#### **Long-Range Plan Performance Analysis Measures Update**

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### **Meeting Objectives**

- Review the requirements and measures the TPB uses to analyze regional system performance.
- Receive an update on the additional performance measures update study.
- Review the additional performance measures.



## **Performance Analysis Requirements**

- Federal requirements:
  - Inform the investment needs to relieve congestion, improve regional mobility and accessibility, and attain performance targets.
  - Ensure adherence to regional motor vehicle emissions budget.
  - Conduct Environmental Justice Analysis.
- TPB looks to:
  - Assess progress towards regional goals and specific performance targets;
  - Inform transportation investment decision making;
  - Coordinate regional transportation, land use, and environment planning activities.



## **Existing Performance Measures (PMs)**

LRTP Performance Analysis	16 PMs
Regional Air Quality Conformity Analysis	2 PMs
Environmental Justice Analysis	10 PMs
Congestion Management Report	6 PMs
Performance Based Planning and Programming	18 PMs
Long-Range Plan Task Force	18 PMs



## **Existing LRTP PMs**

Percent change between Today and 2045 Build:

- All Trips by Mode, Today
- Work Trips by Mode, Today
- Vehicle Miles Travelled Per Capita (Today 2045 Build)
- Percent of Daily Person Miles Travelled on Reliable Modes
- Number of Activity Centers with Access to HCT
- Percent of Population and Jobs in Proximity to HCT
- Change in Access to Jobs by Auto
- Change in Access to Jobs by Transit
- Multimodal Accessibility Index



# **Existing LRTP PMs (continued)**

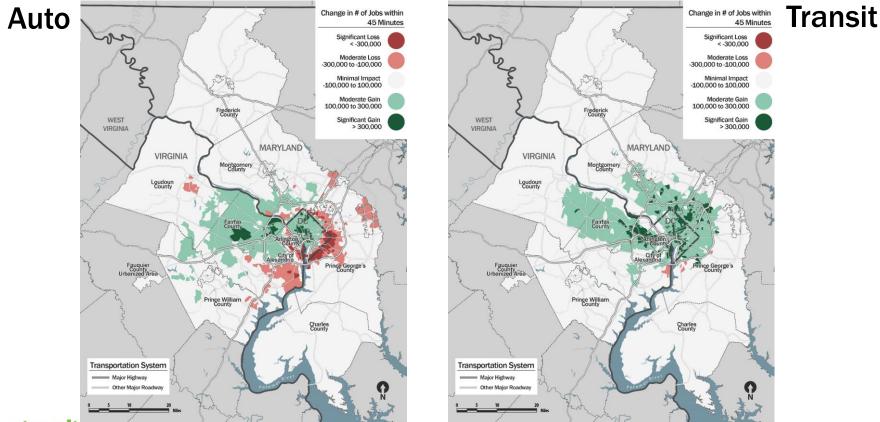
Percent change between Today and 2045 Build:

- Share of Total Lane Miles Congested
- 2045 Major Highway Congestion Map (AM Peak)
- Total Daily Vehicle Hours of Delay
- Average Minutes of Delay per Trip
- Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) Mobile Source Emissions and Budgets
- Precursor Nitrogen Oxide (NOx) Mobile Source Emissions and Budgets
- Greenhouse Gas Mobile Source Emissions (CO2e)



### Land Use and Travel Demand -Access to Jobs by Auto and Transit

#### Visualize 2045 (2018) - 2045 Today to 2045 Build





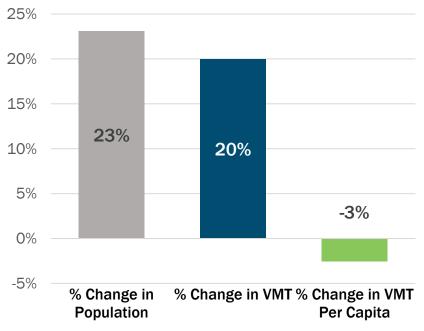
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### **Vehicles Miles Travelled**

Visualize 2045 (2018)

Total daily driving in the region is expected to grow but at a rate lower than population growth.

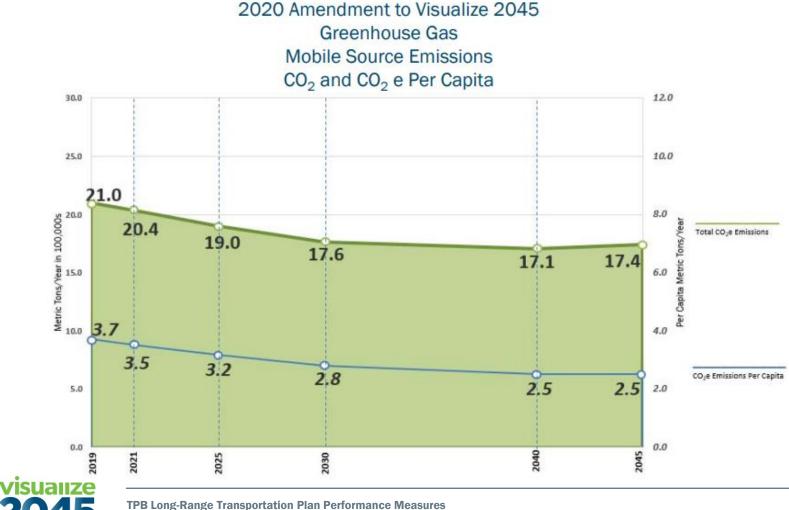
Vehicle Miles Travelled Per Capita (Today - 2045)





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### **Greenhouse Gas Mobile Source Emissions**



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### **Project Charge and Purpose**

- Review existing measures used to evaluate system performance against TPB policy framework.
- Identify planning policy focus areas and the gaps in what we measure.
- Identify and develop methodologies for a new set of performance measures that will be used to conduct the long-range transportation plan (LRTP) system performance analysis.



### **Project Process: Planning Policy Focus Areas from TPB Policy Documents**

Accessibility	Affordability	Air Quality Conformity	Comprehensive Multimodal System
Connectivity	Economy	Emerging Mobility and Tech	Environment / Resiliency/ Sustainability
Equity	Land Use	Mobility	Operational Efficiency
Public Health	Reliability	Safety	State of Good Repair



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## **Project Process: Evaluation Criteria**

Policy	Technical
<ul> <li>Provide regional policy makers with</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Input data must be</li> </ul>
information about how the long-range	available/repeatable.
plan supports regional goals.	<ul> <li>Data must be capable of</li> </ul>
• Measure areas that COG, TPB, and its	producing valid results at the
partners can influence.	required geographic level of
<ul> <li>Help TPB tell a story about the region</li> </ul>	detail.
and our progress toward regional	<ul> <li>Method must use available tools</li> </ul>
goals.	<ul> <li>Measures must be completed.</li> </ul>
	within reasonable time period and
	level of effort.



## **Measures Introduction**

- The ten recommended performance measures address the TPB priority areas identified as under-addressed in TPB's policy framework. Nine of which staff are advancing in some way.
- Status of each measure varies based on meeting evaluation criteria requirements.
- These measures are each at varying stages of feasibility due to various limitations and staff vetting, testing, and resource allocation.



## **Accessibility: 15-minute Neighborhoods**

Can you get to key destinations within 15-minute travel sheds for various modes within a small geography?

- Why this measure?
  - The 15-minute neighborhood concept seeks to bring common life destinations within a 15-minute reach of more residents.

- The analysis would assess whether a resident of a given location (such as the center of an Equity Emphasis Area) can reach key life destinations, such as jobs, schools, healthy food, or medical services within 15 minutes without driving.
- Next Step:
  - Advancing for additional evaluation as part of future LRTP.



### **Accessibility: Access to Travel Options**

Assesses access to existing (or planned and committed) transportation options and seek to identify opportunities for improving access to various travel options.

#### Why this measure?

 This measure can help TPB identify gaps in the region's comprehensive multimodal system.

- How many travel options are available at a given location.
- Next Step:
  - <u>Advancing</u> for inclusion in Visualize 2045 update.



# **Multimodal Accessibility Index**

Index measuring both the diversity of transportation modes available and the number of destinations accessible by those modes within a given travel time or distance.

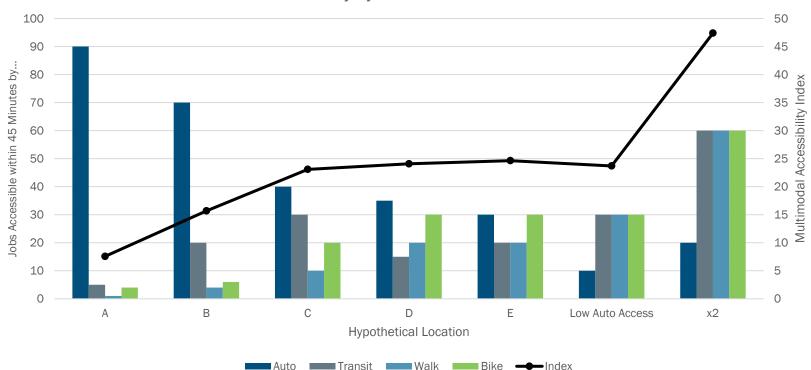
#### Why this measure?

 To help TPB understand how the comprehensive multimodal system can improve access to jobs (or other destinations).

- Both the diversity of transportation modes available and the number of destinations accessible by those modes within a given travel time or distance. It is similar to the existing measures on access to jobs, but it merges many modes into one measure.
- Next Step:
  - <u>Advancing</u> for inclusion in Visualize 2045 update.



### Multimodal Accessibility Index, cont.



Accessibility by Mode and Index Score



# **Cost of Travel**

Using the Center for Neighborhood Technology "Housing + Transportation Affordability Cost Index," how can the TPB learn more about the costs of transportation as a potential tool for offsetting other costs that contribute to the region's cost of living?

#### Why this measure?

 To help TPB better understand affordability and to identify locations that might benefit from additional investments in lower-cost transportation options.

- The Center for Neighborhood Technology already calculates the percent that households spend on housing and transportation, which makes this a relatively easy diagnostic measure for TPB to adopt.
- Next Step: <u>Advancing</u> by optimizing data for regional context and inclusion in Visualize 2045 update.



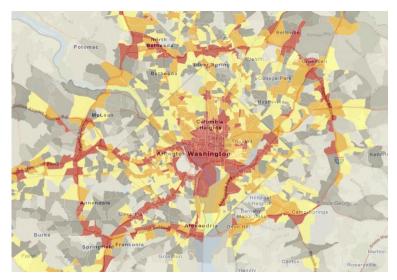
### **Exposure to Localized Transportation Pollution**

How do environmental indicators related to mobile source emissions, as reported in EPA's EJScreen, perform in the TPB Planning Area?

#### Why this measure?

 Respond to TPB's new equity resolution and to the impacts of COVID-19 by studying how air quality varies throughout the region.

- Areas in the region that have more air pollution from transportation than the regional average.
- Next Step: <u>Advancing</u> for inclusion in Visualize 2045 update.





## **Green Infrastructure: Percent Green** Land Cover

What is the percent of impervious surface and/or extent of green cover in the region?

- Why this measure?
  - To inform future decisions about where to site new infrastructure and how to design or use transportation rights-ofway.
  - Green land cover can deliver equity, environmental, social, health, and economic benefits.
- What does it measure?
  - Percent of green land cover.
- Next Step: In coordination with COG partners, advancing for additional evaluation as part of future LRTP.





## **Density and Open Space: Population-Weighted Density**

Relative density of geographic areas within the region.

- Why this measure?
  - To help TPB understand how residents experience the region's density and inform future decisions about open space preservation.
- What does it measure?
  - Population-weighted density reflects the density experienced by the average resident of the region.
- Next Step:
  - Advancing for inclusion in Visualize 2045 update.



# **Infrastructure Exposed to Flooding**

What transportation infrastructure in the region is near flood risk, flood zones, rising sea levels and storm surges?

- Why this measure?
  - Help TPB identify which transportation infrastructure and locations are at risk of flooding to influence decisions about project locations and design.
  - Help address the new federal planning factor on resiliency.
- What does it measure?
  - Overlays the region's transportation (existing and/or proposed) infrastructure with data on current and future flood risk.
- Next Step:
  - Advancing for additional evaluation as part of future LRTP.
  - Examining opportunities through TPB resiliency study next steps



## Number of Projects That Incorporate Best Practices to Improve Resiliency

To what degree are projects in the LRTP considering resiliency best practices?

- Why this measure?
  - Recognize and celebrate actions TPB member jurisdictions are taking to increase resiliency.

- The number of projects incorporating resiliency best practices, as reported on project submission forms.
- Next Step:
  - Examining opportunities through TPB resiliency study next steps.
  - Including in Visualize 2045 update: responses to federal planning factors questions, noting count of projects considering resiliency/reliability.



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