



**CHITTENDEN COUNTY RPC**  
*Communities Planning Together*

# **Plans, UPWP, TIP Purposes and Processes**

**Board Training, November 20, 2019**

# Agenda

- Plans – ECOS+
  - UPWP
- Transportation Improvement Program

# ECOS Plan Process (2011-2012)

1. Goals – distilled from 60 plans
2. Analysis – increase understanding
3. Indicators – track progress towards achieving goals
4. Implementation Priorities – identify concerns
5. Develop ECOS Plan (regional plan, MTP, CEDS) – tie actions to strategic priorities
6. Monitoring – annual report of indicators and accomplishments

# Plan Updates – Regional Plan

The Regional Plan is a document that protects the County's resources and guides its development - *required by the State of Vermont.*

# ECOS Regional Plan+

<https://www.ccrpcvt.org/our-work/our-plans/ecos-regional-plan/>

<http://www.ecosproject.com/2018-ecos-plan>

[http://www.ecosproject.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/2018-ECOS-Plan-Summary\\_20180807\\_FINAL.pdf](http://www.ecosproject.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/2018-ECOS-Plan-Summary_20180807_FINAL.pdf)

# Plan Updates - CEDS

The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) document is a community-based undertaking to inventory economic development activities taking place within the county to better understand the ways in which our county is growing and where it may be headed...” – *US Economic Development Administration requirement to apply for EDA grants*

[http://www.ecosproject.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/ECOSPlan\\_CEDSSupplement4\\_FinalDraft\\_20180613.pdf](http://www.ecosproject.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/ECOSPlan_CEDSSupplement4_FinalDraft_20180613.pdf)

# Plan Updates - MTP

The Metropolitan Transportation Plan is a document that identifies the short- and long-term strategies, actions and projects that will lead to “an integrated multimodal transportation system to facilitate the safe and efficient movement of people and goods...” – *required by USDOT to guide federal surface transportation funding investments*

[http://www.ecosproject.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/ECOSPlan\\_MTPSupplement5\\_Final\\_20180615.pdf](http://www.ecosproject.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/ECOSPlan_MTPSupplement5_Final_20180615.pdf)

# Metropolitan Transportation Plan

- Describes vision for the region, and policies, operational strategies, and projects to achieve it
- Covers at least the next 20 years
- Leads to an intermodal system
- Reflects public involvement
- Contains a financial plan and is fiscally constrained
- Is updated every 5 years



# Fiscal constraint and the MTP

- Include a **financial plan** demonstrating consistency with available and projected revenues
- Identify proposed new revenue sources and strategies to ensure their availability

# UPWP Overview

- Summarizes CCRPC's planning activities and deliverables for each fiscal year (July 1 - June 30)
- Is a mechanism to implement the strategies for our region outlined in the ECOS Plan
- Helps municipalities to develop plans (transportation/land use/water quality), scoping of transportation facilities, and provides technical assistance, & other state grants and municipal planning requests.



# UPWP Schedule

- Projects (scoping, corridor studies, etc.), technical assistance, transportation counts, TDM – **solicited end of November to late January**: Driven by member municipalities and partner organizations
- UPWP Committee reviews – **January to March**
- FHWA/VTrans review for PL funds eligibility – **Feb**
- Executive & Finance Committee & Board review – **April to May**
- Board approves UPWP & Budget in **May**
- Work program starts **July 1**
- Mid-year review – **December**

More info at <https://www.ccrpcvt.org/about-us/commission/annual-work-plan-budget-finances/>

# Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- A staged, multi-year, intermodal program of prioritized transportation projects and transit capital consistent with Plan
- Shows annual activity for a 4-year period
- Contains a financial plan and is fiscally constrained
- An initiative not listed in the TIP cannot receive FHWA or FTA funds
- Reflects public involvement
- Must be updated at least every 4 years – CCRPC updates every year
- <https://www.ccrpcvt.org/our-work/our-plans/transportation-improvement-program/>

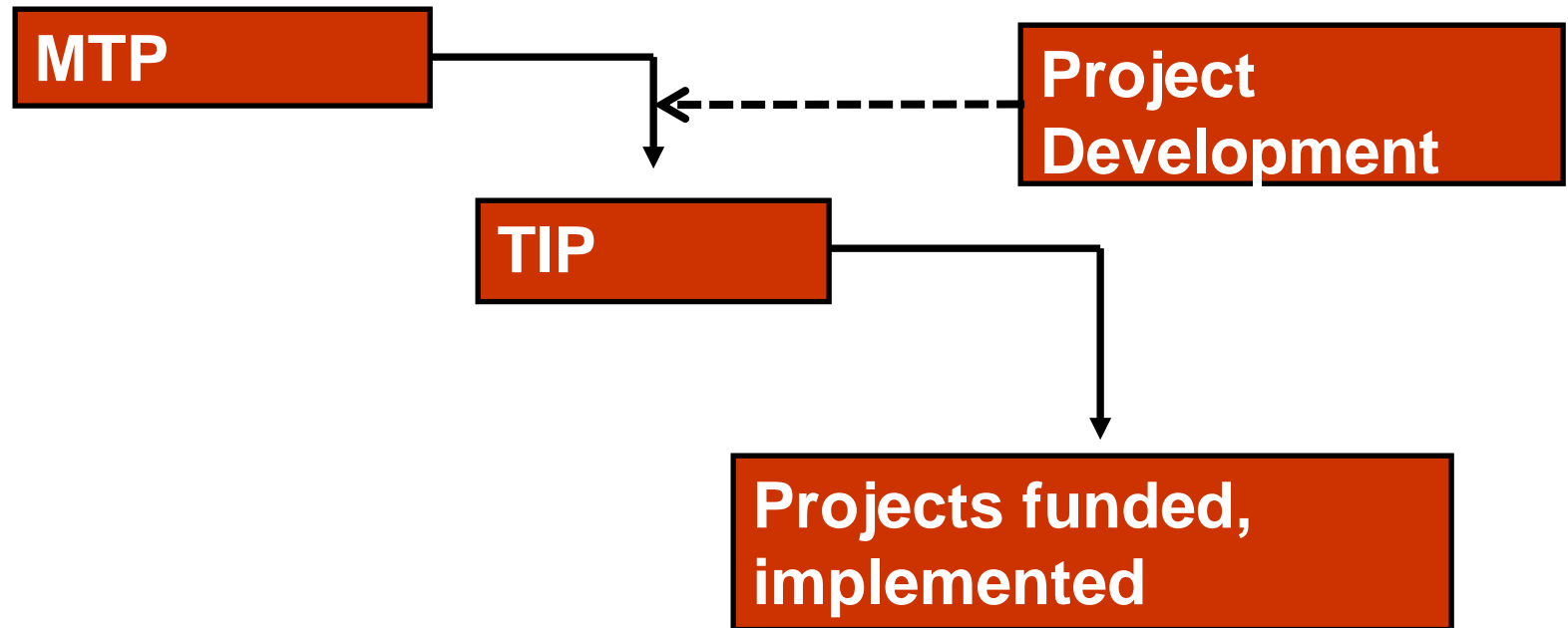
# An effective TIP development process...

- Is part of a multimodal planning process
- Represents sound financial planning
- Contains only those initiatives consistent with Long-Range Plan
- Reflects early consensus and early screening of proposed initiatives
- Results from technical and policy leader buy-in

# Fiscal constraint and the TIP

- Financially constrained **by year**
- Demonstrates which projects can be implemented with current revenue sources
- Identifies strategies for ensuring the availability of new funding sources

# The MPO planning process



# Board Member Resources

- Visit this page  
<https://www.ccrpcvt.org/about-us/commission/commissioners-alternates/>
  - More specific training materials
  - Board Member Handbook
  - CCRPC Bylaws
  - Board Member Roles, Responsibilities and Duties