

STATEWIDE MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN COUNCIL COMMENTS

Transportation Committee July 23, 2012



Plan Development Process

- Nov 2011 adopt Minnesota GO Vision
- Dec 2011 – June 2012 stakeholder input and release of Draft Plan
- Plan Project Management Team included Council representation
- Public Review & Comment Period: **June 25 – July 31, 2012**
- Final Plan adoption Aug - Sept 2012

General Comments

- Appreciate development of a multimodal plan that gives direction to all jurisdictions
- Strong tie to adopted Minnesota Go Vision and Guiding Principles
- Six identified Objectives are appropriate, understandable and succinct
- Particularly support *Transportation in Context* objective and emphasis on integrating transportation and land use

General Comments

- Plan lacks specific direction on investment priorities across modes
- Plan should be stronger on the consideration of air quality (AQ) as a factor in planning and investment decisions

Specific Suggestions

Objective 1: Accountability, Transparency and Communication

- Add a strategy on working to reduce costs and improve efficiency (April draft)

Objective 2: Traveler Safety

- Reword strategy on transit provider safety and security requirements to recognize Council role in metro area

Specific Suggestions

Objective 3: Transportation in Context

- Include a strategy on connection between transit service, land use and transit oriented development (April draft)
- Add text to emphasize implementation of sustainable transportation solutions

Specific Suggestions

Objective 4: Critical Connections

- Reword strategy relating to the Twin Cities movement of goods and people to better reflect TPP policy direction
- Reword transit strategy to emphasize improving and growing transit service, not just improving connections between transit services

Specific Suggestions

Objective 5: Asset Management

- No specific comments

Objective 6: System Security

- No specific comments

Specific Suggestions

Performance Measurement:

- Use similar measures for transit performance in metro area and Greater Minnesota (suggest using ridership as primary measure)
- Include an aviation performance measure such as *condition of runway/taxiway pavement at key airports.*

Questions?

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