

Discussion Paper for the Next Regional Transportation Plan

A Shared Vision: Updating the Vision, Goals and Objectives

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Project Summary

The policies and actions in a long-range transportation plan should be based on a strong conceptual foundation. In 2008, that foundation was set by municipal leaders, key stakeholders and the general public. Now, as part of developing the next Regional Transportation Plan, Metrolinx has begun consulting with key stakeholders, municipal representatives and the general public, to review and update The Big Move's vision, goals and objectives.

It is proposed that the key triple bottom line messages found within the original Vision still hold in 2016 and have been left largely intact, with some minor modifications. The 13 original Goals and 37 Objectives have been consolidated into **6 Goals and 19 Objectives** in the proposed draft.

Project Objectives

The aim of the review and update of the Regional Transportation Plan's Vision, Goals and Objectives is to:

- Ensure the Vision continues to resonate with stakeholder's view for the region;
- Clarify the distinction between Vision, Goals and Objectives;
- Consolidate the 13 existing Goals with more of a central focus around transportation;
- Reduce redundancy between the Goals and Objectives; and
- Better align the updated Objectives with existing or desired data, including the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) described in the Baseline Monitoring Report (2013).

Approach

- **Review** of Peer Documents
- **Clarify** definitions of key terms
- **Early feedback** from the Municipal Technical Advisory Committee
- **Ongoing work to align** with the Metrolinx Corporate Key Performance Indicators, Co-ordinated Review of Ontario Land Use Plans, Metrolinx Sustainability Framework, and other relevant documents
- **Consultation**
 - Internal - Planning & Policy Leadership Team, Internal Steering Committee, the Regional Transportation Plan review team and Planning & Policy staff
 - External - Municipal Technical Advisory Committee
 - Public - to be included in the Discussion Paper

Proposed Updated Vision, Goals and Objectives

ORIGINAL INTRO

In 25 years, the GTHA will have an integrated transportation system that **enhances our quality of life, our environment and our prosperity:**

PROPOSED INTRO

In 2041, the region's integrated transportation system will allow people to get around easily, and will contribute to a **high quality of life, a thriving, sustainable and protected environment, and a prosperous and competitive economy.**

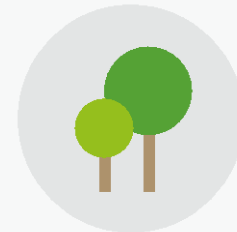
QUALITY OF LIFE



ECONOMY



THE ENVIRONMENT



Proposed Vision Statement

ORIGINAL TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE

A high quality of life.

Our communities will support healthy and active lifestyles, with many options for getting around quickly, reliably, conveniently, comfortably and safely.

A thriving, sustainable and protected environment.

Our transportation system will have a low carbon footprint, conserve resources, and contribute to a legacy of a healthy and clean environment for future generations.

A strong, prosperous and competitive economy.

Our region will be competitive with the world's strongest regions. Businesses will be supported by a transportation system that moves goods and delivers services quickly and efficiently.

PROPOSED TRIPLE BOTTOM LINE

The transportation system will:

Provide people with a variety of options for getting around the region reliably, comfortably, conveniently, and safely, contributing to a **high quality of life**;

Make it easy for people to choose modes of travel that reduce our region's environmental footprint and contribute to a **thriving, sustainable and protected environment**, and

Connect people to jobs, move goods and deliver services efficiently throughout the region, supporting a **strong, prosperous and competitive economy**.

Proposed Updated Goals

ORIGINAL GOALS

- A. Transportation Choices
- B. Comfort and Convenience (split)
- J. Multi-Modal Integration
- K. Interconnectedness

- B. Comfort and Convenience (split)
- D. Safe and Secure Mobility
- C. Active and Healthy Lifestyles

- H. Foundation of an Attractive and Well-Planned Region

- F. A Smaller Carbon Footprint and Lower Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- G. Reduced Dependence on Non-Renewable Resources

- I. Prosperity and Competitiveness
- L. Efficiency and Effectiveness
- E. Fairness and Transparency
- M. Fiscal Sustainability

CURRENT DRAFT

- A. Connectivity, Convenience and Integration

- B. Equity and Accessibility

- C. Health, Comfort and Safety

- D. A Well-Planned Region

- E. Exemplary Environmental Footprint

- F. Prosperity and Competitiveness

Proposed Goals and Objectives

GOAL A: Connectivity, Convenience and Integration

OBJECTIVES

1. People have appropriate, realistic options to move easily and reliably from place to place.
2. People have the information they need to optimize their travel decisions.
3. Transit services and fares are seamlessly integrated.
4. All transportation modes are coordinated.

GOAL B: Equity and Accessibility

OBJECTIVES

5. Transit offers affordable access to jobs, services and major destinations, and is competitive for most trips.
6. Transit fleets and transportation infrastructure, services and technology are accessible to users of all ages and abilities.

GOAL C: Health, Comfort and Safety

OBJECTIVES

7. Walking and cycling are attractive and realistic choices for most trips.
8. Transit offers an attractive, high-quality user experience.
9. People feel safe and secure when travelling, with continuous progress toward eliminating injuries and deaths from transportation.
10. Goods are moved safely and securely.

Proposed Goals and Objectives

GOAL D: A Well-Planned Region

OBJECTIVES

11. The transportation system supports compact and efficient development.
12. Integrated transportation and land use planning reduces the need for travel and encourages walking, cycling and taking transit.
13. Transit infrastructure and services have the capacity to meet demand.

GOAL E: Exemplary Environmental Footprint

OBJECTIVES

14. The transportation system is adaptive and resilient to the stresses of a changing climate, uses resources efficiently, and fits within the ecosystem's capacity.
15. The transportation system contributes to the achievement of provincial targets for greenhouse gas emission reductions.

GOAL F: Prosperity and Competitiveness

OBJECTIVES

16. Travel times are predictable and reasonable.
17. The transportation system offers value to users and governments by providing economical, reliable and environmentally sustainable movement of people and goods.
18. Governments promote innovation in the transportation sector.
19. Sustainable, coordinated funding supports transportation operations, maintenance and expansion.