

VISUALIZE 2050

National Capital Region Transportation Plan

Agenda Item #3

PLAN AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

Visualize 2050 & FY 2026-2029 TIP

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Commuter Connections Subcommittee Meeting
May 20, 2025

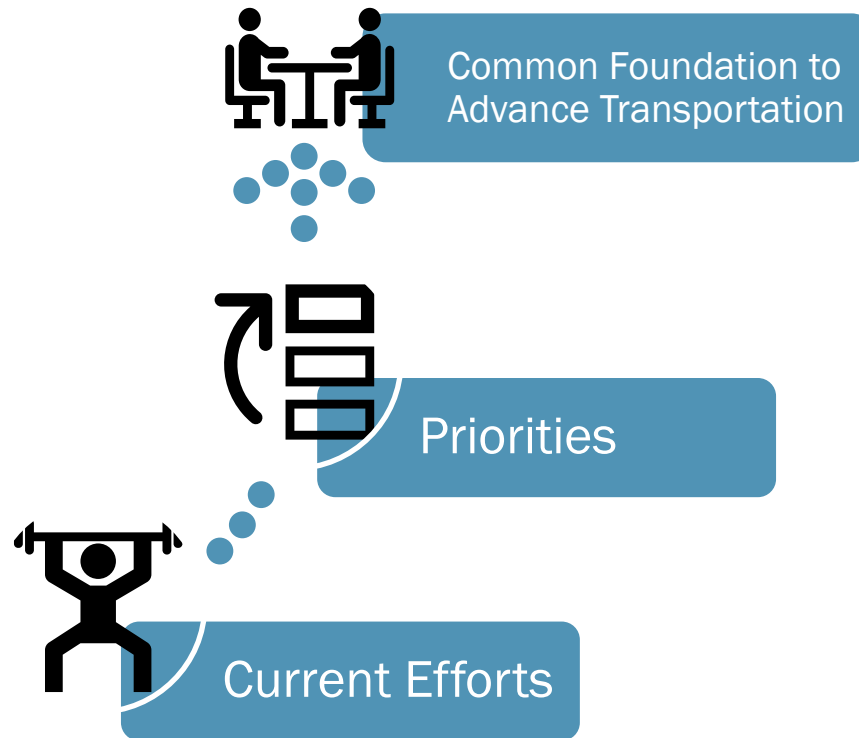


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Overview

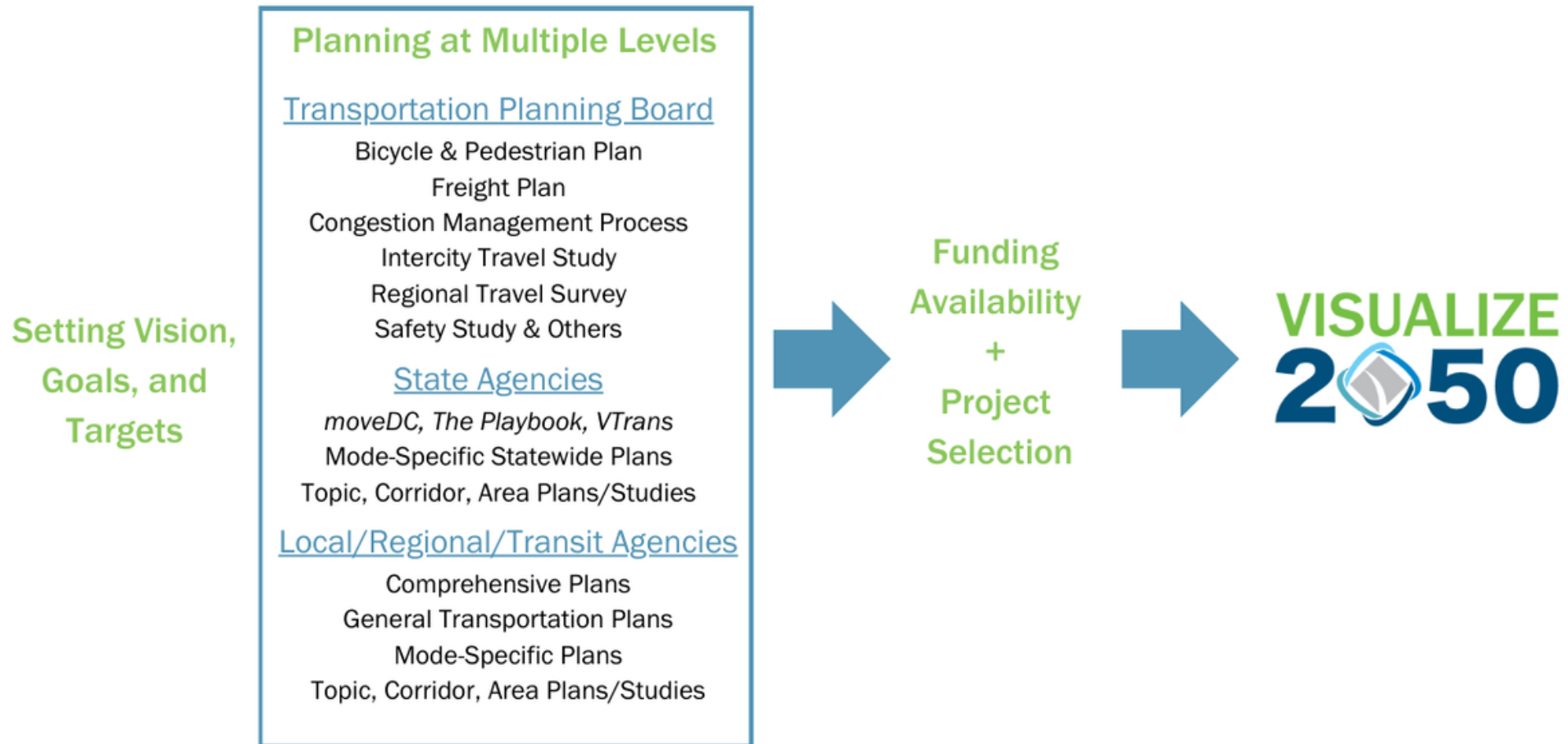
- Development of the National Capital Region Transportation Plan
- Overview of the Visualize 2050 Plan Contents
- Remaining Schedule
- New Visualize 2050 website

Goal for National Capital Region Transportation Plan



To communicate current efforts and priorities to provide stakeholders with a common foundation for advancing transportation.

NCR Transportation Planning Process



What is the Transportation Plan?



- Transportation System Today
- Current System Performance
- Impacts / Interaction With Societal Topics
- Financial Plan – Capital & Operations
 - 2050 System and Performance
 - Challenges Beyond the Plan
 - Moving Forward

Commuter Connections in Visualize 2050

- Commuter Connections is critical for the region's travel demand management strategies.
- Visualize 2050 reports on Commuter Connections and TDM throughout the plan:
 - Transportation Demand Management Today
 - System Management for Roadways
 - Relation to Air Quality
 - Financial Plan
 - Performance Analysis and TDM
 - Ongoing Challenges
 - Relation to TPB Goals and Priority Strategies

Key Takeaways for Commuter Connections

- The Commuter Connections Program has an ongoing role in providing employees with transportation options and reducing SOV travel while supporting the TPB in meeting its shared goals for affordable and convenient multimodal options and environmental protection.
 - Telework policies are shifting
 - Commuter Connections will continue to play an important role in incentivizing change in travel behavior
 - The impact on travel choices, air quality and ongoing monitoring
 - New HOV/HOT lanes bring more carpooling opportunities

Final Products

- Plan National Capital Region Transportation Plan (Transportation Plan), Visualize 2050, a point in time snapshot of the region's planning activities to deliver a better transportation system
- Program Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) lists planned financial obligations for the first four years of the Transportation Plan
- Process Ongoing work to improve transportation as shared in the plan & program
- Conformity Ensuring the region's planned activities meet air quality standards, both now and in the future

*Planning Together Today for
Better Travel Tomorrow*



Remaining Schedule: January - July

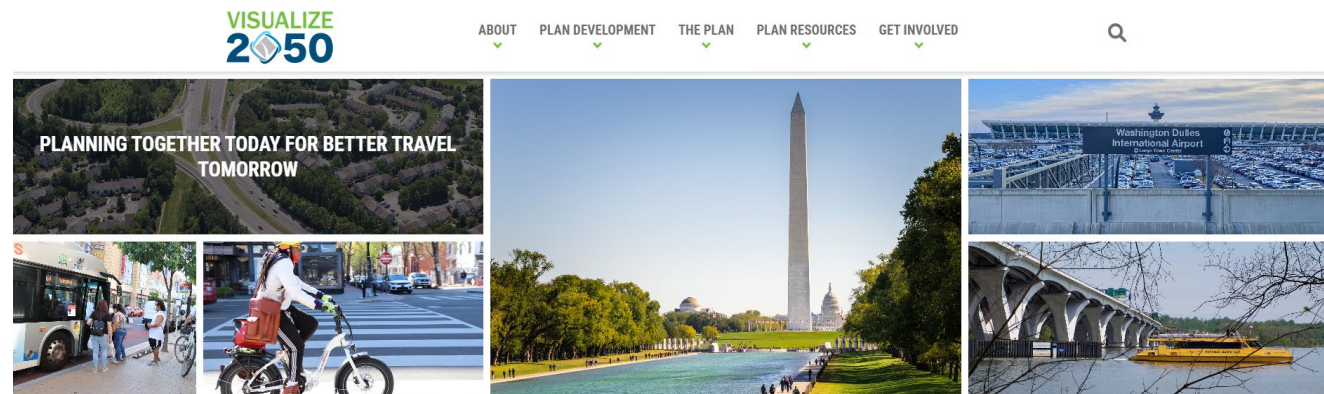
January – April 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TPB staff and agencies complete zero-based budgeting exercise.• TPB releases updated Technical Input Solicitation for TIP financial details on funding amounts by fiscal years between FY 2026-2029.• TPB receives a briefing at the April meeting from VDOT on the I-495/95 Southside Express Lanes (SEL) project.
May 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All remaining ZBB activities including detailed FY 2026-2029 TIP financial inputs due <u>Friday, May 9, 2025</u>.• TPB staff draft financial analysis for the plan and TIP.
June 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TPB staff draft AQC and performance analysis for the plan and TIP.
July 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TPB work session: Detailed presentation of the Air Quality Conformity Results, Financial Plan, and System Performance Assessment for both options – with and without the I-495/95 SEL project; VDOT SEL project update.• TPB meeting: Briefing on draft results of the Air Quality Conformity, financial plan and system performance analyses for both options; VDOT SEL project update. TPB to pick one option at its September meeting. TPB briefed on the draft system level key challenges beyond the current transportation plan.

Remaining Schedule: September–December

September 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TPB votes to move forward with or without the I-495 Southside Express Lanes project for continuation in the plan development and air quality conformity processes.• Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) and MWAQC Technical Advisory Committee (MWAQC-TAC) reviews draft results of AQC analysis for the updated plan and FY 2026–2029 TIP.• Staff finalize the draft plan, TIP, and AQC documents, website, and advertise the comment period.
October 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public comment period on the draft plan, TIP, and the results of AQC analysis for the updated plan and FY 2026-2029 TIP (tentative dates: <u>Saturday, October 4 – Sunday, November 2, 2025</u>).• TPB, TPB Technical Committee review the draft Visualize 2050 plan, FY 2026-2029 TIP, and Air Quality Conformity Analysis Report.
November 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TPB and Technical Committee receive a summary of the comments received on the analysis, plan and TIP; the agencies sponsoring the projects will have the opportunity to provide responses to comments.
December 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• TPB will be asked to approve the results of the AQC analysis and adopt the Visualize 2050 plan and the FY 2026-2029 TIP.

Visualize 2050 Website

- Website link: www.visualize2050.org
- Explains the National Capital Region Transportation Plan development process
- Brings the printed plan to life through interactive maps and chapters
- Highlights recent developments
- Supports TPB members and community members through resources
- Serves as the gateway for public participation



Share the Website

Ahead of the comment period:

- Share on your websites, in newsletters, on social posts
- Share at public meetings and with community organizations

During the comment period:

- Point to the draft plan, TIP, and Air Quality Conformity report
- Use the Ambassador Toolkit
- Use hashtag #Visualize2050
- Encourage comments!

**Think regionally.
Act locally.**

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