Long Range Transportation Plan Update Kick-off

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Overview

BACKGROUND
1. About Metro
2. About Long Range Transportation Plans
3. Metro’s Existing 2009 LRTP

A NEW LRTP
1. Approach to the New LRTP
2. Overall Process
3. The Policy Advisory Council’s Role

Questions & Discussion
Metro’s Transportation Responsibilities

Regional Planner

Regional Funding Partner

Regional Designer

Regional Builder

Regional Operator

...for Los Angeles County
What is a Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)?

- The implemented plan is based on expected revenue (fiscally-constrained).
- The expenditure plan horizon year is 2057.
- Minimum 20-year horizon, but the Measure M expenditure plan horizon year is 2057.
- Performance-based.
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- Plans accordingly.
- Forecasts long range needs and funding availability, and transportation projects.
- A plan for Los Angeles County to fund, build, manage and operate major transit, highway and active transportation projects.

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Transportation planning is a cooperative, performance-driven process by which long and short-range transportation improvement priorities are determined (FHWA and FTA, 2015). It is a cooperative, performance-driven process by which long and short-range transportation improvement priorities are determined (FHWA and FTA, 2015).

Why Prepare an LRTP?

- Achieve Goals
  - Understand the availability of resources to address needs, trends, wants, and make decisions to prioritize accordingly and strategize to achieve goals.
  - Giving Metro flexibility.

- Plan and program transportation investments comprehensively and thoughtfully using a participatory process.

Different than SCAG’s Regional Transportation Plan but feeds into it, giving Metro flexibility.

- Comply with federal and state law requirements.

Metro
Overview of the 2009 LRTP, As Amended

- Does not include recent State of Good Repair requirements
- Funding constraints
- Focus was limited to multi-modal improvements within funding constraints
- Sustainability was a key guiding theme
- Prioritizing transportation projects
- Performance criteria emphasized ranking, selecting and Measure R
- A tool for planning and funding capital projects, including
  - 30-Year Planning Horizon
Measure M sets the stage for a new, innovative LRTP because of its transformative scope and 40-year horizon.

- Now is the time for Metro to be comprehensive and innovative.
- Address evolving priorities.
- Adapt to ongoing population, demographic, employment, economic and fiscal changes.

Why Does the LRTP Need an Update?
A modular approach—will deliberately create areas of overlap between standalone modules to reinforce continuous integration and comprehensiveness, while allowing for the varying levels of interests and responsibilities that agency staff, external partners, and communities have.

A comprehensive approach—will integrate and strengthen connections between existing plans and programs into the LRTP comprehensively and add new features to fill in gaps or provide for new wants.

A dynamic approach—will deliberately create areas of overlap between standalone modules to reinforce continuous integration and comprehensiveness, while allowing for the varying levels of interests and responsibilities that agency staff, external partners, and communities have.

Approaches to the Update
Define and support a transportation vision for the region.

Work with our diverse partner communities to do so.

Set critical investment priorities with funds that are still challenged when compared to need.

Conduct the process with analytic discipline and transparency.

Ask the key questions; discover the answers through a methodical and participatory update process.

Key LRTP Update Objectives
Module 1 – Vision

Module 2 – Introduction

Module 3 – Understanding Needs, Wants and Conditions of:
- Our Communities
- Our Partners
- Our Communities

Module 4 – Values Framework
- Goals and Policies
- Performance Measures
- Our Metro Baseline

LRTP Foundational Modules
Ensures a Continuously Reinforcing Plan
Linked to Measure M Assessment Requirements
Commitment to Implementation
Module 7 – Evaluation
A Plan to Fund
A Plan to Build
Module 6 – Implementing the Plan
A Plan to Manage and Operate
A Plan for Mobility and Access
Module 5 – Transportation Network and Management Plan

LRTP Serve and Manage Modules
• Innovations and Resiliency
• Considerations
• Resource and Economic Development
• Equity, Environment and Health
• Public Engagement and Analytical Rigor

Guiding Themes
Near Term and...

- Resource and Economic Considerations
- Innovations and Resiliency
- Implementing Transportation Network & Managing the Plan
- Understanding Values Framework
- Equity, Environment and Health
- Public Engagement and Analytical Rigor

Long Range
And More: A New Strategic Plan

Metro Strategic Plan
Performance Metrics

Long Range Transportation Plan
Performance Metrics

Vision Goals Policies Priorities
Overall Process FY2018 – FY2020

- Finalize work plan
- Determine project scope
- Assign resources
- Prioritize and strategize
- Select preferred plan
- Create and evaluate alternatives
- Demonstrate understanding: values framework
- Study, listen and learn: understanding
- Finalize LRTP and its implementation program

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Advisory group accountable to the Board

- PAC and staff roles are different

- Promote public/stakeholder engagement
  - Suggesting priorities
  - Providing input on options
  - Identifying, focusing and clarifying topics

Help guide the LRTP Update process by:

- Of Directors
- Advisory Group accountable to the Board

PAC's Role in the LRTP Update