

Appendix B

**Public Involvement Plan
Supporting Documents**



L RTP 2007 Update — Public Opinion Survey

Your input as a resident of the Greater Syracuse Metropolitan Area is vital in determining the future vision of the transportation system. Your opinions are essential in assisting the SMTC in the development of a long-range transportation plan, most specifically the **L RTP 2007 Update**. Please complete the enclosed Public Opinion Survey, sharing your thoughts about the current and future needs of transportation throughout the Greater Syracuse Metropolitan Area.

1. What is your opinion of the existing bridge and road conditions in the area?
 Road conditions: Excellent Fair Poor
 Bridge conditions: Excellent Fair Poor

2. Do you experience any significant commuting issues (i.e., automobile access and movement) in the area?
 Yes No
 Explain: _____

3. Do you perceive there to be traffic congestion problems in the Syracuse Metropolitan Area? Yes No
 If yes, where (what location)? _____
 When (what time of day)? _____

4. What do you believe is needed to stimulate more bicycle and pedestrian transportation? _____

5. In your opinion, is public transit serving the needs of the community? Yes No
 What would encourage you to utilize public transit more often? _____

6. What would encourage you to use different forms of transportation more often? _____
 Air Transportation _____
 Bicycle/Pedestrian Transportation _____
 Rail Transportation _____
 Water Transportation _____

7. What activities would you participate in to improve air quality? _____

8. How does freight movement (air, rail, and truck) affect you and your community? _____

9. What growth (i.e. development) trends do you want (or not want) to see in the community? _____

10. Additional comments: _____

11. Name (optional) _____
 Address (optional) _____
 Address (optional) _____

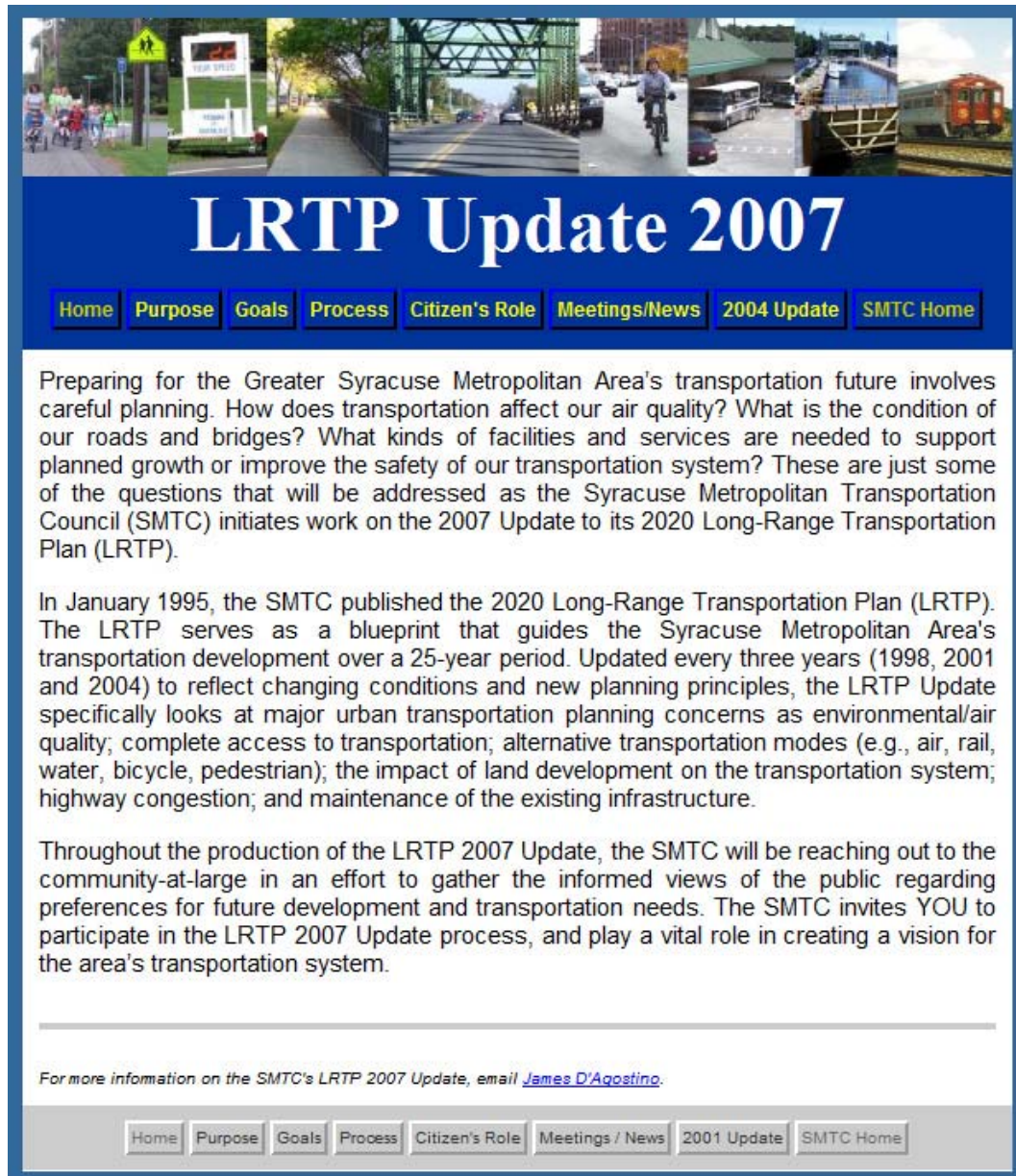
Thank you for your interest and assistance! Please fax (315-422-7753) or mail (SMTC, 100 Clinton Square, 126 N. Salina St., Suite 100, Syracuse, N.Y. 13202) your completed survey to the SMTC. If you have any questions, please contact the SMTC's James D'Agostino at (315-422-5716), or e-mail: jdagostino@smtcmpo.org

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Learn more about the *Long Range Transportation Plan 2007 Update* and how **YOU** can participate.

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The banner features a collage of transportation-related images at the top: a pedestrian crossing sign, a speed limit sign, a person on a bicycle, a bus, a train, and a bridge. Below the images is a blue bar with the text "LRTP Update 2007" in white. Underneath this bar is a navigation menu with buttons for "Home", "Purpose", "Goals", "Process", "Citizen's Role", "Meetings/News", "2004 Update", and "SMTC Home". The main content area contains three paragraphs of text.

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Preparing for the Greater Syracuse Metropolitan Area's transportation future involves careful planning. How does transportation affect our air quality? What is the condition of our roads and bridges? What kinds of facilities and services are needed to support planned growth or improve the safety of our transportation system? These are just some of the questions that will be addressed as the Syracuse Metropolitan Transportation Council (SMTC) initiates work on the 2007 Update to its 2020 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP).

In January 1995, the SMTC published the 2020 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The LRTP serves as a blueprint that guides the Syracuse Metropolitan Area's transportation development over a 25-year period. Updated every three years (1998, 2001 and 2004) to reflect changing conditions and new planning principles, the LRTP Update specifically looks at major urban transportation planning concerns as environmental/air quality; complete access to transportation; alternative transportation modes (e.g., air, rail, water, bicycle, pedestrian); the impact of land development on the transportation system; highway congestion; and maintenance of the existing infrastructure.

Throughout the production of the LRTP 2007 Update, the SMTC will be reaching out to the community-at-large in an effort to gather the informed views of the public regarding preferences for future development and transportation needs. The SMTC invites YOU to participate in the LRTP 2007 Update process, and play a vital role in creating a vision for the area's transportation system.

For more information on the SMTC's LRTP 2007 Update, email [James D'Agostino](mailto:James.D'Agostino@smtcmpo.org).

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NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD FOR THE LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN (LRTP) 2007 UPDATE AND THE 2007-2012 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)
The Syracuse Metropolitan Transportation Council (SMTC) has officially released a 30-day public comment/review period for the draft Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) 2007 Update and draft 2007-2012 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). A public meeting to address both documents has been scheduled for Monday, May 14, 2007 at 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. SMTC public meeting will be held in the lower level conference room located at the SMTC offices: 100 Clinton Square, 126 N. Salina Street, Syracuse, NY 13202. The LRTP is a blueprint to guide the city's future transportation development over a three-year period. Updated every three years to reflect changing conditions and new planning principles, the LRTP 2007 Update looks at major urban transportation planning issues such as the environment, air quality, recreational transportation modes (i.e., bicycle and pedestrian), the impact of land development on the transportation system, highway traffic congestion, and maintenance of the existing infrastructure. Also included is the Conformity Agreement, which success SMTC is in mind that, in the proposed conformity State implementation plan (SIP) for air quality in its adoption of a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Long-Range Transportation Plan, and any pertinent amendments or updates staged 2007-2012. Maintenance projects, five-year capital transportation grant projects, to either with a five-year estimate of transit capital and maintenance requirements. The TIP contains all Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration projects. For more information, please call 315-437-3333.

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