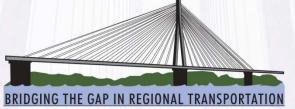
Steering Committee Meeting #1

2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Downtown Huntington Access Study



Presented to:





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MEETING NOTES





- Integrate airport master planning
- Enhance accessibility for freight to airport
- Creating arterials to serve existing and future industrial areas
- Enhance mobility for existing roads through improved roadway characteristics
- Find adequate parking for marine vessels
- Focus on nodal improvements to enhance overall system
- Consider national events leading to regional opportunity
- Consider land use allocations/opportunities along Ohio River
- Improve education/public relations relating freight to resident uses





- Data coordination and collaboration needs to be enhanced a central database
- Help the effort in charrettes by raising the tough issues
- Regional needs and priorities are shifting; cooperation now even more important
- Consider the needs not only of emerging economic base (hospital, tech, service) but also of traditional uses
- Development of Hal Greer/access across Hal Greer critically important to Cabell/Huntington
- We need to create a diverse range of industries





- St. Mary's is in residential area poses challenges for access, EMS
- Economic challenges will arise for hospitals w/o diverse job growth
- Gateways to the city are not appealing viaducts
- Enhanced access to university is important
- Want to reroute fed. Designation off of 5th Street possibly convert to pedestrians areas
- Need improved access to airport + other major hubs
- Goal is to serve constituency at a high level
- Providing high-level emergency services can help attract new residents





- Consider long-range growth plans for Huntington
- How do we incorporate technology/telecommunications
- We need to support expansion of employment hubs through transportation improvements
- How do we best integrate complete streets
- How can we better enhance access to Huntington from OH?\
- Look at improving existing bridges
- Consider new crossing locations + payment methods
- We need to tie together the entire area as one big MPO





- Establish an identity for the region for promoting priorities to state, federal decisionmakers
- Use Charleston as model for cohesive identity
- Think about access/needs of VA Hospital
- Viaducts and Huntington access during rain events; 5th and 3rd
 Avenues are critical needs
- Delivering a realistic plan with declining purchasing power
- Consider performance measures to better position ourselves for funding
- Seek out a range of funding opportunities

