

APO's Regional Long-Range Plan Out for Public Review



The wait is finally over!

APO staff have officially published their draft long-range transportation plan Looking Ahead 2050.

Looking Ahead 2050 is an update to the APO's regional multimodal surface transportation plan. Known in the planning world as a

Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), this document outlines a shared, community-based vision for how the surface transportation network should function in the region as well as outlining the necessary steps each partner organization (on the city, county, state, and/or federal level) can take to ensure this vision becomes a reality.



Starting as early as October 2020, we've asked the community to share with us their stories and experiences about transportation in and around Central Minnesota. From those comments, we've developed a list of local priorities for the future system. Now, we need to know what you think about the proposed path to achieve the transportation future you desire.

Between now and Sept. 7, APO staff want to hear from you! Tell us your thoughts about the draft plan for the region's 2050 transportation network.

Check out www.lookingahead2050.org for all the ways you can get involved. From community events to online discussion forums and everything in between, APO staff invite you to check out the plan and provide your comments!

Additional questions or comments on the draft Looking Ahead 2050 plan can be directed to APO Senior Transportation Planner Vicki Johnson (<u>ikeogu@stcloudapo.org</u>) or APO Associate Transportation Planner Alex McKenzie (<u>mckenzie@stcloudapo.org</u>).

We are Looking Ahead to 2050. Are you?



We Need Your Help to Improve Traffic Safety

The APO, in association with consulting firm Bolton & Menk, have begun a planning process to identify the worst locations around the region for traffic safety.

While crash data can tell us many things, it cannot tell us everything. For example, there may be locations where near-misses are common or where people feel unsafe crossing a street. Those things will not show up in crash data.



That's where you come in.

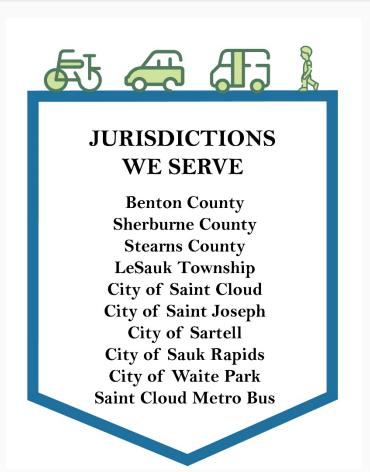
We need your help to better understand the locations that you feel are the most unsafe from a traffic perspective.

You can find out more details and provide your input on our online storymap: bit.ly/stcloudss4a

If you just want to complete the survey, check out: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SCAPO SS4A

And, you can also identify location-specific problems on our interactive map visit: INPUTiD: https://gis.bolton-menk.com/inputid/?app=SCAPO SS4A

We are accepting comments through the end of August!







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