Public Participation Plan

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Background

Public Involvement Plan

The Public Involvement Policy (PIP) was adopted in 2021 and guided efforts to involved the public in planning processes. The PIP identified:

- Planning activities that require public involvement
- Guidelines for determining the level of public involvement needed for various planning activities
- Minimum and advanced notification guidelines for various planning activities
- The length of public input periods
- Communication and engagement methods that the MPO can use to solicit feedback during all stages of the plan, program, and project development
- How the MPO will respond to public comments
- Major decision points for plans and studies that require public involvement

Goals of the Public Participation Plan

Communicate & Collaborate:

- Share Clear
 Information
- Collaborate with Agencies

Build Trust:

- Include Everyone
- Focus on Equity
- Ensure Accessibility
- Review and Improve

Use Tools:

- Make it Visual
- Use Various Tools

Engage Meaningfully:

- · Listen and Respond
- Start Early and Stay
 Engaged

Key Changes

Use of and commitment to using Plain Langauge

Identifies and Categorizes Key Stakeholders

Prioritizes Meaningful Engagement

Key Changes

Details How Members of the Public Can Participate

Simplified Public Comments Period

Social Media Policy and Emergency Policy

Recent Change(s):

Meaningful Engagement -

Intentional interactions that create opportunities for representation in planning processes and planning outcomes.

Added additional stakeholder groups that are more representative of all of Triangle West.

Outreach and Engagment:

In-Person **Email & Events & Online** Social Media Newsletter **Events**

Public Comments Summary:

- Great improvement using plain language...much easier to read.
- Use updated technology like display, paid social or geofencing for digital marketing.
- Newspaper should not be the key way to reach people in the area.

Schedule

Presentation to Technical Committee

February 11, 2025

Presentation to TPO Board

February 25, 2025

Public Comment Period

Starts: February 25, 2025

Ends: April 11, 2025

Presentation to Technical Committee

April 8, 2025

Presentation to Board

April 22, 2025

Questions?

Actio n:



TPO Board to adopt the Public Participation Plan.

Thank you!