



MEMORANDUM

To: CMAP Board and Committees
From: CMAP Staff
Date: July 27, 2018
Re: Near Term External Implementation of ON TO 2050

On June 15, a draft of ON TO 2050 was released for public comment. Before the final plan is adopted on October 10, 2018, there is an opportunity to compile these comments, summarize them, and make revisions. In preparation for a seamless transition from plan development to implementation and based on input from the CMAP Board, committees, and other stakeholders, staff have prioritized a series of near term implementation projects, with a focus on those that require support or participation from external stakeholders. At this time, staff are working to scope projects, form needed partnerships, or raise funds. In some cases, staff have already begun to execute project tasks.

The list below identifies implementation projects that require external partnerships. All of these projects are moving forward with scoping and early stage development. Staff presented a first iteration of this memo to the Board and committees in June. The information below reflects progress made since then. It is anticipated that many of these projects will ultimately be reflected in the FY 2020 agency work plan. Processes already included in the FY 2019 work plan or already underway, such as development of programming criteria for the CMAQ program, are not included on this list.

Goal	Lead	Status
Community		
Develop a targeted reinvestment area (TRA) program.	Schuh, Elam	Staff are scoping a timeline and process to engage stakeholders in defining TRA criteria and structuring a program.
Governance		
Establish regional coordination on Inclusive growth.	Scott, Williams-Clark	CMAP and several partners have met twice and are working to define a shared agenda with facilitation from the Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce (RSA).

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Evaluate options to incorporate capacity building into CMAP programs as well as partner activities.	Ihnchak	Staff have submitted fundraising proposals to The Chicago Community Trust and the MacArthur Foundation. Scoping is complete for two LTA projects to pilot interventions with McHenry County and SSMMA. The 2018 Municipal Survey is closed with more than 80% response.
Explore options for expanding and coordinating primary health data collection.	Lopez	Staff are discussing this potential with departments of public health and relevant partners. A potential funding source has been identified and shared with partners for potential pursuit.
Prosperity		
Support development of an entity with the mandate and resources to implement a regional economic growth strategy	Weil, Edwards	Staff continue to support the development of the Chicago Regional Growth Corporation (CRGC), recently providing input and data resources for forthcoming competitive grant applications.
Conduct additional analysis of the region's globally traded clusters	Weil, Edwards	Staff are currently conducting data analysis for a report that will assess the performance, workforce and planning needs, and contributions to inclusive growth of the region's specialized industry clusters, expected in early 2019.
Focus economic development and workforce training on pathways for upward economic mobility	Weil, Edwards	Staff recently published a policy update series on job polarization and are developing another series on demographics of the workforce. This analysis will inform the development of a report on current workforce programs and the state of jobs in the economy, expected in mid-2019.
Environment		
Determine interest and seek funding for developing the next iteration of the Green Infrastructure Vision.	Daly, Hyland	Staff have compiled feedback on the conservation areas layer, and have initiated discussion with Chicago Wilderness and potential funders.
Explore the potential to create updated municipal emissions profiles in conjunction with a partner.	Ihnchak	A partner is exploring the potential to do this work under an existing program.
Explore land preservation strategies (open space, natural areas, agriculture...)	Daly	An LTA project will be initiated in summer 2018. Scoping and conversations with potential partners are underway. Staff are exploring potential for a policy update around this topic.
Focus CMAP's water quality work on ON TO 2050 priorities through partnerships with IEPA and others	Navota	Staff have scheduled a meeting with IEPA for August 2018

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Explore partnerships with County stormwater agencies to integrate stormwater management into local planning	Beck	Staff are in the process of scoping and reaching out to county stormwater agencies.
Assess flood vulnerability of transportation assets and infrastructure	Beck, Hyland	A potential funding source has been identified and on schedule for pursuit.
Advance water supply planning in the region in priority locations	Beck	Discussions with partners and IDNR are underway
Mobility		
Support new transportation revenues research and initiatives.	Hollander	A subcommittee of the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee explored new revenue principles and a memo was shared at the June, 2018 meeting. Scoping of future research and outreach is underway.
Charge a committee or task force with further exploring new vehicle technology and emerging mobility options.	Irvin	Staff are in the scoping phase of this project and exploring the potential to address larger emerging technology issues.
Work with IDOT and FHWA to allow the use of Transportation Development Credits generated by the tollways to be the local match for transportation investments in high need communities.	Dixon	Staff continue to discuss with both IDOT and FHWA.
Work with IDOT to revise design manuals to improve outcomes for bike and pedestrian safety, walkable neighborhoods and suburban downtowns, stormwater management, and other ON TO 2050 priorities	Murtha	Staff proposed projects in response to IDOT call for research as part of Planning Technical Advisory Group.
Conduct a series of truck routing, permitting, and delivery management studies in the region's freight-intensive land use clusters.	Schnobrich	CMAP received notice of award of Statewide Planning and Research funds for the project. Preliminary data collection and the hiring process for a staff person to support the project will be initiated shortly. The first of three studies is anticipated to begin in early 2019.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

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