

May 7, 2024

TO: DCHC MPO Technical Committee
FROM: DCHC MPO Staff
SUBJECT: Revised MTP 2055 Objectives for Consideration

Executive Summary

The Durham-Chapel Hill-Carrboro Metropolitan Planning Organization (DCHC MPO) in partnership with the Capital Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CAMPO) invited the general public to complete a *Goals and Objectives* survey between November 16, 2023 and January 15, 2024. The intent of the survey was to gain a better understanding of the public's perspective on policy goals within the adopted 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

Participants were provided with a list of the (8) current MTP goals, where each goal was described, and examples of implementing the goals were offered. A total of 558 individuals participated in the survey and contributed a total of 445 comments.

DCHC MPO conducted an initial analysis of survey results to identify common and reoccurring perspectives. Additionally, staff compared overall perspectives expressed within the survey responses to perspectives shared by respondents who self-identified as being an individual within an Environmental Justice community. Objectives from Connect 2050 have been modified for consideration for Destination 2055.

Summary of Changes:

The following summarizes the key proposed revisions to the adopted Objectives from Connect 2050.

- The term "communities of concern" was revised to "underrepresented communities".
- Added "Increase travel choices and travel reliability while limiting the construction of new roads or expansion of existing ones."
- Added "Improve project design and traffic operations to minimize human error."
- Added "Increase accessibility via universal design."
- Added "Create an accessible EV infrastructure network and prioritize alternative fuel sources."

Next Steps

DCHC MPO Staff asks the Technical Committee to review the proposed revisions to the current MTP Objectives and take one of the following actions:

Action #1: Recommend the MPO Board approve the revised Objectives for use in the

development of Destination 2055.

Action #2: Provide additional recommended revisions to the Goals and Objectives to the MPO Board for use in the development of Destination 2055.

Action #3: Do not recommend the revisions to the Goals and Objectives to the MPO Board for use in the development of Destination 2055.

Exhibits

Exhibit A - Revised Goals and Objectives for Consideration

Exhibit B – Destination 2055 Phase 1 Engagement (Goals and Objectives) Memorandum

Exhibit C – Destination 2055 Goals and Objectives Survey Compilation

Exhibit D – Destination 2055 Goals and Objectives Survey Summary – Environmental Justice Communities