

Federal Transportation Planning Process



Introduction



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My Bio?

- Senior Community Planner, FHWA California Division
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- MS in Geography (GIS), University of Central Arkansas
- BS in Social Science (Geography & Political Science), Tennessee State University

Current Responsibilities?

- AMBAG (Monterey)
- SLOCOG (San Luis Obispo)
- SACOG (Sacramento)
- MTC (Bay Area)
- KCOG (Bakersfield)
- SBCAG (Santa Barbara)
- Caltrans/FTA/FHWA Interagency Coordination
- Freight Planning
- EPA Promise Zones FHWA-CA POC
- Environmental Mitigation
- Title VI/EJ/LEP Public Involvement
- Fiscal Constraint
- Planning Environmental Linkage
- Statewide Transportation Plan (CTP)

Federal role(s) in Transportation

- Stewardship
- Oversight

**STEWARDSHIP AND OVERSIGHT AGREEMENT
ON PROJECT ASSUMPTION AND PROGRAM OVERSIGHT
BY AND BETWEEN
FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, CALIFORNIA DIVISION
AND THE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (CALTRANS)**

Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

What is the *Planning Process*?

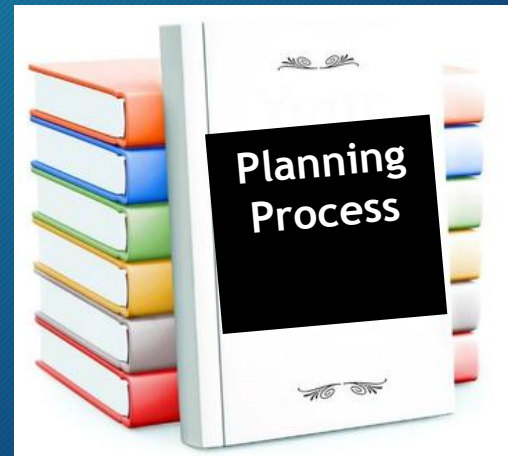
- A process by which transportation decisions are made and projects are planned, selected and prioritized for implementation within the region.



Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

*Why is the Planning Process **Important**?*

- Decides how a substantial share of federal funding is spent nationwide.
- Because of limited funding, the MPO must prioritize the regional needs and determine the best and most economical solution.
- The process lays the framework for the future transportation system.



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Who is **involved**?

- SACOG's
 - Board of Directors
 - Technical Committee(s)
 - Citizen's Committee (optional)
- Caltrans
- Public Transportation Operator(s)*
- Local Jurisdictions (cities, counties)
- Local Citizens
- Interest Groups
- FTA & FHWA



Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

How?

- **3-C Approach**
 - Continuing
 - Cooperative
 - Comprehensive
- **Multimodal**
- **Public Input**



Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

- **Products of the Process**
 - Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
 - Transportation Plan
 - Congestion Management Process (CMP)
 - Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - Public Participation Plan (PPP)

What is...

Unified Planning Work Program?

- A mechanism document describing the planning activities to be completed and costs.
- MPO Budget
- “A Plan for Planning”

What is...

The Transportation Plan?

- 20-Year multi-modal guide to regional needs and potential solutions
- Financially feasible
- Conforms to Clean Air Standards
- Contains: financial plans, local goals & objectives, public involvement

What is...

A Congestion Management Process?

- Short term and long term strategies
 - Short term—looks at current traffic and transit problems and tries to solve
 - Long Term—tries to prevent problems from occurring

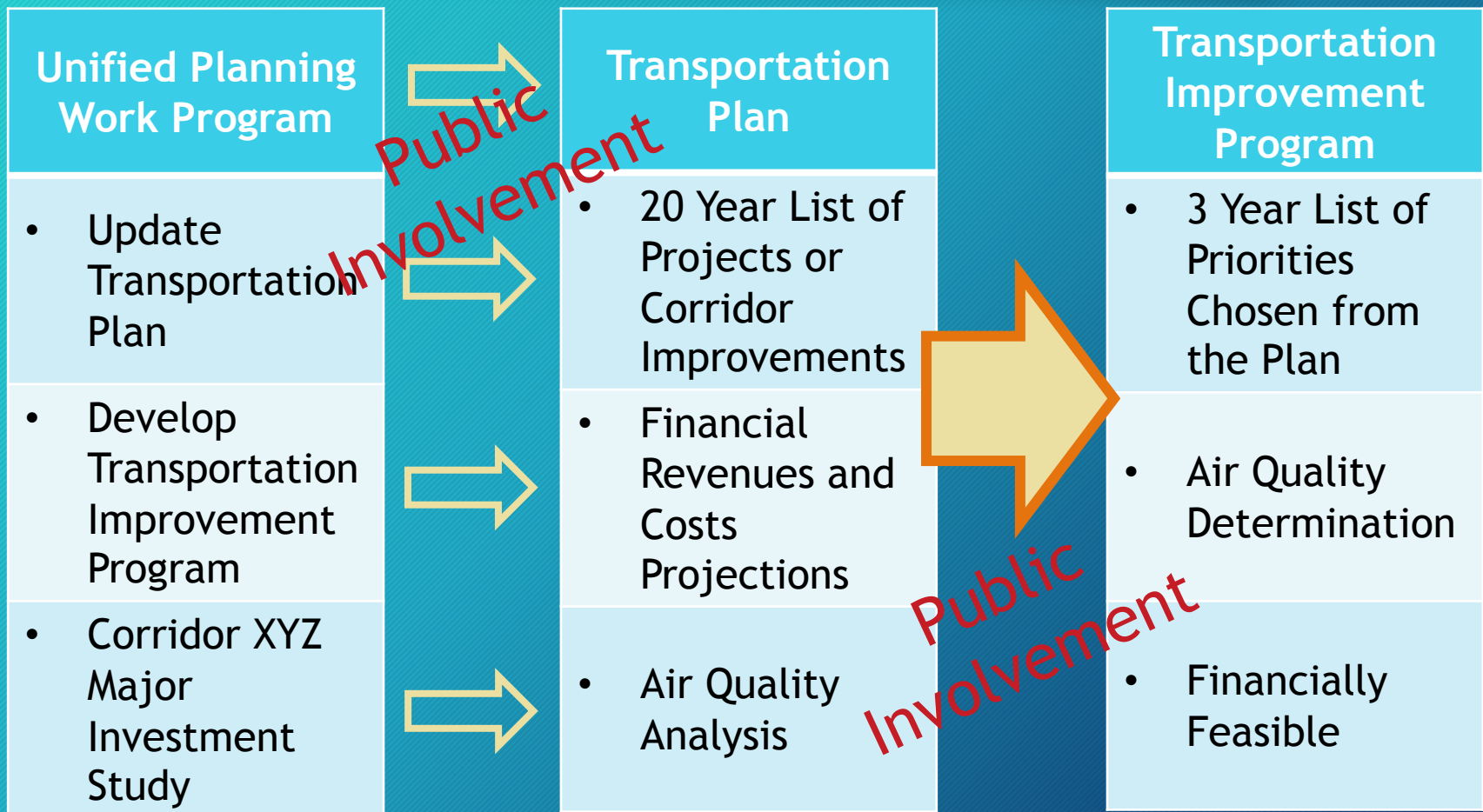
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A Transportation Improvement Program?

- 4-Year list of financially feasible projects
- A document prioritizing regional projects for funding and implementation
- If the region has air quality issues, this mix of projects must be within given emissions limits

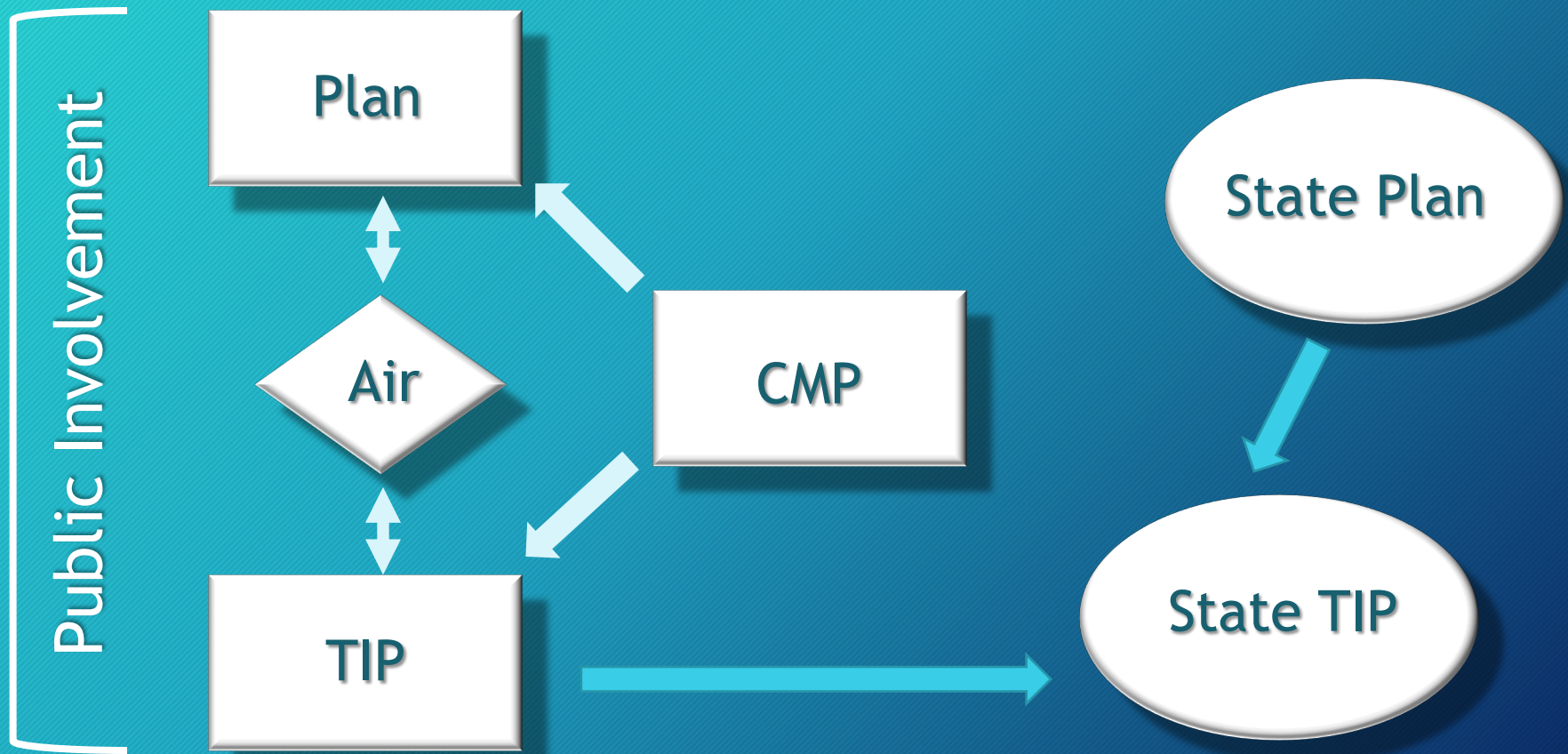
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