STEERING COMMITTEE KICKOFF MEETING

September 30, 2015
9:00 am
Nappanee Public Library
Agenda

» Defining Active Transportation
» Purpose and Outcomes of Plan
» Planning Process Outline
» Review of Other Regional Plans
» Brainstorming Activity
» Next Steps
DISCUSSION

» What does Active Transportation mean to you?
Defining Active Transportation

“Active Transportation” is a means of getting around that is powered by human energy, primarily walking and bicycling. Often called “non-motorized transportation,” we prefer the term “active transportation” since it is a more positive statement that expresses the key connection between healthy, active living and our transportation choices.

Partnership for Active Transportation
Defining Active Transportation

“human-powered transportation that engages people in healthy physical activity while they travel from place to place. People walking, bicycling, the use of strollers, wheelchairs and mobility devices, skateboarding, and rollerblading are all active transportation. Active transportation supports transit.”

Oregon Metro Regional Active Transportation Plan
Defining Active Transportation

“Multimodal transportation solutions that connect people of all ages and abilities to where they need to go using active modes such as walking, bicycling and taking public transit”

Puget Sound Regional Council Active Transportation Plan
SUMMARY
» Was there anything new in those definitions we did not discuss?
Purpose of an Active Transportation Plan

» Identify needs, resources, and strategies for improving and increasing all active modes of transportation in the region
Purpose of an Active Transportation Plan

» Realize benefits in access to destinations and services, mobility, quality of life, safety, air quality, health, and economy
Purpose of an Active Transportation Plan

» Serve as MACOG’s overall strategy for funding and implementing active transportation facilities and programs
Purpose of an Active Transportation Plan

» Provides guidance to support communities in the region that are expanding the bicycle and pedestrian network
Integration of Local and MACOG planning

Current Plans

- Local Pedestrian Planning
- Local Bicycle Planning
- Local Transit Planning

Future Plans

- Local Pedestrian Planning
- Local Bicycle Planning
- Local Transit Planning
Advisory Groups

**Steering Committee**
- Guide the planning process
- Shape focus & deliverables
- Technical review
- Approve plan for Public Review

**Focus Group**
- Provide support to the Steering Committee
- Generate ideas, recommendations, strategies
- Familiarize and promote plan in their communities
Tentative Planning Process Timeline

- **Sept**: Focus Groups discuss objectives and performance measures related to goals.
- **Oct**: Focus Groups discuss objectives and performance measures related to goals.
- **Nov**: Steering Committee finalizes implementation strategies and reviews draft plan.
- **Dec**: Steering Committee reviews public comments and endorses the plan.
- **Jan**: Steering Committee discusses objectives and performance measures & implementation strategies.
- **Feb**: Public Meetings and Survey.
- **Mar**: Focus Groups discuss implementation strategies.
- **Apr**: Endorsement and Approval of Plan by TTAC and Policy Board.
- **May**: Focus Group reviews and comments on plan.
- **Jun**: Steering Committee Kick-Off Meeting.
- **LPA meetings**
PLANNING PROCESS QUESTIONS?
Oregon Metro Regional Active Transportation Plan

» Stakeholder involvement
» Integration increases access
» Identification of regional destinations
» Formation of network vision
  » Access, Safety, Equity, Increase Activity
Memphis MPO Regional Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan

» Public participation

» Goals
  » Safety, Connectivity, Accessibility, Mode Shift

» Implementation
  » Engineering, Education, Encouragement, Enforcement, Evaluation & Planning
SACOG Regional Bicycle, Pedestrian, and Trails Master Plan

» Clear goals, strategies, and actions
» Diverse focus areas
  » Coordinated Efforts
  » Performance Measures
  » Planning Understanding Impacts
» Education
» Transit Connections
» Supporting Infrastructure and Programs
Review of Other Regional Plans

» Accessibility
» Safety
» Connectivity
» Mode Shift
» Funding
» Integration of Modes
» Gap and Needs Analysis
» Programs and Policies
» Quality of Life, Economic Prosperity, Environment

» Health
» Equity
» Reliability
» Complete Streets
» Performance Measures/Measure of Effectiveness
BRAINSTORMING ACTIVITY

» What outcomes would you like to produce from the Active Transportation plan?
» What would be useful components to you, your staff, organizations and people you work with, and your community decision makers?
DISCUSSION

» After discussing wanted outcomes, what focus group topics do you think are most valuable for the Active Transportation Plan?
Next Steps

» Identification of participants for Focus Groups
» Data Gathering/Analysis
» Project Website Development
» Local Public Agency and Focus Group Meetings
Next Steering Committee Meeting

» Week of November 16th – 19th
  » Recap of Focus Group Meeting
  » Discuss Focus Group Priorities
  » Develop Vision and Goals

» Send a Doodle Poll to decide on Date and Time

» Planned to be at Nappanee Public Library
ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

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