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Long Range Transportation Plan - 2035

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Community Committee Meeting#1 Overview of the Process-Goals-Issues



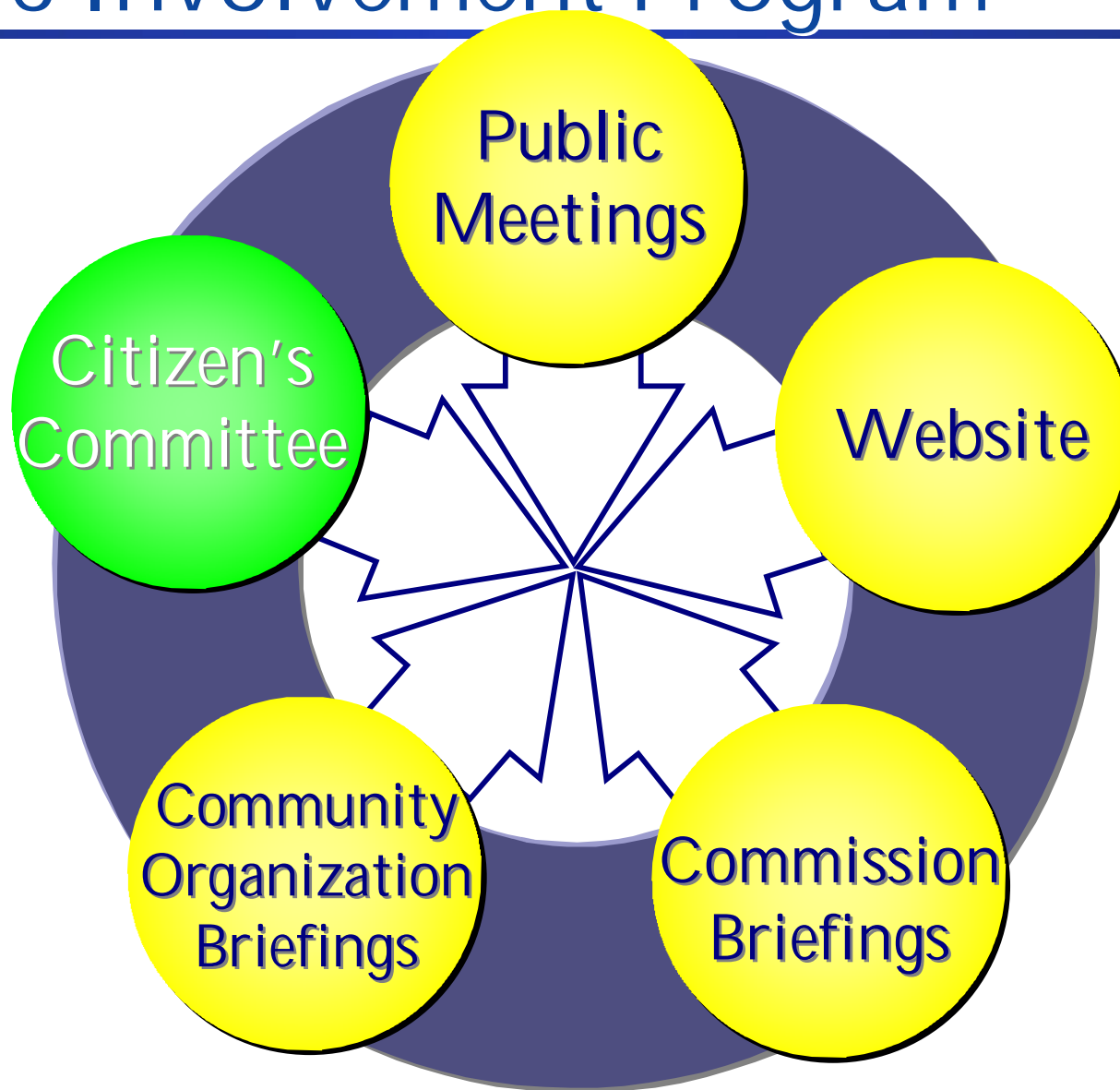


Meeting Agenda

- Introductions
- Meeting Purpose:
 - Overview of the LRTP Update
 - Introduce idea of Community Committee
 - Overview of role
 - Anyone want to change their mind?
 - Issues Discussion
 - Transportation System Planning Goals
- Transportation Issues Discussion
 - Previous studies
 - New (Discussion)
- Wrap Up



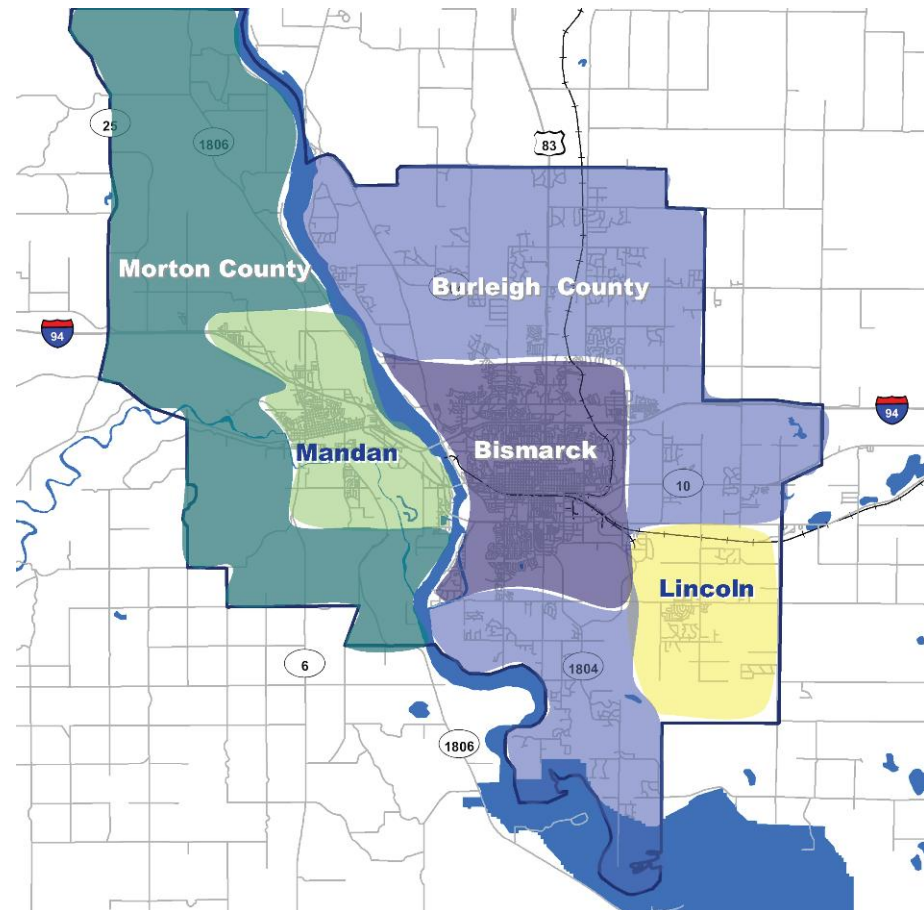
Public Involvement Program





Community Committee

- Neighborhood Representation
- Multimodal Users
 - Bicyclists
 - Pedestrian
 - Transit
 - Persons with Disabilities
- Business/Institutional Representation
 - Emergency Responders
 - Education
 - Health Care
 - Employers
 - Parks and Recreation





Community Committee Role

- Review/Provide Feedback on Interim Products:
 - Goals/Objectives
 - Transportation Issues
 - Improvement Alternatives Review (extended workshop)
 - Alternate Improvement Plans
 - Preliminary Recommendations
 - Final Recommendations
- Let Others Know Where can Get Information
- Broaden Involvement
- Ease Implementation (In Future)



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Overview of the Metropolitan Planning Organization



What is the MPO?

- National Program – Any Metro Area Over 50K
- The MPO is authorized by Federal Law
- Local Coordination Body for Federal Transportation Funds
- Forum for Public Officials, Citizens, and Businesses to Address Transportation Issues
- Prepares the following products:
 - Long Range Transportation Plan
 - Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
 - Studies





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Better Yet – Who Is the MPO

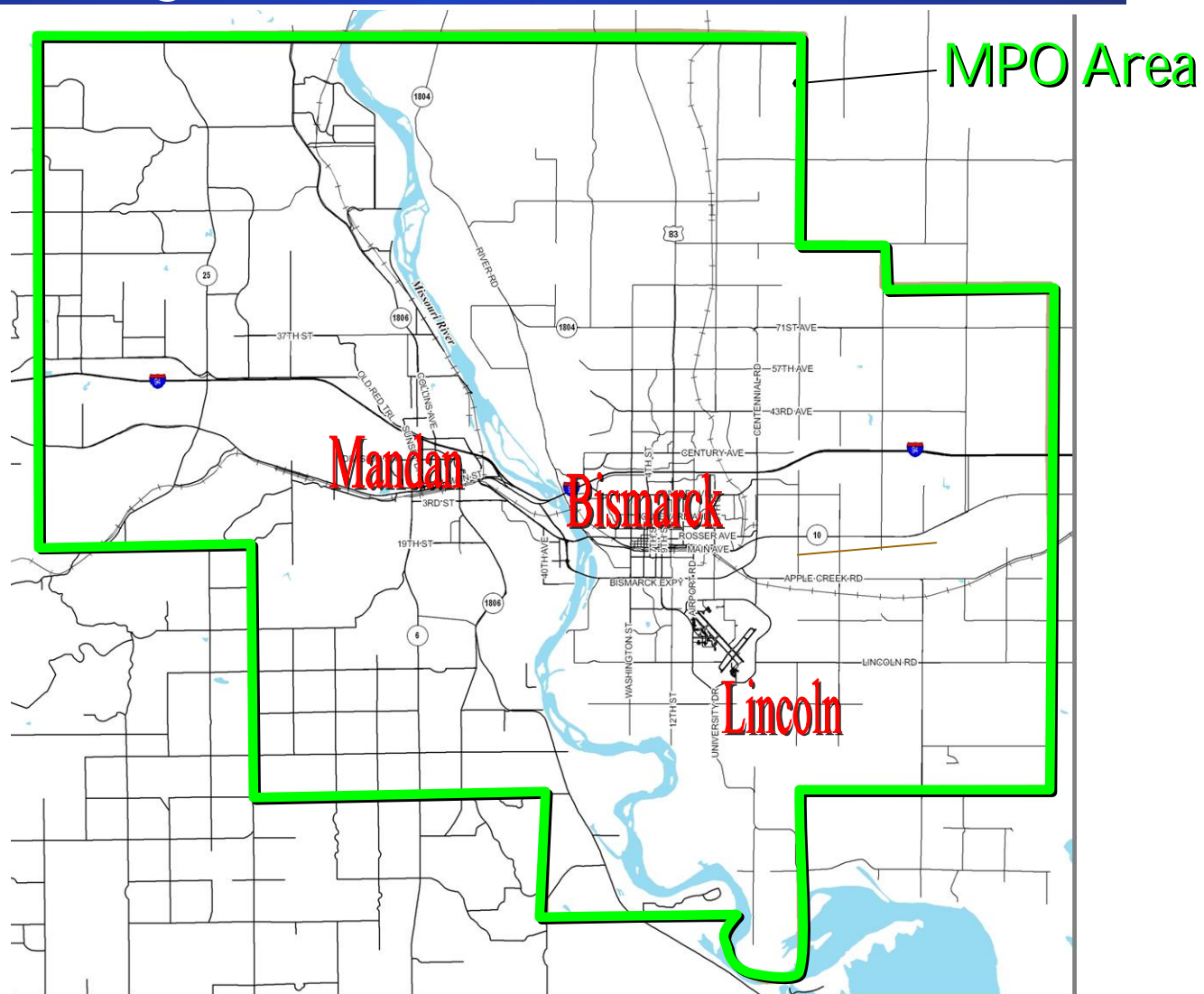
- Executive Board – Mayors/Commissioners/
NDDOT/Transit
- Technical Committee - Staff
- Executive Director – Carl Hokenstad
- Transportation Planners:
 - Steve Saunders
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L RTP Study Area





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Long Range Transportation Plan



The Transportation Plan

- The Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP):
 - Multimodal:
 - Roadways
 - Trails/Sidewalks
 - Transit
 - Lists the area's transportation improvement priorities
 - Covers 20+ years
 - Includes all modes of travel
 - Identifies funding needs/capabilities
 - Focus is on routes/programs that use Federal funds





Groups in the Plan Update Process

- Public:
 - Open meetings
 - Community Committee
 - Website material
- MPO Technical Advisory Committee – staff from:
 - Bismarck, Mandan and Lincoln
 - Burleigh and Morton Counties
 - Bis-Man Transit
 - North Dakota Department of Transportation
 - Trucking industry
- MPO Policy Board – Mayors/Commissioners from member jurisdictions – Decision makers





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The LRTP Update Study

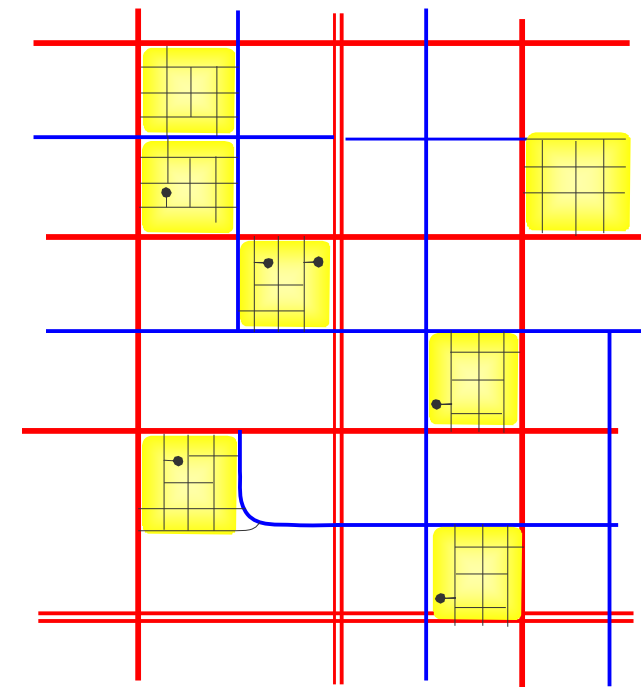
- Current 2030 LRTP was Completed in 2004
- Federal Government Requires Updates every 5 Years
- 2008/09 Update 2035 Planning Horizon
- Update will be completed by Dec 2009





What is Not Covered in the LRTP?

- Neighborhood Street Needs
 - Other than at Collector/Arterial intersections
- Roadway Maintenance Projects
 - Other than in budgeting
- Detailed Design of Improvement
 - General corridors – Yes
 - Typical number of lanes – Yes
 - Signal timing – No
 - Grading needs - No
- Detailed Environmental Review
- Enforcement/Construction Issues



Legend

-  - Arterial Roadway
-  - Collector Roadway
-  - Local Street (Generally Not Included)

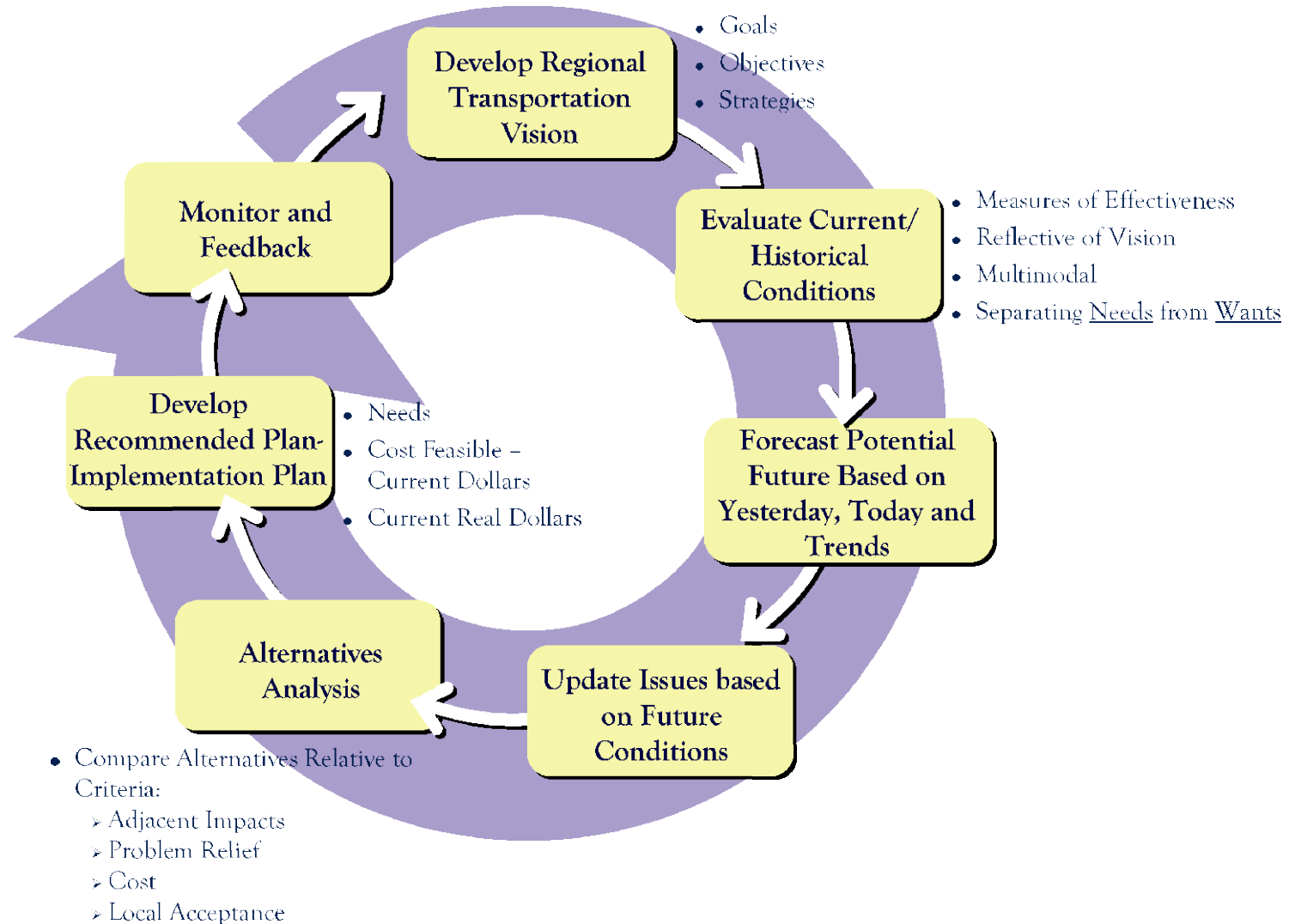


L RTP Alternatives Considered

- Management (Doing More with What We Have):
 - Upgrading to signals
 - Adding turn lanes
 - Driveway changes/consolidation
 - Convert to/from one-way pairs
 - Carpool/Vanpool/Flexible Work Schedules
- Expansion (Doing More with More):
 - Add Through Lanes
 - New roads in developing areas
 - New interchanges
 - Extended/new trails
 - Increased transit coverage/service hours / frequency
- Enhancements (Integrating Modes):
 - Trails/sidewalks



L RTP Process





L RTP Schedule

Task	Date							
	April – June 2008	July – Sept 2008	Oct – Dec 2008	Jan – March 2009	April – June 2009	July – Sept 2009	Oct – Dec 2009	
Data Acquisition and Developing the Vision	[Red bar with star]		Plan Goals, Objectives and Evaluation Criteria					
Evaluate Current Transportation System Conditions		[Red bar with star]		Existing Conditions Report				
Evaluate Future (2035) Transportation System Conditions			[Red bar with star]		Future Conditions Report			
Alternatives Analysis				[Red bar with star]		Phase 1	Phase 2	
Plan Preparation, Review and Approval						[Red bar]	[Draft icon]	[Final icon]
Public Participation	[Blue bar]		Public Meeting				Public Meeting	Public Meeting



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Transportation Issues Discussion



Transportation Issues

- MPO and URS – Have Reviewed Documents
- Created a Summary of Issues:
 - Safety
 - Congestion
 - Trails
 - Pedestrians
 - Missing Links
 - Land Access
- Looking for Comments and Additional Input (If Missed Something)

Studies in Summary

- US 83 Corridor Study
- N-S Regional Beltway Study
- US 83 Corridor Study
- Interstate-Bismarck Expressway Corridor Study
- Lincoln Connector Study
- Bis-Man Transit TDP
- 12th Street Corridor Study
- Downtown Bismarck Parking Study
- Northern Bridge Corridor Study
- Division Street Corridor Study
- River Road Corridor Study



Transportation Issues

- Use Maps to Note Locations
- Remember the Covered/Not Covered
- Use Comment Form:
 - Note Most Significant
 - Distribute “100 Bucks”
- \$100 Distribution:
 - Distribute by YOUR preference
 - List Other Areas if Not Included

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L RTP Covered-Not Covered

Covered

- Needs of Roadways of Regional Significance
 - Arterials and Collectors
- Transit System Needs
- Public Trail Needs
- Travel Management Programs
 - Rideshare/carpool/vanpool programs/ flexible work hours
 - Intelligent transportation systems (ITS)
- Corridor Preservation

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Thank You

- Discussion
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Look for Community Committee Button