



MVRPC's Regional Transportation Planning Organization Steering Committee Meeting

LOCATION: DARKE RURAL ELECTRIC FACILITY, 1120 FORT JEFFERSON AVE., GREENVILLE

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.

Agenda

<u>Item</u>	<u>Topic</u>	<u>Est. Time</u>	<u>Presenter</u>
I.	Welcome and Introductions	2:00	Brian Martin
II.	Results of Statewide Preference Survey	2:10	Ana Ramirez
III.	Sample Transportation Goals and Common Themes	2:20	Ana Ramirez
IV.	Group Goal Exercise	2:25	Matt Lindsay
V.	Adjourn	3:00	Ana Ramirez

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2023 Regional Transportation Planning Organization Meetings & Workshops		
RTPO Workshop	Wednesday, January 18 th 2:00 p.m.	Zoom*
RTPO Steering Committee	Wednesday, February 15 th 2:00 p.m.	Shelby County Location TBD
RTPO Workshop	Wednesday, March 15 th 2:00 p.m.	Zoom*
RTPO Workshop	Wednesday, April 19 th 2:00 p.m.	Zoom*
RTPO Steering Committee	Wednesday, May 17 th 2:00 p.m.	Preble County Location TBD
RTPO Workshop	Wednesday, July 19 th 2:00 p.m.	Zoom*
RTPO Steering Committee	Wednesday, August 16 th 2:00 p.m.	Dayton Realtors 1515 S. Main St., Dayton
RTPO Workshop	Wednesday, September 20 th 2:00 p.m.	Zoom*
RTPO Workshop	Wednesday, October 18 th 2:00 p.m.	Zoom*
RTPO Steering Committee	Wednesday, November 15 th 2:00 p.m.	Darke County Location TBD

Mark your calendars with the dates above. Agendas will be emailed the week before each meeting.

(*Zoom workshops are scheduled as needed and may be canceled.)

**MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION
REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION STEERING COMMITTEE
August 16, 2022
MINUTES**

**Dayton Realtors
1515 S. Main St., Dayton, OH**

**August 16, 2022
9:30 AM**

Meeting Attendees

Tom Arnold, ODOT District 8
Denis Aslinger, City of Greenville
Mike Bowers, Darke County
Nate Brugler, ODOT Central
Mike Busse, Village of Versailles
Michelle Caserta- Bixler, Catholic Social Services
Ryan Delk, City of Greenville
Barbara Dulworth, City of Sidney
Mitch Eiting, Midmark
Joseph Ferriell, City of Eaton
Larry Holmes, Darke County
Maria Morgan, PCBDD Coordinator
Scott Schmid, ODOT District 7
Steve Willman, City of Greenville

Staff

Paul Arnold
Elizabeth Baxter
Savannah Diamond
Chanda Hunter
Laura Henry
Martin Kim
Mike Lucas
Brian Martin
Ana Ramirez
Rob Uhlhorn

The Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission Regional Transportation Planning Organization Steering Committee met on August 16, 2022 at 9:30 a.m. at Dayton Realtors, 1515 S. Main St., Dayton, Ohio 45402. All members and news media were notified of the meeting pursuant to the Sunshine Law.

I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Mr. Martin welcomed everyone and began the meeting at 9:30 a.m. He asked the group to introduce themselves and describe a special element of their community. During introductions the following responses were made about the communities within each RTPO county:

- **Darke County**: historical significance, great/strong work ethic, agriculture, quality of life, schools, downtown, Darke County Fair, hometown feel, progressive community, possibility of bike paths
- **Preble County**: farming community, strong school districts, business, youth, talent, transportation, park improvement
- **Shelby County**: Economic powerhouse, train and interstate importance

II. RTPO ORIENTATION

A. Scope and Schedule

Ms. Ramirez provided a brief history of MVRPC and shared the geography of MVRPC's member jurisdictions. She then explained the background of the RTPO program and how it started in 2012 with the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century which allowed states to formally designate Regional Transportation Planning Organizations to help the States DOTs

conduct the nonmetropolitan transportation planning process. Since then six RTPOs have been designated in Ohio. Ms. Ramirez then explained the RTPO Pilot Program goals as adopting a multi-modal long-range transportation plan for the region, having a formalized consultation process with rural communities and developing transportation expertise. Lastly, she explained that this will be a two year timeframe and shared the schedule for the next two years.

B. Discuss Stakeholder Group Name and Interim Chair

Ms. Ramirez opened the floor for suggestions on the RTPO group's official name. The group unanimously voted in favor of the name "RTPO Steering Committee." Next, Ms. Ramirez stated the meetings will be structured similar to [MVRPC's Technical Advisory Committee](#) (TAC) and chaired by a County Engineer on an annual rotating basis. Mr. Martin said staff will contact the Engineers in Darke, Preble and Shelby County to provide an introduction to the program and ask for their participation.

C. Goals and Objectives Exercise

Ms. Ramirez invited the Steering Committee members to fill out an Ohio Statewide Transportation Preference Survey and explained they will announce the results during November's meeting.

III. FUTURE MEETINGS

Ms. Ramirez explained how the meetings will be scheduled and described the types of meetings: a formal quarterly in-person meeting and a monthly Zoom workshop. She then asked the Steering Committee to pick the best day and time of the month to schedule the meetings. The group confirmed the best time would be the third Wednesday of the month at 2:00 p.m. She then laid out the following schedule for future meetings:

- In- Person Meetings will be held quarterly
 - Each meeting location will rotate and hosted in a different RTPO County.
 - Upcoming meeting dates
 - November 16, 2022 at 2:00 p.m. in Darke County
 - February 15, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. in Shelby County
 - May 17, 2023 at 2:00 p.m. in Preble County
- Zoom Workshops will be held monthly (as needed) in-between the formal meetings
 - Upcoming meeting dates (cancellations may occur)
 - October 19, 2022 at 2:00 p.m.
 - January 18, 2023 at 2:00p.m.
 - March 15, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.
 - April 19, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

IV. HOMEWORK

Ms. Ramirez asked the Steering Committee to start thinking about transportation issues within their community as well as the big traffic generators for the area such as schools, businesses, and future developments.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Martin thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.













VI. SUMMARY FROM RTPPO ZOOM WORKSHOP

A. RTPPO Zoom Workshop- October, 19th, 2022

Staff provided a brief overview of the anticipated RTPPO structure within the MVRPC organization, pending an update to the MVRPC Bylaws. The remainder of the meeting focused on a review of the existing transportation system and review of transportation system conditions and relevant data on the federal aid system. A brief overview of general safety and crash data for the RTPPO geography was also reviewed with the Steering Committee.

Results of Statewide Preference Survey

Question	Answer	Results (Statewide Preference Survey-RTPO)	Results (Steering Committee)
MODE CHOICE			
Q1[01]. How often do you typically use each of the following modes of transportation to get to the places you need to go (e.g., work, school, store, health care)? [1. Drive alone]	Daily or a few times a week	90%	100%
Q1[03]. How often do you typically use each of the following modes of transportation to get to the places you need to go (e.g., work, school, store, health care)? [3. Drive/Ride with others for hire (Uber/Lyft/Taxi)]	A few times a month or less than once a month	5%	0%
Q1[04]. How often do you typically use each of the following modes of transportation to get to the places you need to go (e.g., work, school, store, health care)? [4. Public transportation]	Use public transportation	2%	0%
Q1[06]. How often do you typically use each of the following modes of transportation to get to the places you need to go (e.g., work, school, store, health care)? [6. Bike/E-Bike/Scooter/E-Scooter]	Use bike	11%	36%
Q1[07]. How often do you typically use each of the following modes of transportation to get to the places you need to go (e.g., work, school, store, health care)? [7. Walk]	Walk	40%	36%
TELEWORK			
Q2. Are you employed?	Yes	62%	100%
Q2a. PRIOR to COVID-19, how often did you work from home?	Never	75%	82%
Q2b. AFTER the current COVID-19 Pandemic is over, how often do you plan or anticipate working from home?	Never	66%	64%
ALTERNATIVE FUELS			
Q4. How many hybrid vehicles does your household have? (6=more than 5)	Have hybrid vehicles	6%	9%
Q5. How many all-electric vehicles does your household have? (6=more than 5)	Have all electric vehicles	4%	0%
Q6. How many vehicles does your household have that use gas/diesel fuel only (not hybrid)? (6=more than 5)	Have traditional fuel vehicles	95%	100%
Q7. How likely are you to purchase an electric vehicle in the next 5 years?	Have EV or likely to purchase	8%	27%
SAFETY LAWS			
Q9[01]. Please indicate how supportive you are of the following types of laws. [1. Requiring adults to wear helmets while driving a motorcycle]	Very supportive or supportive	75%	55%
Q9[02]. Please indicate how supportive you are of the following types of laws. [2. Requiring people under age 18 to wear helmets while driving a motorcycle]	Very supportive or supportive	90%	91%
Q9[03]. Please indicate how supportive you are of the following types of laws. [3. Requiring people to wear helmets when biking on roads and highways]	Very supportive or supportive	65%	55%
Q9[04]. Please indicate how supportive you are of the following types of laws. [4. Prohibiting the use of cell phones while driving]	Very supportive or supportive	83%	64%
Q9[05]. Please indicate how supportive you are of the following types of laws. [5. Prohibiting texting while driving]	Very supportive or supportive	96%	100%

Question	Answer	Results (Statewide Preference Survey-RTPO)	Results (Steering Committee)
DELIVERIES			
Q10[01]. Please indicate how often you have the following types of deliveries to your home. [1. Parcel delivery (Amazon, UPS, FedEx, USPS)]	Multiple times a day, daily, a few times a week or a few times a month	 70%	 91%
Q10[02]. Please indicate how often you have the following types of deliveries to your home. [2. Groceries/Retail Items (Instacart, Walmart)]	A few times a week or a few times a month	 13%	 9%
Q10[03]. Please indicate how often you have the following types of deliveries to your home. [3. Meals (Door Dash, GrubHub, UberEats)]	A few times a week or a few times a month	 7%	 0%
Q11. Over the next year, how do you think your usage of delivery services will change?	Same or increase	 74%	 100%
TECHNOLOGY			
Q12[01]. When planning for future transportation needs in Ohio, how important do you think it will be for Ohio to do the following? [1. Support the use of alternative fuels, such as ethanol and compressed natural gas]	Extremely important, very important, or important	 59%	 91%
Q12[02]. When planning for future transportation needs in Ohio, how important do you think it will be for Ohio to do the following? [2. Support the use of electric vehicles and electric vehicle charging stations]	Extremely important, very important, or important	 46%	 73%
Q12[03]. When planning for future transportation needs in Ohio, how important do you think it will be for Ohio to do the following? [3. Support the development of infrastructure needed for Connected and Automated Vehicles (Self-Driving)]	Extremely important, very important, or important	 25%	 45%
Q12[04]. When planning for future transportation needs in Ohio, how important do you think it will be for Ohio to do the following? [4. Support the development of infrastructure for the use of aerial drones and to make deliveries]	Extremely important, very important, or important	 25%	 36%

Question	Answer	Results (Statewide Preference Survey-RTPO)	Results (Steering Committee)
FUTURE MODES			
Q13[01]. Please rate the importance of the following transportation modes in Ohio. [1. Improving the existing highway network]	Extremely important, very important, or important	96%	91%
Q13[02]. Please rate the importance of the following transportation modes in Ohio. [2. Improving the bicycle/pedestrian facility network]	Extremely important, very important, or important	58%	91%
Q13[03]. Please rate the importance of the following transportation modes in Ohio. [3. Improving the public transportation network]	Extremely important, very important, or important	73%	91%
FUTURE IMPROVEMENTS			
Q14[01]. Please rate the importance of the following transportation topics in Ohio. [1. Relieving traffic congestion]	Extremely important, very important, or important	95%	73%
Q14[02]. Please rate the importance of the following transportation topics in Ohio. [2. Improving the safety of Ohio's roadways]	Extremely important, very important, or important	94%	91%
Q14[03]. Please rate the importance of the following transportation topics in Ohio. [3. Providing better linkages among different modes of transportation, such as bicycle, pedestrian, car, bus, train, and airplane, so that it is easy to go from one mode t	Extremely important, very important, or important	65%	91%
Q14[04]. Please rate the importance of the following transportation topics in Ohio. [4. Having a good freight transportation system to support Ohio's economy (freight transportation is the movement of goods and products on trucks/railroads and through air	Extremely important, very important, or important	96%	100%
Q14[05]. Please rate the importance of the following transportation topics in Ohio. [5. Providing public transportation, such as buses, transit vans and light rail, in Ohio's cities and rural areas]	Extremely important, very important, or important	72%	91%
Q14[06]. Please rate the importance of the following transportation topics in Ohio. [6. Providing bicycle and pedestrian facilities, such as multi-use trails, bike lanes, transit access, sidewalks, etc.]	Extremely important, very important, or important	57%	91%
Q14[07]. Please rate the importance of the following transportation topics in Ohio. [7. Improving access to Ohio's airports]	Extremely important, very important, or important	64%	73%

Question	Answer	Results (Statewide Preference Survey-RTPO)	Results (Steering Committee)
FUTURE GOALS			
Q16[01]. Please rate the importance that ODOT should place on each of the following items when planning for the future transportation needs of Ohio. [1. Making it safe to travel in Ohio]	Extremely important or very important	80%	82%
Q16[02]. Please rate the importance that ODOT should place on each of the following items when planning for the future transportation needs of Ohio. [2. Maintaining existing highways, bridges and other components of the State's transportation system]	Extremely important or very important	90%	91%
Q16[03]. Please rate the importance that ODOT should place on each of the following items when planning for the future transportation needs of Ohio. [3. Protecting the environment]	Extremely important or very important	55%	55%
Q16[04]. Please rate the importance that ODOT should place on each of the following items when planning for the future transportation needs of Ohio. [4. Enhancing the quality of life for Ohio residents]	Extremely important or very important	56%	73%
Q16[05]. Please rate the importance that ODOT should place on each of the following items when planning for the future transportation needs of Ohio. [5. Promoting economic development in Ohio]	Extremely important or very important	69%	100%
Q16[06]. Please rate the importance that ODOT should place on each of the following items when planning for the future transportation needs of Ohio. [6. Meeting the transportation needs of persons with disabilities and/or lack of motor vehicle access]	Extremely important or very important	60%	73%
Q16[07]. Please rate the importance that ODOT should place on each of the following items when planning for the future transportation needs of Ohio. [7. Minimizing congestion and reducing disruptions to traffic flow]	Extremely important or very important	73%	73%
RESPONDENT DATA			
Q19. Approximately what percentage of your total household income is spent on transportation? Please include everything you spend including car payments, fuel purchases, taxes, Uber/Lyft/Taxi/Public Transit fares, etc.		0-50% (19%)	5-25% (15%)
Q23. Do you have a driver's license?	Yes	98%	100%
Q29. Do you have a recognized disability?	Yes	14%	0%
County	Darke, Preble, Shelby	31%-37%-32%	

Sample Transportation Goals and Common Themes

Access Ohio- State Transportation Plan Goals

AO45 adds quality of life as a new goal, recognizing the importance of supporting vibrant communities across the state. The AO45 goals and objectives also give greater emphasis to environmental stewardship compared to prior plans and sharpen the state's focus on reliability and accessibility of travel for all transportation users.

FIGURE 3 – AO45 OBJECTIVES



GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

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Goals for the Regional Transportation Plan are the following and encompass multiple Objectives as described below:

- **Transportation Safety**
- **Network Connectivity, Reliability & Efficiency**
- **Multimodal Access**
- **Economic Vitality**
- **Stewardship**

Transportation Safety

Improve and maintain safety of roadway network, reducing the number of crashes in the area and striving to fall within the nation's average range of crash data.

- Identify high crash areas
- Identify traffic enforcement target areas
- Create and implement a signage plan to assist in wayfinding, speed regulation, and traffic control
- Evaluate existing signage for conformance to current standards in high crash areas (intersection and curves)
- Establish a public service announcement system to reduce animal crashes during deer season

Network Connectivity, Reliability & Efficiency

Evaluate and improve the highway network to promote safe, reliable, and efficient travel for all road users.

- Evaluate crash data and traffic volume to identify areas of improvement
- Evaluate the need for additional infrastructure at intersections with high traffic volumes
- Assess local congestion and discuss infrastructure improvements
- Perform feasibility study of congestion alleviation opportunities
- Preserve and maintain the existing transportation network

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Multimodal Access

Improve and expand the public transportation network and non-motorized transportation options to allow easy mobility to all residents and visitors.

- Create a comprehensive Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan for the two counties
- Identify bicycle-pedestrian connections within activity centers such as schools, hospitals, shopping areas, universities, etc.
- Evaluate trip data for current public transportation
- Centralize all modes of transportation with one multimodal access hub

Economic Vitality

Improve economic growth in the region by providing transportation options that support existing businesses and encourage new economic development opportunities.

- Ensure that large manufacturing businesses in the region have adequate access to the freight infrastructure network.
- Facilitate the movement of goods into and out of the area and improve the mobility of all freight modes.

Stewardship

Commit to the future and longevity of the transportation network by evaluating the social, environmental, and financial circumstances surrounding each project.

- Address transportation priorities in a manner consistent with fostering social and environmental principles.
- Develop a fiscally responsible plan and explore funding options to fund proposed transportation improvements.

OBJECTIVES



Safety

Objective 1: Identify and improve hazardous intersections and sections of roadway in the MVPO

Objective 2: Support and prioritize projects that enhance safety

Objective 3: Support and promote the work of safety education groups and programs



Infrastructure Condition

Objective 1: Support and prioritize projects that improve the condition of existing transportation

Objective 2: Ensure the efficiency and reliability of the transportation network through good infrastructure condition and efficient transportation operations



Environmental Sustainability

Objective 1: Support projects that minimize, avoid and/or mitigate environmental impacts of transportation improvements.

Objective 2: Support equitable and environmentally just transportation services and facilities



Personal Mobility

Objective 1: Investigate and support alternate transportation options, such as coordinated human services transportation, for individuals in the MVPO region

Objective 2: Improve mobility for individuals to and from places of employment

OBJECTIVES



Bicycle and Pedestrian Initiatives

Objective 1: Increase the miles of dedicated bicycle and pedestrian facilities in the region

Objective 2: Improve the condition of existing bicycle and pedestrian related infrastructure

Objective 3: Identify areas where existing bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure can be expanded, or new facilities can be constructed

Objective 4: Promote and support the adoption of Complete Streets Policies

Objective 5: Support incorporation of bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure where possible in new construction projects



Freight Movement and Economic Vitality

Objective 1: Identify regional growth and investment areas to coordinate improvements to the transportation network

Objective 2: Increase access to employment areas and sites, especially those that utilize or are related to freight

Objective 3: Allow for efficient transfers of goods between all modes

Objective 4: Increase options for alternate modes of freight movement

Objective 5: Encourage public/private partnerships in order to leverage funding from federal, state and other sources

Transportation Goals and Objectives – MVRPC MPO Transportation Plan

Regional Stewardship

Develop Regional Priorities — Continue to address regional transportation needs that further the shared social, economic, transportation, and environmental goals of the Region.

Vibrant Communities

Transportation Choices — Encourage a stronger multi-modal network in the Region to ensure that people and goods reach their destination safely, efficiently, and conveniently.

Transportation System Management — Continue to maintain and upgrade the regional transportation system by providing safety, security, aesthetic, and capacity improvements as needed.

Transportation and Land Use — Incorporate regional land use strategies into the transportation policy and the investment decision making process.

Vigorous Economy

Transportation — Continue to address regional transportation needs to enhance economic development in order to attract and retain businesses in the Region while improving the quality of life of its residents.

Sustainable Solutions

Clean Air — Encourage the pursuit of alternative fuels and transportation to reduce emissions and our reliance on petroleum-based products.

GOAL THEMES

Safety

- Reduce Crashes
- Safety Laws
- Education

System Preservation

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Mobility

- Multimodal Connections
- Public Transportation
- Bike/Ped

Environment

- Alternative Fuel/Vehicles
- Resiliency

Economic Development

- Access to Jobs
- Freight
- Future (telework/new technologies)

Quality of Life

- Rural Character

Other?