



Charlotte-Mecklenburg Planning Commission

May 5, 2014

#### **Presentation Overview**



- What is a Metropolitan Transportation Plan?
- Purpose of the MTP
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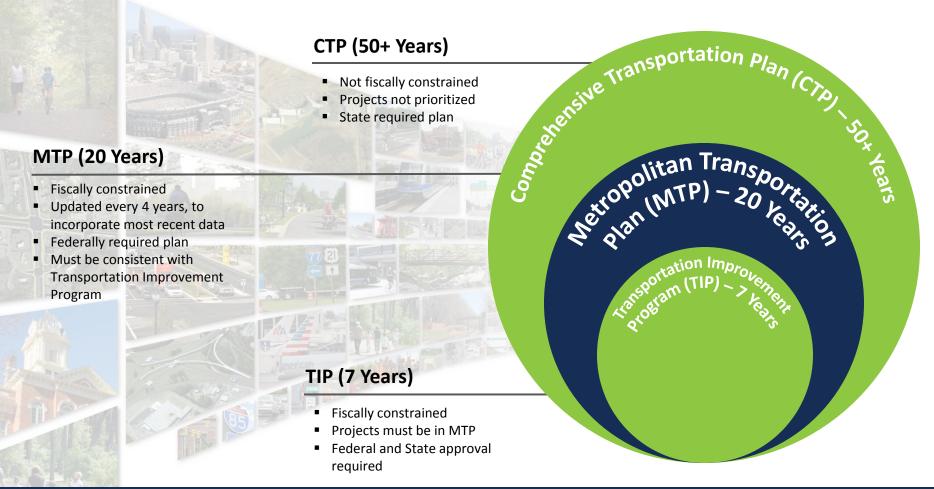
### What is the MTP?



- > Federally-required long-range plan
- Statement of the ways the region plans to invest in the transportation system
- Fiscally constrained
- Updated every 4 years
- Must conform to air quality standards

## What is the MTP?





### **Purpose of the MTP**



Define policies, programs, and projects to be implemented over the next 20+ years

Ensures federal transportation funds will continue to be allocated to address the needs of CRTPO

Outlines goals and objectives, as well as strategies, which provides guidance for other planning initiatives within the region





#### **Steering Committee**

Core CRTPO staff

#### **Advisory Committee**

Subcommittee of TCC, plus key transportation staff from CRTPO planning area







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Mar. 2013: Ranking Process Approved

Apr. 2013: Goals & Objectives Endorsed

7 Goals, each with various objectives





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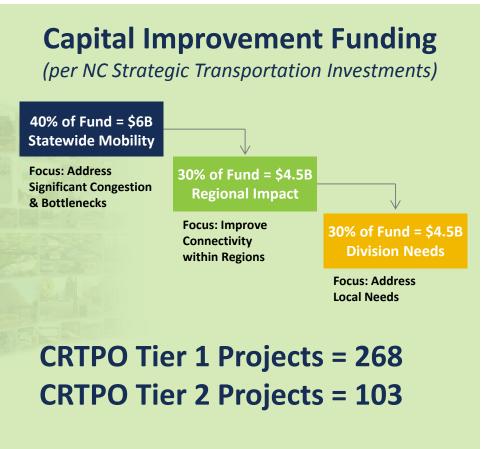
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**CRTPO Tier 2 Projects = 103** 

**MTP Financially Feasible Projects = 84** 

Previously committed/funded projects = 32



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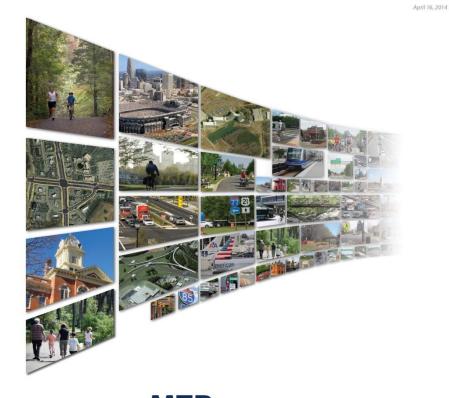
**Approved** 

Feb. 2014: Draft Document Released





April 2014: MPO adopts MTP and air quality conformity determination May 2014: USDOT certification





#### **MTP Content**



- Introduction
- Goals and Objectives
- Planning Factors
- Public Involvement
- Environmental Justice
- Safety and Security
- Environment
- Health
- Population and Land Use
- Travel Patterns & Regional
   Travel Demand Model
- Financial Plan

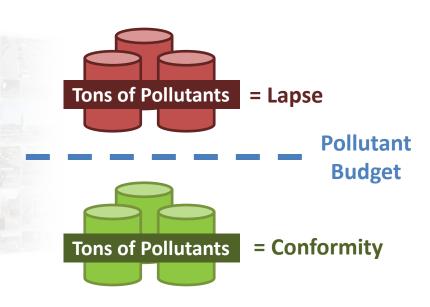
- Congestion Management Process
- Streets and Highways
- Public Transportation
- Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Greenways
- Other Modes (Aviation, Rail, Bus, and Taxi Service)
- Freight
- Conclusion
- Appendices
  - > Appendix A: Public Involvement
  - > Appendix B: Environment
  - > Appendix C: Congestion Management
  - > Appendix D: Project Evaluation

## **Air Quality Conformity Process**



Transportation conformity is required by the Clean Air Act

- Intended to ensure that federal funds are allocated to projects consistent with ("conforming to") air quality goals established in State Implementation Plan (SIP)
- April 2014 MTP adoption included air quality conformity finding



#### **Public Involvement**



- 9 general public meetings
- 7 information displays
  - Transportation Center
  - Community colleges
  - UNC-Charlotte
- 6 environmental justice community outreach events
- 2 radio interviews
- 5 business or neighborhood group events
- 3 public comment periods

# **CRTPO Website and Online Map**



- > Entire Document PDF
- > PDF of each Chapter
- **Executive Summary**
- Project Sheets
- Online Map



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