



# NC Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization

## Staff Report

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**To: Executive B**

**Agenda Item: 5.6**

### **DRAFT 2055 MTP Update**

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An update on development of the 2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (2055 MTP/CTP) will be provided. The Metropolitan Transportation Plan is the region's long range transportation plan and includes both a fiscally constrained element as well as an unconstrained vision plan element known as the Comprehensive Transportation Plan (CTP). As such, this plan serves as both the region's federally recognized MTP and state recognized CTP. This plan is required to be updated every four years. A current development schedule has been included as an attachment. Our region's MTP is developed jointly with the DCHC MPO. While this is an ongoing process, a more active phase of MTP development is now underway. The initial development schedule is included below:

#### Draft 2055 MTP Schedule Overview:

- November 2023 - Begin public engagement.
- January-June 2024 - Pre-scenario analysis
- Fall 2024 - Approve goals, objectives, and performance measures for use in MTP development
- Fall 2024 - Begin alternatives analysis development
- February 2025 - Deficiency analysis.
- Spring 2025 - Alternatives analysis and development of preferred option.
- August 2025 - Finalize preferred option and apply fiscal constraint.
- Fall 2025 - Approve 2055 MTP, pending Air Quality (AQ) conformity analysis.
- February 2026 - Deadline for final 2055 MTP adoption, with Air Quality (AQ) conformity analysis.

The goals, objectives, and performance measures began a review and refinement process in the fall of 2023 that included a stakeholder and public review and engagement phase. As a part of this, a public survey was deployed. The results were shared with the TCC and Executive Board MPO Board meeting in January and February 2024. The overall initial public engagement strategy has been completed and will be updated as needed throughout the 2055 MTP process. A copy of the engagement strategy is included as an attachment.

Development of updated draft socio-economic data for the 2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (2055 MTP/CTP) has also been underway. The draft data includes population and employment "guide totals" that are forecasted at the county level. These data are used to help inform our forecasts for population and employment change between today and our ultimate 2055 horizon year. A 30-day public comment period will take place from October 21<sup>st</sup> through November 19<sup>th</sup>. Staff will provide an update, including any input received, at the November TCC meeting. Next steps in the 2055 MTP development include:

- Continued refinement of draft goals, objectives, and preliminary performance measures
- Continued refinement of the socio-economic guide totals
- Continued development of the deficiency and needs analysis.

**Requested Action:** Consider approval of the draft goals, objectives, performance measures, and guide totals

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for use in MTP development.