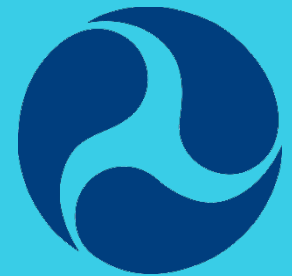


Savannah MPO's TMA Certification Review



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Introduction of the Federal Team



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Why Are **We** Here?

- Every 4 years FTA and FHWA jointly review the metropolitan transportation planning process for those areas with over 200,000 population
- Part of this review includes seeking public input



Why Are **You** Here?

- To give your **opinions** of the metropolitan area's transportation planning process



What Will Happen To Your Comments Today?

- Comments received today and by mail (within the next 30 days) will be summarized in a report.
- Comments are taken into consideration while evaluating the transportation planning completed for the area



What is the Outcome of this Review?

- Report is issued in approximately 60 days summarizing the discussions during the review

Process is:

- Certified
- Certified subject to corrective actions
- Certified for use of only certain construction funding categories



Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

What is the *Planning Process*?

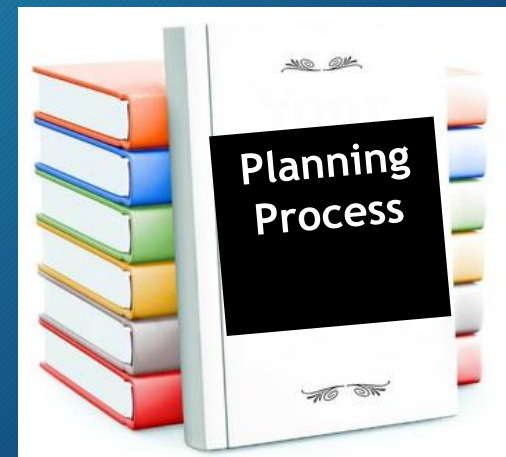
- A process by which transportation decisions are made and projects are planned, selected and prioritized for implementation within the region.



Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

*Why is the Planning Process **Important**?*

- Decides how a substantial share of federal funding is spent nationwide.
- Because of limited funding, the MPO must prioritize the regional needs and determine the best and most economical solution.
- The process lays the framework for the future transportation system.



Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

Who is *involved*?

- MPO(s)
 - Policy Committee
 - Technical Committee
 - Citizen's Committee (optional)
- State Department(s) of Transportation
- Public Transportation Operator(s)*
- Local Jurisdictions (cities, counties)
- Local Citizens
- Interest Groups
- FHWA & FTA



Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

How?

- **3-C Approach**
 - Continuing
 - Cooperative
 - Comprehensive
- **Multimodal**
- **Public Input**



Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

- **Products of the Process**
 - Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP)
 - Transportation Plan
 - Congestion Management Process (CMP)
 - Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - Public Participation Plan (PPP)

What is...

Unified Planning Work Program?

- A mechanism document describing the planning activities to be completed and costs.
- MPO Budget
- “A Plan for Planning”

What is...

The Transportation Plan?

- 20-Year multi-modal guide to regional needs and potential solutions
- Financially feasible
- Contains: financial plans, local goals & objectives, public involvement

What is...

A Congestion Management Process?

- Short term and long term strategies
 - Short term—looks at current traffic and transit problems and tries to solve
 - Long Term—tries to prevent problems from occurring

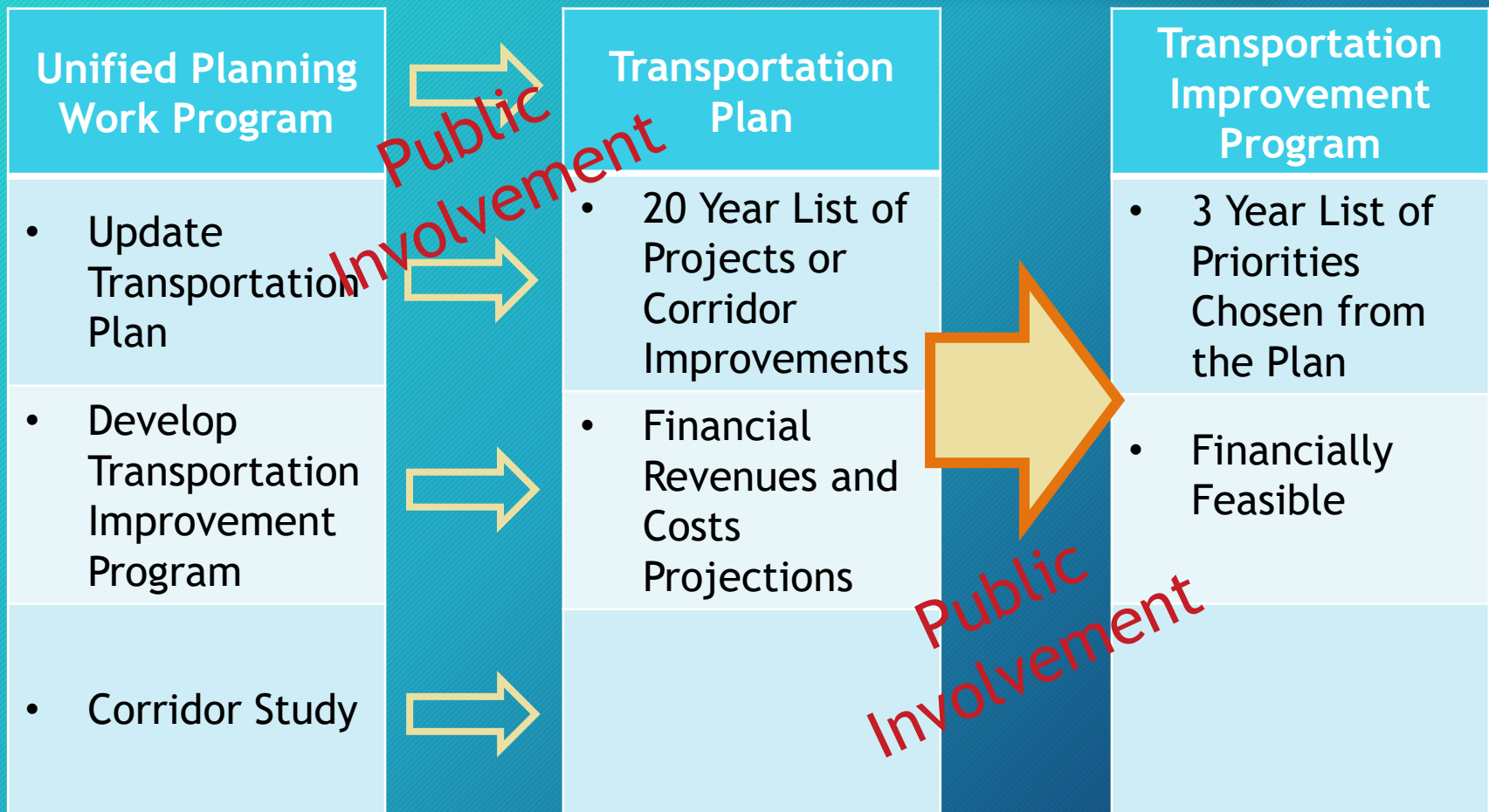
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A Transportation Improvement Program?

- 4-Year list of financially feasible projects
- A document prioritizing regional projects for funding and implementation

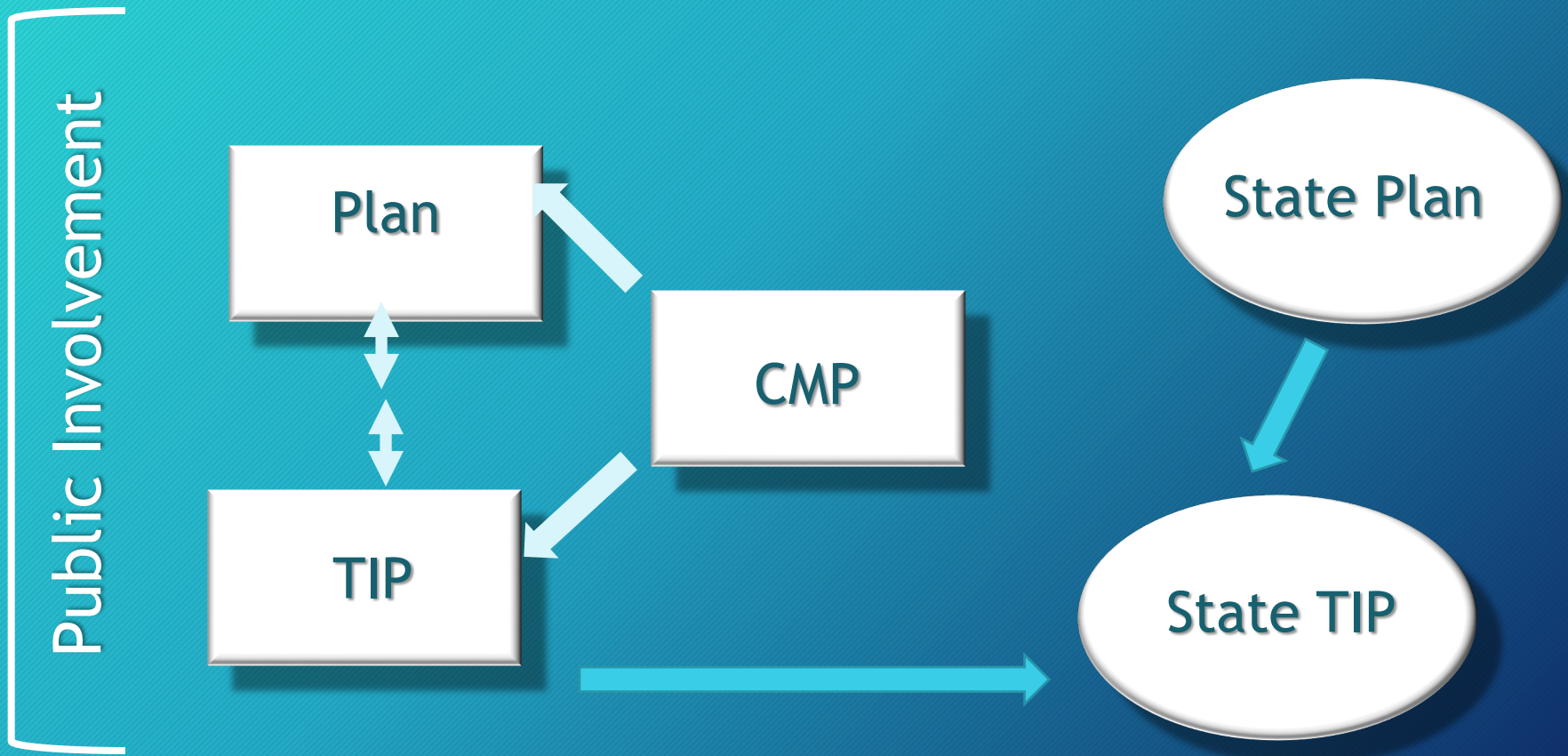
Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

How do the products fit together?



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Metropolitan Transportation Planning Process

Comments?

- Do you have an adequate opportunity to participate in the MPO Transportation Planning Process?
- Have you been involved in the MPO Transportation Planning Process?
- What are your views of the process?

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