

700 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ORGANIZATION PILOT PROGRAM
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In 2013, ODOT initiated the Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO) pilot program to assist multi-county rural regional planning organizations in developing transportation plans and overall transportation planning expertise amongst RTPO staff. Since then six agencies have officially been designated as RTPOs by the Governor.

MVRPC is excited to be a new participant in the RTPO pilot program working with its rural members in Darke, Preble, and Shelby Counties to advance transportation planning and partnerships that will benefit both ODOT and the member governments of the RTPO. MVRPC is confident that the completion of the first Regional Transportation Plan will be followed by the official RTPO designation.

PREVIOUS RELATED WORK

Using technical expertise established over years of developing the Long Range Transportation Plan for the Greater Dayton Region as the Metropolitan Planning Organization, current MVRPC staff will work with a dedicated new RTPO staff member in the development of basic transportation data and a regional transportation plan as described below.

PERFORMANCE PLAN

MVRPC will revise its Bylaws to integrate the RTPO structure into the Regional Planning Commission, including the policy board and an RTPO technical advisory or stakeholder group. Additional tasks include meeting logistics for the technical advisory, identifying stakeholders beyond jurisdictional members, and establishing a communication strategy.

The first year will focus on finalizing the structure of the RTPO and collecting the necessary data to develop a regional transportation plan, while the second year will focus on the development of strategies and projects, public participation efforts, and the final report document.

705.1: Transportation Planning Databases:

Develop initial transportation and other relevant databases for the RTPO geography covering Darke, Preble, and Shelby Counties to include the multimodal transportation system, socio-economic data, crashes, and transportation infrastructure conditions.

Analysis and data summary of transportation and planning databases to support the development of the initial regional transportation plan.

Disseminate data and respond to information requests as needed.

710.1: Long Range Transportation Planning:

Goals and Objectives: MVRPC will work with the technical advisory group to develop goals and objectives for the transportation plan. Local input received as part of the ODOT Transportation Preference Survey will be summarized and reviewed with the technical advisory group to help with this effort.

Existing Conditions: MVRPC will work with ODOT and local stakeholders to inventory existing conditions including a socio-demographic profile, multimodal transportation infrastructure, safety analysis, transportation infrastructure conditions, large traffic generators, and any other data that is deemed necessary in the development of the transportation plan.

Future Conditions: MVRPC will analyze the inventory data collected to identify existing conditions and project future conditions.

Needs Analysis: MVRPC will identify future multimodal transportation needs including the preservation needs for the multi-modal transportation system, the top congested areas, top safety crash locations, the top connectivity issues, the top needs for economic development, and the top needs for the movement of freight. The resulting analysis will assist in the prioritization of projects.

Plan Recommendations: Working with the technical advisory group, MVRPC will prioritize identified projects into a tiered system with short, medium, and long term priorities. All plan recommendations will be fiscally constrained based on the analysis provided by ODOT and used in the fiscal analysis.

Fiscal Analysis: Using the ODOT developed methodology and working with project sponsors, MVRPC will develop costs for identified plan recommendations.

Report Write Up: The results of the above efforts will be documented and summarized into a technical report. A system performance report documenting baseline conditions and targets for the federally mandated performance management measures will be included in the plan report. The final report will be made available on the MVRPC website.

Prepare for and attend various transportation planning related meetings including Board and technical advisory group meetings.

725.1: Public Participation and Service:

Public Participation: Using MVRPC's Public Participation Policy as a guide, MVRPC will work with the technical advisory group to identify a broad group of stakeholders to create a mailing list for public participation opportunities including but not limited to: coordinating government agencies; representatives of public transportation; freight interests; bikeway and pedestrian users; environmental justice and other underserved populations; and representatives of natural/environmental, and historical/cultural resources. As part of the transportation plan development process, MVRPC will work with the technical advisory group, to develop a specific public participation strategy for the transportation plan including but not limited to the number, timing, and format of input opportunities and outreach methods.

WORK ELEMENT		PRODUCT	SCHEDULE
705.1	Transportation Planning Databases	Develop initial transportation and other planning databases	December 2022
		Analysis and data summary of transportation and other planning databases	March 2023
		Respond to information requests	As needed
710.1	Long Range Transportation Planning	Goal and Objectives	December 2022
		Existing Conditions	March 2023
		Future Conditions	June 2023
		Needs Analysis	Fall 2023
		Plan Recommendations	December 2023
		Fiscal Analysis	December 2023
		Report Write Up	May 2024
		Prepare and attend various transportation planning related meetings	As needed
725.1	Public Participation and Service	Public Participation	Fall 2022