# Connecting Cook County 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan





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## **Meeting Agenda**

- Project Update
- Finalize Goals and Objectives
- Advancing Our Vision
  - Discussion of Evaluation Criteria
- Public Stakeholder Outreach
- MetroQuest Phase 2 Results
- Developing the Plan



## FINALIZE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES



#### **Vision and Goals**











Economic Opportunity



Accessibility and Reliability



Safety



**Land Use** 



Environmental Stewardship



**Implementation** 



## **Goal: Economic Opportunity**

Invest in transportation improvements that support the economic vitality of the County by fostering local and regional competitiveness, sustained productivity, and increased access to economic productivity for all of the County's residents.





## **Goal: Accessibility and Reliability**

Increase the integration, connectivity and reliability of the transportation system by developing a comprehensive multimodal system that expands mobility options for all transportation users.





## **Goal: Safety**

Provide a safer transportation system that balances the travel needs of all users, including the general public and area businesses and industries.





#### **Goal: Land Use**

Create a built environment that promotes healthy, sustainable communities through coordinated land use and transportation policies.





## **Goal: Environmental Stewardship**

Promote a sustainable future through a transportation system that protects, enhances and provides connections to natural, cultural, and historic resources in addition to more traditional destinations.





## **Goal: Implementation**

Advance a plan that preserves, maintains, and strategically operates existing transportation assets while investing in the expansion and diversification of critical transportation services and infrastructure.





## **EVALUATION CRITERIA**



- Blend public input with technical analysis
- Designed to support the goals and objectives
- High level screening to identify projects





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Implementation

- Job creation
- Work trip travel time
- Jobs-housing access
- Mode share
- Coordinated land use and transportation planning
- Environmental justice
- Transportation affordability





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Implementation

- Ridership increases (Peak/Off-peak)
- Mode share
- Work trip travel time
- Transit accessibility
- Transit productivity (passenger miles)
- VMT





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Implementation

- Reductions in collisions
- Reduction in intermodal conflicts





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**Land Use** 



Environmental Stewardship



Implementation

- Infill development at transportation nodes and along corridors
  - Number of TODs
  - Number of CODs
  - Amount of vacant land





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Implementation

- Air quality
- Achievement of environmental/clean energy goals
- Land Consumption
- Water Consumption





Economic Opportunity



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*Implementation* 

- Capital cost
- Operating cost
- Access to regional transportation system



## PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH



## **Recent Outreach Activity**

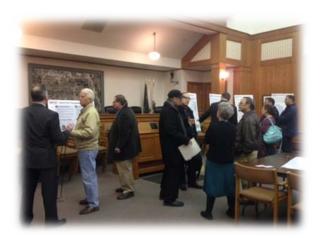
- Website
- MetroQuest Phase 2 survey
- Newsletters
- Email updates
- Stakeholder briefings
- Public meetings
- Video

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## **Public Open Houses**

- Franklin Park
- Northbrook
- Chicago (downtown)
- Orland Park







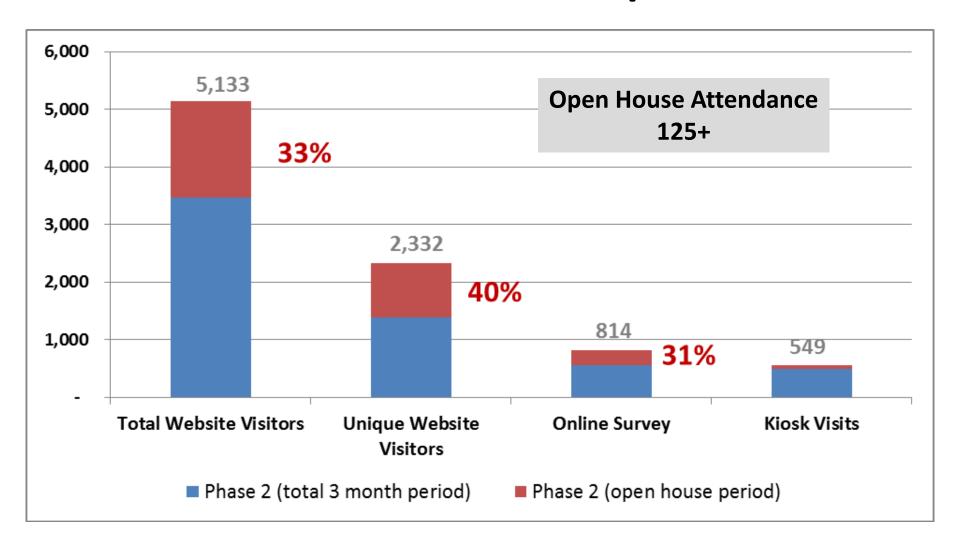
Cook County sets open houses to focus on transportation plan

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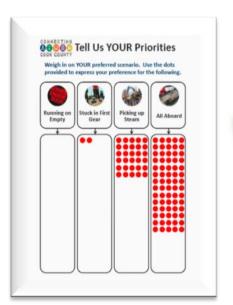
## **Phase 2 Public Participation**

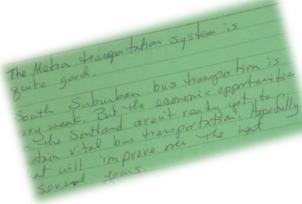




## **Open House Input**

- Display Boards
- Comment Cards
- Goals and Objectives Form









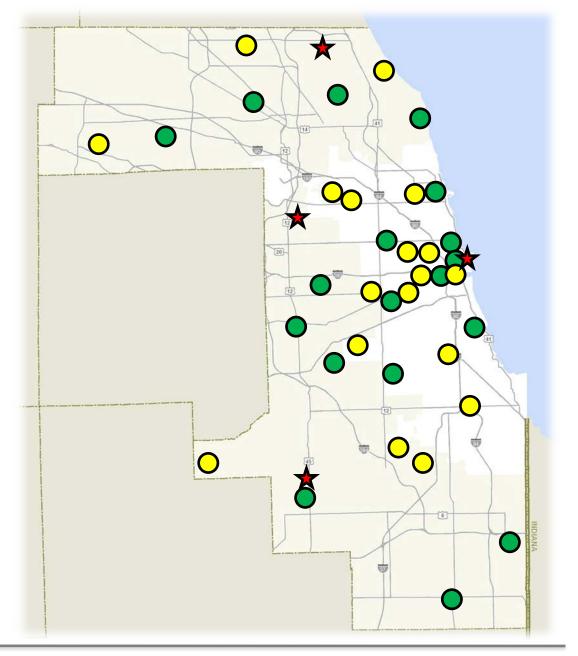
## Public Outreach Coverage

#### **Kiosk Locations**

- Phase 1
- O Phase 2

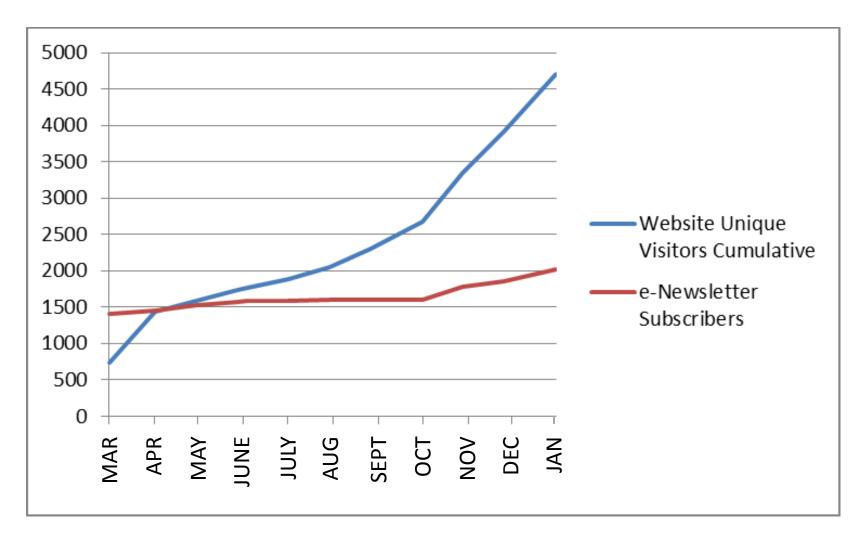
#### **Open House Locations**

★ Phase 2



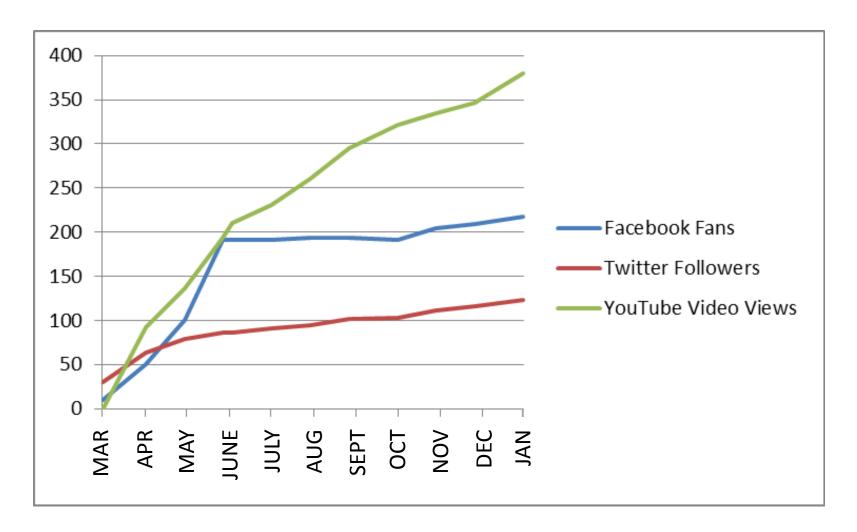


#### Website and E-Newsletter



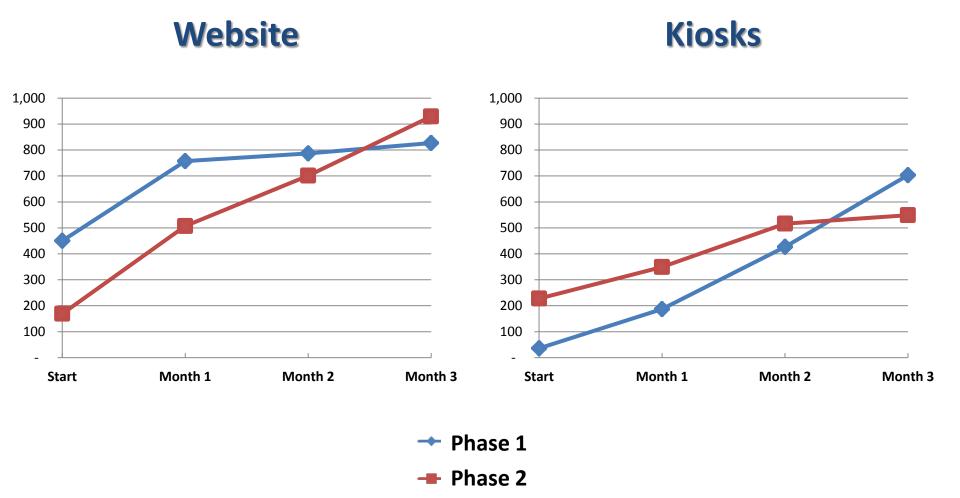


#### **Social Media**





## MetroQuest – Phase 1 vs. Phase 2

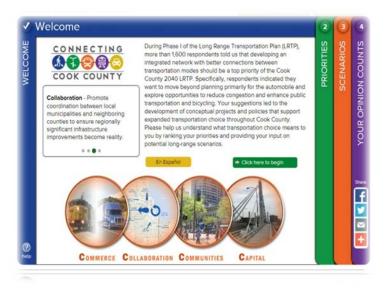




## **METROQUEST RESULTS**



## **MetroQuest Phase 2**







Stuck in First Gear



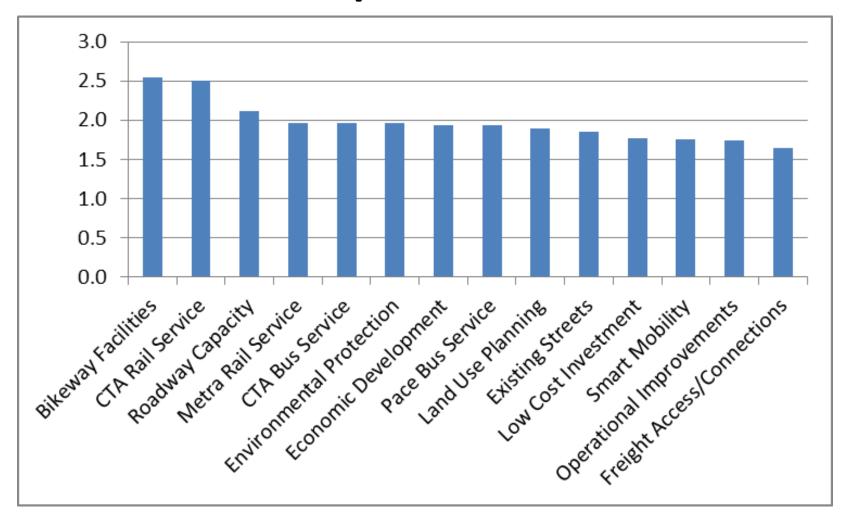
Picking up Steam



**All Aboard** 

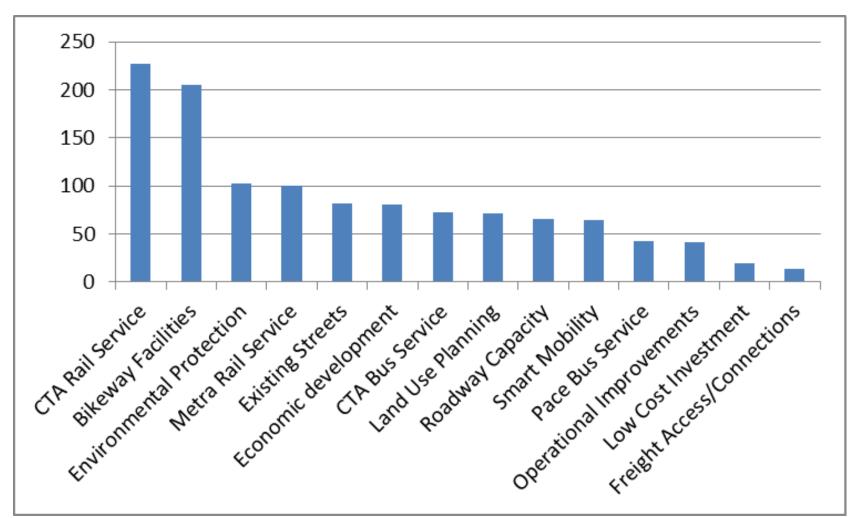


## What Does Transportation Choice Mean?





## **Transportation Choice – Top Priority**





#### **Alternative Scenarios**

More





#### **Picking Up Steam**

- \* Transportation: Some new multi-jurisdictional projects
- Funding/Spending: More revenue from existing sources is directed to transportation projects
- Land Use/Development: Poor link between land use and transportation policies
- Implications: New investment focuses on more diverse transportation improvements that leverage governmental resources at all levels
- Economic Impacts: County's economy and communities improve but at a lower rate than expected



#### **Running on Empty**

- Transportation: Preservation of existing infrastructure and services
- Funding/Spending: No new funding transportation spending is very low
- Land Use/Development: Weak infill /reuse policies, no link between transportation spending and policy environment
- Implications: Current funding struggles to maintain the existing assets, and growth occurs at the urban fringe
- ❖ Economic Impacts: Economic vitality in the County stagnates or declines, moving elsewhere in the region



#### **All Aboard**

- Transportation: Aggressive modernization and system expansion across all forms of transportation
- Funding/Spending: Significant new federal, state and local tax revenues are enacted
- Land Use/Development: Support for infill development and transit/cargo oriented development
- Implications: Freight and public transportation networks vastly improved
- Economic Impacts: County is competitive nationally and in the region



#### **Stuck in First Gear**

- Transportation: Small number of strategic projects targeted to economic development priorities
- Funding/Spending: Minor new revenue secured from existing sources
- Land Use/Development: Greater intergovernmental cooperation; more compact, mixed use, infill development
- Implications: Only enough new investment for highest priority areas
- Economic Impacts: County continues to lose market share in key industries

Low Density,
Outward Growth

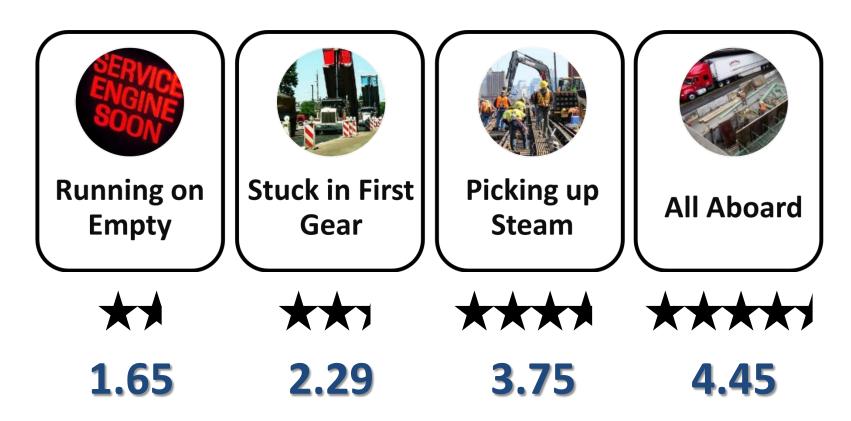
**Growth / Land Use** 

Compact, Mixed-Use Infill



Less

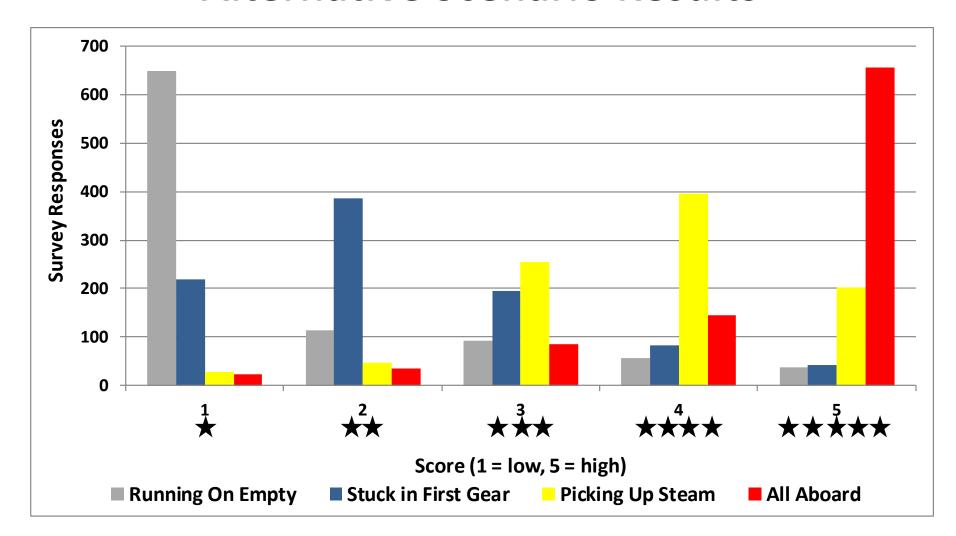
#### **Alternative Scenario Results**



Scenarios ranked between 1 (low) to 5 (high) stars



#### **Alternative Scenario Results**





## **DEVELOPING THE PLAN**



## **Next Steps**

#### March

Program Committee Meeting

#### June

- Committee Meeting #5
- Discussion of Draft Plan

## July

- Public Comment Period
- Open Houses

#### Fall

Plan Approval

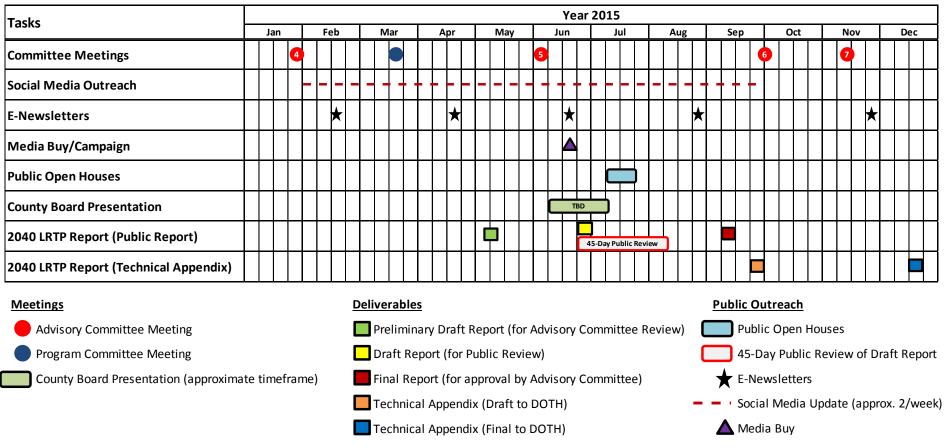


## **Project Schedule**



#### **Cook County 2040 Long Range Transportation Plan**

2015 Schedule





## See you June 3, 2015... Same Time, Same Place!





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