ALABAMA 2040 STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION PLAN

What Is the Statewide Transportation Plan (SWTP)?

The SWTP is a long range, macro level assessment of the state's transportation system network. It summarizes the system's current conditions and identifies its needs and priorities for the next 25 years. It is a multimodal plan that evaluates all modes of passenger and freight transportation—roadways and bridges, transit, bicycle/pedestrian, rail, aviation, and waterways. It considers the extent of modal coverage and connectivity across the entire state and between modes. The SWTP evaluates investments in infrastructure and maintenance, and compares them to historic and anticipated funding levels.

The SWTP establishes the programs, policies, and strategies that will be the focus of the State's efforts through 2040. The SWTP does not provide a detailed assessment of transportation conditions within one specific region or for one particular mode of travel. Those activities are carried out by urban and rural area regional organizations across the state or other bureaus within the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT). It also does not include a detailed listing of projects. The short-term State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) provides a prioritized list of projects; it has a four-year horizon and is updated annually. More information on the STIP can be found online at: https://cpmsapps.dot.state.al.us/OfficeEngineer/Plan/Statewide.

The SWTP is prepared in coordination with Tribes and Tribal Organizations with respect to each area under their jurisdiction. The State of Alabama designates nine Tribes. One, the Poarch Band of Creek Indians, is also federally recognized.

What Has Already Been Done?

The SWTP update began in late April 2016. The first activities included collecting data and reviewing relevant plans and guidance. The Statewide Travel Demand Model, an important tool for determining existing and future roadway congestion levels, has been updated to reflect current conditions and extend projections to year 2040. An overview of Alabama's multimodal transportation system network and the existing conditions was prepared. The first round of regional public and stakeholder meetings was held in September. Current and projected conditions are being assessed to identify existing and future needs.

What Happens Next?

Several "what if" improvement scenarios will be developed and analyzed for their ability to address the identified needs. Historic and anticipated funding levels will be compared against needs. Statewide program, policy and strategy recommendations will be developed and included in a Draft Plan, which will be

How Can I Participate?

- ➤ Visit the SWTP webpage to learn more and review available materials
 - http://www.dot.state.al.us/oeweb/statewideTransportationPlan.html
- > Email the study team with comments or to be added to the contact list
 - altransplans@dot.state.al.us
- Attend the public and stakeholder meetings held around the state in April 2017 to review the Draft Plan

FACT SHEET



Transportation impacts every resident and business in Alabama.

What are <u>your</u> transportation priorities for Alabama?

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