

MPAC Worksheet

Agenda Item Title: 2023 Regional Transportation Plan – Vision and Priority Outcomes

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Purpose/Objective

- Provide an update on the scoping process
- Seek feedback on the 2018 RTP vision and priority outcomes
 - See **Attachment 1** for discussion worksheet and background information on the 2018 RTP vision, priority outcomes and adopted goals and objectives

Outcome

MPAC feedback on these policy questions:

- Do you have feedback on the 2018 RTP vision? Anything missing?
- What policy outcomes are most important for this update to address? Anything missing?
- Do you have other feedback for the work plan and engagement plan for the update?

What has changed since MPAC last considered this issue/item?

Metro is initiating a major update to the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). With MPAC support, the Metro Council adopted with the 2018 RTP in 2018. The next plan update is due by Dec. 6, 2023.

- In October 2021, the Metro Council, the Joint Policy Advisory Committee on Transportation (JPACT) and MPAC provided feedback on the scoping process and priorities to be addressed through the update.
- Since October, staff continued to seek input from local, regional and state partners, community and business leaders and the public. Research and engagement activities have focused on identifying transportation trends and challenges affecting the quality of life in the region, priorities for the update to address, and ways to engage local, regional and state public officials and staff, community and business leaders and members of the public in shaping the updated plan. Activities included:
 - **Briefings and presentations to regional advisory committees and county-level coordinating committees** (policymakers and staff) on the 2023 RTP process.
 - **Four language-specific focus groups** conducted as part of updating Metro's Limited English Proficiency Plan. Participants included historically underrepresented community members (people of color, people with low-income and people with limited English proficiency). A summary report will be available in early 2022.
 - **One community leaders forum.** Metro invited more the 60 community representatives from culturally-specific, environmental justice and transportation-focused community based organizations from across the region. Thirteen community leaders participated. A summary report will be available in January.
 - **Participation in a Tribal Summit on Climate Leadership.** The summit provided an opportunity for the Metro Council and senior staff to learn about the challenges Tribes are facing regarding climate change and the Tribes' respective priorities for addressing these challenges. The summit also aimed to explore opportunities for partnership and collaboration with the Tribes in support of Metro's efforts to advance the region's six

desired outcomes and other goals and priorities of the agency, including implementation of the [2040 Growth Plan](#), [Metro's Strategic Plan for Advancing Racial Equity, Diversity and Inclusion](#) and [Climate Smart Strategy](#).

- **Interviews** of local, regional and state public officials and Portland-area business and community leaders. The interviews have been completed. A summary report will be available in January.

UPCOMING SCOPING ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Scoping engagement activities will continue in early 2022 to seek feedback on the vision and priorities for the future transportation system, topics to be the focus of the technical work and policy discussions and ideas for how best to engage public officials, community and business leaders and the public in shaping the updated plan. Planned activities include:

- **On-line survey** on transportation trends and challenges affecting the quality of life in the region and the plan's vision and priority outcomes for the future transportation system.
- **Briefings and presentations to regional advisory committees**, including Metro's Committee on Racial Equity (CORE), and county-level coordinating committees (policy and staff).
- **Consultation meetings** with Federal and State Agencies and Tribes.

The central themes and topics identified through these different engagement activities will be summarized in a scoping engagement report. The topics identified during the scoping phase in combination with recommendations from the 2018 Regional Transportation Plan and more recently completed studies, and new federal and state requirements will inform the draft work plan and engagement plan developed to guide the plan update.

NEXT STEPS FOR SHAPING 2023 RTP WORK PLAN AND ENGAGEMENT PLAN

A schedule of the scoping engagement activities and Metro Council and regional advisory committee discussions is provided in **Attachment 2**. Upcoming discussions include:

- **January to February 2022** Metro Council, regional advisory committees and stakeholders discuss values, priorities and desired outcomes; engage stakeholders through interviews, online survey, consultation with Tribes and federal and state agencies to inform work plan and engagement strategy.
- **February to March 2022** Metro Council and regional advisory committees discuss draft work plan and engagement strategy.
- **March 2022** JPACT and Metro Council consider approval of work plan and engagement strategy (by Resolution).

What packet material do you plan to include?

1. Discussion worksheet and background information on the 2018 RTP vision, priority outcomes and adopted goals and objectives
2. Schedule of the scoping engagement activities
3. Proposed planning process for the 2023 Regional Transportation Plan Update
4. Overview of 2023 RTP Update