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**Public Input Opportunity**

**Metro 2040 Open House & Comment Opportunity**



Drop in any time to chat with planners, ask questions, and leave comments or suggestions about future multimodal transportation needs in the FM area.

**OPEN HOUSE**  
**Wednesday, May 14**  
**2:00 - 7:00 PM**  
**FM Metropolitan Council of Governments**  
**1 2nd Street North #232**  
**Fargo, ND**

\*No Formal Presentation

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**Metro 2040 Ready for Public Comment**

Metro COG is entering the final stages of completing Metro 2040, its 2014 update to the Long Range Transportation Plan. When complete, Metro 2040 will guide decision makers on prioritizing various multimodal transportation projects, allocating the necessary funding for improvements, and managing policies that will affect future transportation needs in the FM Metropolitan area. It is anticipated that Metro 2040 will be completed in June 2014, with final approval going before Metro COG's Policy Board in July 2014.

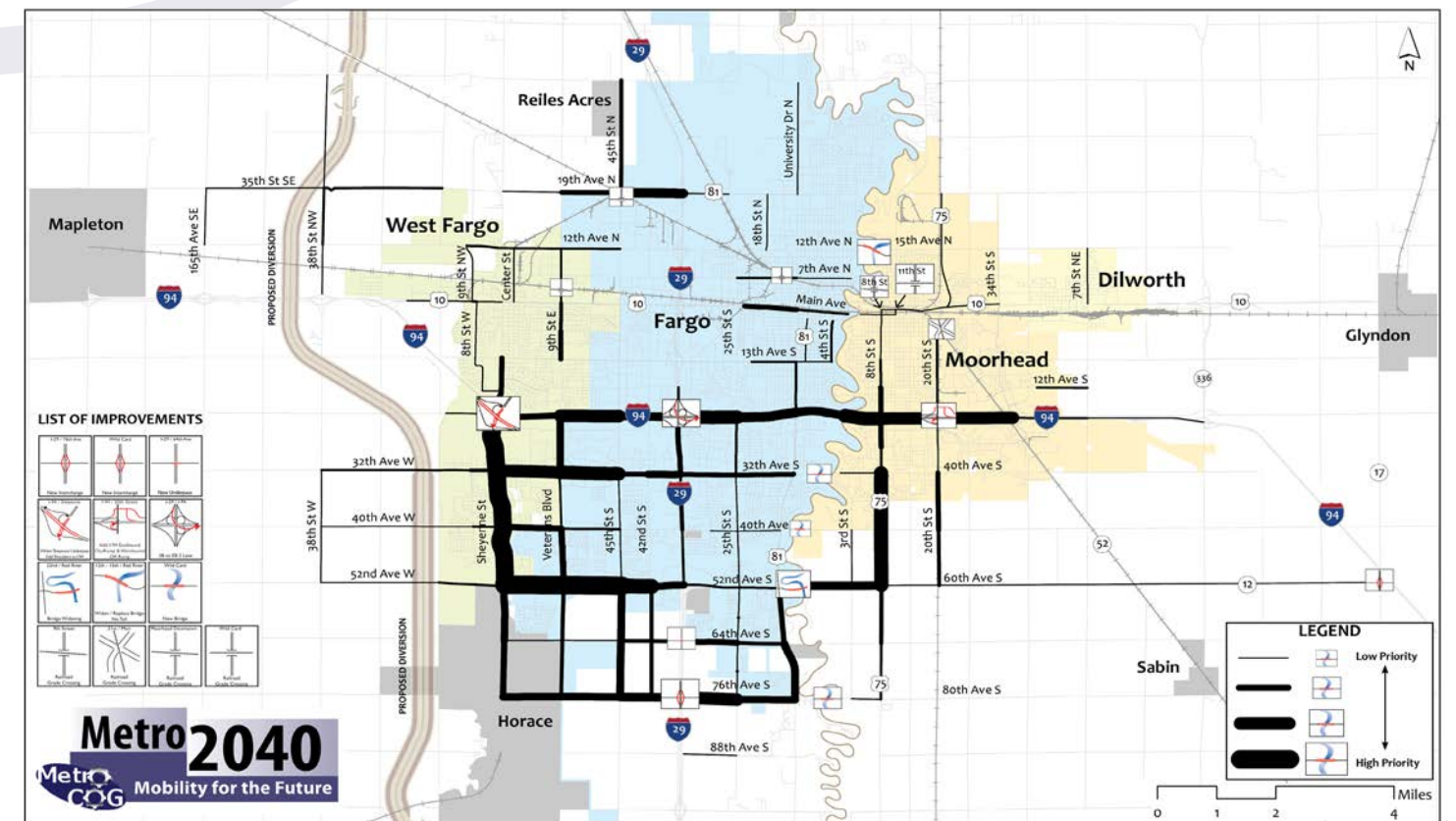
Throughout the process, public input has been instrumental in assisting Metro COG identify additional needs and issues regarding the transportation system in the FM Metropolitan area. In February 2014, Metro COG held a second round of public input meetings on Metro 2040. During these roundtable discussions, participants were asked for their input on a number of transportation-related issues including: the phasing and prioritization of identified roadway projects, support for bridge reconstruction or the construction of additional river crossings, adequacy of the transit vision plan for future transit needs, and whether limited transportation funding should also be allocated to transit capital projects and bicycle/pedestrian needs.

In May and the early part of June, Metro COG will be presenting Metro 2040 to all area jurisdictions for approval prior to final Policy Board adoption in July 2014. These include meetings with:

- Fargo Planning Commission - May 6
- Moorhead Planning Commission - May 6
- Moorhead City Council - May 12
- West Fargo Planning Commission - May 12
- Fargo Public Works Project Evaluation Committee (PWPEC) - May 19
- West Fargo City Commission - May 19
- Cass County Commission - May 19
- Clay County Highway & Board of Commissioners - May 20
- Fargo City Commission - May 27
- Dilworth Planning Commission - June 4
- Dilworth City Council - June 9

Starting May 5, the final draft of Metro 2040 will be available online at [www.fmmetrocog.org](http://www.fmmetrocog.org). Metro COG will also be soliciting public comments during this time. Comments may either be submitted online or mailed to Metro COG at: 1 2nd Street N #232, Fargo, ND 58102. The last day Metro COG will accept public comments is June 6.

On May 14, the public is invited to an open house to learn more about the 2014 Long Range Transportation Plan. For more information, please see the back page of this newsletter.



Public roadway and infrastructure investment priorities based on public input meetings in September 2013

