

Connect2050 Appendix 1 -- Community Engagement

Background

Chapter 5.2, *Stakeholder and Public Engagement*, presents the activities carried out for the major milestones in the 2050 MTP development process to educate the public and get their feedback. The public notices, hearings, surveys, social media and other activities produced many detailed responses from the public. Although these responses are too numerous to compile and summarize in the 2050 MTP report, the MPOs provided comprehensive copies of this information on their websites as the 2050 MTP completed the various stages of development from mid-2020 through early 2022. This appendix identifies and provides links to the many comment compilations and summaries that were produced for the three principal milestones where public engagement occurred for the MTP: 1- Goals and Objectives; 2- Alternatives Analysis; and 3- Draft Plan (including the report).

Goals and Objectives

The MPOs developed a set of Goals and Objectives to guide the financial, project selection and other key decisions in the 2050 MTP development process. These Goals and Objectives, which were approved in September 2020, will continue to drive the MPOs' policies and decision-making over the next several years, as well. The available public feedback from the Goals and Objectives engagement is identified below.

Written Comments - DCHC MPO: The link below is a copy of the full text of comments that the DCHC MPO received in emails, social media (e.g., Twitter), and agency letters during the Goals and Objectives public comment period.

- Goals and Objectives-DCHC MPO-Comments: <https://bit.ly/3r0fest>

Written Comments - CAMPO: The link below is a summary of the public engagement process and a copy of the full text of comments that CAMPO received in emails, voicemail, letter and public hearing for the **entire 2050 MTP public engagement process** (i.e., including Goals and Objectives, Alternatives Analysis and the Draft Plan).

- Goals and Objectives-CAMPO-Comments: <https://bit.ly/345nbnh>

Survey - CAMPO and DCHC MPO: The MPOs conducted a survey on the Goals and Objectives that received more than 2,000 responses. The links below include a summary of the survey and full text of comments received for each of the individual Goals.

- [Survey Summary](#) (starts on slide 48)
- Survey: [General Suggestions for Goals](#)
- Survey: Goal 1 [Environment & Climate Change](#)
- Survey: Goal 2 - [Connect People & Places](#)
- Survey: Goal 3 - [Multimodal & Affordable](#)
- Survey: Goal 4 - [Congestion & Reliability](#)

- Survey: Goal 5 - [Infrastructure & Resilience](#)
- Survey: Goal 6 - [Equity & Participation](#)
- Survey: Goal 7 - [Safety & Health](#)
- Survey: Goal 8 - [Economic Vitality](#)

Alternatives Analysis

The MPOs released three alternatives to address the expected future travel demand and asked the public to provide feedback using several different tactics to encourage and gather that feedback.

Written Comments - DCHC MPO: The links below are copies of the public hearing comments and of the full text of comments that the DCHC MPO received in emails, social media (e.g., Twitter), and agency letters during the Alternatives Analysis public comment period. The two MPOs boards also held a joint meeting in September of 2021 and during the public comments item at the meeting, several speakers addressed the 2050 MTP development – specifically the alternative scenarios.

- Alternatives Analysis-DCHC MPO-Public Hearing: <https://bit.ly/3rJqSqM>
- Alternatives Analysis-DCHC MPO-Written Comments: <https://bit.ly/3u3XmPp>
- Joint Meeting of DCHC MPO & CAMPO Boards – Meeting Minutes (page 27): <https://bit.ly/345nbnh>

Recorded Comments - CAMPO and DCHC MPO: The link below is a recording of session two of the online public workshop that the MPOs conducted on August 19, 2021.

- Alternatives Analysis - DCHC MPO-Recorded Comments: <https://bit.ly/3Avh2Ng>

Survey - CAMPO and DCHC MPO: The MPOs conducted a survey on the Alternatives Analysis that received nearly 1,000 responses. The link below includes a summary of the survey on slides 1 through 11.

- Survey Summary -DCHC MPO: <https://bit.ly/3o0biGI>

Focus Groups - DCHC MPO: The DCHC MPO conducted four focus groups of approximately ten participants from communities that commonly don't have adequate access to the public planning process, including minority, low-income, young and elderly residents. The link below includes a summary of the focus group feedback starting on slide 12.

- Focus Groups-DCHC MPO-Summary: <https://bit.ly/3o0biGI>

Draft Plan

The MPOs released a draft plan called the Preferred Option and then a full report based on that draft plan. Again, the MPOs used several different media to encourage and gather feedback but the volume of feedback was lower than in previous MTP development milestones.

Written Comments - DCHC MPO: The links below are copies of the public comments received, mostly by email, in response to the Preferred Option and full report.

- Preferred Option-DCHC MPO-[Written Comments](#)
- Full report-DCHC MPO-[Written Comments](#)
- Preferred Option and Full Report – CAMPO – [Written Comments](#) (This is a copy of the full text of comments that CAMPO received in emails, voicemail, letter and public hearing for the **entire 2050 MTP public engagement process** - including Goals and Objectives, Alternatives Analysis and the Draft Plan.)

For additional details, to view other materials such as paid advertisements, email blasts, survey questions or response data, etc., contact staff from either CAMPO: comments@campo-nc.us or DCHC MPO: [Andy Henry](#).