

Agenda Item VIII
Regional Transportation Plan: 2018
Update
Preliminary Scoping

April 4, 2017

2018 Regional Transportation Plan: Preliminary Scoping



At a Glance:

- ◆ *To begin update process for the Regional Transportation Plan for Clark County*
- ◆ *To consider scope of the RTP update, the transportation issues it will address and outcomes anticipated*
- ◆ *Seek RTC Board input before fully scoping the 2018 RTP update*

RTP Update: Background

- ◆ Long-range regional transportation plan
- ◆ Federal requirement; periodic update at least every 5 years for RTC
- ◆ Person trips and freight movement
- ◆ Multi-modal
- ◆ Fiscal constraint
- ◆ Consistency between federal, state and local plans

RTP: Need for Update

The Current 2014 RTP:

- ◆ Adopted in December 2014
- ◆ Developed under former federal transportation act, MAP-21 (2012)
- ◆ Identifies \$1.8 billion in regional transportation system capital improvements in Clark County

The 2018 RTP:

- ◆ Implement current federal transportation act, FAST Act (2015)
 - ◆ performance measures and monitoring required
- ◆ Reflect updated local Comprehensive Plans

Changes Since RTP Adopted in Dec. 2014



◆ **Federal:**

- ◆ FAST-Act, Dec. 2015; Rulemaking for Performance Based Planning and Programming; Air Quality Attainment Status

◆ **State:**

- ◆ Washington Transportation Plan, policy direction; WSDOT, Moving Washington Forward: Practical Solutions

◆ **Regional:**

- ◆ C-TRAN's 2030 Plan update; Asset Management/State of Good Repair Targets
- ◆ RTC: 2016 Transportation System Management and Operations Plan Update; Congestion Management Process Annual Reports, 2014, 2015, 2016
- ◆ CREDC, Clark County Employment Land Study (Nov. 2016)

◆ **Local:**

- ◆ 2016 Comprehensive Plan Updates; Vancouver's Westside Mobility Strategy (Jul. 2016)

Changes Since RTP Adopted in Dec. 2014

◆ Finance:

- ◆ Federal FAST Act, includes new freight funding programs.
- ◆ State, Connecting Washington 16 year program, 11.9 cent gas tax increase (July 1, 2016).
- ◆ State, Transportation Improvement Board, Complete Streets Program (first awards, 2017).
- ◆ City of Vancouver, Transportation Benefit District established, \$20 license tab assessed (as of July 2016).
- ◆ Battle Ground, Transportation Benefit District established, \$20 license tab assessed (as of July 2015).

2018 RTP Update: Process Milestones



2018 RTP Update: Plans In Process

- ◆ Federal:
 - ◆ Performance Based Planning and Programming; Additional Planning Factors; Columbia River Navigation Channel, EIS for the 20-year plan to maintain Columbia River Channel depth at 43-feet, anticipated 2018
- ◆ State:
 - ◆ Washington Transportation Plan, Phase 2; WSDOT, Corridor Sketch Initiative; Ramp Signal Study
- ◆ Regional:
 - ◆ RTC: RTP Development; Bus on Shoulder Feasibility Study (June 2016)
 - ◆ C-TRAN: 2030 Plan implementation; Transit Asset Management Planning
 - ◆ CREDC: Clark County Economic Development Plan update, (anticipated 2017)
- ◆ Local:
 - ◆ Vancouver, Transportation System Plan (TSP) update; Collision Data Transportation Safety Analysis

2018 RTP Update: Key Elements



- ◆ RTP Framework, Purpose and Goals
- ◆ Year 2040: Demographic and Travel Demand Forecast
- ◆ Changing Demographics and Lifestyles
- ◆ System Preservation and Maintenance
- ◆ Safety and Security
- ◆ Transportation System Management and Operations
- ◆ Transportation Demand Management
- ◆ Active Transportation (pedestrian/bike)
- ◆ Freight Mobility
- ◆ New Technology and Autonomous Vehicles
- ◆ Transportation System Needs, Projects & Strategies
- ◆ Financial Plan

Regional Transportation Plan: Next Steps



- ◆ Spring 2017: scoping of 2018 RTP update:
 - ◆ Policy direction/vision (safety, mobility, reliability etc.)
 - ◆ Demographic forecast and Regional Travel Forecasting Model
 - ◆ FAST-Act; continuation of MAP-21 performance measures and monitoring and additional planning factors
 - ◆ Transportation needs identified, solutions proposed, projects assumed, fiscal constraint exercised
 - ◆ Consistency between RTP and Local Comprehensive Growth Management Plans