# Transportation Public Participation Plan



#### Federal Requirement

- As the MPO, the Council is required to develop a public participation plan under 23 §CFR450.316.
- Serves as a framework for:
  - Public involvement
  - Outreach and engagement
  - Also outlines how we do this work and what the goals are for participation



# **Background – Council Policies that Guide Participation**

- Thrive MSP 2040
- Public Engagement Plan
- Transportation Policy Plan



### **Guiding Principles**

- Transportation is about people
- Participation should:
  - Be meaningful
  - Facilitate discussion
  - Be inclusive, specifically to underrepresented communities
- Use multiple methods for public comments
- Meet people where they are
- Promoted opportunities widely and often



# Goals and Desired Outcomes of Participation

- Provide a range of opportunities/venues for public participation
- Identify and engage key audiences
- Connect with a large cross section of the region
- Gather input and educate constituencies



# **Applying to Transportation Plans and Programs**

- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
- Air Quality Conformity Determination (AQCD)



#### Strategies for Public Participation

- Use the internet and other web-based resources
- Convene stakeholders and constituencies to get ideas, feedback and suggestions
- Community involvement in planning stages



### Measuring Success

- Are we consistent with Thrive and the TPP?
  - Have we built partnerships?
  - Are we supporting the key goals in Thrive, the TPP and the PEP?
  - Have we engaged transportation stakeholders according to the TPP?



#### Next Steps

10/24/16 10/26/16

10/26 thru 12/9

1/4

1/18

1/23

1/25

**Transportation Committee** 

Full Council

**Public Comment Period (45 days)** 

TAC recommends PPP

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Full Council



#### Thank You!

Any questions?

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