# VISUALIZE 2550 National Capital Region Transportation Plan

# PLAN AND PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT UPDATES

#### Visualize 2050 & FY 2026-2029 TIP

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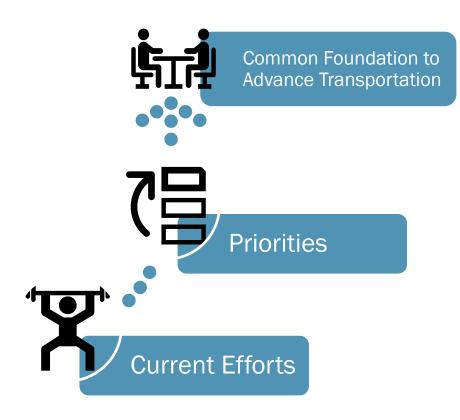


# **Overview**

- 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**

Setting Vision, Goals, and Targets

#### Planning at Multiple Levels

#### <u>Transportation Planning Board</u>

Bicycle & Pedestrian Plan
Freight Plan
Congestion Management Process
Intercity Travel Study
Regional Travel Survey
Safety Study & Others

#### State Agencies

moveDC, The Playbook, VTrans Mode-Specific Statewide Plans Topic, Corridor, Area Plans/Studies

#### Local/Regional/Transit Agencies

Comprehensive Plans
General Transportation Plans
Mode-Specific Plans
Topic, Corridor, Area Plans/Studies





# 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



# **Cooperative Forecast Data Use in Visualize 2050**

- Round 10.0 Cooperative Land Use Forecast helps develop and inform elements of the plan
  - Input into TPB's travel demand model helps estimate air quality, performance of the 2050 transportation network, and the cumulative impact of projects
  - Informs regional leaders on how the location of people and jobs may be changing and how that could impact transportation planning and programming



# **Key Takeaways for Cooperative Forecast Data**

- Cooperative Land Use Forecasts is both an input into the plan and an important driver of responsive regional planning towards desired outcomes of the TPB's policy framework:
  - More affordable housing within proximity to jobs.
  - More options for transit, bicycling, and walking.
  - Shorter trips, reduced travel times and improved reliability.

- More efficient movement of freight and commercial goods.
- Improved economic competitiveness.
- Vibrant, mixed-use communities with equitable, accessible, safe choices.
- Less time commuting: more time for family and friends.
- Improved environmental health and a better climate



# **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
- <u>Program</u> 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> <li>TPB staff and agencies complete zero-based budgeting exercise.</li> <li>TPB releases updated Technical Input Solicitation for TIP financial details on funding amounts by fiscal years between FY 2026-2029.</li> <li>TPB receives a briefing at the April meeting from VDOT on the I-495/95 Southside Express Lanes (SEL) project.</li> </ul>
May 2025	<ul> <li>All remaining ZBB activities including detailed FY 2026-2029 TIP financial inputs due <u>Friday</u>, <u>May 9, 2025</u>.</li> <li>TPB staff draft financial analysis for the plan and TIP.</li> </ul>
June 2025	<ul> <li>TPB staff draft AQC and performance analysis for the plan and TIP.</li> </ul>
July 2025	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> </ul>



# Remaining Schedule: September-December

September 2025	<ul> <li>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.</li> <li>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.</li> <li>Staff finalize the draft plan, TIP, and AQC documents, website, and advertise the comment period.</li> </ul>
October 2025	<ul> <li>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: Saturday, October 4 – Sunday, November 2, 2025).</li> <li>TPB, TPB Technical Committee review the draft Visualize 2050 plan, FY 2026-2029 TIP, and Air Quality Conformity Analysis Report.</li> </ul>
November 2025	<ul> <li>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.</li> </ul>
December 2025	<ul> <li>TPB will be asked to approve the results of the AQC analysis and adopt the Visualize 2050 plan and the FY 2026-2029 TIP.</li> </ul>



# Visualize 2050 Website

- Website link: <u>www.visualize2050.org</u>
- 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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