# RICHLAND COUNTY LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

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## **1. INTRODUCTIONS**

#### **"GETTING TO KNOW YOU"**

- Philip Roth, PhD, AICP
  - City planner since 1992
  - Worked on the staff of City of New Albany, Indianapolis Metropolitan Planning Organization, and Central Indiana Regional Transportation Authority (CIRTA)
- American Structurepoint, Inc.
  - Full-service design firm (public, private)
  - 600 professionals
  - Head office in Indianapolis
  - Offices in Ohio, Texas, and Florida







#### Tell us something about yourself that no one else knows (but which they will)

Nobody has responded yet.

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### **2. OVERVIEW OF THE LRTP** "THE LONG AND WINDING ROAD"

- a) What is it?
- b) How does it influence the development of transportation systems in the County?
- c) What are associated MPO processes?
- d) What are the federal requirements for longrange transportation plans?
- e) What does the current Richland County Long-Range Transportation Plan look like? What does it say?





### **2A. WHAT IS THE LRTP?** "I WANNA KNOW WHAT THE PLAN IS...."



- A comprehensive blueprint guiding transportation system developments, typically projected over a 20–30-year horizon.
- It encompasses all forms of transportation, including roadways, public transit, walking and biking paths, and freight, and integrates considerations of future growth, technology, and sustainability.
- The LRTP is developed through a collaborative process involving stakeholders and the public, ensuring that the future transportation network meets the evolving needs of the region.

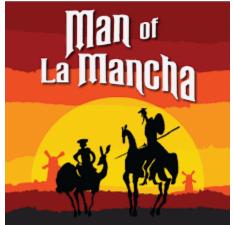


### 2B. HOW LRTP INFLUENCE TRANSPORTATION? "TO DREAM THE IMPOSSIBLE DREAM..."

- It sets strategic priorities and guides the allocation of funding for transportation projects, shaping the development and enhancement of the region's transportation infrastructure.
- By forecasting future travel patterns and assessing current system deficiencies, the LRTP influences decisions on where to expand roadways, enhance public transit options, and develop non-motorized transport facilities.

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• The vision and goals drive policy-making and regulatory decisions, impacting everything from land use planning to environmental sustainability and technology integration in the transportation system.



#### 2C. WHAT ARE ASSOCIATED MPO PROCESSES? "CONJUNCTION JUNCTION..."

- Congestion Management Process (CMP) informs the LRTP by identifying critical congestion points and suggesting effective non-construction strategies
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) aligns short-term project priorities with the LRTP's longterm vision
- Public Participation Plan
  – overview of how the MPO will reach out to the public
- Air Quality Conformity (not relevant here)

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 Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Architecture –integrates advanced technology solutions into long-term transportation strategies.



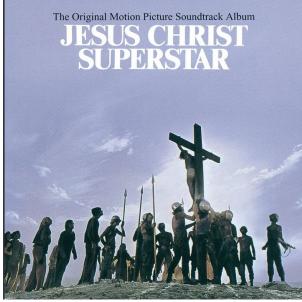
### 2D. WHAT ARE THE FEDERAL REQUIREMENTS? "CLIMB EVERY REGULATORY MOUNTAIN"

- Minimum 20-year planning horizon to address future transportation needs (23 CFR 450.324(a))
- Update the LRTP at least every five years (23 CFR 450.324(b))
- Must include a financial plan demonstrating how the transportation improvements can be funded (23 CFR 450.324(f))
- Public participation is essential (23 CFR 450.316(a))
- Must have a performance-based approach, integrating transportation performance measures and targets (23 CFR 450.306(d)(2))
- MPOs must coordinate the development of the LRTP with state and public transportation providers (23 CFR 450.324(c))
- Needs to be consistent with the goals and objectives of the statewide transportation plan (23 CFR 450.324(e))



### 2E. WHAT DOES THE CURRENT LRTP LOOK LIKE? "WHAT'S THE PLAN, TELL ME WHATSA HAPPENIN' ..."

- Horizon year of 2045
- Goals
  - Safety in all modes
  - Supports economic vitality
  - System preservation and reliability
  - Public involvement
- No list of projects
- No discussion of financial constraint





Long Range Transportation Plan Update

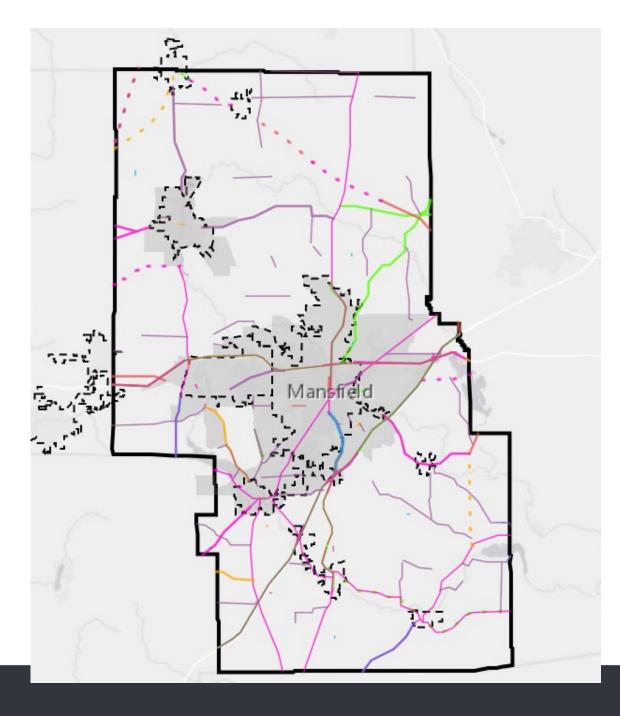
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## 2E (CONTINUED)





### 2. OVERVIEW OF THE LRTP "CHITTY CHITTY CHAT CHAT"

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### 3. PROCESS FOR UPDATING THE LRTP? "CH-CH-CH-CH-CHANGES..."

- a) What will the Update look like? How will it be organized?
- b) What is the workplan?





### **3A. WHAT WILL THE UPDATE LOOK LIKE?** "THE PHANTOM OF THE ANALYSIS"





### **3B. WHAT IS THE WORKPLAN?** "THE WORKPLAN OF OZ"

- Stakeholder/Public involvement
  - Stakeholders February-April
  - Public 3 windows, beginning in March
- Goals and Objectives March-May
- Existing conditions/needs now until April
- Project ID and evaluation (with ODOT) May to August
- Financial analysis and evaluation
  - Financial capacity- now until February
  - Evaluation (after projects)– July to September
- EJ with public involvement

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Writeup – August to November, followed by adoption



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### 4. ROLE OF REVIEW TEAM "WE WILL, WE WILL REVIEW YOU..."

- a) Expectations
- b) Level of Effort





### 4A. EXPECTATIONS OF THE REVIEW TEAM "SOMEWHERE OVER THE REVIEW"

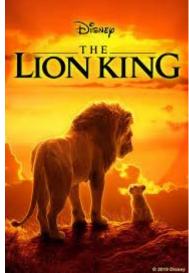
- At least seven meetings of the review team over the next 14 months
  - No more than six in-person
  - Remainder virtual
  - Attendance is critical
- Materials for review
  - For comment: 10day turnaround
  - For information: as needed
- Provide feedback and ideas on the process
- Provide support throughout the adoption process
- Advocate for the process and product





### 4B. WHAT WILL THE LEVEL OF EFFORT BE? "CAN YOU FEEL THE EFFORT TONIGHT"

- Prepare for the meetings
- Come to the meetings
- Participate in the meetings
- Review materials
- Comment on materials
- Spread the word about the process
- Advocate for the plan





### **4. ROLE OF REVIEW TEAM** "TALKIN' IN THE RAIN"

 DISCUSSION How does this match with your expectations on what you would be doing? Is there anyone else we need to ask to join?





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### **5. NEXT STEPS** "EVERY LITTLE STEP WE TAKE IS MAGIC..."

- a) Workplan refinement
- b) Branding and templates
- c) Public participation and stakeholder outreach plan
- d) Next meeting date





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