

Why Should I Get Involved?

If you use transportation, you are involved!



You probably used some form of transportation today. Whether it's a car, bike, bus, wheelchair or walking – you are involved.

Transportation allows us to get to and from work, school, shopping, meetings, events, medical services, etc.



Transportation affects our quality of life, from the air we breathe, safety of our families, and to our own personal budgets.

The transportation system is designed to serve you. The funding to develop and maintain our transportation system comes from several sources – including your tax dollars!

Your input is critical to the overall quality of our region's transportation system, and to ensure your transportation needs are being met.



- What type of transportation do you use?
- Are you satisfied with your choices?
- Do you have any problems with this method?
- Would you like more options?

Interested in Getting Involved?

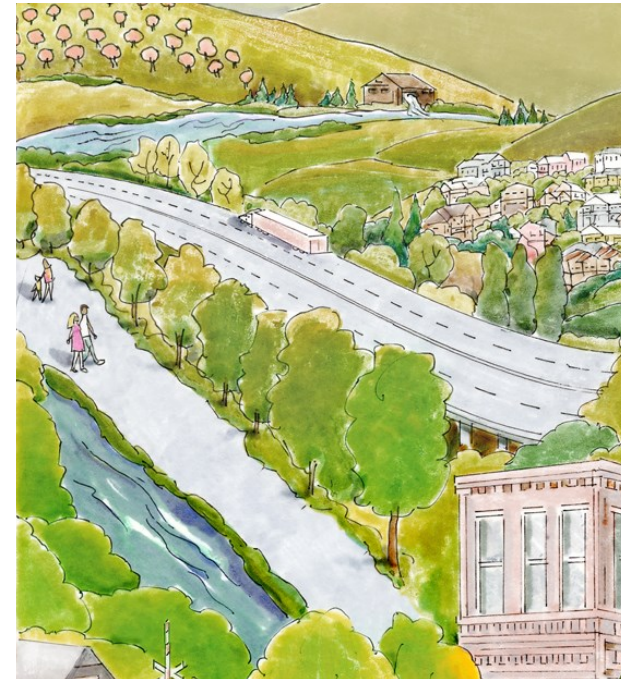
- Consider serving on the **Public Advisory Council (PAC)**, which is the public sounding board to the MPO Policy Committee. Email rvmpo@rvcog.org or call us at 541-664-6674.
- Visit the **RVMPO website**, www.rvmpo.org. There you can read and download our documents, learn about future events, read meeting minutes, review meeting agendas, and meet the staff.
- Join the **RVMPO email list** to receive notices when public meetings and comment periods are held. Email rvmpo@rvcog.org or call us at 541-664-6674.
- Why are there MPOs?
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jA8PH7-Gi00>



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Citizens Guide to Metropolitan Transportation Planning

Guide 2 Understanding the Transportation Planning Process



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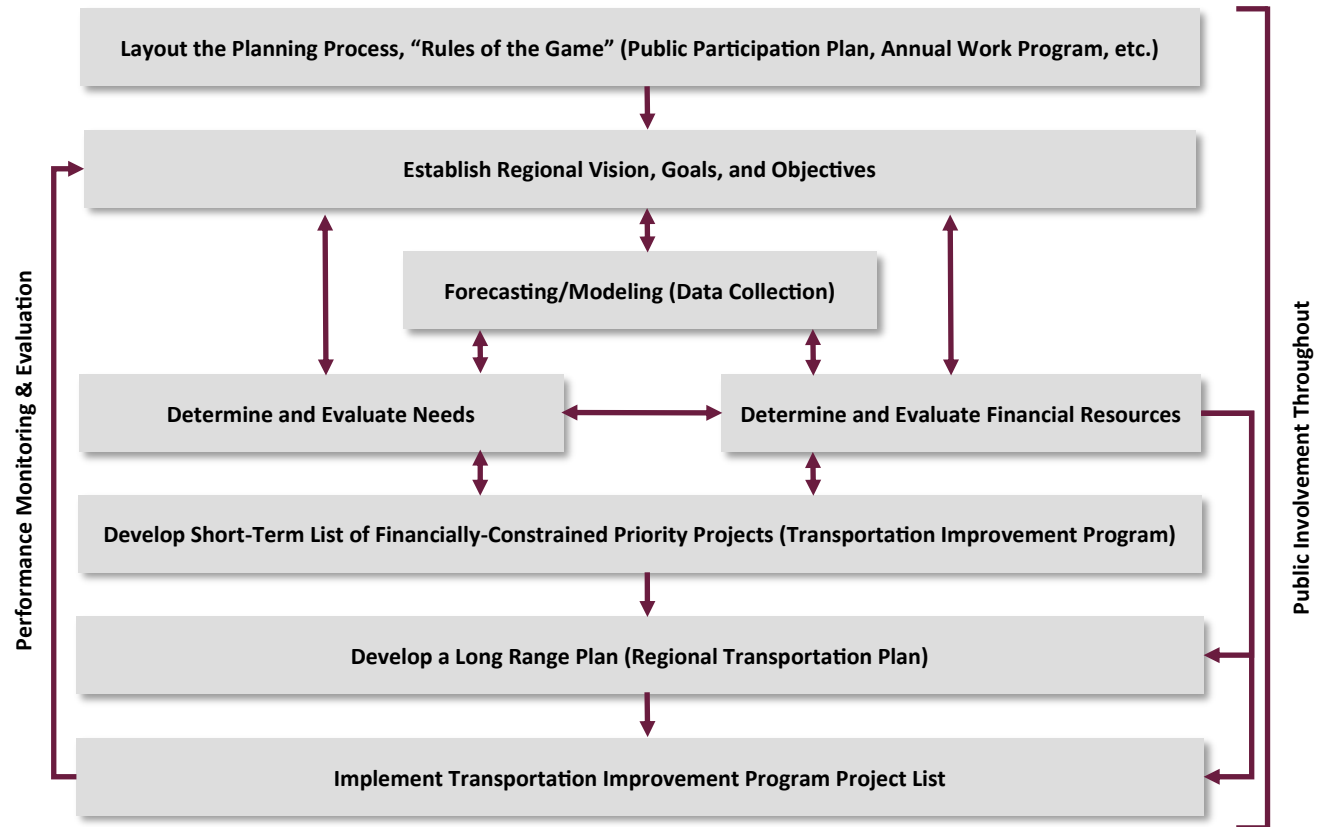
Understanding the Transportation Planning Process

The metropolitan transportation planning process brings people, information, and ideas together to inform regional transportation decisions. Transportation planning recognizes the critical links between transportation and larger societal goals and includes not only considerations such as mobility, accessibility, and connectivity, but also economic vitality, the environment, livability, social equity, safety, security, and financial constraints.

Transportation Planning Features:

- Monitoring existing conditions
- Forecasting future population growth, employment growth, and travel demand
- Identifying current and future transportation problems and needs
- Conducting planning studies to address transportation issues
- Developing long-range plans and short-range programs of capital improvements and operational strategies that address problems and needs
- Estimating the impacts of transportation improvements on air quality and populations of concern
- Developing financial plans for implementing the recommended improvements
- Involving the public throughout the process via public meetings, surveys, workshops, public hearings, comment periods, and more.

Transportation Planning Process



Public input is used to:

- Identify the goals, visions, opportunities, and needs of the region
- Identify significant projects
- Define alternative strategies
- Develop a long-range transportation plan that includes a list of eligible projects

From Planning to Implementation

Transportation projects are only implemented ("programmed") after a long, careful, inclusive planning process. Once needs are identified projects must be prioritized according to available funding. This process results in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), which is the document that tells which of the identified projects can be funded and built in the near future.