

2040 Transportation Policy Plan Update Schedule and Overview of Changes

May 2020



TPP Update Schedule and Process

- Schedule for public review and adoption of the 2040 Transportation Policy Plan Update:
 - May 20 TAB recommendation to release for public comment
 - June 8 Council Transportation Committee recommendation for release
 - June 24 Council approval to release for public comment
 - Late June through early August public review and comment period
 - Aug-Sept revise and review in response to public comment
 - Oct 21 TAB recommendation for adoption
 - Nov 25 Council adoption of TPP Update
- Council, TAB and its committees meeting on-line, providing written comments
- Comments are tracked and responses and edits incorporated prior to public comment as appropriate

Recognizing COVID-19 Outbreak

- Language recognizing the COVID-19 Outbreak incorporated into Overview, Highways, Transit, Bicycle and Pedestrian, Aviation, Equity and Environmental Justice and Work Program chapters
- Acknowledge the short and potential long term impacts the outbreak will have on travel behavior, transportation revenues and spending priorities for the transportation system
- Acknowledge that understanding the impacts will take time and significant analysis
- Commits to three major Work Program items related to analyzing impacts on travel behavior; highway and transit revenues and spending; and the aviation system

Overview and Chapter 1-3 Changes

Overview Changes:

- New Covid-19 event language
- Travel Behavior Inventory results
- Reflects changes made to other chapters primarily transit finance, map updates with new projects, new Work Program items

Chapter 1 Transportation System Vision and Planning,

Chapter 2 Transportation Policy Plan Strategies,

Chapter 3 Land Use and Local Planning:

- Minimal to no changes to these chapters

Chapters 4 - 5 Proposed Changes

Chapter 4 Finance:

- Changes relate to Transit revenues and spending
- Incorporates Riverview LRT financials into Current Revenue Scenario
- Include D Line as fully funded
- Updated MVST forecast
- Total Revenues and Spending increase to \$93.5B, Transit at \$36.5B

Chapter 5 Highways:

- Project updates primarily from 2018 Regional Solicitation along with maps
- Freeway System Interchange Study results
- Definition of regionally significant project added

Chapter 6 Transit Changes

- Updated information about existing system, recent improvements, Transitway status updates, park-and-ride system changes
- Updated discussion of transit advantages (e.g. bus lane pilots)
- 2020 Regional Solicitation discussion
 - New ABRT funding category
- Updated status of recent activity for:
 - Shared mobility, emerging technology, and microtransit
 - Electric buses
 - Metro Mobility

Chapter 7 Bicycle and Pedestrian Changes

Bicycle

- Updates to Regional Bicycle Transportation Network (RBTN) status description and maps of corridors and alignments
- Acknowledge new process to update RBTN aligned with Regional Solicitation 2-year cycle
- Describe RBTN Bikeway Facility Guidelines and Measures Study
- Incorporate results of Regional Bicycle Barriers Study (RBBS)

Pedestrian

- Crash data and counts update
- Recent work completed on Strategic Highway Safety Plan and Vision Zero and Safe Routes to School

Chapter 8 – 9 Changes

Chapter 8 Freight:

- Description of process to update Regional Truck Freight Corridors
- Added reference to new Industrial Land Atlas Mapping Tool

Chapter 9 Aviation:

- Very few changes in the Aviation Chapter and Appendices
- MSP Long Term Comprehensive Plan (LTCP) now scheduled to be completed by the end of 2021 (on hold due to Covid-19 event)

Chapter 10 -11 Changes

Chapter 10 Equity and Environmental Justice:

- Updated American Community Survey data to update regional averages, maps, and highway proximity analysis
- Updated accessibility analysis (comparing Current Revenue Scenario to no build for people of color for accessibility to types of destinations by mode)

Chapter 11 Air Quality and Environment:

- Reflects attainment status for CO and makes a conformity finding for PM₁₀
- New data on compliance with National Ambient Air Quality Standards
- Updated information on VW Settlement funding through MPCA

Chapters 12 – 13 Changes

Chapter 12 Congestion Management Process:

- Minimal changes

Chapter 13 Performance Outcomes:

- Updates to adopted federal performance measures
- Update to trends/existing performance
- New modeled results for the current revenue scenario for performance measures (no significant changes)

Chapter 14 Work Program Covid Items

- Travel Behavior short- and long-term changes
 - Conduct special household survey during COVID
 - Trip purposes, non-essential versus essential trips, trip frequency and lengths
 - Telecommuting and on-line commerce
- Transportation System Financial Impacts
 - Highway and Transit financial analyses
 - Revenue sources growth assumptions
 - Spending adjustments
- Aviation System
 - Airline passenger demand and capacity, business versus personal travel
 - Revenue impacts

Chapter 14 Work Program Other New Items

- Assessment of Regional Congestion Mitigation Philosophy
- Microtransit and Shared Mobility Access to Transit
- Mobility Hub Planning Guide
- RBTN Bikeway Facility Guidelines and Measures Study
- Industrial Land Atlas Mapping Tool (led by Community Development)
- Electric Vehicles Planning Study
- Inventory and Planning Scenarios for Greenhouse Gas Emissions (led by Community Development)

Questions?

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