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TPO Needs Input on List of Candidate Projects for Long-Range Transportation Plan

Knoxville, Tennessee – September 21, 2020 – The TPO needs your input on the proposed list of projects for Mobility Plan 2045. Local jurisdictions recently submitted applications for all potential projects to be included in the plan, and staff is now asking to hear your thoughts on the proposed list. Projects will be selected by considering both technical analysis and public input.

A short [survey and interactive map](#) showing all candidate projects is now available. Please answer the initial questions to help us ensure everyone is involved in shaping the future of the Knoxville region. If you provide your email address or telephone number, and respond to the questions, you will be eligible to win one of four \$50 grocery store gift cards. After completing the survey, you will be directed to our online mapping application where you can provide your input on specific projects. The map will be open for comments through October 11. You can also view the list of projects in [this spreadsheet](#). You can find project details and filter by county, jurisdiction, and project type.

“Once we finalize the list, many of those projects will start to move through the development process. Transportation projects are notoriously slow moving, sometimes taking as long as 20 years to complete, so hearing input from community members before they begin is vital to their success,” said TPO Director Jeff Welch.

Mobility Plan 2045 is the region’s long-range transportation plan and is updated every four years. This plan guides transportation investments in the region for the next 25 years. It allows federal money to be received for transportation projects and ensures that we’re making the best long-term decisions for our residents, employers, and visitors.

For more information on Mobility Plan 2045, please visit <https://knoxmobility.org>. Additionally, if you need assistance in using the application or if there is a project you feel is needed but is not shown on the map, please email the project team at mobility@knoxplanning.org.

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The Knoxville Regional Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) coordinates a comprehensive, multimodal transportation planning process for the Knoxville Urban Area. Member jurisdictions include Knox County and the urbanized areas of Anderson, Blount, Loudon and Sevier Counties and includes the following cities: Alcoa, Clinton, Knoxville, Lenoir City, Loudon, Maryville and Oak Ridge, the Town of Farragut, Tennessee Department of Transportation and East Tennessee Development District. For more information, visit our website: www.knoxtpo.org