested in a housing workshop for their community's elected officials, staff, or community leaders. Team Members will assist with designing the agenda and recommend speakers and learning objectives. Contact Jennifer Noll for more information at JNoll@morpc.org.

Technical Assistance Program

Team Members hosted final stakeholder workshops with the Cities of Columbus and Dublin as part of each city's Trail Access & Connectivity Studies. These workshops presented the alignments that emerged as priorities from the alternatives analyses & site visits, and discussed next steps for funding, implementation, and continued cross-jurisdictional coordination on the trail & bikeway planning. Team Members are writing final Implementation Plans for each of the four projects and sharing initial drafts with the clients over the next month. All projects will be finalized by the end of September 2022.

Mobility Management

Team Members held a training session for Ohio mobility managers on Gohio Mobility, the statewide specialized transportation search tool.

FTA Section 5310 Designated Recipient

Awards from the 2021 round of projects were issued. MORPC will negotiate with ODOT vehicle vendors from the cooperative purchasing agreement for 2021 vehicle pricing due to global production delays.

Gohio Commute

MORPC's Gohio Commute program was awarded the "Ridesharing Award" by the Association of Commute Transportation (ACT) for creation of the Commute Action Fund. This fund encourages Central Ohio employers to provide commuter benefits to their employees through a fund matching grant.

The Army National Guard joined the Gohio Commute Vanpool program. The new vanpool travels daily from Licking County to Franklin County.

The Gohio Commute program continues to run a marketing campaign focused specifically on vanpooling and carpooling. This program is being promoted by billboard placement and on Spotify.

Regional Data Advisory Committee

The Regional Data Advisory Committee's (RDAC) next meeting is September 13.

- The Capacity Building & Partnership Working Group continues to plan the September 15 Data Day event.
- The Local Government Resources Working Group created an online resource hub for data policy resources which will be introduced at Data Day. Members are encouraged to share resources or recommendations for resources with the Working Group.
- The Regional Information & Data Group's (RIDG) next meeting is September 7. Major topics include an introduction to the Columbus Community Information Exchange (CIE), a demonstration of "webhooks" technology, and a survey of the participants regarding their current data-heavy projects.

Data & Mapping

Team Members continue to explore ways to standardize data tools and workflows and to improve data and workflow version control and documentation. Team Members adopted GitHub for source code version control and created a MORPC group in GitHub for this purpose.

Team Members are finalizing 2022 member community population estimates which will be made available to members and the public via the MORPC Population Hub. Additionally, the estimates will inform the determination of 2023 membership dues. A resolution to approve the estimates will be presented for adoption at the October Commission meeting.

Team Members will provide data-focused presentations for several events, including the MORPC Data Day, the MORPC Summit on Sustainability, and the Ohio GIS Conference. Select staff will represent Central Ohio at the National Neighborhood Indicators Partnership annual meeting in October.

Sustainability Advisory Committee

The next Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting is September 29.

Sustainable2050

The next Sustainable2050 meeting is September 16. New MORPC Team Member Grant Lach will focus on supporting Sustainable2050. Membership and tier status certification is open to MORPC members. Please contact MORPC's Sustainability Officer, Brandi Whetstone at BWhetstone@morpc.org for more information.

Central Ohio Greenways (COG)

The COG Trail Development Working Group is considering updates to the Regional Trail Vision based on new trail proposals in select locations, including Dublin, Scioto Trail area, Sunbury, and Downtown.

COG established a Nomination Committee to recruit new board members and to ensure diverse voices in the region are part of the region's trail efforts. This committee's first meeting was August 19 and included committee bylaws and a review of potential new board member applications.

The Final Trail Town Framework Steering Committee meeting was August 25. The committee reviewed the final project document, which includes local community case studies, a regional implementation framework, and local community short-term implementation strategies. The final document will be available on the Central Ohio Greenways website in September 2022.

COG was awarded funding from The Columbus Foundation to expand the Trail Town Framework to meet the unique needs of urban communities. COG plans to begin the Urban Trail Town project in the fall of 2022.

National Water Quality Month

In honor of National Water Quality Month, MORPC posted tips to help Central Ohio residents *Be the Change for Clean Water*. This includes keeping street drains clear and free of debris; farming by using the 4Rs: right source, at the right rate, at the right time, and with the right placement; properly disposing of grill scrapings and oils in the trash; and pumping your septic tank every three to five years.

Sustaining Scioto Board

The Sustaining Scioto Board met August 24 at O'Shaughnessy Dam. Board Members toured the hydro-electric power portion of the dam for a brief overview of the power portion components and a project that is currently under construction and underway. Board Members also toured the water supply portion of the dam where City of Columbus officials provide an overview of the dam from a water supply, sustainability, and flood control perspective.

Agricultural & Rural Communities Outreach Team

The Agricultural & Rural Communities Outreach Team in partnership with Del-Co Water Company, The Nature Conservancy, City of Columbus, Franklin Soil and Water Conservation District, and the City of Marysville held the Future of the Scioto Watershed Webinar on August 15. Participants heard from Glenn Marzluf, Chair of the Sustaining Scioto Board, about the Board's goals and objectives. Chris Pancake of the Ohio Department of Agriculture and Region 4 Scioto Watershed Coordinator provided an overview of ongoing and upcoming programming efforts of ODA in the watershed. Finally, John Matthews with Ohio EPA talked about the state's Nutrient Reduction Strategy.

On August 16, the Team, in partnership with the Nature Conservancy and others, held the Scioto Watershed Whole Farm Conservation Event in Waldo, Ohio. Discussions were focused on "Return on Investment of Conservation Practices" and "Incentive & Cost Share Opportunities".

Air Quality

No air quality alerts were issued for the region in August.

The Neighborhood Air Monitoring Project is going well. A six-month data review was conducted. The Team is wrapping up a story map developed in ArcGIS, which will be promoted as an educational resource. The Team submitted an abstract to present the monitoring project at a conference in December. Additional funding was awarded from the Thriving Earth Exchange to purchase more PurpleAir monitors.

Energy & Air Quality Working Group

The next Energy & Air Quality Working Group meeting is September 27.

Energy Planning

MORPC is working on two solar co-ops that will be made available to its members:

- The Columbus Area Residential Solar Co-op launched July 12 and is open to all residents who live in and around Franklin County. If interested in learning more and possibly joining the co-op, please visit solarunitedneighbors.org/columbus.
- The Regional Schools Energy Strategy (ReSES) is an opportunity for schools, school districts, and local governments to purchase solar power through a solar power purchase agreement co-op. MORPC is in discussions with interested entities. If any local government or school leader is interested, please contact Brian Filiatraut at BFiliatraut@morpc.org.

The Rickenbacker Energy Consortium's next meeting is September 21. The conversation will revolve around developing clean energy opportunities for the Rickenbacker area. Contact Brian Filiatraut (bfiliatraut@morpc.org) if interested.

WarmChoice® and HWAP Programs

WarmChoice production is increasing compared to the first half of 2022. There is a slight dip in August due to challenges presented by scheduling with clients. It is expected this time of year.

The weatherization postcard campaign continues. An additional 1,000 postcards were mailed, and an additional 2,000 postcards will be sent in weekly rounds to addresses in targeted zip codes.

Implementation of the new Neighborly software continues in stages.

HWAP inspections are steady.

Team Members are looking into a new “sister” program for HWAP from the Ohio Department of Development. The new program is a result of the Infrastructure Investment & Jobs Act.

MORPC has 20 homes approved for the Franklin County Lead Program; four are completed and six are under construction.

The second meeting with partners to discuss General Contractor Recruitment and Retention was August 18. Discussion included the Universal General Contractor Application, expedited payment process and/or mechanism, and general marketing ideas.

BUILD VALUE FOR OUR MEMBERS

MORPC Annual Salary & Fringe Benefit Survey

The Annual Salary & Fringe Benefit Survey is well underway. We are awaiting the final member submission and anticipate releasing the survey early- to mid-September.

MORPC in the News

Links to press releases and news article for the month are available at www.morpc.org/MORPCInTheNews.

Personnel Updates

The following new Team Members recently started at MORPC:

- Sustainability Coordinator Prince Kwarteng-Crooklyn began August 1
- Public Policy Coordinator Kyle Probert began August 8
- Leadership for America Sustainability Fellow Grant Lach began August 22

MORPC is currently recruiting for seven (7) open positions:

- Associate Planner (2)
- Field Technician
- Associate or Senior Level Planner/Modeler/ Engineer
- Director of Data Analytics & Strategy
- Central Ohio Greenways Intern
- Executive Scheduler

The following are in the interviewing or offering stage, or onboarding soon:

- Grants Intern
- Public Information Specialist

The requirements for the posted positions are available for review on the website at <http://www.morpc.org/careers/>.



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Memorandum

TO: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Executive Committee
Officers and Board Members

FROM: William Murdock
Executive Director

DATE: September 7, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution 13-22: **“Accepting the Village of New Lexington as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)”**

On September 6, 2022, the Village Council of the Village of New Lexington passed a resolution to join the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC). This resolution accepts the Village of New Lexington as a member of MORPC, which helps meet the desire of MORPC’s membership to continue to grow the organization for the benefit of a stronger Central Ohio region.

The net dues will be pro-rated as of the date of membership and assessed to the Village of New Lexington in the amount of \$588.

Attachment: Resolution 13-22

RESOLUTION 13-22

“Accepting the Village of New Lexington as a member of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC)”

WHEREAS, the Village of New Lexington recognizes the need for collaborative, cooperative planning in order to ensure continued growth and prosperity; and

WHEREAS, MORPC’s mission is to be the regional voice and a catalyst for sustainability and economic prosperity in order to secure a competitive advantage for Central Ohio; and

WHEREAS, the Village of New Lexington has petitioned for membership in MORPC; and

WHEREAS, it is the desire of MORPC’s members to continue to grow for the benefit of strong collaboration on regional issues; and

WHEREAS, the Village of New Lexington will be assessed dues based on the 2021 population projections; and

WHEREAS, on September 6, 2022, the Village Council of the Village of New Lexington passed a resolution accepting the conditions of membership contained in MORPC’s Articles of Agreement; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

- Section 1. That the Village of New Lexington is accepted as a member of MORPC effective September 8, 2022.
- Section 2. That the Bylaws provide that one (1) representative appointed by the Village of New Lexington is eligible to serve as a voting member on their behalf at the MORPC Commission meetings.
- Section 3. That net dues will be pro-rated as of the date of membership (September 8, 2022) and assessed to the Village of New Lexington for 2022 in the amount of \$588.
- Section 4. That the Village of New Lexington shall be entitled to the same regular services of MORPC as are other members and that any special services will be purchased by the Village based on standard MORPC rates.
- Section 5. That the executive director is authorized to take such other action and execute and deliver such other documents as, acting with the advice of legal counsel, he shall deem necessary and appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.
- Section 6. That this Commission finds and determines that all formal deliberations and actions of this Commission concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this Commission.

Erik J. Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Effective date:	September 8, 2022
Submitted by:	William Murdock, Executive Director
Prepared by:	Eileen Leuby, Membership Services Officer
Authority:	Ohio Revised Code Section 713.21
For action date:	September 8, 2022



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Memorandum

TO: Transportation Policy Committee

FROM: Nick Gill, Transportation Director

DATE: August 31, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-9-22” **"AMENDING THE 2020-2050 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN"**

To support the development of the proposed Intel site and the resulting regional growth, state and local agencies have committed to advancing area roadway network improvements. Resolution T-9-22 will amend the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan to incorporate the corridor information resulting from the planned state and local Intel-related investments.

For one freeway project already identified in the 2020-2050 MTP, the limit will be extended to the west and the cost estimate will be updated to reflect recent design work. Nine projects that were not previously included in the MTP are to be added as part of this amendment. These projects are all listed and mapped in the resolution attachment along with more information on fiscal balance and air quality conformity.

A formal public comment period on the proposed amendment began on July 15, 2022 and was open through August 15, 2022. Ten comments were received. The nature of each comment received can be categorized into one of the following two categories:

- Calls for consideration and incorporation of transit and other multi-mobility elements into the identified infrastructure improvements and future infrastructure improvements beyond the area immediately serving the site.
- Calls for transportation improvements on a broader network than is included in the identified projects

In response to these comments, language is included in the amendment resolution recognizing the need for additional planning on the broader transportation network that incorporates multi-mobility interventions to serve the expected regional growth.

Furthermore, the Community Advisory Committee’s (CAC) consideration of T-9-22 at their meeting on Aug 29, 2022 garnered further discussion on the incorporation of transit services and infrastructure into the proposed projects. The discussion resulted in the CAC passing the resolution with the addition of a request to the Ohio Department of Transportation, that for MTP ID 464 as proposed to be amended, incorporate into their design, engineering, and acquisition of right away for a future high-capacity transit corridor.

The amendment and the revised MTP, including the revised project listing, maps, fiscal balance information, air quality conformity documentation and other amendment-related changes, will be placed on the website once the resolution to amend the MTP has been approved.

Attachment: Resolution T-9-22 Amending the 2020-2050 Transportation Plan

RESOLUTION T-9-22

“AMENDING THE 2020-2050 METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN”

WHEREAS, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission is designated as the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) by the governor acting through the Ohio Department of Transportation and in cooperation with locally elected officials for Franklin and Delaware counties, New Albany, Pataskala and Etna Township in Licking County, Violet and Bloom townships in Fairfield County, and Jerome Township in Union County; and

WHEREAS, the MPO, pursuant to 23 United States Code 134 and 49 United States Code 1602(a)(2), 1603(1), and 1604(g)(1), has caused the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) dated May 2020 to be prepared; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) adopted the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) by Resolution T-6-20 and amended it once by Resolution T-9-21; and

WHEREAS, projects must be included in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan to be eligible for federal funding; and

WHEREAS, in early 2022 Intel announced that it will develop a chip manufacturing project in the Licking County portion of the New Albany International Business Park, which is expected to generate thousands of direct and indirect jobs; and

WHEREAS, state and local agencies have committed to advancing area roadway network improvements to support the development of the site and resulting regional growth; and

WHEREAS, one (1) freeway widening project already included in the 2020-2050 MTP (ID 464) was identified to be advanced and project limits extended to support the Intel site development; and

WHEREAS, nine (9) roadway projects in the New Albany area, not previously included in the 2020-2050 MTP, were identified as needed to support the Intel site development; and

WHEREAS, the fiscal balance of the MTP is maintained because the costs of the added projects are within the overall forecasted resources originally identified in the MTP; and

WHEREAS, the information regarding the project changes, additional projects, fiscal balance, and air quality conformity was made available for public comment and review for a 30-day period; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 49 USC, 1607, 23 USC, 134 and 42 USC, 7506, the 2020-2050 amended MTP has been analyzed based on accepted methodology and has been determined to be in conformity with the requirements of the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Committee recognizes the need for additional infrastructure and service planning beyond the initially identified infrastructure projects included in this amendment; and

WHEREAS, the Community Advisory Committee at its August 29, 2022 meeting recommended approval and requests that, for MTP ID 464, considerations for future high-capacity transit be incorporated into the design, engineering, and acquisition of right-of-way, and the Transportation Advisory Committee at its August 31, 2022 meeting recommended approval 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 amends the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan project listing to add and adjust the projects shown in the Attachment.

- Section 2. That it directs staff to update the 2020-2050 MTP project listing, map, and relevant text in the document to reflect the information as shown in the Attachment.
- Section 3. That it affirms the conformity of the 2020-2050 MTP with the State Implementation Plan.
- Section 4. That it directs staff to engage with state, regional, and local partners in the development of multi-mobility plans and services to support the anticipated regional growth and incorporate into the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.
- Section 5. That the Transportation Policy Committee finds and determines that all formal deliberations and actions of the committee concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this committee.

Erik J. Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Date

Prepared by: Programming Department Staff
Attachment: 2020-2050 Columbus Area Metropolitan Transportation Plan Amendment Narrative

2020-2050 COLUMBUS AREA METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN

T-9-22 Amendment Narrative

This amendment is to modify the limits and adjust the cost estimate and construction timeframe of one Freeway project and add nine projects to the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Background

In early 2022, Intel, a multinational technology company, announced that it has selected a site in the Licking County portion of the New Albany International Business Park as the location for a \$20 billion+ chip manufacturing project. The company plans to build two state-of-the-art factories by 2025.

The megaproject, which will be the largest single private sector company investment in Ohio's history, is expected to generate thousands of jobs in the state, including direct Intel jobs, jobs supporting chip manufacturing, and construction jobs in New Albany.

To support the development of the site and the resulting regional growth, state and local agencies have committed to advancing area roadway network improvements.

MTP Project Changes

For one freeway project already identified in the 2020-2050 MTP, the limit will be extended to the west and the cost estimate will be updated to reflect recent design work. The construction timeframe will also advance to reflect ODOT's project delivery timeline.

This project is:

- MTP ID 464: SR-161 from I-270 (*previously Harlem Rd.*) to US-62, Add one lane each direction

The following projects that were not previously included in the MTP are proposed to be added as part of this amendment:

- MTP ID 1840: I-270 from SR-161 to SR-3; Add one lane in northbound direction
- MTP ID 1841: Green Chapel Rd. from US 62 to Clover Valley Rd; Add turn lanes and complete street facilities to 2 lane roadway
- MTP ID 1842: Green Chapel Rd. from Clover Valley Rd. to Mink St; Widen road from 2 lanes to 4 lanes total both directions with complete street facilities
- MTP ID 1843: Mink St. from SR-161 eastbound ramps to Green Chapel Rd; Widen road from 2 lanes to 4 lanes total both directions with complete street facilities
- MTP ID 1844: Harrison Rd. Extension from Clover Valley Rd. to Mink St.; New Roadway 1 lane(s) each direction with complete street facilities
- MTP ID 1845: Clover Valley Rd. from Jug St. to Green Chapel Rd. Add turn lanes and complete street facilities to 2 lane roadway
- MTP ID 1846: Beech Rd. from Innovation Corridor Way to Jug St.; Widen road from 2 to 4 lanes total both directions with complete street facilities

- MTP ID 1847: Beech Rd. from Jug St. to US-62; Add turn lanes and complete street facilities to 2 lane roadway
- MTP ID 1848: Miller Rd. from Beech Rd. to Clover Valley Rd; Add turn lanes and complete street facilities to 2 lane roadway

Figures 1 and 2, below and on the following pages, represent the projects as they will be included in the amended MTP.

Figure 1: Project Descriptions, Estimated Construction Time Frame, and Cost Estimate

MTP ID	Project Description	Year	Cost Estimate (YOE \$)
464	SR-161 from I-270 to US-62, <i>Add one lane each direction</i>	2024	\$65.8 million
1840	I-270 from SR-161 to SR-3; <i>Add one lane in northbound direction</i>	2024	\$19.8 million
1841	Green Chapel Rd. from US 62 to Clover Valley Rd; <i>Add turn lanes and complete street facilities to 2 lane roadway</i>	2024	\$19.5 million
1842	Green Chapel Rd. from Clover Valley Rd. to Mink St; <i>Widen road from 2 lanes to 4 lanes total both directions with complete street facilities</i>	2024	\$19.5 million
1843	Mink St. from SR-161 eastbound ramps to Green Chapel Rd; <i>Widen road from 2 lanes to 4 lanes total both directions with complete street facilities</i>	2024	\$38.4 million
1844	Harrison Rd. Extension from Clover Valley Rd. to Mink St.; <i>New Roadway 1 lane(s) each direction with complete street facilities</i>	2024	\$9.5 million
1845	Clover Valley Rd. from Jug St. to Green Chapel Rd. <i>Add turn lanes and complete street facilities to 2 lane roadway</i>	2024	\$15.9 million
1846	Beech Rd. from Innovation Corridor way to Jug St.; <i>Widen road from 2 to 4 lanes total both directions with complete street facilities</i>	2030	\$9.3 million
1847	Beech Rd. from Jug St. to US-62; <i>Add turn lanes and complete street facilities to 2 lane roadway</i>	2030	\$16.1 million
1848	Miller Rd. from Beech Rd. to Clover Valley Rd; <i>Add turn lanes and complete street facilities to 2 lane roadway</i>	2030	\$13.7 million

Bold italics = new or changed project components

Fiscal Balance

The 2020-2050 MTP identifies \$31.8 billion in expected resources for transportation projects through 2050 and has identified \$30.3 billion in project costs. The refined and added project cost estimates associated with the projects proposed in this amendment fall within that \$1.5 billion surplus.

Air Quality Conformity

Due to the significance of the proposed changes to the MTP, it is federally required to do an analysis to confirm the projects included in the amended MTP do not lead to violations in the air quality standard or delay obtaining the standard. This is called a conformity determination. The incorporation of the projects in the proposed amendments into the conformity analysis has been completed. In addition to the project changes, the latest planning assumptions regarding 2050 population and employment for the region were adjusted to reflect the committed known direct impacts of the Intel development. Approximately 8,600 people and 8,500 employees were added to the 2050 forecast and allocated to locations expected to experience immediate direct impacts from the development. Appendix B of the 2020-2050 MTP has been updated accordingly and shows the amended MTP is in conformity.

Public Involvement

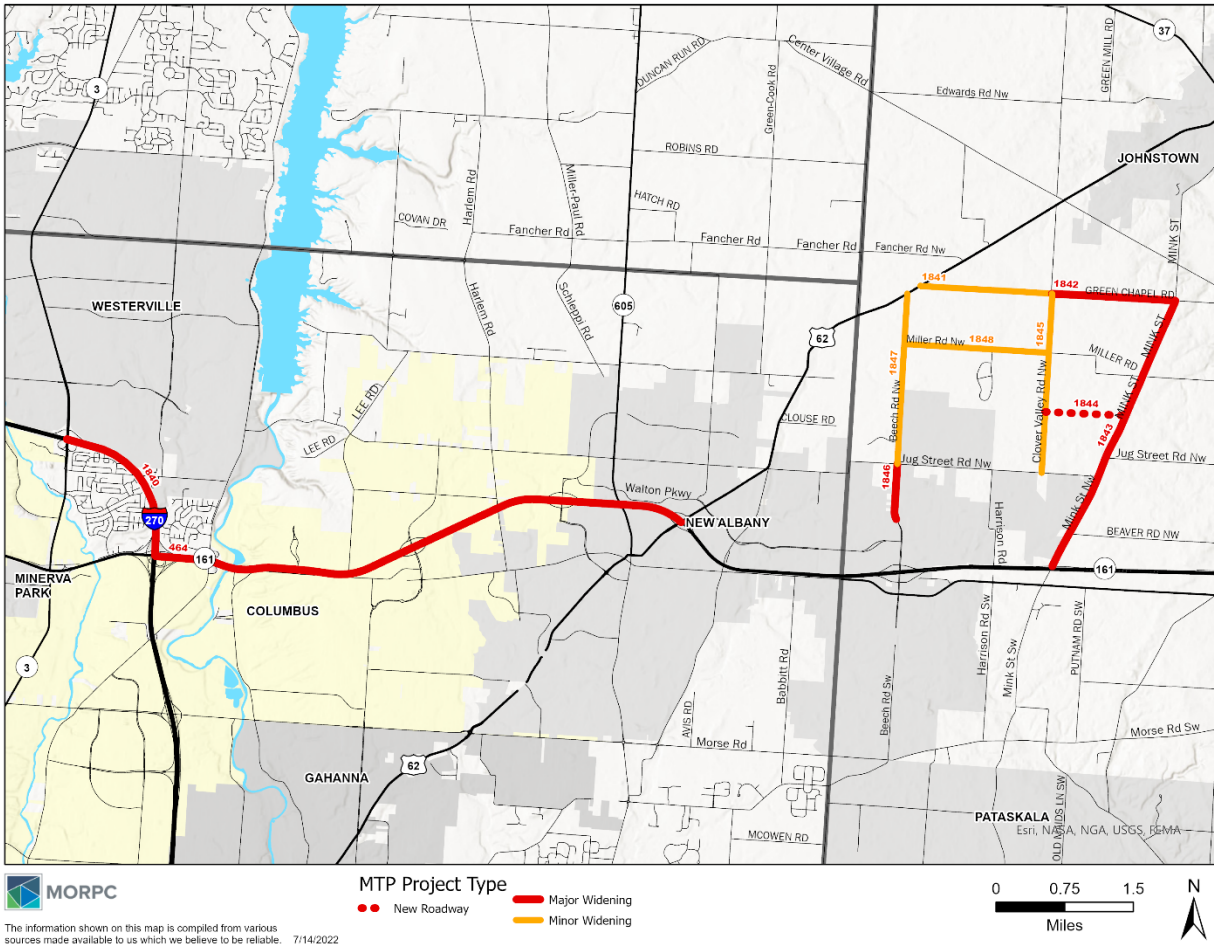
This amendment packet and the revised conformity determination appendix was made available for a 30-day comment period beginning July 14, 2022 through August 15, 2022. Ten comments were received. The nature of each comment received can be categorized into one of the following two categories:

- Calls for consideration and incorporation of transit and other multi-mobility elements into the identified infrastructure improvements and future infrastructure improvements beyond the area immediately serving the site.
- Calls for transportation improvements on a broader network than is included in the identified projects

In response to these comments, language is included in the amendment resolution recognizing the need for additional planning on the broader transportation network that incorporates multi-mobility interventions to serve the expected regional growth. Language was also added that directs staff to continue working with state, regional, and local partners on said activities and incorporate into the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan development.

The amendment and the revised MTP, including the revised project listing, maps, fiscal balance information, air quality conformity documentation and other amendment-related changes, will be placed on the website once the resolution to amend the MTP has been approved.

Figure 2: Proposed New or Modified MTP Projects





Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission Transportation Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: August 11, 2022
Time: 2:04 p.m.
Location: MORPC Town Hall

Transportation Policy Committee Members Present In Person

Chris Amorose Groomes	Matt Greeson	Rod Pritchard
Karen Angelou	Matt Huffman	Lauren Rummel
Lee Bodnar	Pam Hykes O'Grady	Jim Schimmer
Greg Butcher	Erik Janas	Elissa Schneider
Ben Collins	James Jewell	Steve Schoeny
Tina Cottone	Emily Keeler	Kim Sharp for
Michelle Crandall	Ben Kessler	Joanna Pinkerton
Karl Craven	Kim Maggard	Thom Slack
Kristen Easterday	Glenn Marzluf	Christie Ward
Jennifer Gallagher	Cassie Morr for Kevin Boyce	

Transportation Policy Committee Members Attending Remotely

Mike Anderson	Licking County Planning Commission	Sloan Spalding
Stacey Boumis		Joe Stefanov
Chasilyn Carter	Dana McDaniel	Shanette Strickland
Brad Ebersole	Rory McGuinness	Brent Welch for
LaGrieta Holloway	Bonnie Michael	Cornell Robertson
Laurie Jadwin	Eric Richter	Nancy White
Herb Koehler	Alana Shockey	Kenneth Wright
Bill LaFayette		

Commission Members Present In Person

Joe Antram	Bill Narducci	David Scheffler
Franklin Christman	Eric Phillips	RC Wise
Bill Habig	Brent Russell	

Commission Members Attending Remotely

Stephanie Bosco	Jeff Gottke	Matt Starr
Taylor Brill	Chris Schmenk	Tony Vogel
Terry Emery	Ben Stahler	

Associate Members Attending Remotely

Kristin Sutton

MORPC Staff Present in Person

Abby Barnes	James Holley	Shari Saunders
Kerstin Carr	Shawn Hufstедler	Megan Stein
Thea Ewing	Eileen Leuby	Robin Underwood
Amanda Frey	Alisa Obukhova	Brandi Whetstone
Joe Garrity	Kyle Probert	Robert Williams
Ralonda Hampton	Chuck Ratliff	

MORPC Staff Attending Remotely

Jake Buchanan	Nadiatu Issaka	Elliott Lewis
Andrea Doolittle	Niel Jurist	William Murdock
John Gardocki	Prince Kwarteng-Crooklynn	Anabel Pederson
Kenneth Harvey	Christopher Lee	

Guests Present in Person

Steve Tugend, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter

Andy Ware, Morrow County

Guests Attending Remotely

Preston Frick, Perry County

Jim Lenner, Neighborhood Strategies

Shadrack Afful Mensah
Andy Shifflett, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter

Nick Soulas, FCEO
Lauren Zacharyasz, City of Gahanna

Meeting Called to Order

Chair Erik Janas called the Transportation Policy Committee Meeting to order at 2:04 p.m.

Metropolitan Planning Organization Report

- **Programming – Thea Ewing, MORPC Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Programming**

Thea Ewing presented the [Metropolitan Planning Organization Report](#). Ms. Ewing reported Central Ohio received no money from the four RAISE grant applications submitted. MORPC will follow-up with U.S. DOT on why grants were considered which will help with the next application process. Ohio did receive some RAISE grants: Cincinnati for transit support; Washington County for accessibility improvements; and ODOT for multi-use improvements in Sandusky and Mansfield.

The State of Ohio advanced the nation's first [Advanced Air Mobility for the State](#).

Ms. Ewing gave an overview on the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) amendment which is out for comment through August 15. The proposed amendment is for infrastructure updates needed for Intel. The amendment will be presented for approval at the September Transportation Policy Committee Meeting.

Ms. Ewing gave an update on the 2022 ODOT Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) Application. MORPC submitted six applications from our region to TRAC. The project fact sheets are available at <https://www.morpc.org/tool-resource/funding-grants/>. The comment period closes August 12. The priority list will be presented for approval at the September Transportation Policy Committee Meeting.

Transportation Policy Committee Consent Agenda

Karen Angelou made a motion to approve the Transportation Policy Committee Consent Agenda, second by Emily Keeler; motion passed.

The Transportation Policy Committee Meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

Michelle Crandall, Secretary
Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission



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Memorandum

TO: Transportation Policy Committee
Nick Gill, Transportation Director

FROM:

DATE: August 31, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-10-22: **“Amending the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program”**

Proposed Resolution T-10-22 will add or modify 15 projects to the SFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) with commitments totaling over \$500 million. Additionally, one project will be removed. These changes are necessary to enable the projects to advance and to maintain fiscal constraint. In October, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) will ask the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) to amend the Statewide TIP to include these changes.

Continued maintenance of the TIP is a key element of implementing the strategies in the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation (MTP). The projects included in this amendment specifically relate to implementation of these MTP strategies:

- PRES 2: Repave or reconstruct roads in poor physical condition
- PRES 4: Replace transit vehicles that are beyond their useful life
- SAF 3: Implement countermeasures that address priority safety locations
- RDWY 1: Add capacity, where appropriate, to alleviate existing or anticipated congestion along existing freeways and at interchanges
- RDWY 5: Add capacity, where appropriate, at locations such as intersections to alleviate existing or anticipated congestion

Attachment 1 to the resolution provides a description of the funding and scope of the projects, including a description of the bicycle and pedestrian components. Three projects include MORPC-attributable funding.

An explanation of the proposed changes to the TIP follows.

COTA: – The following additions or modifications to the TIP are being made for a COTA projects:

- PID 105895 – Paratransit Vehicles and Technology: Reduce funding and change funding sources in the TIP.
- PID 112208 – Electric Buses: Add funding for purchases in FY23 and FY24.

- PID 99929 – CNG Bus Replacements: Reduce funding for FY23 and remove funding for FY24. This project contains MORPC-attributable funding in FY21, but no changes are being made to MORPC commitments as these funds have already been encumbered.
- PID 114757 – Rickenbacker Area Mobility Center: Increase funding in the TIP. This project contains MORPC-attributable funding in FY23, but no changes are being made to MORPC commitments.
- PID 117641 – COTA Electric Infrastructure: Add project to the TIP.

Delaware – The following modification to the TIP is being made for a Delaware project:

- PID 103626: US-36 & US-37 aka “The Point”: Increase funding in the TIP to accommodate rising costs. Total increase for the construction phase is \$6,804,685, which includes increasing the MORPC funding commitment by \$3,721,385.50 to accommodate increased project costs, specifically increases to railroad reimbursement costs.

New Albany – The following additions to the TIP are being made for New Albany projects:

- TIP ID 3941 – Green Chapel Rd from US 62 to Clover Valley Rd: Add locally funded minor widening to the TIP in SFY 2024.
- TIP ID 3942 – Green Chapel Rd from Clover Valley Rd to Mink St: Add locally funded major widening to the TIP in SFY 2024.
- TIP ID 3943 – Mink St from SR-161 to Green Chapel Rd: Add locally funded major widening to the TIP in SFY 2024.
- TIP ID 3944 – Harrison Rd from Clover Valley Rd to Mink St: Add locally funded new roadway to the TIP in SFY 2024.
- TIP ID 3945 – Clover Valley Rd from Jug St to Green Chapel Rd: Add locally funded minor widening to the TIP in SFY 2024.

ODOT: – The following additions or modifications to the TIP are being made for ODOT projects:

- PID 116322 – SR-161 from I-270 to US-62: Add project to the TIP.
- PID 106959 – I-71 at Sunbury Parkway, New Interchange: Remove construction phase from the TIP. Funding was delayed to SFY 2025 and this project must be removed from the TIP to maintain fiscal balance.
- PID 117463 – Arthur Drive Connector: Add ODOT J&C funded project to the TIP.
- PID 105588 – I-70/I-71 Innerbelt Phase 6R: Add utility reimbursement funding to the TIP in SFY 2023.
- PID 110273 – I-71 Hard Shoulder Running (HSR) Feasibility: Reduce funding in the TIP.

NTG:TG

Attachment: Resolution T-10-22

RESOLUTION T-10-22

“Amending the State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program”

WHEREAS, the Transportation Policy Committee of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) adopted the SFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) by Resolution T-7-20; and

WHEREAS, one project addition and four project modifications to the 2021-2024 TIP have been identified as needed for COTA projects as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, two project additions and two project modifications to the 2021-2024 TIP have been identified as needed for Ohio Department of Transportation projects as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, one project phase deletion from the 2021-2024 TIP has been identified as needed for an Ohio Department of Transportation project as listed in the resolved section; and

WHEREAS, one project modification to the 2021-2024 TIP has been identified as needed for a Delaware project as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, five project additions to the 2021-2024 TIP have been identified as needed for New Albany projects as shown in Attachment 1; and

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

WHEREAS, continued maintenance of the TIP implements the goals, objectives and strategies identified in MORPC’s 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan, specifically these projects’ further implementation of strategies – PRES 2: Repave or reconstruct roads in poor physical condition, SAF 3: Implement countermeasures that address priority safety locations, RDWY 5: Add capacity, where appropriate, at locations such as intersections to alleviate existing or anticipated congestion; and

WHEREAS, the amendment includes non-exempt air quality projects which have been included in the most recent Metropolitan Transportation Plan conformity determination; and

WHEREAS, the Community Advisory Committee at its meeting August 29, 2022, and the Transportation Advisory Committee at its meeting on August 31, 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 the MORPC SFY 2021-2024 TIP be amended to include the project information as shown in Attachment 1.

Section 2. That the construction phase of PID 106959, I-71 at Sunbury Parkway, be removed from the MORPC SFY 2021-2024 TIP.

- Section 3. That it affirms that the fiscal balance of the SFY 2021-2024 TIP is maintained.
- Section 4. That the determination of conformity between the TIP and the State Implementation Plan (SIP) is hereby reaffirmed, as the projects are exempt from conformity requirements and non-exempt projects have been appropriately included in the most recent air quality conformity determination.
- Section 5. That it affirms that the amendment was developed in compliance with the transportation performance measures as described in Section 6 of the SFY 2021-2024 TIP as modified.
- Section 6. That this resolution will be transmitted to ODOT and all sponsoring agencies in Attachment 1 for appropriate action.
- Section 7. 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.

Erik J. Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Date

Prepared by: Transportation Staff

Attachment 1: Amended Project Information for the SFY 2021-2024 TIP

Resolution T-10-22

Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: COTA

PID: 105895

TIP ID: 3429

MTP ID: 142

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA Paratransit Veh and Tech-

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Transit Replacement Capital

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: COTA Paratransit Veh and Tech, Transit Replacement Capital, 18 vehicles. Paratransit Vehicle Replacement, Expansion Vehicles, COTA Plus Vehicles, and on-Board Technology. ALI 11.12.04, 11.13.04, 11.42.20

Bike Components: Bicycle racks.

Ped Components: Not applicable.

<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2021	Other	Local-Transit	\$2,367,619
2022	Other	Local-Transit	\$2,438,648
2023	Other	FFY21 Sec 5307	\$1,019,954
2023	Other	FFY21 Sec 5339	\$447,542
2023	Other	Local-Transit	\$368,374
2024	Other	FFY23 Sec 5307	\$1,640,997
2024	Other	Local-Transit	\$401,463
Total:			\$8,684,597

Agency: COTA

PID: 112208

TIP ID: 3744

MTP ID: 142

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA Electric Buses - Full Route-

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Transit Replacement Capital

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: COTA Electric Buses - Full Route, Transit Replacement Capital, Buy Replacements - Bus STD 40 FT. ALI 11.12.01

Bike Components: Bicycle racks.

Ped Components: Not applicable.

<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2021	Other	Sec 5307	\$1,150,000
2021	Other	DERG	\$432,977
2021	Other	Local-Transit	\$617,023
2022	Other	Local-Transit	\$8,800,000
2023	Other	GRF	\$2,785,977
2023	Other	FFY21 Sec 5339	\$1,949,779
2023	Other	FFY21 Sec 5307	\$12,607,861
2023	Other	Local-Transit	\$698,261
2024	Other	FFY22 Sec 5307	\$13,298,384
2024	Other	Local-Transit	\$17,816,719
Total:			\$60,156,981

Funds in FYs prior to 2021 are not included in this report nor in the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

LR = Long Range (after SFY 2024, the last year of the TIP). LR funds are shown for information only and are not included in the TIP.

Resolution T-10-22

Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: COTA

PID: 114757

TIP ID: 3839

MTP ID: 1711

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA Rickenbacker Mobility Center-

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Transit Activity

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: COTA Rickenbacker Mobility Center, Transit Activity, The Rickenbacker Area Mobility Center is envisioned as a hub connecting multiple rural, workforce, and urban transit systems. ALI 11.31.03 and 11.33.03

Bike Components: Yes - Type to be determined.

Ped Components: Transit shelters.

<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
2021	Other	Local-Transit	\$1,000,000	
2023	Construction	FFY22 Sec 5307	\$5,500,000	
2023	Construction	STBG-M	\$3,375,000	MORPC Funds - Cap Amount
2023	Construction	Local-Transit	\$10,125,000	
			Total:	\$20,000,000

Agency: COTA

PID: 117641

TIP ID: 3938

MTP ID: 142

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA Electric Infrastructure-

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Transit Activity

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: COTA Electric Infrastructure, Transit Activity, ALI 11.43.03. 90 electric vehicle chargers, 170 battery electric bus (BEB) depot chargers, 45 BEB pantograph (overhead) chargers, a new dedicated medium voltage circuit and service upgrades for McKinley and

Bike Components: No information provided.

Ped Components: No information provided.

<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
2023	Other	FFY23 Sec 5307	\$7,000,000	
2023	Other	Local-Transit	\$7,000,000	
2024	Other	FFY23 Sec 5307	\$4,839,836	
2024	Other	FFY23 Sec 5339	\$439,711	
2024	Other	Local-Transit	\$28,440,906	
LR	Other	Local-Transit	\$35,500,000	
LR	Other	Local-Transit	\$28,500,000	
LR	Other	Local-Transit	\$25,500,000	
			Total:	\$137,220,453

Funds in FYs prior to 2021 are not included in this report nor in the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

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Resolution T-10-22

Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: COTA

PID: 99929

TIP ID: 3053

MTP ID: 142

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-COTA 2021-2024 Bus Replacement-

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Transit Replacement Capital

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: COTA 2021-2024 Bus Replacement, Transit Replacement Capital, 29 CNG-powered 35' or 40' replacement buses, 8 of which are funded with CMAQ dollars. ALI 11.12.01

Bike Components: Bicycle racks. on buses

Ped Components: Not Applicable.

<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
2021	Other	FFY18 Sec 5339	\$225,783	
2021	Other	FFY19 Sec 5339	\$2,175,505	
2021	Other	FFY20 Sec 5339	\$1,081,712	
2021	Other	CMAQ-M	\$7,174,384	MORPC Funds - Cap Amount
2021	Other	Local-Transit	\$7,830,365	
2023	Other	FFY20 Sec 5339	\$1,495,163	
2023	Other	FFY21 Sec 5307	\$7,174,384	
2023	Other	Local-Transit	\$2,167,388	
			Total:	\$29,324,684

Funds in FYs prior to 2021 are not included in this report nor in the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program.

LR = Long Range (after SFY 2024, the last year of the TIP). LR funds are shown for information only and are not included in the TIP.

Resolution T-10-22

Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: Delaware

PID: 103626

TIP ID: 3212

MTP ID: 1347

Co-Route-Sec: DEL-US036-11.030

Length (mi.): 0.72

Project Type(s): Major Widening/Bridge Replacement

Air Quality: System Analyzed

Description: US-36 & SR-37 from W of Foley St & E of East St to SR-521, Major Widening from 2 lanes to 5 lanes & Bridge Replacement, Construct additional lanes on US 36/SR 37 and reconstruct the CSXT Railroad structure on the east side of Delaware. AKA "the Point."

Bike Components: Multi-use path. 10' path on south side of US 36 from East Point Crossing to Mill Run Crossing. No path on E Central Ave. 0.56 mi. added to bike network.

Ped Components: Sidewalk on 1 side, multi-use path on 1 side. 6' wide sidewalk on N side of SR-37 from East St to Kilbourne Rd and on both sides from East St to East Point Crossing. 1.77 mi. added to ped network.

State Fiscal Year	Phase	Source	Amount	
2021	PE-Detailed Design	HSIP	\$374,279	
2021	PE-Detailed Design	Local	\$41,587	
2023	Construction	Major/New-S	\$1,600,000	
2023	Construction	LABR-F	\$36,834	
2023	Construction	LABR-L	\$2,277,836	
2023	Construction	Preserv-Federal	\$460,429	
2023	Construction	Major/New-F	\$6,400,000	
2023	Construction	STBG-M	\$18,609,158	MORPC Funds - Cap Amount
2023	Construction	Local	\$5,057,554	
2023	Construction	Local-Other	\$2,000,000	
Total:			\$36,857,676	

Agency: New Albany

PID: NP

TIP ID: 3941

MTP ID: 1841

Co-Route-Sec: LIC-Green Chapel Rd--

Length (mi.): 1.44

Project Type(s): Minor Widening

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: Green Chapel Rd from US 62 to Clover Valley Rd, Minor Widening from 2 lanes to 2 lanes, Add turn lanes and complete street facilities to 2 lane roadway

Bike Components: Yes - Type to be determined. 1.44 mi. added to bike network.

Ped Components: Yes - Type to be determined. 1.44 mi. added to ped network.

State Fiscal Year	Phase	Source	Amount	
2024	Construction	Local	\$19,500,000	
Total:			\$19,500,000	

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Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: New Albany	PID: NP	TIP ID: 3942	MTP ID: 1842
Co-Route-Sec: LIC-Green Chapel Rd--	Length (mi.): 2.16		
Project Type(s): Major Widening	Air Quality: System Analyzed		
Description: Green Chapel Rd from Clover Valley Rd to Mink St, Major Widening from 2 lanes to 4 lanes, Widen road from 2 lanes to 4 lanes total both directions with complete street facilities			
Bike Components: Yes - Type to be determined. 2.16 mi. added to bike network.			
Ped Components: Yes - Type to be determined. 2.16 mi. added to ped network.			
<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2024	Construction	Local	\$19,500,000
		Total:	\$19,500,000
Agency: New Albany	PID: NP	TIP ID: 3943	MTP ID: 1843
Co-Route-Sec: LIC-Mink St--	Length (mi.): 3.2		
Project Type(s): Major Widening	Air Quality: System Analyzed		
Description: Mink St from SR-161 to Green Chapel Rd, Major Widening from 2 lanes to 4 lanes, Widen road from 2 lanes to 4 lanes total both directions with complete street facilities			
Bike Components: Yes - Type to be determined. 3.2 mi. added to bike network.			
Ped Components: Yes - Type to be determined. 3.2 mi. added to ped network.			
<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2024	Construction	Local	\$38,400,000
		Total:	\$38,400,000
Agency: New Albany	PID: NP	TIP ID: 3944	MTP ID: 1845
Co-Route-Sec: LIC-Harrison Rd--	Length (mi.): 0.8		
Project Type(s): New Roadway	Air Quality: System Analyzed		
Description: Harrison Rd from Clover Valley Rd to Mink St., New Roadway, New Roadway 1 lane(s) each direction with complete street facilities			
Bike Components: Yes - Type to be determined. 0.8 mi. added to bike network.			
Ped Components: Yes - Type to be determined. 0.8 mi. added to ped network.			
<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2024	Construction	Local	\$9,500,000
		Total:	\$9,500,000

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Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Agency: New Albany

PID: NP

TIP ID: 3945

MTP ID: 1845

Co-Route-Sec: LIC-Clover Valley Rd--

Length (mi.): 1.96

Project Type(s): Minor Widening

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: *Clover Valley Rd from Jug St to Green Chapel Rd, Minor Widening from 2 lanes to 2 lanes, Add turn lanes and complete street facilities to 2 lane roadway*

Bike Components: Yes - Type to be determined. 1.96 mi. added to bike network.

Ped Components: Yes - Type to be determined. 1.96 mi. added to ped network.

<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2024	Construction	Local	\$15,900,000
Total:			\$15,900,000

Agency: ODOT

PID: 116322

TIP ID: 3940

MTP ID: 464/ 1840

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-SR161-15.80

Length (mi.): 6.3

Project Type(s): Major Widening/Interchange Modification

Air Quality: System Analyzed

Description: *SR 161 from IR 270 to US 62, Major Widening & Interchange Modification, This project will add a thru lane in both directions along SR 161 from IR 270 to US 62 and widen structures to accommodate the added lane. The project also includes widening the ramp*

Bike Components: Not applicable.

Ped Components: Not applicable.

<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2022	PE-Environmental Study	J&C	\$3,830,031
2023	PE-Environmental Study	GRF	\$7,235
2023	PE-Environmental Study	J&C	\$1,500
2023	PE-Detailed Design	GRF	\$6,000,000
2023	Construction	LABR-S	\$5,600,000
2023	Construction	GRF	\$90,000,000
Total:			\$105,438,766

Agency: ODOT

PID: 117463

TIP ID: 3939

MTP ID: 185

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-Arthur Drive connector--

Length (mi.):

Project Type(s): Intersection Modification/New Roadway

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: *Arthur Drive connector from North Clara Circle to Lyman Drive, Intersection Modification, 2 lanes & New Roadway, A construction of a new roadway to access new acreage for development.*

Bike Components: Maybe - To be determined.

Ped Components: Maybe - To be determined.

<u>State Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Phase</u>	<u>Source</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2023	Construction	ODSA	\$400,000
2023	Construction	J&C	\$200,000
2023	Construction	Local	\$1,069,650
Total:			\$1,669,650

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Agency: ODOT 6

PID: 105588

TIP ID: 3306

MTP ID: 189/ 270

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-IR071-14.36 (Prj 6R)

Length (mi.): 4.61

Project Type(s): Major Widening/Interchange Modification

Air Quality: System Analyzed

Description: I-70/I-71 Innerbelt (Project 6R), Major Widening & Interchange Modification, Project construction of PID 105588 combined with PID 105523 as Part 2.

Project 6R builds a new ramp from Mound St to I-71 S including a new 4000' structure over the Scioto River

Bike Components: Multi-use path. A new shared use path will be constructed along Short Street from Mound to the existing path across from Liberty Place. A sharrow will be marked along Mound Street from Second to Front. 0.08 mi. added to bike network.

Ped Components: Sidewalk on 1 side, multi-use path on 1 side. A new sidewalk will be constructed along Short Street from Mound to Liberty Place. A new shared use path will be constructed along Short Street from Mound to the existing path across from Liberty Place 0.23 mi

State Fiscal Year	Phase	Source	Amount
2023	Right-of-Way	Major/New-F	\$715,264
2023	Right-of-Way	Major/New-S	\$178,816
Total:			\$894,080

Agency: ODOT 6

PID: 110273

TIP ID: 3824

MTP ID: 144

Co-Route-Sec: FRA-IR071-HSR Feasibility

Length (mi.): 7.68

Project Type(s): Preliminary Development

Air Quality: Exempt

Description: I-71 from I-670 to SR-161, Preliminary Development, FRA IR 71 from IR 670 (18.52) to SR 161 (26.20). Feasibility study for hard shoulder running

Bike Components: Not applicable.

Ped Components: Not applicable.

State Fiscal Year	Phase	Source	Amount
2021	Other	State Safety	\$185,140
2022	PE-Environmental Study	HSIP	\$450,000
2022	PE-Environmental Study	State Safety	\$50,000
Total:			\$685,140

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Attachment 1 - Amended Project Information

Summary of Funding Sources

<u>Source</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
CMAQ-M	Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality Improvement, Attributable to MORPC	\$7,174,384
DERG	Diesel Emmissions Reduction Grant	\$432,977
FFY18 Sec 5339	Transit Bus and Bus Facilities	\$225,783
FFY19 Sec 5339	Transit Bus and Bus Facilities	\$2,175,505
FFY20 Sec 5339	Transit Bus and Bus Facilities	\$2,576,875
FFY21 Sec 5307	Transit Formula Block Grants	\$20,802,199
FFY21 Sec 5339	Transit Bus and Bus Facilities	\$2,397,321
FFY22 Sec 5307	Transit Formula Block Grants	\$18,798,384
FFY23 Sec 5307	Transit Formula Block Grants	\$13,480,833
FFY23 Sec 5339	Transit Bus and Bus Facilities	\$439,711
GRF	General Revenue Fund	\$98,793,212
HSIP	Highway Safety Improvement Program	\$824,279
J&C	State Jobs & Commerce Funds	\$4,031,531
LABR-F	Labor - Federal	\$36,834
LABR-L	Labor - Local	\$2,277,836
LABR-S	Labor - State	\$5,600,000
Local	Local Public Agency	\$108,968,790
Local-Other	Local Public Agency Funds or Other Source	\$2,000,000
Local-Transit	Local Public Transit Authority	\$179,571,766
Major/New-F	Major/New Program - Federal	\$7,115,264
Major/New-S	Major/New Program - State	\$1,778,816
ODSA	Ohio Development Services Agency Roadwork Development Fund	\$400,000
Preserv-Federal	District Preservation (Pv & Br) - Federal	\$460,429
Sec 5307	Transit Formula Block Grants	\$1,150,000
State Safety	State Safety	\$235,140
STBG-M	Surface Transportation Block Grant, Attributable to MORPC	\$21,984,158
Grand Total:		\$503,732,027

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Memorandum

TO: Transportation Policy Committee
Transportation Advisory Committee
Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Nick Gill, Transportation Director

DATE: August 23, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-11-22: “Establishing Priorities for Central Ohio Candidate Projects Submitted in 2022 for TRAC Funding”

As reported to you previously, six projects were submitted to the Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) for the 2022 funding cycle. TRAC is responsible for committing development and construction funding toward projects that meet the criteria of the Major New Capacity Program (generally projects that cost over \$12 million and increase roadway capacity and/or reduce congestion). Information sheets (attached) were prepared and posted to our website over the summer with details on the projects.

Resolution T-11-22 establishes MORPC’s priorities for the 2022 TRAC funding requests that fall within MORPC’s Metropolitan Organization Planning (MPO) area. Facilitating the development and implementation of these projects is an element of implementing the strategies in the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation (MTP). The projects wanting to advance with TRAC funding specifically relate to implementation of these MTP strategies:

- SAF 3: Implement countermeasures that address priority safety locations
- OP 4: Apply access management along arterial and collector corridors
- RDWY 1: Add capacity, where appropriate, to alleviate existing or anticipated congestion along existing freeways and at interchanges
- RDWY 2: Continue conversion of key divided expressways into limited access freeways

MORPC accepted comments on the projects from the public, and staff completed a technical evaluation of the projects. This memo provides a summary of how the projects were evaluated and concludes with a recommendation on project prioritization. The priorities will be presented to TRAC at their October 12 public hearing, and upon adoption of Resolution T-11-22, submitted in writing by October 5.

Project Evaluation Summary

MORPC staff evaluated the six TRAC projects requesting funding based on the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) goals and objectives. Key elements of the MTP evaluation criteria were used for the evaluation.

For the projects being ranked, the analysis results by goal are:

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

The criteria for this goal focus on congestion relief and the total number of jobs as well as non-retail jobs within one mile of the facility at present and projected in 2050. Both the I-70/I-71 Downtown Ramp Up Phase 2D and Phase 3 ranked highest for this goal, primarily due to the high number of existing and projected jobs in the area. The US 33 Southeast Corridor and the US 33 & Pickerington Road Interchange showed the strongest impact on future congestion relief

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

The criteria for this goal considered reductions in emissions (VOC and NOx). The US 33 & Pickerington Road Interchange performed the strongest for this goal, with the US 33 Southeast Corridor also demonstrating moderate emissions reductions. All other projects showed a relatively negligible difference in emissions reduction.

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

The criteria for this goal considered reduction in regional vehicle-miles traveled. The US 33 & Pickerington Road Interchange and US 33 Southeast Corridor projects showed the greatest reduction of vehicle-miles traveled under 2050 anticipated conditions. All other projects exhibited a small increase in vehicle-miles traveled.

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

The criteria for this goal included the number of communities being served by the project, consideration for collaboration with regards to project development and funding the project, new development in the area and whether any phase of the project was already constructed or under construction. The I-70/I-71 Phase 2D and 3 projects scored better than the rest due to anticipated new development and existing constructed phases of the overall Innerbelt improvements. Next came the US 33 & Pickerington Road Interchange, also due to new development and the history of collaboration in project planning not only at this location but along the longer US 33 corridor.

Adopted Goal: Use public investments to benefit the health, safety, and welfare of people.

The criteria for this goal considered the safety/crash ranking analysis, pavement and bridge condition, and Environmental Justice (EJ) populations served. The US 23 Corridor Improvements

ranked highest for safety and pavement and bridge condition improvements. It is followed by the I-70/I-71 Phase 2D and 3 projects and the US 33 Southeast Corridor project.

Adopted Goal: Create sustainable neighborhoods to improve residents' quality of life.

The criteria for this goal considered which projects serve users going to or coming from higher density areas and multimodal elements of the project, such as facilities for transit, bicyclists, and pedestrians. The I-70/I-71 Phase 2D and 3 projects scored highest for this goal, owing to their locations in downtown Columbus and bike and pedestrian enhancements. They were followed by the US 33 Southeast Corridor, I-270 & I-71 Interchange, then the US 33 & Pickerington Road Interchange and US 23 Corridor Improvements; however, these all scored relatively low compared to the I-70/I-71 projects.

Comments Received from the Public

On June 27, MORPC issued a press release requesting comments from the public on this year's TRAC applications. Comments were due by August 12. The table below summarizes the number of comments received.

Application	In Support	Opposed	Total Comments
I-270 & I-71 Interchange (North)	19	0	19
I-70/I-71 Downtown Ramp Up Phase 2D	0	0	0
I-70/I-71 Downtown Ramp Up Phase 3	0	0	0
US 33 Southeast Corridor (I-270 to Fairfield County)	40	3	43
US 33 & Pickerington Road Interchange	5	0	5
US 23 Corridor Improvements	1	0	1
Total	65	3	68

Most of the comments received were in support of the US 33 Southeast Corridor project, with residents citing concerns with increased traffic, development, and safety, particularly at the Bixby Road and Rager Road intersections. Many comments desired improvements along US 33 beyond the project area to Carroll or Lancaster, which would also include the Pickerington Road Interchange. Residents who expressed opposition to the project discouraged the widening of the corridor, instead focusing on safety improvements. The I-270 & I-71 Interchange also received notable public support, particularly from the business community near the project area.

MORPC Staff Ranking Recommendation

Based on the goal-by-goal evaluation summarized above, the public comments and the phase for which money is being requested, MORPC staff recommends the following priority ranking for the nine TRAC applications requesting funding:

Priority 1 I-70/I-71 Downtown Ramp Up Phase 2D & I-70/I-71 Downtown Ramp Up Phase 3

Priority 2: US 33 & Pickerington Road Interchange

Priority 3: US 33 Southeast Corridor (I-270 to Fairfield County)

Priority 4: I-270 & I-71 Interchange (North)

Priority 5: US 23 Corridor Improvements

Note that staff considered the Downtown Ramp Up projects the highest priority and would defer to ODOT onto which phase to fund should funding not be available for both projects.

Resolution T-11-22 recommends these rankings.

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Attachment: Resolution T-11-22

RESOLUTION T-11-22

“ESTABLISHING PRIORITIES FOR CENTRAL OHIO CANDIDATE PROJECTS SUBMITTED IN 2022 FOR TRAC FUNDING”

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

WHEREAS, the Transportation Review Advisory Council (TRAC) selects major new projects to receive funding from the Ohio Department of Transportation’s (ODOT’s) major new capacity program; and

WHEREAS, the TRAC has requested that each MPO submit its priorities for projects in that MPO’s planning area; and

WHEREAS, six projects requesting funding have been submitted to MORPC for acknowledgement prior to their submittal to the TRAC (see Attachment A); and

WHEREAS, MORPC members and the public were asked to submit comments on the projects; and

WHEREAS, staff provided the Community Advisory, Transportation Advisory and Transportation Policy committees information regarding the applications, including public comments received for staff recommendation; and

WHEREAS, staff evaluated the projects with regard to the six goals of the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and along with public comments developed the attached priorities; and

WHEREAS, the Community Advisory Committee at its meeting on August 29, 2022 and the Transportation Advisory Committee at its meeting on August 31, 2022 meeting recommended approval 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 the attached listing of projects (Attachment A) be established as the order of priorities for the candidate projects submitted to TRAC from the MORPC transportation planning area for major new capacity program funding.
- Section 2. That the TRAC is strongly discouraged from funding lower priority projects on this list at the expense of higher priority projects.
- Section 3. That it directs MORPC staff to forward these priorities to the TRAC and to present the priorities to the TRAC.

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.

Erik Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Date

Prepared by: Elliott Lewis

Attachments:

- A. Establishing Priorities for Central Ohio Candidate Projects Submitted in 2022 for TRAC Funding

Priorities for the 2022 TRAC Major/New Program Candidate Projects

Rank	Project	Tier Request	2022 TRAC Funding Request	Total Project Cost
1	I-70/I-71 Downtown Ramp Up Phase 2D & I-70/I-71 Downtown Ramp Up Phase 3	Tier I	\$120 million & \$72 million	\$127.9 million & \$87 million
2	US 33 & Pickerington Road Interchange	Tier I	\$59.5 million	\$64.1 million
3	US 33 Southeast Corridor (I-270 to Fairfield County)	Tier II	\$31 million	\$167 million
4	I-270 & I-71 Interchange (North)	Tier II	\$2 million	\$33.32 million
5	US 23 Corridor Improvements	Tier II	\$19 million	\$157.5 million

I-70 & I-71 Phase 2D

PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project rebuilds the east interchange of I-70 and I-71 by eliminating weaves, consolidating ramps, and adding capacity. It is one phase of the larger Downtown Ramp Up / Columbus Crossroads vision to reconstruct and reconfigure I-70 and I-71 through downtown Columbus.

2022 TRAC REQUEST

ODOT District 6 is requesting to move to Tier I status and requests \$3 million for Detailed Design in fiscal year 2023 and \$117 million for Construction in fiscal year 2025.

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Name: FRA-70-14.48
Project 2D

Common Name: I-70 & I-71 Phase 2D

Sponsor: ODOT District 6

ODOT Project ID: 77370

MORPC MTP Project: Yes

Competitive Advantage Project: Yes

Total Project Cost: \$127.9 million

Current TRAC Status: Tier III — Development & Multi-Phase Projects

Requested TRAC Status: Tier I — Construction

PROJECT SCHEDULE

PLANNING STUDIES

COMPLETE
1/14/2009

INTERCHANGE STUDIES

COMPLETE
1/14/2009

PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING

COMPLETE
1/14/2009

ENVIRONMENTAL NEPA APPROVAL

COMPLETE
5/20/2015

DETAILED DESIGN

In Progress
4/1/2024 (est.)

RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION

In Progress
4/1/2024 (est.)

UTILITY RELOCATION

In Progress

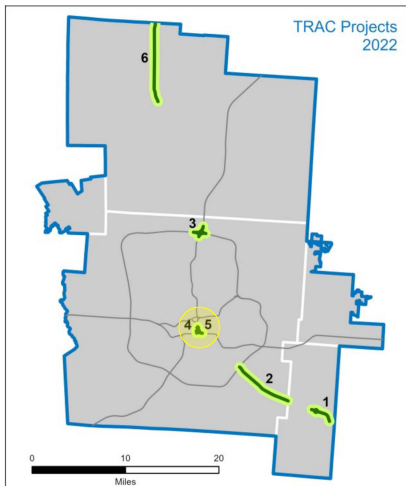
PROJECT LOCATION

County: Franklin

Municipality: Columbus

ODOT District: District 6

Routes: I-70, I-71



I-70 & I-71 Phase 3

PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project would reconstruct I-71 between Main St. and Broad St. The new Lester Dr. (SB) and Elijah Pierce Ave. (NB) urban avenues will be constructed adjacent to I-71. The Town and Oak St. bridge over I-71 will also be replaced. It is part of the larger Downtown Ramp Up / Columbus Crossroads project through downtown Columbus.

2022 TRAC REQUEST

ODOT District 6 is requesting to move to Tier I status, and requests \$2 million for detailed design in fiscal year 2023, and requests \$70 million for construction in fiscal year 2025.

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Name: FRA-71-17.14 Project 3

Common Name: I-70 & I-71 Phase 3

Sponsor: ODOT District 6

ODOT Project ID: 77371

MORPC MTP Project: Yes

Competitive Advantage Project: Yes

Total Project Cost: \$87 million

Current TRAC Status: Tier III—Development & Multi-Phase Projects

Requested TRAC Status: Tier I—Construction

PROJECT SCHEDULE

PLANNING STUDIES

COMPLETE
1/14/2009

INTERCHANGE STUDIES

COMPLETE
1/14/2009

PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING

COMPLETE
1/14/2009

ENVIRONMENTAL NEPA APPROVAL

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5/20/2015

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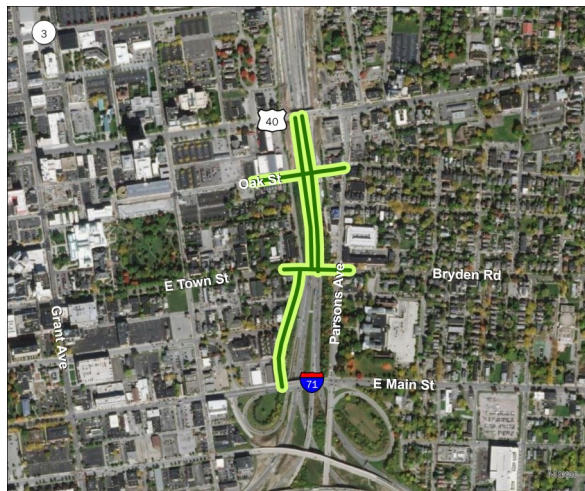
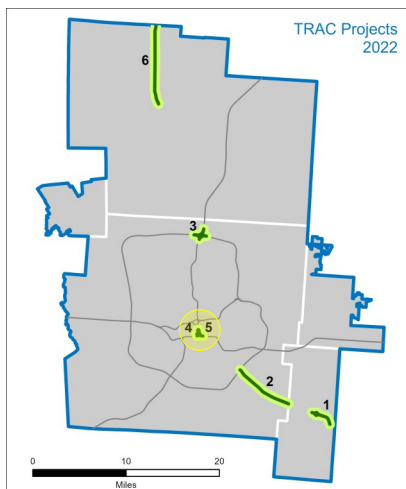
PROJECT LOCATION

County: Franklin

Municipality: Columbus

ODOT District: District 6

Routes: I-70, I-71



US 33 & Pickerington Rd Interchange

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Replacement of the existing, at-grade intersection of US 33 and Pickerington Road with an interchange facility and connecting service roads. The scope of the project also includes removal of an at-grade rail crossing and four other at-grade access points along US 33.

2022 TRAC REQUEST

ODOT District 5 is requesting to move to Tier I status, and requests \$0.5 million for Detailed Design in fiscal year 2023, \$12 million for Right-of-Way acquisition in fiscal year 2023, and \$47 million for Construction in fiscal year 2025.

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Name: FAI US 33 2.64

Common Name: US 33 Pickerington Rd Interchange

Sponsor: ODOT District 5

ODOT Project ID: 77555

MORPC MTP Project: Yes

Competitive Advantage Project: Yes

Total Project Cost: \$64.10 million

Current TRAC Status: Tier II—Development

Requested TRAC Status: Tier I—Construction

PROJECT SCHEDULE

PLANNING STUDIES

COMPLETE
3/26/2021

INTERCHANGE STUDIES

COMPLETE
8/15/2021

PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING

In Progress
12/1/2022 (est.)

ENVIRONMENTAL NEPA APPROVAL

In Progress
10/1/2022 (est.)

DETAILED DESIGN

Not Started
12/1/2023 (est.)

RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION

In Progress
12/1/2023 (est.)

UTILITY RELOCATION

Not Started
5/1/2024 (est.)

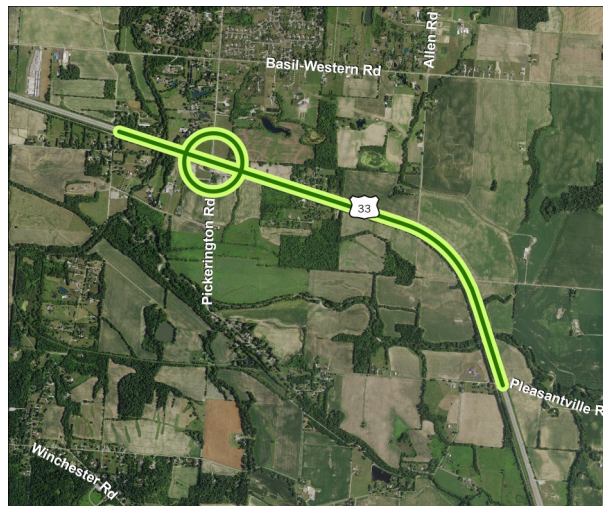
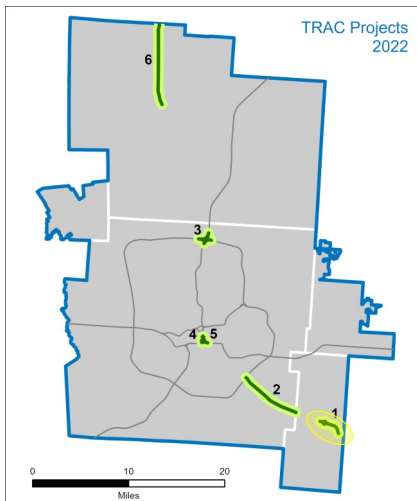
PROJECT LOCATION

County: Fairfield

Municipality: Violet Township

ODOT District: District 5

Routes: US 33, Pickerington Rd



US 33 Southeast Corridor

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Mainline widening of US 33 from four lanes to six lanes between I-270 and the Fairfield County line. Other work includes improvements at the interchange of I-270/US 33 and replacing two existing, at-grade intersections at US 33/Bixby Road and US 33/Rager Road with a grade-separated interchange at Bixby Road. Rager Road will be removed by converting the intersection to two cul-de-sacs on either side of US 33.

2022 TRAC REQUEST

ODOT District 6 is requesting New Project status, and requests \$19 million for Preliminary Engineering in fiscal year 2023, \$6 million for Detailed Design in fiscal year 2025, and \$6 million for Right-of-Way acquisition in fiscal year 2025.

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Name: FRA-33-24.76 to 31.23

Common Name: US 33 Southeast Corridor

Sponsor: ODOT District 6

ODOT Project ID: 76687

MORPC MTP Project: Partial

Competitive Advantage Project: Yes

Total Project Cost: \$167 million

Current TRAC Status: Tier II—Development

Requested TRAC Status: New Project

PROJECT SCHEDULE

PLANNING STUDIES

COMPLETE
6/1/2019

INTERCHANGE STUDIES

Not Started
6/1/2023 (est.)

PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING

In Progress
6/1/2025 (est.)

ENVIRONMENTAL NEPA APPROVAL

Not Started
6/1/2025 (est.)

DETAILED DESIGN

Not Started
6/1/2025 (est.)

RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION

Not Started
6/1/2025 (est.)

UTILITY RELOCATION

Not Started
12/1/2026 (est.)

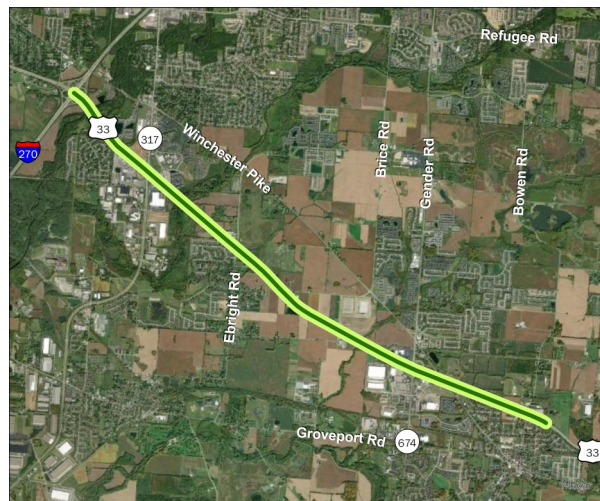
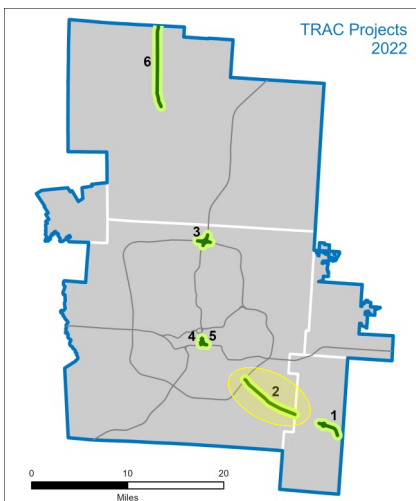
PROJECT LOCATION

County: Franklin

ODOT District: District 6

Municipalities: Columbus, Groveport, Madison Township, Canal Winchester

Routes: US 33



I-270 & I-71 North Interchange

PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project will widen the I-270 EB to I-71 NB ramp to two lanes using the existing structure. Other improvements will include lane modifications, replaced bridge decks, and other bridge rehabilitations.

2022 TRAC REQUEST

ODOT District 6 is requesting to enter Tier II status, and requests \$2 million for detailed design in fiscal year 2022.

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Name: FRA-71/270-28.27/25.99A

Common Name: I-270 & I-71 North Interchange

Sponsor: ODOT District 6

ODOT Project ID: 105435

MORPC MTP Project: Yes

Competitive Advantage Project: Yes

Total Project Cost: \$33.32 million

Current TRAC Status: New Project

Requested TRAC Status: Tier II—Development

PROJECT SCHEDULE

PLANNING STUDIES

COMPLETE
9/15/2019

INTERCHANGE STUDIES

In Progress
8/19/2022 (est.)

PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING

COMPLETE
9/3/2021

ENVIRONMENTAL NEPA APPROVAL

Not Started
7/31/2023 (est.)

DETAILED DESIGN

In Progress
3/14/2024 (est.)

RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION

Not Started
2/1/2025 (est.)

UTILITY RELOCATION

Not Started
2/16/2024 (est.)

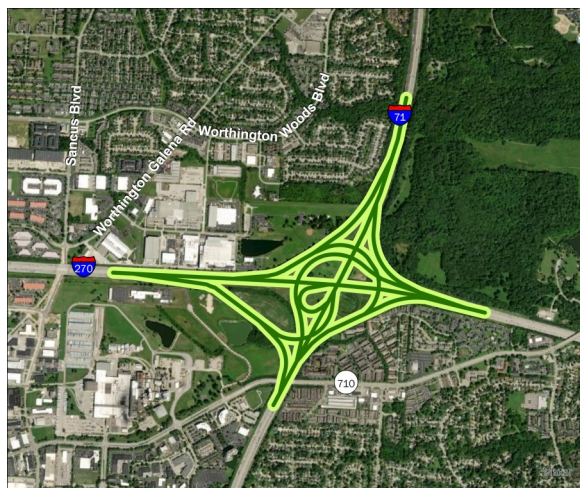
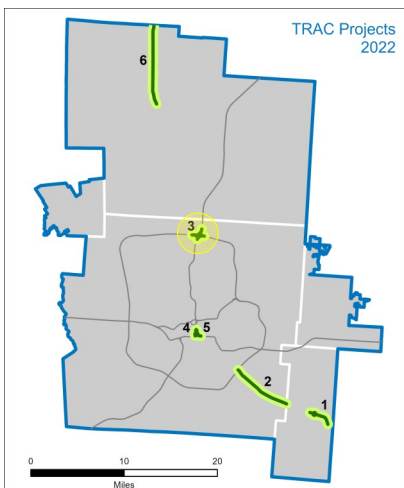
PROJECT LOCATION

County: Franklin

Municipality: Columbus

ODOT District: District 6

Routes: I-270, I-71



US 23 Corridor Study

PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project will construct localized improvements within the existing US 23 corridor. It will eliminate existing signals by constructing interchanges and innovative intersections. The design request is for the construction of an interchange at US 23 and SR 229, and an R-Cut at the Delaware State Park Dr. The project would also include studying solutions for the intersections from Pennsylvania Ave. to Coover Rd.

2022 TRAC REQUEST

ODOT District 6 is requesting to remain in Tier II status, and requests \$15 million for Preliminary Engineering in fiscal year 2023, \$3 million for Detailed Design in fiscal year 2024, and \$1 million for Right-of-Way in fiscal year 2025.

PROJECT DETAILS

Project Name: US 23 Corridor Study

Common Name: US 23 Corridor Study

Sponsor: ODOT District 6

ODOT Project ID: 112768

MORPC MTP Project: Partial

Competitive Advantage Project: Yes

Total Project Cost: \$157.5 million

Current TRAC Status: Tier II—Development

Requested TRAC Status: Tier II—Development

PROJECT SCHEDULE

PLANNING STUDIES

COMPLETE
5/1/2022

INTERCHANGE STUDIES

Not Started
7/1/2024 (est.)

PRELIMINARY ENGINEERING

Not Started
7/1/2024 (est.)

ENVIRONMENTAL NEPA APPROVAL

Not Started
7/1/2024 (est.)

DETAILED DESIGN

Not Started
7/1/2025 (est.)

RIGHT-OF-WAY ACQUISITION

Not Started
12/1/2025 (est.)

UTILITY RELOCATION

Not Started
4/1/2026 (est.)

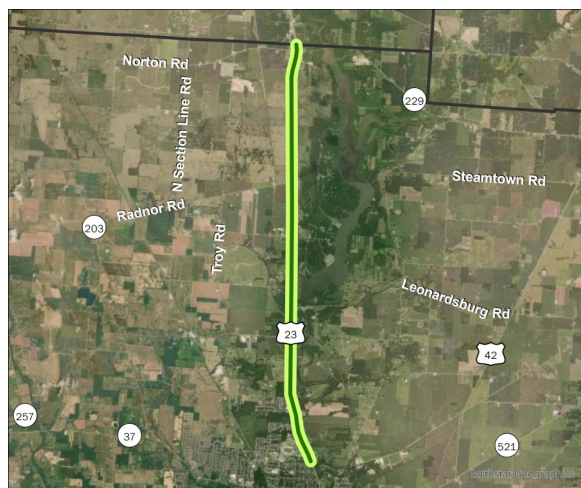
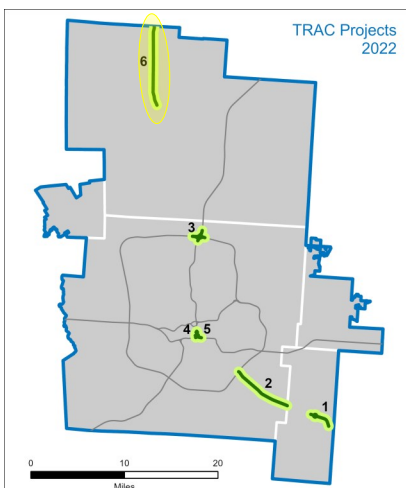
PROJECT LOCATION

County: Delaware

ODOT District: District 6

Municipalities: Delaware, Troy Township, Marlboro Township, Delaware Township

Routes: US 23





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Memorandum

TO: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Officers and Board Members
Transportation Policy Committee
Transportation Advisory Committee
Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Nick Gill, Transportation Director

DATE: August 23, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-12-22: **"ACCEPTING THE PLANNING
WORK PROGRAM COMPLETION REPORT FOR STATE
FISCAL YEAR 2022"**

Annually, MORPC is required to submit a report to the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) describing the work completed with federal planning funds provided to continue the metropolitan transportation planning process, as defined by the FAST Act and now the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act.

For State Fiscal Year (SFY) 2022, the use of these funds was outlined in the SFY 2022 Planning Work Program (PWP) adopted by Resolution T-4-21. The PWP serves as the scope of work, the schedule, and the budget for the federally funded planning activities.

The PWP included such activities as follow up of the SFY 21-24 TIP, continued delivery of projects using MORPC-attributable funds, follow up of the 2020-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), assistance on freeway and arterial studies, support for safety and operations and management of the transportation system, and support for transit, bike and pedestrian planning. The SFY 2022 PWP also included the continuation of ridesharing/demand reduction and air quality awareness activities. As part of this scope of work, MORPC also updated the Public Participation Plan, completed the selection process for FTA Section 5310 funding, continued the Regional Data Advisory Committee, continued outreach and developed resources related to insight2050, including the technical assistance program, transformed the Rapid Speed Transportation Initiative into the Interregional Connections Committee, continued the LinkUs initiative with other regional partners, and other projects and activities that have been presented over the state fiscal year.

A summary of the PWP activities is included as an attachment to the resolution. A full report is available upon request. Resolution T-12-22 approves the completion report and requires that it be forwarded to ODOT.

Attachment: Resolution T-12-22

RESOLUTION T-12-22

“ACCEPTING THE PLANNING WORK PROGRAM COMPLETION REPORT FOR STATE FISCAL YEAR 2022”

WHEREAS, it is the role of the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) to help encourage, facilitate, and provide a forum for regional, cooperative transportation planning and decision-making; and

WHEREAS, the Planning Work Program (PWP) is the document that outlines the work of the MPO, the use of regional transportation planning funds and the regional planning activities that will be conducted each state fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the Policy Committee adopted the SFY 2022 Planning Work Program (PWP) by Resolution T-4-21; and

WHEREAS, the activities described in the PWP have been completed or carried over into SFY 2023 and reported in the PWP Completion Report, a summary of which is attached; and

WHEREAS, major products of the PWP have been presented previously; and

WHEREAS, these products include the core work with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the continued delivery of projects using MORPC-attributable funds, as well as the freeway and arterial studies, local traffic forecasting and continuing updates to the travel demand model, maintaining data to support modeling and planning needs, support for transit planning and ODOT planning studies, ITS, ridesharing/demand reduction, bike and pedestrian planning, safety planning and air quality awareness; and

WHEREAS, ODOT requires approval of this PWP Completion Report by the Transportation Policy Committee as the Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, the Community Advisory Committee at its August 29, 2022 meeting, and the Transportation Advisory Committee at its August 31, 2021 meeting recommended approval 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 the Transportation Policy Committee approves the PWP Completion Report for SFY 2022.
- Section 2. That this resolution and the PWP Completion Report be forwarded to the Ohio Department of Transportation for appropriate action.
- Section 3. That the Transportation Policy Committee finds and determines that all formal deliberations and actions of the committee concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this committee.

Eric J. Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Date

Prepared by: Programming Staff
Attachment: Summary of Completion Report for the SFY 2022 Planning Work Program

SUMMARY

FISCAL YEAR 2022 PLANNING WORK PROGRAM-COMPLETION

I. Formula Funded Planning Program Projects

Total Budget \$3,081,691

Balance Remaining for SFY 2021 or later is \$296,490

WORK ELEMENT REPORT SUMMARY

FUNDING SUMMARY

60111-1000

Active Transportation Planning-FY21

Budget \$173,150

Carryover work element from SFY 21

Spent 6/30 \$173,150

MORPC continued to assist local governments with executing the strategies of the regional active transportation plan, including reviewing roadway project designs for Complete Streets compliance and educating communities on the importance of, and assisting them with planning for safe, comfortable and connected bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure. With FHWA and TPCB, team members hosted a peer exchange for local governments and partner agencies on non-motorized volume data collection and management. The team worked with MetroParks, Columbus, and other local governments and partners to conduct trail counts at selected segments throughout the region. The Central Ohio Greenways (COG) Board accomplished many items set out in its 5-year strategic plan, including encouraging completion of trail segments identified in the COG Trail Prioritization effort, completion of a Trail Town Framework, and obtaining funding to complete a trail wayfinding strategy.

60112-1000

Active Transportation Planning

Budget \$420,000

Spent 6/30 \$230,231

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60122-3000

Management & Operations Planning

Budget \$175,000

Spent 6/30 \$155,623

Meetings of the Central Ohio ITS committee were held in July, October, and April. Project updates were provided at each meeting.

MORPC continued to engage in the OARC freight transportation working group over FY 2022. MORPC organized several virtual meetings for the OARC Freight Working Group. MORPC participated in events organized by the Columbus Region Logistics Council, the Mid-Ohio Development Exchange (MODE), and other Chamber of Commerce and OneColumbus events related to freight and logistics in Central Ohio. MORPC hosted the Ohio Conference on Freight in June 2022.

60132-1000

Safety Planning

Budget \$125,000

Spent 6/30 \$60,552

The team was actively involved in local safety initiatives and assisted other departments and agencies with project evaluation based on crash data. Staff has also provided assistance with local communities' applications for the federal discretionary grant program, Safe Streets and Roads for All. MORPC continues to be the OARC representative on statewide and regional safety committees, such as the Transportation Records Coordination Committee, the Ohio Strategic Highway Safety Plan Steering Committee, and Safe Communities, including the Franklin County Traffic Fatality Review Board.

60152-3000

Budget \$75,000

Spent 6/30 \$70,116

Transit and Human Services Planning

Provided coordination, assistance, and oversight to improve transit service and workforce mobility. This work includes the 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.

60202-3000

Budget \$275,000

Spent 6/30 \$274,301

Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and Implementation

Revisions to the SFY 2021-2024 TIP were coordinated with ODOT and local agencies by reviewing the monthly S/TIP Revision Report. Staff approved administrative modifications monthly and prepared four amendment resolutions, which were approved by the Transportation Policy Committee.

MORPC approved Policies for Managing MORPC-Attributable Funds following several meetings of the Attributable Funds Committee and a formal public comment period. MORPC solicited applications for funding early in May with a virtual workshop held on May 18th. Updated previous commitments were due July 8th and applications for new funding on July 15th.

Federally funded projects were coordinated with local agencies, ODOT and the Ohio Public Works Commission. ODOT District staff held quarterly meetings with local sponsoring agencies, their consultants, and MORPC staff to monitor project development and address any issues. Monthly reports on the status of the MORPC-attributable projects were provided to the TAC. MORPC, COTA, DCT, and ODOT Transit met quarterly to stay current on transit-specific TIP issues.

For SFY 2021, approximately \$31 million of attributable funds were encumbered for use on transportation projects and programs in the region.

ODOT accepted TRAC applications in May. Six projects were submitted in the MORPC area. Project fact sheets were prepared and a public comment period will begin in July to solicit comments on the MPO prioritization of the projects.

60512-2000

Budget \$445,000

Spent 6/30 \$424,217

Manage, Map, Collect, and Share Data

Maintained an open data site called Mid-Ohio Open Data (MOOD) - <https://public-morpc.hub.arcgis.com/> to make GIS and other data files available for download. To make data accessible to nontechnical audiences and those without GIS capabilities, many of MORPC's data is available for viewing through interactive maps on the same MOOD open data site.

The Population Resource Hub at www.morpc.org/popdata was provided to share the various estimates and forecast data, including the 2020 Census data.

MORPC expanded our COVID-19 resource hub with data and links specific to Central Ohio and targeted primarily toward the needs of local governments. In addition, we produced a series of Central Ohio COVID-19 Policy Briefs located at morpc.org/covid19policybriefs, with the additional support of grant funding awarded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

MORPC's Regional Data Advisory Committee (RDAC) continues to meet on a quarterly basis and advises staff and Commission on MORPC's role as a leader in regional data efforts. This year, there are 3 working groups: Local Government Resources, Partnerships & Capacity Building, Fiber.

MORPC continues to lead and host two data and mapping focused user groups. The Central Ohio GIS User Group consists of public sector GIS officials from throughout Central Ohio and RIDG for data centric professionals in the region.

Continued to facilitate the maintenance of several regional GIS data layers, structured so local communities can jointly edit common files stored at MORPC. These files include the Franklin County LBRS road centerlines and address point files, and the regional bikeways and sidewalk inventory.

MORPC updated new build residential permit data. This data is used as part of population estimates and the land use model for the MTP.

^ Project continues beyond SFY 2022

60522-2000

Budget \$400,000

Spent 6/30 \$374,202

Data Analytics and Research for Transportation Projects and Programs

As part of the 2024 MTP, MORPC updated existing and future land use at parcel level for a 10 county area.

MORPC produced a web map and an ATP storymap as part of the Active Transportation Plan. Staff provided mapping support for Attributable Funding, TRAC and other core projects.

MORPC continues working with partners, other agencies, and ESRI to gather data for use with the new ESRI ArcGIS Urban program, for 3D scenario planning. Staff created a 3D base for Franklin County, using 2019 lidar data, compiled local zoning and parcel data.

MORPC is now a partner of the National Neighborhood Indicators Partnership (NNIP). The NNIP is a network of 30+ independent partner organizations whose mission is to ensure all communities have access to data and the skills to use information to advance equity and well-being across neighborhoods.

MORPC continues to maintain resources and produce analysis related to several regional efforts, incl. GoOhio, economic development, or the Regional Housing Strategy.

60552-3000

Budget \$280,000

Spent 6/30 \$324,373

Transportation Systems Analysis Techniques and Applications

MORPC continued working closely with the consultant, ODOT and other MPOs on the improvements of the 3C regional travel demand model. Staff continued conducting test runs of the 3C model on MORPC's server and worked diligently with the consultant to refine/improve the 3C model. The model was used for several planning studies.

Air quality analysis was conducted for projects requesting CMAQ eligibility. Staff continued using travel time data from INRIX/NPMRDS to produce measures for various studies and showing the COVID impacts of reduced travel on peak period speeds. The origin-destination (O-D) data was obtained from ODOT's subscription to Streetlight Insight and produced meaningful measures for several studies.

Many traffic growth rate requests were fulfilled throughout the region.

^ Project continues beyond SFY 2022

61012-3000

Budget \$290,000

Spent 6/30 \$262,567

Long-Range Multimodal Transportation Planning

Maintenance of the 2020-2050 MTP included one amendment to the plan. This amendment added one high capacity transit corridor and made adjustments to the cost estimates, construction time frame, and alignments of three high capacity transit corridors to reflect work completed as part of the LinkUS Mobility Initiative. The amendment followed a formal process including an interagency consultation, air quality conformity determination, a public comment period, and committee engagement. The amendment was adopted by resolution in September 2021. Work began on a second amendment to reflect roadway improvement needs as a result of the Intel announcement.

MORPC continued to coordinate with ODOT in the establishment of performance measure targets as part of the federal performance management program. MORPC passed a resolution to support ODOT's established safety targets and reviewed and commented on draft targets for the other federal performance measures.

MORPC partnered with ODOT on the Route 23 Connect Study and provided data, technical assistance, and support during stakeholder and public engagement activities.

MORPC initiated the addition of two roadway segments to the Federal Functional Class system resulting from recent growth and localized contextual changes. MORPC continues to coordinate with ODOT on Functional Class designations in the region.

MORPC organized, hosted, and facilitated a series of listening sessions and workshops in response to the announcement that Intel will be developing a site in Central Ohio.

Staff began to review and refine goals and objectives to guide the development of the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan.

61022-0400

Budget \$118,541

Spent 6/30 \$136,708

Transportation Public Involvement

Eight meetings of the Community Advisory Committee (CAC) and 10 meetings of the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) took place. All transportation-related topics included elsewhere in the PWP report were presented. The committees reviewed and passed 18 transportation-related resolutions over the year.

Press Releases, printed materials, and digital content (social media and electronic newsletters) were regularly used to solicit public participation and involvement on transportation-related activities. Topics included were: Central Ohio Transit Authority and Delaware County Transit updates; MORPC-attributable Funds; Transportation Improvement Program, Amending the MTP, Transportation Review Advisory Committee Process/Projects; Complete Streets Policy; Active Transportation Plan; Technical Assistance Program; Central Ohio Greenways; Planning Work Program; Gohio Commute Mobility; LinkUS Mobility Initiative; Population Estimates; Air Quality; Annual Safety Performance Measures; Smart Region Task Force; Regional Sustainability Dashboard; Regional Sustainability Agenda; Ohio Public Works Commission; Competitive Advantage Projects; Regional Mobility Plan; Intelligent Transportation Systems; Public Participation Plan.

62512-1000

Budget \$200,000

Spent 6/30 \$199,808

Planning Coordination and Support

MORPC met regularly with its member communities to receive planning updates and to provide assistance and coordination for some of their projects, including updates to their comprehensive, greenways, and transportation plans. Four times a year, MORPC held regional collaboration meetings, and at least monthly, MORPC provided educational transportation workshops and forums.

69712-3000

Budget \$105,000

Spent 6/30 \$99,354

Program Administration

Meetings of the MPO transportation committees (CAC, TAC & Policy) were conducted throughout the year, with the CAC holding eight meetings and the TAC and Policy Committee each holding ten meetings. The 2021 PWP completion report was prepared as well as the 2023 PWP.

^ Project continues beyond SFY 2022

II. Special Studies

Total Budget \$2,078,412

Balance Remaining for SFY 2021 or later is \$484,773

WORK ELEMENT REPORT SUMMARY

FUNDING SUMMARY

66507-1000

Central Ohio Greenways Planning

Budget \$200,000

100% MORPC STBG with Toll
Credit

Spent 6/30 \$200,000

Only minor wrap up work was completed in SFY 2022 to finish expending this two year activity begun in SFY2020.

However, through other funding sources, with local governments and partners, MORPC continued to execute the Regional Trail Prioritization plan which prioritizes implementation of future trail segments. Team members secured funding for and developed a rural Trail Town Framework which will guide Central Ohio communities through the process of formalizing a regional trail town initiative. This Framework can be replicated by agencies across the State.

The team completed the Economic Impact of Trails study, which quantifies the returns on investing in a fully realized COG Trail Vision in terms of transportation and healthcare costs as well as real estate development and jobs creation.

The RAPID 5 project, a vision for activating Central Ohio's river corridors and supporting a network of linear, paved transportation connections within and between the corridors, was advanced. The Regional Trail Vision remains at the core of this effort.

66522-3000

LinkUS Regional Corridors Planning

Budget \$500,000 ^

100% MORPC STBG with Toll
Credit

Spent 6/30 \$258,827

MORPC worked with COTA, Franklin County, and the City of Columbus on the LinkUS Mobility Initiative. MORPC lead regional engagement efforts, meeting with each jurisdiction within the service area individually at least twice to discuss what the LinkUS Initiative with each community.

MORPC also lead the establishment of performance measures and developed and collected benchmark data for each measure.

MORPC began leading the formation of a Transit Supportive Infrastructure Committee, which will be charged with developing a regional program of projects that will support the transit corridors.

66542-0400

Paving The Way

Budget \$50,000

100% MORPC STBG using toll
credit

Spent 6/30 \$5,386

The Paving the Way web-based platform was maintained.

^ Project continues beyond SFY 2022

66562-3000

Budget \$350,000

100% MORPC STBG using toll credit

Spent 6/30 \$350,000

Supplemental Planning

- 1) See 60202-3000 for activities related to the TIP and project expedition.
- 2) Our traffic count consultant collected 184 traffic counts which were loaded in to the online system. Numerous other traffic provided by local governments or other consultants were loaded into the online system.
- 3) See 60522-2000 for activities related to the data sharing tools.
- 4) MORPC provided planning data and travel demand forecasting support for several local and regional planning activities, including: ODOT US 23 Connect Study, Columbus Quarry area studies, Dublin studies, Hilliard Comprehensive Plan update and other smaller requests.
- 5) The Raptic Speed Transportation Initiative transformed into the establishment of the Interregional Connections Committee (ICC). The ICC, is tasked with planning and developing regional mobility initiatives that promote mode choice options to connect Midwest cities. The committee meets quarterly.
- 6) The Sustainability team continued to identify research needs and projects around climate change adaptation and resiliency. The Sustaining Scioto project continues to pursue updated precipitation data to inform infrastructure planning. The Air Quality Program also engages with climate resiliency initiatives in the region working with several partners.
- 7) Working with the Sustainability Advisory Committee and Sustainable2050 members, the team updated the Sustainable2050 certification program to reflect the current Regional Sustainability Agenda and ensured that its goals were aligned with the MTP and were focused around equity.

66572-1000

Budget \$250,000

100% MORPC STBG using toll credit

Spent 6/30 \$244,502

Technical Assistance Program

MORPC revised the program guidelines and administered a third cycle of the Technical Assistance Program. Six applications were received and four activities were awarded. The City of Columbus, City of Dublin, Franklin County Metro Parks, and City of Sunbury were all granted assistance in refining the Central Ohio Greenways vision in their communities.

MORPC worked with each community to develop a scope of work and timeline. MORPC then carried out the work activities which included collecting, developing, and compiling data, alternatives development and analyses, stakeholder engagement, and drafting an implementation plan and process documentation.

67410-3000

Budget \$222,368

100% FTA 5310 Administration
10% of Apportionment

Spent 6/30 \$222,368

5310 Designated Recipient-2020 & 2021

MORPC carried out the responsibility and authority for the administration of the FTA Section 5310 Program for Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities for the federal fiscal year apportionment for the Columbus urbanized area. MORPC administered contracts after execution in TrAMS with subrecipients receiving 5310 funding from apportionments to the Columbus, Ohio UZA according to MORPC's Program Management Plan (PMP).

67412-3000

Budget \$116,044 ^

100% FTA 5310 Administration
10% of Apportionment

Spent 6/30 \$0

5310 Designated Recipient-2022

No funds were expended for this work element. It is carried over into the SFY 23 PWP. See 67410 for Section 5310 Designated Recipient activity in FY 2022.

67420-3000

Budget \$260,000

80% FTA 5310, 20% local

Spent 6/30 \$260,000

Mobility Management 2020 & 2021

MORPC completed updating the Regional Mobility Coordinated Plan and the Coordinated Plan for nine counties per ODOT Office of Transit's Human Service Transportation Coordination Region 6. Counties include Delaware, Fairfield, Fayette, Franklin, Licking, Logan, Madison, Pickaway and Union. MORPC transitioned to the implementation of the plan by continuing to meet with the various stakeholders who helped develop the plan.

^ Project continues beyond SFY 2022

67422-3000

Mobility Management 2022

Budget \$130,000 ^ A minimal amount of funds were expended for this work element. It is carried over into the SFY 23 PWP. See 67420 for Mobility management activity in FY 2022.
100% FTA 5310, 0% local per COVID-19 Relief

Spent 6/30 \$2,444

^ Project continues beyond SFY 2022

III. Ridesharing and Air Quality Projects

Total Budget \$1,250,000

WORK ELEMENT REPORT SUMMARY **FUNDING SUMMARY**

66712-3000

Budget \$700,000
100% MORPC CMAQ
Spent 6/30 \$668,169

Transportation Services (Ridesharing)

Promoted Travel Demand Reduction (TDM) in Central Ohio and marketed 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 administered an emergency ride home program, vanpool program, and a multiregional rideshare matching vendor contract in coordination with OARC rideshare agencies.

66732-1000

Budget \$550,000
100% MORPC CMAQ
Spent 6/30 \$538,169

Air Quality Awareness

MORPC maintained its daily air quality forecasting program and coordinated digitally focused marketing to educate the public about air quality. MORPC convened bi-monthly Energy and Air Quality Working Group meetings to share best practices. MORPC was also an active partner with the US EPA Advance Program, focused on resources and activities to support air quality attainment.

In partnership with Franklin County Public Health and working group members, MORPC deployed particulate matter monitors across Franklin County to increase awareness of air pollution and monitor for potential differences in air pollution levels between neighborhoods. The goal is to collect data for one year, analyze outcomes, and inform strategies for reducing emissions and protecting public health especially in the most vulnerable communities.

MORPC has advanced a partnership with the Smart Columbus program and continues to be a resource to its members around EV infrastructure, clean energy solutions, and greenhouse gas emissions. MORPC created the greenhouse gas inventory for City of Columbus and actively participated in working groups to support climate action planning.

^ Project continues beyond SFY 2022

IV. Projects Undertaken By Other Entities

Total Budget \$0

WORK ELEMENT REPORT SUMMARY FUNDING SUMMARY

66505-3000

Budget \$0

No funding

Spent 6/30 \$0

Ongoing Local Planning

MORPC regularly monitors local planning activities and participates in planning efforts of local communities.

The CAP initiative is a partnership between MORPC and One Columbus, to advance strategic infrastructure projects across Central Ohio by developing a vetted list of regional infrastructure project priorities. During the past fiscal year, MORPC continued to advocate and assist in finding funding for CAP projects.

MORPC continued to assist with administration of the Franklin County Transportation Improvements District (TID), a tool for advancing transportation projects.

67401-3000

Budget \$0

No funding

Spent 6/30 \$0

Ongoing COTA Activities

COTA generally makes service changes three times a year - the first Monday of every January, May and September. Public information, review and comment take place before each service change.

The 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program was maintained as needed, including public involvement requirements for FTA Section 5307. COTA submitted grant requests to FTA. MORPC worked with COTA to develop the 2021-2024 TIP and monitor the MTP.

COTA continued their multi county IMI grant and County Connections program.

COTA continued to work with partners to promote compainion services like GREAT and New Albany SmartRide and expansion of COTA Plus. COTA continued the Mainstream on Demand Pilot to provide non-ADA trips to eligible Mainstream paratransit riders.

67402-3000

Budget \$0

No funding

Spent 6/30 \$0

Ongoing DCT Activities

Delaware County Transit continued to review and make adjustments to their service to best serve the county within their budget constraints.

^ Project continues beyond SFY 2022



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Memorandum

TO: Transportation Policy Committee
Transportation Advisory Committee
Community Advisory Committee

FROM: Nick Gill, Transportation Director

DATE: August 23, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution T-13-22: **“Supporting the Ohio Department of Transportation’s Targets for Federal Performance Measures”**

As the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Columbus Urbanized area, MORPC is required to participate in the federal Transportation Performance Management Program. The program is defined by a series of rulemakings that delineate a process in which MPO’s and State Departments of Transportation coordinate on target-setting and reporting for a series of federal transportation performance measures.

As part of this process, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) is required to establish statewide targets for the transportation performance measures identified within those regulations. MORPC, as the MPO, is required to either adopt the statewide targets, or may develop our own measures specific to our region.

Resolution T-13-22 is specifically to support the ODOT statewide annual safety targets and the targets established by ODOT for the 2022-2026 federal performance period, as shown in the resolution attachment. MORPC staff finds these targets to be consistent with current regional performance measures and targets, reflective of regional investment strategies, and reasonable based on recent trends and benchmarks.

These federal performance measures and targets will be incorporated into the development of the 2024-2050 Columbus Area Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), which is currently underway. These measures will be included in addition to other regional performance measures and targets established as part of the MTP development process. Regional performance measures will be recommended for adoption by a separate resolution in coming months.

RESOLUTION T-13-22

“SUPPORTING THE OHIO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION’S TARGETS FOR FEDERAL PERFORMANCE MEASURES”

WHEREAS, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) is designated as the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) by the governor acting through the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and in cooperation with locally elected officials; and

WHEREAS, Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) is the federal transportation legislation with which MORPC’s transportation planning must comply including performance measures which were originally included in MAP-21; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation has established transportation performance management rules and processes to be incorporated into metropolitan transportation planning, which includes state and MPO adoption of certain performance measures; and

WHEREAS, the rules require the states to set targets for five safety performance measures annually by August 31 each year, and that MPOs set support or set their own targets for the five measures annually by February 27 each year; and

WHEREAS, the performance management rules require the state to develop Full Performance Reports every four years which provides updated baseline information and two and four year targets for certain performance measures in the area of infrastructure condition, and congestion; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has established updated targets for the federally required performance measures as shown in the Attachment to be included in their 2022 Full Performance Report; and

WHEREAS, MPO’s are required to support the state targets or establish their own; and

WHEREAS, MORPC has been incorporating performance measures with targets into the region’s Metropolitan Transportation Plans (MTP) since 2012; and

WHEREAS, the current 2020-2050 MTP includes a variety of performance measures with short and long range targets, including the federal performance measures, with targets consistent with or more aggressive than those established by ODOT; and

WHEREAS, MORPC is developing the 2024-2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan for the MPO area and will incorporate these performance measures and additional regional performance measures and targets; and

WHEREAS, the Community Advisory Committee at its meeting August 29, 2022, and the Transportation Advisory Committee at its meeting on August 31, 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 supports ODOT’s annual safety and two year and four targets for the federal performance measures as shown in the Attachment and will plan and program projects that contribute towards the achievement of the ODOT targets.
- Section 2. That it directs staff to monitor rule-making guidance from the U.S. Department of Transportation and ODOT with regard to performance measurement requirements.
- Section 3: That it directs staff to reflect the ODOT targets into the 2024-2050 Columbus Area Metropolitan Transportation Plan performance measures and the MTP’s short and long

range targets.

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.

Erik J. Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Date

Prepared by: Programming Department Staff

Attachment: Federal Performance Measures and ODOT 2022-2026 Targets

**Resolution T-13-22 Attachment:
Federal Performance Measures and ODOT 2022-2026 Targets**

Federal Safety Performance Measures

The first set of federal performance measures established was for safety. These are often referred to as PM1 measures. There are 5 different measures as shown in the table below. By August 31st of each year the state must establish targets for each. By February 27th of each year MPOs must adopt resolution to support the state targets or they may establish their own. In August 2022 ODOT establish the following as their annual target for calendar year 2023.

Safety Targets (PM1)	
Measure	Statewide Annual Target
Number of Fatalities	2% annual reduction
Number of Serious Injuries	2% annual reduction
Rate of Fatalities	2% annual reduction
Rate of Serious Injuries	2% annual reduction
Frequency of non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries	2% annual reduction

Federal Infrastructure Condition Performance Measures

The second set of federal performance measures established was for infrastructure condition. These are often referred to as PM2 measures. There are 6 different measures as shown in the table below. Unlike the safety targets which apply to the entire roadway system, the PM2 measures apply only to the Interstate and National Highway System roadways. The ODOT 2 and 4 year targets are shown in the table below.

Infrastructure Condition Targets (PM2)		
Measure	2022 statewide 2 Year Target	2022 Statewide 4 year Target
% Interstate Pavement: Good	N/A	> 55%
% Interstate Pavement: Poor	N/A	< 1%
% Non-Interstate NHS Pavement: Good	> 40%	> 40%
% Non-Interstate NHS Pavement: Poor	< 2%	< 2%
% NHS Bridges: Good	> 55%	> 55%
% NHS Bridges: Poor	< 3%	< 3%

Federal Congestion Reduction Performance Measures

The third set of federal performance measures established was around congestion. These are often referred to as PM3 measures. There are 8 different measures divided into three groupings as shown in the table below. The first category is around reliability with three measures related to Interstate and NHS system reliability for of travel time for persons and truck travel. The second category are estimates of statewide emissions benefit attributable to Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds. The third category is specific to each MPO over 200,000 in population and includes two measures. The targets for each are shown in the table below.

Travel Time Reliability Targets (PM3)		
Measure	2022 statewide 2 Year Target	2022 Statewide 4 year Target
% of Person-Miles Traveled on the Interstate that are Reliable	> 85%	> 85%
% of Person-Miles Traveled on the Non-Interstate NHS that are Reliable	N/A	> 80%
Level of Truck Travel Time Reliability (LOTTR)	< 1.50	< 1.50
Total CMAQ Emission Reduction Targets (PM3)		
Measure	2022 statewide 2 Year Target	2022 Statewide 4 year Target
Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) Total Emission Reduction	> 60.000 kg/day	> 60.000 kg/day
Nitrous Oxide (NOx) Total Emission Reduction	> 250.000 kg/day	> 250.000 kg/day
Particulate Matter 2.5 (PM2.5) Total Emission Reduction	> 30.000 kg/day	> 30.000 kg/day
PHED and Non-SOV Travel Targets (PM3)		
Measure (Columbus urbanized area)	2022 Target 2 Year	2022 Target 4 Year
Person Hours of Excessive Delay (PHED)	N/A	< 10.0 hr/yr
Non-SOV Travel	> 18.5%	> 19.0%



**Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Commission Meeting Minutes**

Date: August 11, 2022
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Location: MORPC Town Hall

Commission Members Present In Person

Chris Amorose Groomes	Matt Greeson	Bill Narducci
Karen Angelou	Bill Habig	Eric Phillips
Joe Antram	Matt Huffman	Rod Pritchard
Lee Bodnar	Pam Hykes O'Grady	Lauren Rummel
Greg Butcher	Erik Janas	Brent Russell
Franklin Christman	James Jewell	David Scheffler
Ben Collins	Emily Keeler	Jim Schimmer
Tina Cottone	Ben Kessler	Elissa Schneider
Michelle Crandall	Kim Maggard	Steve Schoeny
Karl Craven	Glenn Marzluf	Christie Ward
Jennifer Gallagher	Cassie Morr for Kevin Boyce	RC Wise

Commission Members Attending Remotely

Mike Anderson	Bill LaFayette	Matt Starr
Stephanie Bosco	Dana McDaniel	Joe Stefanov
Stacey Boumis	Rory McGuinness	Shanette Strickland
Taylor Brill	Bonnie Michael	Tony Vogel
Brad Ebersole	Eric Richter	Brent Welch for
Terry Emery	Chris Schmenk	Cornell Robertson
Jeff Gottke	Alana Shockey	Nancy White
Laurie Jadwin	Sloan Spalding	Kenneth Wright
Herb Koehler	Ben Stahler	

Transportation Policy Committee Members Present In Person

Kristen Easterday	Kim Sharp for Joanna Pinkerton	Thom Slack
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Transportation Policy Committee Members Attending Remotely

Chasilyn Carter	Licking County Planning Commission
LaGrieta Holloway	

Associate Members Attending Remotely

Kristin Sutton

MORPC Staff Present in Person

Abby Barnes	James Holley	Shari Saunders
Kerstin Carr	Shawn Hufstедler	Megan Stein
Thea Ewing	Eileen Leuby	Robin Underwood
Amanda Frey	Alisa Obukhova	Brandi Whetstone
Joe Garrity	Kyle Probert	Robert Williams
Ralonda Hampton	Chuck Ratliff	

MORPC Staff Attending Remotely

Jake Buchanan	Nadiatu Issaka	Elliott Lewis
Andrea Doolittle	Niel Jurist	William Murdock
John Gardocki	Prince Kwarteng-Crooklynn	Anabel Pederson
Kenneth Harvey	Christopher Lee	

Guests Present in Person

Steve Tugend, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter	Andy Ware, Morrow County
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Guests Attending Remotely

Preston Frick, Perry County	Andy Shifflett, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter
Jim Lenner, Neighborhood Strategies	Nick Soulas, FCEO
Shadrack Afful Mensah	Lauren Zacharyasz, City of Gahanna

Meeting Called to Order – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair

Chair Erik Janas called the Commission meeting to order at 1:36 p.m. followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Recognition of Guests – Eileen Leuby, MORPC Membership Services Officer

Eileen Leuby welcomed Cassie Morr from Commissioner Kevin Boyce's Office.

Executive Director's Report – William Murdock, MORPC Executive Director

William Murdock presented the Executive Director's Report remotely as he is continuing to mend from a prolonged illness. He is not at one hundred percent yet but hopes to be back in person soon. He thanked the Commission for their patience.

Mr. Murdock is proud of the MORPC Team for their work this summer. The Team worked hard and enthusiastically to help communities. A lot of big things happened: RAPID 5 just received a \$1 million donation; we hosted a Social Media Forum, the National Association of Regional Councils Annual Conference, and the Ohio Conference on Freight.

MORPC is experiencing a competitive employee market and have several job openings. Reach out to Mr. Murdock with recommendations. Our new HR Director Andrea Doolittle is appreciated and critical to filling the positions quicker.

Over 30 communities participated in this year's Salary Survey. The survey is a great tool for budgeting and staff retention.

MORPC is organizing the August 26 Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) Candidate Forum. Governor DeWine and Mayor Nan Whaley are confirmed. We invited the Senate candidates and are hoping they will accept. The Forum is not a debate. The candidates present an opening statement followed by a question-and-answer time focusing on infrastructure, local government and regions. The candidates are not on stage at the same time.

Passage of the CHIPS Act was great news for the Intel Project. MORPC continues to meet with the Governor's Office and ODOT to negotiate funding. The next Intel Planning Forum is September 22 and focuses on sustainability. Mr. Murdock thanked LCATS and the Licking County Planning Commission for being great partners in getting ready for the major investment.

In July, COTA decided to not move forward with the LinkUS ballot issue. The LinkUS Team is working with partners to look for ways to move parts of LinkUS forward so momentum does not slow down.

Mr. Murdock congratulated Shawn Hufstedler, Anthony Perry and MORPC's Finance Team for receiving the Auditor of State Award with Distinction for the 2021 audit. This happened during COVID and turnover of financial leadership.

Mr. Murdock congratulated Patty Olmsted, Mary Ann Frantz, Nick Gill, Thea Ewing and the Gohio Commute Team for receiving the 2022 Outstanding Achievement in Transportation Demand Management, Commuting Options Award from the Association for Commuter Transportation (ACT).

Quarterly Membership Update – Eileen Leuby, MORPC Membership Services Officer

Eileen Leuby presented the [Membership Services Report](#) highlighting:

- Trail Town Visioning

- Summer Internship Program Celebrations & Special Events
- Denison Edge – new educational partnership with Denison University – MORPC members' employees receive discount
- Upcoming Events
 - Planning Together Local Governments & Schools – September 29
 - Bellefontaine Hometown Revitalization – October 27
 - Inventive Recruiting & Retention Post Pandemic – November 3
 - Bold Decision-Making to Add Affordable Housing – December 8
- Regional Collaborations
 - Southwest – September 27, Prairie Township
 - Southeast – November 29, Fairfield County Workforce Center

Economic Development Update – Megan Stein, MORPC Economic Development Officer and Abby Barnes, MORPC Grants & Investment Officer

Megan Stein and Abby Barnes presented [MORPC's Economic Development District](#). MORPC's Economic Development Team is visiting the eleven counties that are part of the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The presentation is a snapshot of what the team presents to each county. With the approval of the eleven counties, MORPC will submit the Economic Development District (EDD) designation proposal this fall. The EDD will be a separate entity with an autonomous board. As of the date of this meeting, MORPC's Team has met with eight of the eleven counties. So far, MORPC has received six letters of support for the designation. The Team also updates the counties on available funding opportunities in the region and on the Competitive Advantage Projects (CAP) program.

Committees

Transportation Policy Committee – Erik Janas (Franklin County), MORPC Chair

Chair Janas called the Transportation Policy Committee Session to order at 2:04 p.m. The session adjourned at 2:22 p.m. Separate minutes are attached.

Sustainability Advisory Committee – Ben Kessler (City of Bexley), Sustainability Advisory Committee Chair

Ben Kessler presented the [Sustainability Advisory Committee Report](#). August is National Water Quality Month. The Regional Sustainability Agenda includes several strategies for protecting and preserving Central Ohio Watersheds. Be the Change for Clean Water is bringing together ten counties and multiple partners to provide education, resources and opportunities. More information is available at bethechangeformcleanwater.org. On August 15, MORPC is hosting "The Future of the Scioto Watershed" webinar.

The Village of Shawnee Hills is the newest Sustainable2050 member. The next Sustainable2050 meeting is September 16.

Mayor Kessler welcomed MORPC's new Air Quality & Sustainability Coordinator, Prince Kwarteng-Crooklynn. Prince joins MORPC from ODOT where he served as a statewide planning graduate intern. Prior to that he worked with MORPC as an Easton Future Vision Fellow for the City of Gahanna.

June 2022 was the first month MORPC issued Air Quality Alerts in nearly two years. Despite the air quality conditions in June, the Central Ohio region remains on track.

Regional Policy Roundtable – David Scheffler (City of Lancaster), Regional Policy Roundtable Chair

David Scheffler presented the [Regional Policy Roundtable Update](#). The August 26 OARC Candidates Forum is an opportunity for the gubernatorial candidates to share their platforms and answer questions. The next Regional Policy Roundtable Meeting is August 16. The Roundtable will form the 2023-2024 Public Policy Agenda Working Group being chaired by Lourdes Barroso de Padilla. See Joe Garrity if interested in serving on the Working Group. Mayor Scheffler announced the hiring of a new member of the MORPC Government Affairs Team: Kyle Probert began August 8 as the Public Policy Coordinator.

- **Legislative Update – Steve Tugend, Kegler Brown Hill + Ritter and Joseph Garrity, MORPC Senior Director of Government Affairs & Community Engagement**

Joe Garrity and Steve Tugend gave the legislative update highlighting the following:

- Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (CHIPS) Act
- Reconciliation bill
- Fiscal Year 23 appropriations
- MORPC's Public Policy Fellow, James Holley, leaving for Fellow position with federal government
- Ohio Primary results
- Central Ohio Defense Group
- Defense earmarks
- National Guard Annual Conference (NGAUS)

See the [August 2022 Monthly Legislative Update](#) for other legislative news.

Commission Consent Agenda

Joe Antram made a motion to approve the Commission Consent Agenda, second by Pamela Hykes O'Grady; motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 2:39 p.m.

Michelle Crandall, Secretary

Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission



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Memorandum

TO: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Executive Committee
Officers and Board Members

FROM: Kerstin Carr
Chief Regional Strategy Officer & Senior Director of Planning

DATE: August 26, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution 11-22: **“Authorizing the executive director to enter into and administer a contract for up to \$175,000 with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to support online distribution of existing 208-related information, update plans for Licking and Delaware Counties, and host educational opportunities around wastewater infrastructure needs”**

This resolution authorizes the executive director to enter into and administer a contract with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) related to a 15-month process for continued support around water management planning. For this work scope, MORPC will focus on generating a GIS layer of existing Central Ohio planning areas and associated prescriptions, update the plans for Licking and Delaware Counties, host a workshop in partnership with OEPA to focus on preparing communities for wastewater infrastructure needs considering rapid growth and development, and coordinate with OEPA to prepare drafts and encourage participation in the public notice process for Fairfield and Morrow Counties.

Water Quality Management (208) plans describe and promote efficient and comprehensive programs for controlling water pollution from point and nonpoint sources in a defined geographic area. OEPA reviews and updates, as necessary, the state's 208 Plan. Typically, Areawide Agencies prepare and approve the 208 Plan in their counties. The Governor then certifies the entire 208 Plan via submission to U.S. EPA for their approval.

MORPC was asked in 2017 to develop an updated and comprehensive Central Ohio Water Resources Plan for the 7-county region. Since completion of this project, OEPA has asked MORPC to develop and update additional county plans as well as to ensure maintenance of the existing county plans and to support educational efforts.

While MORPC is not a designated Areawide Agency, it will, on behalf of OEPA and in consultation with local governments and planning organizations in the region, complete the 208-related planning work typically performed by an Areawide Agency, but will not provide dispute resolution.

Attachment: Resolution 11-22

William Murdock, AICP
Executive Director

Erik J. Janas
Chair

Chris Amorose Grooms
Vice Chair

Michelle Crandall
Secretary

RESOLUTION 11-22

“Authorizing the executive director to enter into and administer a contract for up to \$175,000 with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency to support online distribution of existing 208-related information, update plans for Licking and Delaware Counties, and host educational opportunities around wastewater infrastructure needs”

WHEREAS, the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) maintains an ongoing role regarding water resources in Central Ohio in providing direct services, technical and educational support, event planning, and community committees; and

WHEREAS, MORPC has an interest in providing further water quality planning and technical support services for the region; and

WHEREAS, the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) and MORPC have agreed upon an arrangement by which MORPC, on behalf of OEPA, will assist with planning and outreach work associated with the requirements of a Water Quality Management Plan, except for dispute resolution; and

WHEREAS, OEPA sought assistance from MORPC to add existing 208 water quality management plans to their online network, maintain and update existing plans, and support outreach and education; and

WHEREAS, OEPA has allocated up to \$175,000 to cover staff time associated with administering these planning efforts; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

- Section 1. That the executive director is authorized to enter into and administer a 15-month contract for up to \$175,000 with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) to assist OEPA with updating, maintaining, and distributing existing plans while also providing educational opportunities.
- Section 2. That the executive director is authorized to approve one or more extensions for performance of services under the foregoing agreements and change orders for amounts up to the financial authorization levels in the MORPC bylaws without further authorization from this Commission.
- Section 3. That the executive director is authorized to take such other action and execute and deliver such other documents as, acting with the advice of legal counsel, he shall deem necessary and appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.
- Section 4. That this Commission finds and determines that all formal deliberations and actions of this Commission concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this Commission.

Erik J. Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Resolution 11-22

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Effective date: September 8, 2022
Submitted by: Kerstin Carr, Chief Regional Strategy Officer & Senior Director of Planning
Prepared by: Brandi Whetstone, Sustainability Officer
Authority: Ohio Revised Code Section 713.21
For action date: September 8, 2022



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Memorandum

TO: Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
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FROM: Thea Ewing,
Chief Regional Development Officer & Senior Director of Planning

DATE: August 26, 2022

SUBJECT: Proposed Resolution 12-22: **“Authorizing the executive director to participate in contracts awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Cooperative Purchasing Program”**

This resolution authorizes the executive director to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Purchasing Services Cooperative Purchasing Program.

The ODOT Director may permit any political subdivision as defined in Section 5513.01 (B) of the Ohio Revised Code to participate in contracts into which the director has entered for purchases.

ODOT maintains competitively bid contracts for items that are bought throughout the year. Purchasing off the ODOT program is similar but separate from the Ohio Department of Administrative Services, Office of State Purchasing.

This resolution will be submitted to ODOT Purchasing Services for authorization. After ODOT's authorization, MORPC will place orders and pay invoices directly with the vendor.

Attachment: Resolution 12-22

RESOLUTION 12-22

“Authorizing the executive director to participate in contracts awarded by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Cooperative Purchasing Program”

WHEREAS, Section 5513.01 (B) of the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) provides eligible political subdivisions to participate in contracts of the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) Purchasing Services Cooperative Purchasing Program for purchases; and

WHEREAS, purchases will include various lift equipped light transit, modified mini vans or accessible vehicles; and

WHEREAS, according to the definition of political subdivision in Section 5513.01 (B) of the ORC, a regional planning commission is eligible to purchase off ODOT’s Complete Purchasing Program contracts; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION:

- Section 1. That the executive director hereby requests authority in the name of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) to participate in the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) contracts for the purchase of items which the department has entered into pursuant to the Ohio Revised Code (ORC) Section 5513.01 (B).
- Section 2. That the executive director is hereby authorized to agree in the name of MORPC to be bound by all terms and conditions as the ODOT, Director of Transportation prescribes.
- Section 3. That the executive director is hereby authorized to agree in the name of MORPC to directly pay vendors, under such contract of ODOT, which MORPC participates, for it received pursuant to the contract.
- Section 4. That MORPC agrees to be responsible for resolving all claims or disputes arising out of its participation in the cooperative purchasing program under Section 5513.01 (B) of the ORC. MORPC agrees to waive any claims, actions, expenses, or other damages arising out of its participation in the cooperative purchasing program which MORPC may have or claim to have against ODOT or its employees, unless such liability is the result of negligence on the part of ODOT or its employees.
- Section 5. That the executive director is authorized to approve change orders for amounts up to the financial authorization levels in the MORPC bylaws without further authorization from this Commission.
- Section 6. That the executive director is authorized to take such other action and execute and deliver such other documents as, acting with the advice of legal counsel, he shall deem necessary and appropriate to carry out the intent of this resolution.
- Section 7. That this Commission finds and determines that all formal deliberations and actions of this Commission concerning and relating to the adoption of this resolution were taken in open meetings of this Commission.

Erik Janas, Chair
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

Effective date: September 8, 2022
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