



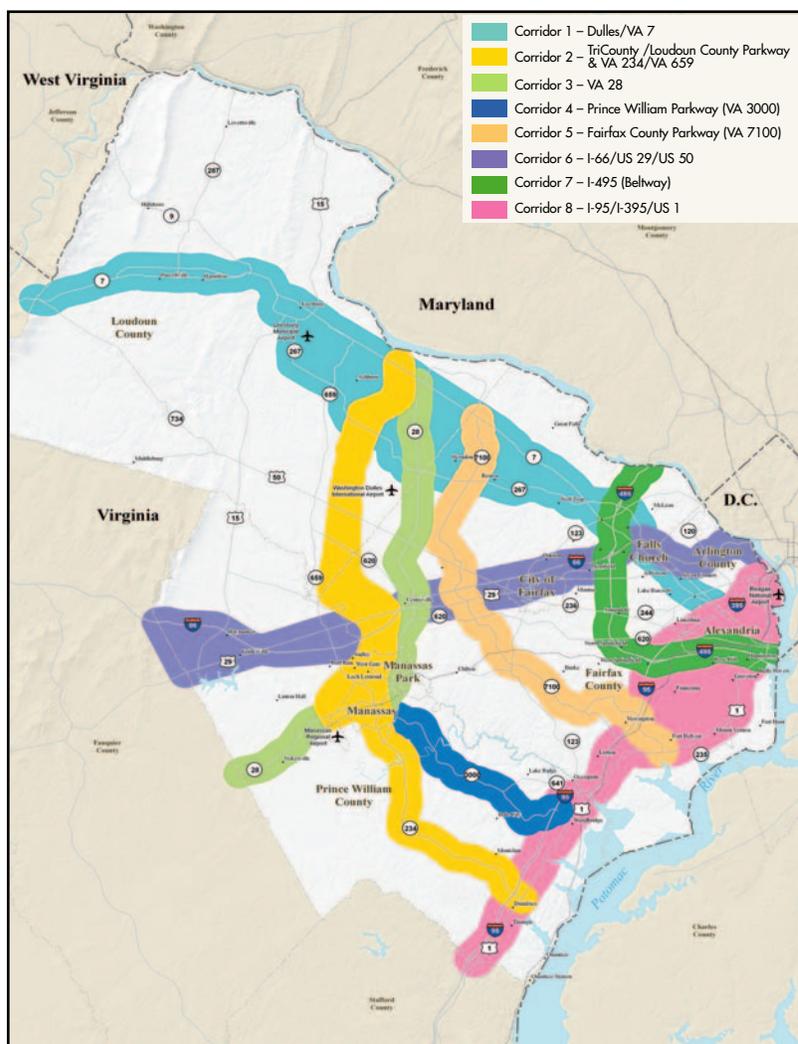
TransAction2030

Transportation for Today and Tomorrow

PRIORITIZATION EXERCISE

"In the 21st century, Northern Virginia will develop and sustain a multi-modal transportation system that supports our economy and quality of life. It will be fiscally sustainable, promote areas of concentrated growth, manage both demand and capacity, and employ the best technology, joining rail, roadway, bus, air, water, pedestrian, and bicycle facilities into an interconnected network."

This vision for transportation in the Northern Virginia region, which was formally adopted by the Transportation Coordinating Council (TCC) in 1999, guided development of the Northern Virginia 2020 Transportation Plan.



The TransAction 2030 transportation planning study now underway is being directed by the Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA). This study will result in a 2030 transportation plan that reflects an update of the Northern Virginia 2020 Transportation Plan. Since the 2020 Plan was adopted, much has changed. Some projects have been completed; other regional transportation studies have been conducted, and traffic has increased. Today we continue to see an increase in congestion on our interstates, parkways, and local roads; even our HOV lanes can be overcrowded. If you ride transit, such as Metrorail, Metrobus, and the Virginia Railway Express, you face increasing ridership levels that are surging near capacity limits.

One of the primary goals of the TransAction 2030 transportation planning effort is to provide information to the NVTA that can be used to prioritize future transportation projects across all transportation modes. This study is focusing on eight major regional transportation corridors, as shown on the map.

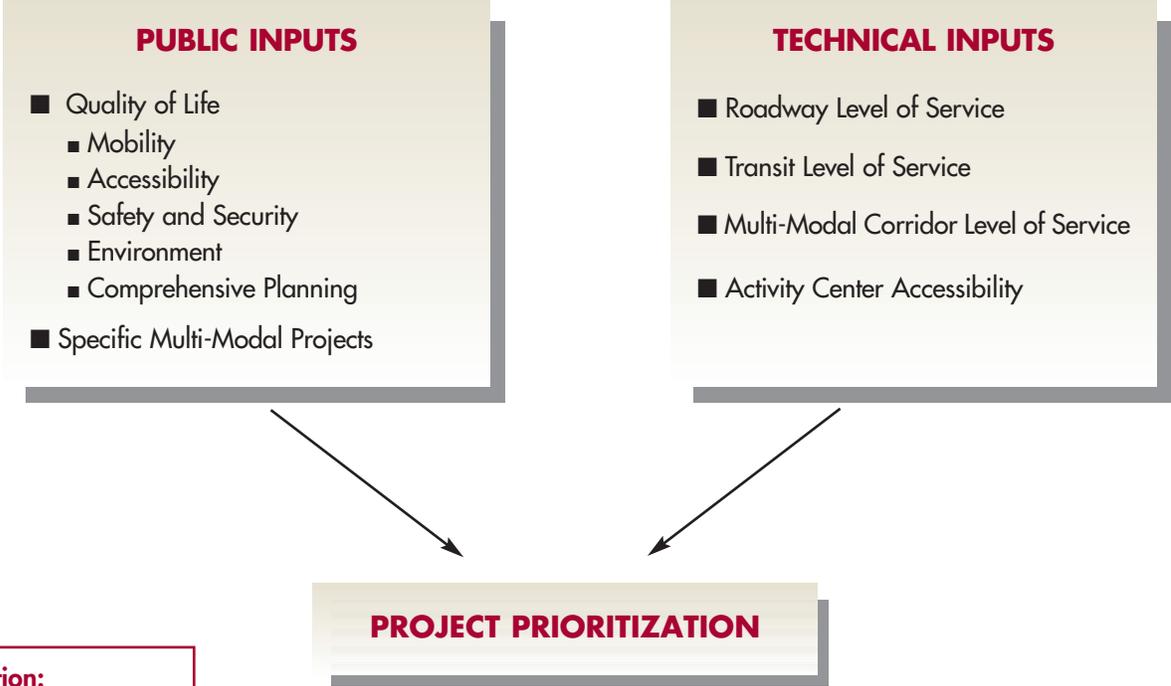
In addition to a comprehensive technical evaluation, a critical element of the project prioritization exercise will be inputs from the public concerning projects by mode and location that are most favored. It is widely recognized that transportation infrastructure improvements

must be integrated and coordinated to improve mobility and accessibility at a regional and corridor level. Connectivity between and among the various transportation modes will be critical to achieving the vision for transportation in the Northern Virginia region.

Public input is being obtained through a variety of means, including the project website, telephone hotline, a scientific household survey, and the TransAction 2030 study team's participation in a series of community events this summer. At each event, team members will be soliciting input on what is most important to the communities in Northern Virginia in terms of quality of life values such as mobility, accessibility, safety and security, the environment and support for local comprehensive planning initiatives. In addition, inputs are being sought on specific multi-modal transportation system improvements.

The public is being asked to provide inputs to the project prioritization process at the community events by completing "ballots" relating to specific projects at a corridor level. It is important to note that input on projects that are not necessarily oriented to one specific corridor are also being solicited.

A series of ballots that are color coded to the eight major corridors shown on the map at the community event booths contain a listing of the major projects that are being considered. Each person will have the opportunity to "vote" for those projects that they feel are most important to improving transportation in each corridor. In addition, people will be able to vote for those quality of life values that are most important to them. This information will be summarized and combined with input obtained from other study activities to provide critical information to the NVTAA that they can use to determine project priorities for the region.



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