

A Playbook to Set Priorities











OVERVIEW

Key transportation planning partners in the region are working together on a no-borders evaluation of 100 miles of Interstate 81 (I-81) in South Central PA to identify the safety, congestion, condition and access needs on the interstate and on connecting roads and infrastructure that are affected by I-81.

The goal is to establish a strategy to address the needs by focus area based on feedback from local stakeholders and the public. The improvements needed on I-81 from the Maryland state line through Lebanon County are complex and vary greatly by location. The strategy will serve as a playbook for setting priorities and funding future projects as resources become available through the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and regional long-range transportation plans.

CORRIDOR

The strategy includes I-81 from the Maryland state line to the Schuylkill County line and I-78 from I-81 to the Berks County line. The study will also evaluate connecting roads and infrastructure that are affected by I-81.

PROJECT TEAM

- Metropolitan Planning Organizations » Tri-County Regional Planning Commission » Franklin County Planning Department » Lebanon County Planning Department
- Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT)
- Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)

SCHEDULE

PHASE 1 **Needs Assessment & Prioritization**











PHASE 2



FALL/WINTER 2019-20

Initial Planning, Announcements & Data Collection Conduct Public Outreach and **Needs Analysis** **SPRING 2020**

Draft Focus Areas for Feedback

SUMMER 2020

Share Findings

FALL 2020

Develop Project Concepts for Public Feedback

WINTER 2020 Finalize Playbook for Transportation Improvement Programs & Long-Range Transportation Plans



OUTCOME

A playbook of candidate projects with specific purpose and needs identified.



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Public interaction during the process will be facilitated in the following ways:

- Interactive and easy to navigate website
- Stakeholder updates and roundtables
- Public feedback through meetings, surveys and interviews
- Public Information through email, press releases and social media

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