

Destination 2040 Proposed Changes to Vision, Goals, and Objectives

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Goals and Objectives

- Used to guide future investments
- Basis of the evaluation criteria used in selecting our recommended program
- Used to make any revisions to the TIP evaluation criteria



Vision

The Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization envisions a modern, wellmaintained transportation system that is safe, resilient, incorporates emerging technologies, and provides equitable access, excellent mobility, and varied transportation options—in support of a sustainable, healthy, livable, and economically vibrant region.



Safety Objectives

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
Reduce number and severity of crashes, all modes	Reduce the number and severity of crashes and safety incidents for all modes
Reduce serious injuries and fatalities from transportation	Same
Protect transportation customers and employees from safety and security threats	Make investments and support initiatives that help protect transportation customers, employees, and the public from safety and security threats



System Preservation Goal

Change Goal Title to System Preservation
and Modernization

 Change Goal to: Maintain and modernize the transportation system and plan for its resiliency



System Preservation Objectives

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
Improve condition of on- and off-system bridges	Maintain the transportation system, including roadway, transit, and active transportation infrastructure, in a state- of-good repair
Improve pavement conditions on MassDOT- monitored roadway system	Delete
Maintain and modernize capital assets, including transit assets, throughout the system	Modernize transportation infrastructure across all modes
Prioritize projects that support planned response capability to existing or future extreme conditions (sea level rise, flooding, and other natural and security-related man- made impacts)	Same

Capacity Management and Mobility Goal

Change Goal to:

Use existing facility capacity more efficiently and increase transportation options



Capacity Management and Mobility Objectives: All Modes

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
Improve access to and accessibility of transit and active transportation modes	Improve access to and accessibility of all modes, especially transit and active transportation



Capacity Management and Mobility Objectives: Roadway

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
Implement roadway management and	Support implementation of roadway
operations strategies, constructing	management and operations strategies to
improvements to bicycle/ pedestrian	improve travel reliability, mitigate
network, and supporting community-based	congestion, and support non-single-
transportation	occupant vehicle travel options
Emphasize capacity management through	Emphasize capacity management through
low-cost investments; prioritize projects that	low-cost investments; prioritize projects that
focus on lower-cost operations and	focus on lower-cost operations and
management-type improvements such as	management-type improvements such as
intersection improvements, Complete	intersection improvements, transit priority ,
Streets solutions	and Complete Streets solutions

Capacity Management and Mobility Objectives: Transit

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
Improve reliability of transit	Same
Increase percentage of population and employment within one-quarter mile of transit stations and stops	Same
Support community-based and private- initiative services and programs to meet last-mile, reverse commute, and other non- traditional transit/ transportation needs, including those of people 75 years old or older and people with a disability	Support community-based and private- initiative services and programs to meet first /last-mile, reverse commute, and other non-traditional transit/ transportation needs, including those of people 75 years old or older and people with a disability
Increase automobile and bicycle parking capacity and usage at transit stations	Manage automobile and bicycle parking capacity and usage at transit stations

Capacity Management and Mobility Objectives: Bicycle and Pedestrian

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
Create connected network of bicycle and accessible sidewalk facilities (both regionally and in neighborhoods) by expanding existing facilities and closing gaps	Fund improvements to bicycle/ pedestrian networks aimed at creating a connected network of bicycle and accessible sidewalk facilities (both regionally and in neighborhoods) by expanding existing facilities and closing gaps
Increase percentage of population and places of employment with access to bicycle facilities	Increase percentage of population and places of employment with access to facilities on the bicycle network



Capacity Management and Mobility Objectives: Freight

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
Eliminate bottlenecks on freight network	Eliminate bottlenecks on freight network and improve freight reliability
Enhance intermodal connections	Enhance freight intermodal connections



Transportation Equity Goal

Existing Goal:

Provide comparable transportation access and service quality among communities, regardless of income level or minority population

Change Goal to:

Ensure that all people receive comparable benefits from, and are not disproportionately burdened by, MPO investments, regardless of race, color, national origin, age, income, ability, or sex



Transportation Equity Objectives

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
Target investments to areas that benefit high percentage of low-income and minority populations	Ensure that all equity populations receive benefits comparable to those received by non-equity populations from MPO investments
Minimize any burdens associated with MPO-funded projects in low-income and minority areas	Minimize potential harmful environmental, health, and safety effects of MPO-funded projects for all equity populations
Break down barriers to participating in MPO- decision making	Delete



Transportation Equity New Objectives

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
N/A	Promote investments that support transportation for all ages (age-friendly communities)
N/A	Promote investments that are accessible to all people regardless of ability



Clean Air and Clean Communities Goal

Change Goal Title to: Clean Air/Green or Sustainable Communities



Clean Air and Clean Communities Objectives

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
Reduce GHG emissions generated in Boston region by all transportation modes as outlined in the GWSA	Reduce greenhouse gas emissions generated in Boston region by all transportation modes
Reduce other transportation-related pollutants	Same
Minimize negative environmental impacts of the transportation system	Same
Support land use policies consistent with smart and healthy growth	Support land use policies consistent with smart, healthy, and resilient growth



Economic Vitality Objectives

Existing Objective	Proposed Objective
Respond to mobility needs of 25–34-year- old workforce	Respond to mobility needs of the workforce population
Minimize burden of housing/ transportation costs for residents in the region	Same
Prioritize transportation investments that serve targeted development sites	Prioritize transportation investments that serve residential , commercial , and logistics targeted development sites
Support land use policies consistent with smart and healthy growth	Same

