

WALK. BIKE. THRIVE!

A REGIONAL VISION FOR A MORE WALKABLE,
BIKEABLE, AND LIVEABLE METROPOLITAN ATLANTA



Recommendations



Assessment and
Existing Conditions



Public Participation and
Priority Topics

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WALK BIKE THRIVE! ACTION STEPS

A PROGRAM FOR ADVANCING ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION



Establish a Walk Friendly and Bike Friendly Communities Resource Center



Develop a Walk Friendly and Bike Friendly Technical Assistance Program for ARC Region



Convene an Annual Walk and Bike Friendly Forum



Create a High Crash Corridor Safety Program



Develop a Strategy to Maximize the Use of Federal Transportation Funds for Walking and Bicycling



Produce a Regional Walking and Biking Safety Action Plan



Provide Evaluation and Measuring Assistance



Create Leadership Training for Board Members and Member Jurisdiction Leadership



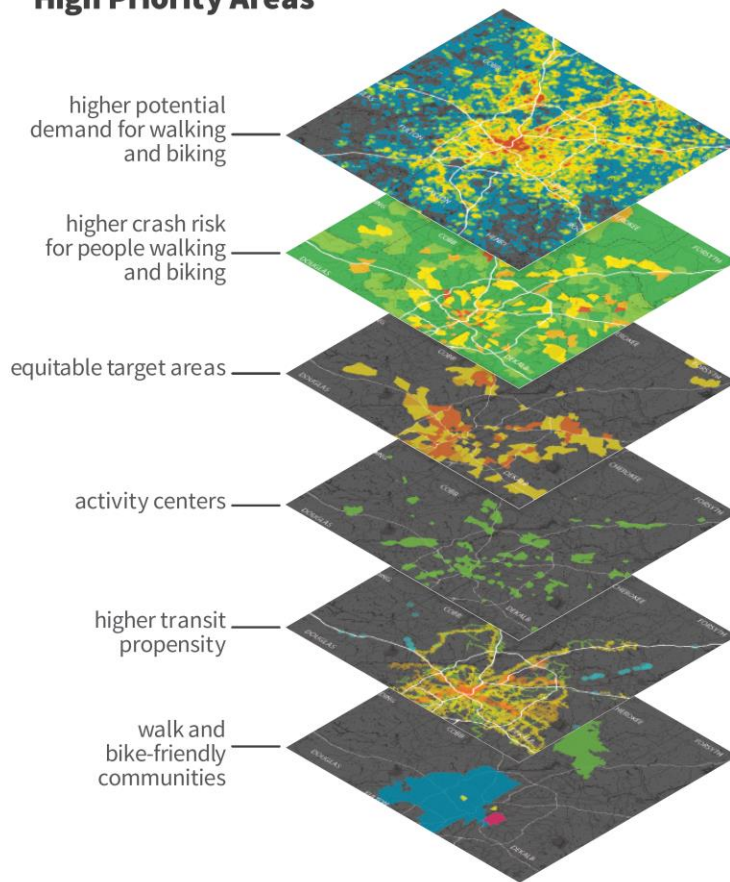
Offer Regional Trail Coordination Assistance

REGIONAL FRAMEWORK

A DATA-DRIVEN REGIONAL VISION FOR METRO AREA

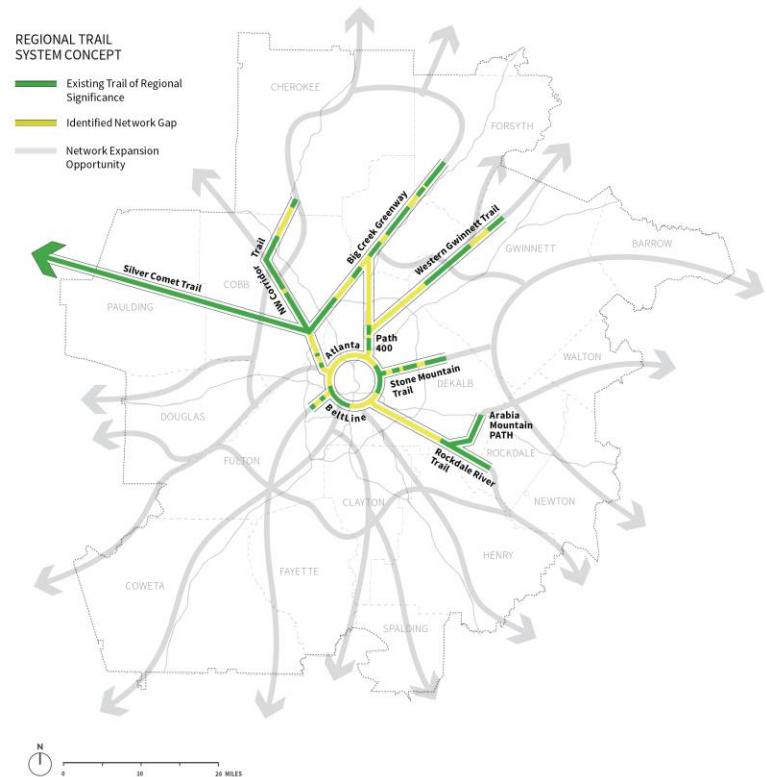
REFINING PROJECT PRIORITIZATION

High Priority Areas



COORDINATING A REGIONAL TRAIL NETWORK

- Goals:**
- Close identified network gaps
 - Expand the network



REGIONAL TRIAL NETWORK

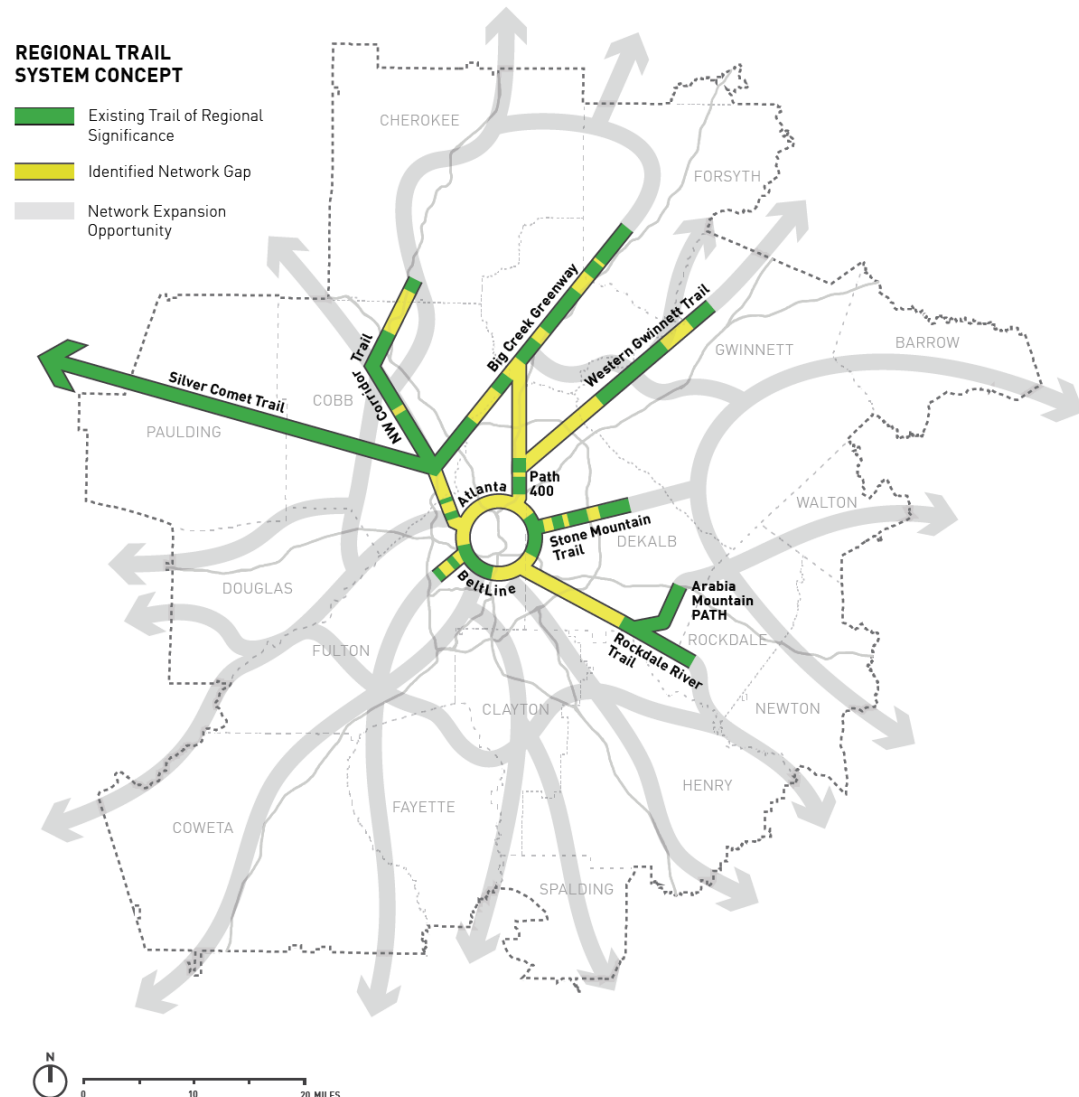
FOCUSING ON CONNECTIONS & EXPANDING THE NETWORK

Federal TAP funds are used primarily to support ARC's regional trail strategy:

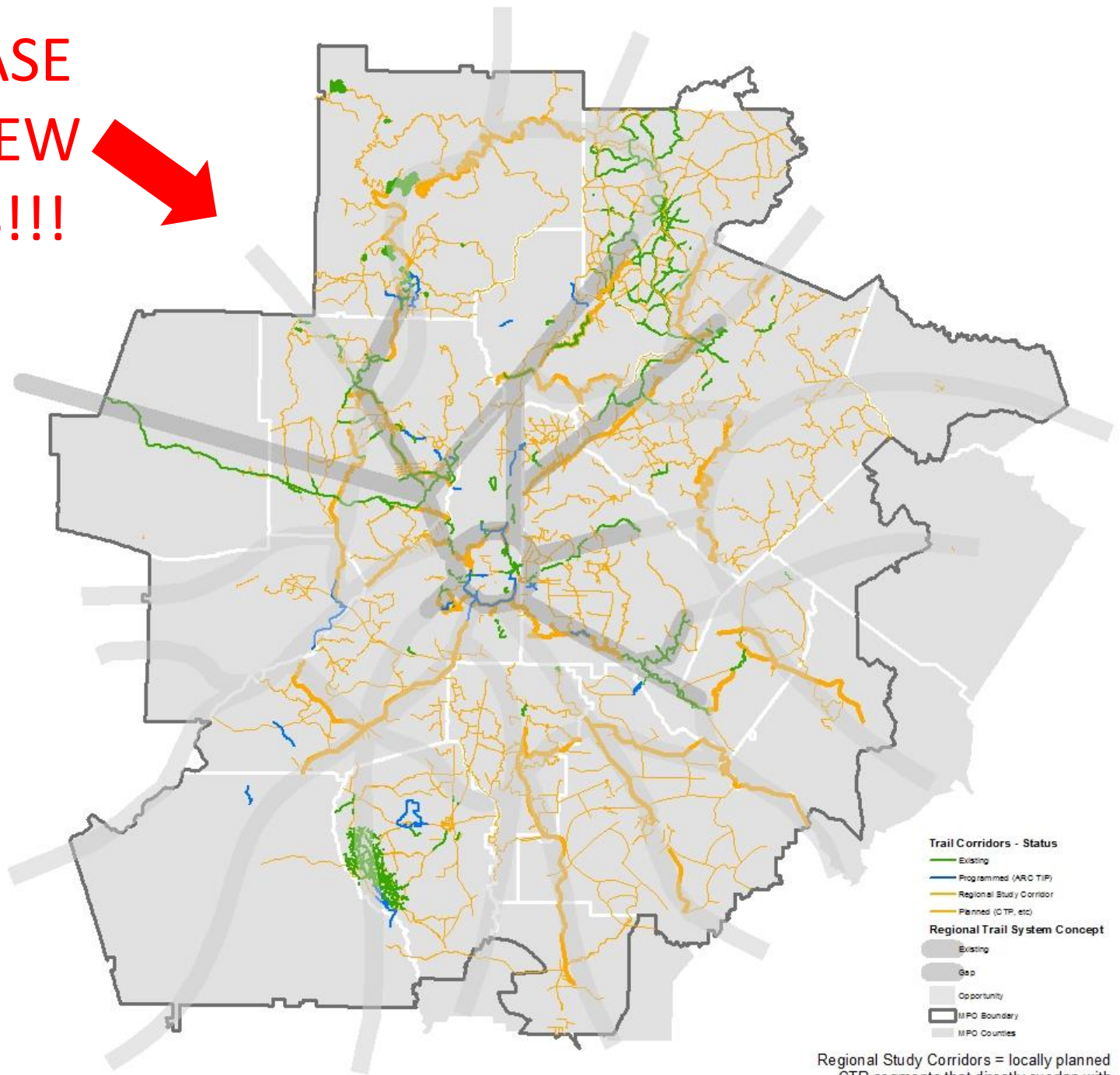
- Closing identified gaps in the regional trail network
- Expanding the network of regional trails
- Scoping and planning studies for new corridors

Competitive projects for TAP funding are those that:

- Fill a gap or connect to an existing trail of regional significance
- Expand the regional trail network into a new county (either construction or study)
- Improve trail access to or within an ETA area
- Connect to an activity center or high-demand area
- Connect to a federal, state, or local park



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REVIEW
THIS!!!



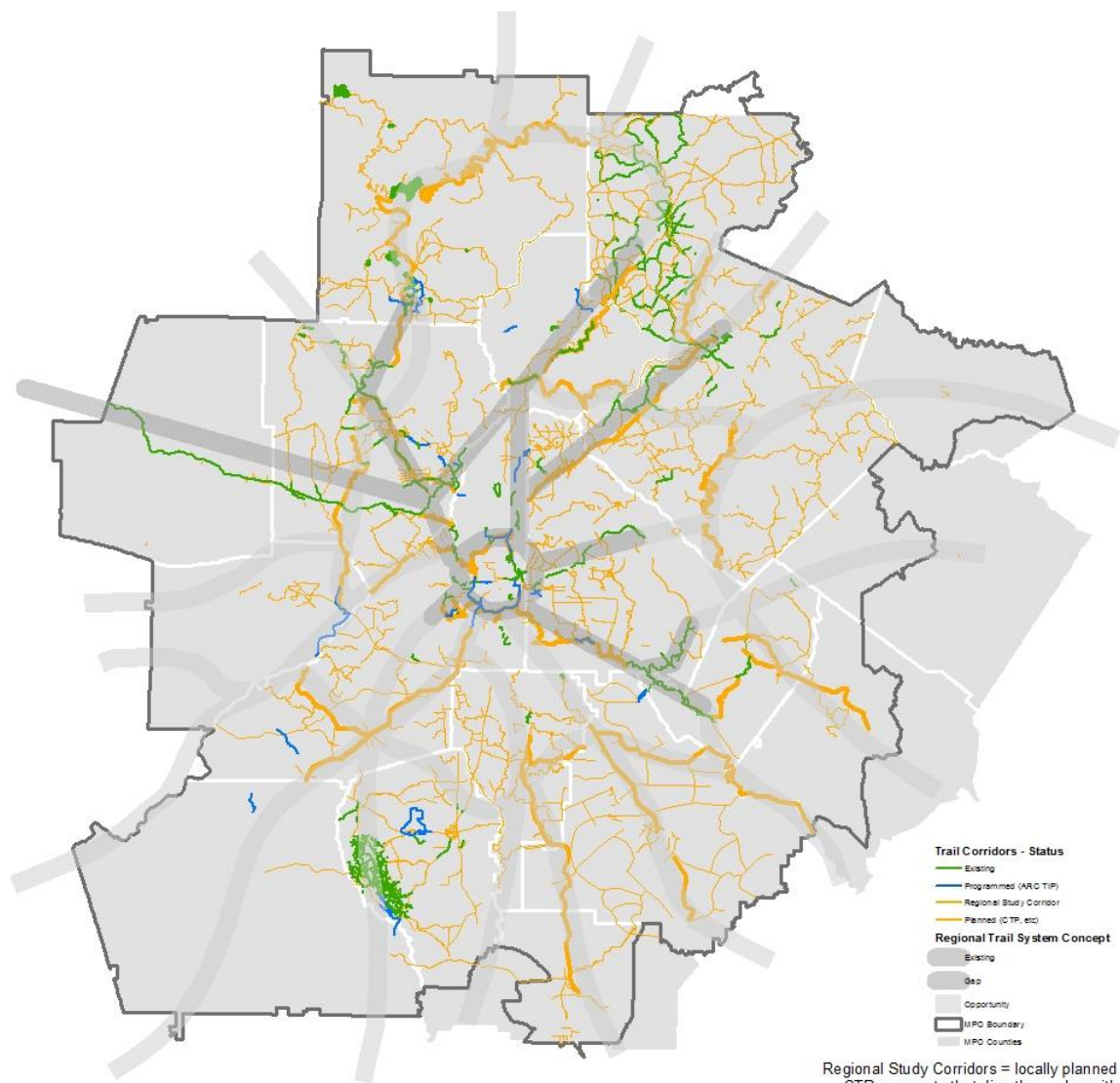
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CTP segments that directly overlap with
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PRIORITIZING & DEVELOPING BUSINESS RULES

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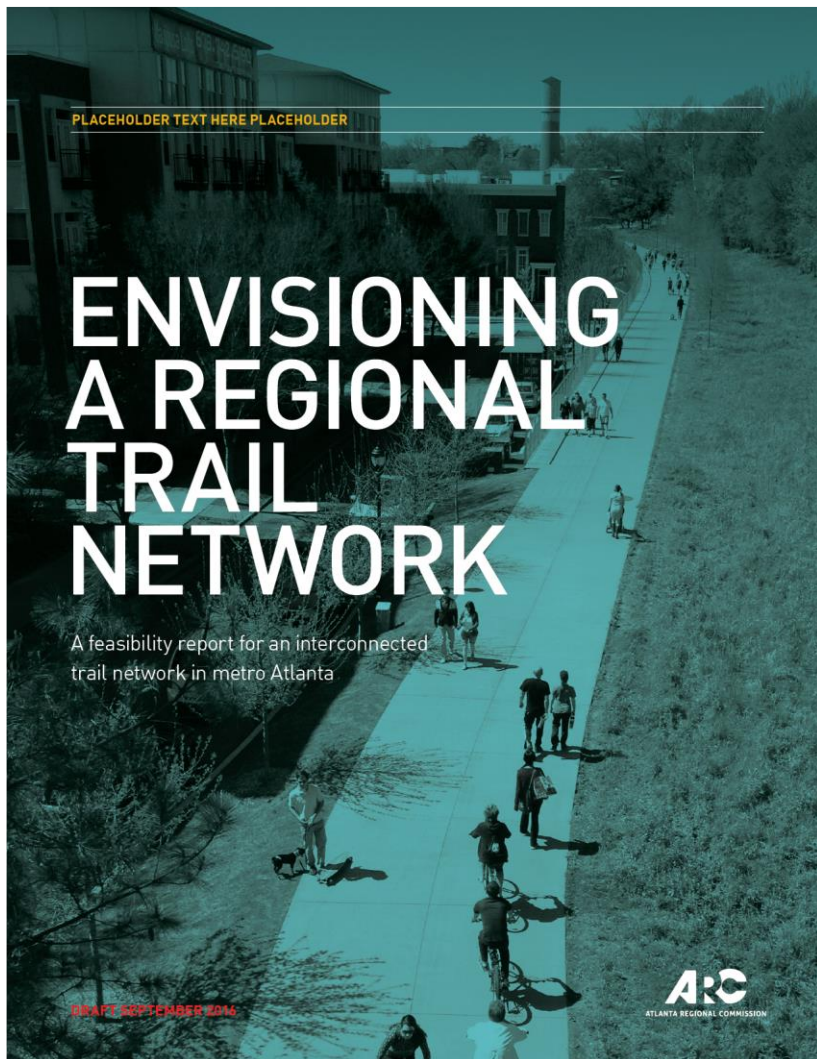
- Identify key connections?
- Demonstrate regional connectivity?
- Link study/scoping money to regional corridors?
- Conduct new corridor studies?
- Speed up delivery?



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REGIONAL TRAIL REPORT

COMING SOON...



When the Regional Trail Network is complete, the Atlanta Region will gain up to:



\$2,209,000

IN REDUCED TRAFFIC
CONGESTION COSTS PER YEAR

*That's equivalent to over 44,000
annual passes to the Georgia
State Parks*



\$2,761,000

IN REDUCED ROAD MAINTENANCE
COSTS PER YEAR

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\$10,493,000

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tickets to Music Midtown*

which will save the Atlanta Region up to:

\$19,513,000

IN TOTAL TRANSPORTATION
BENEFITS PER YEAR

SAFETY ACTION PLAN COMING SOON...

Implementing/expanding “WBT”...

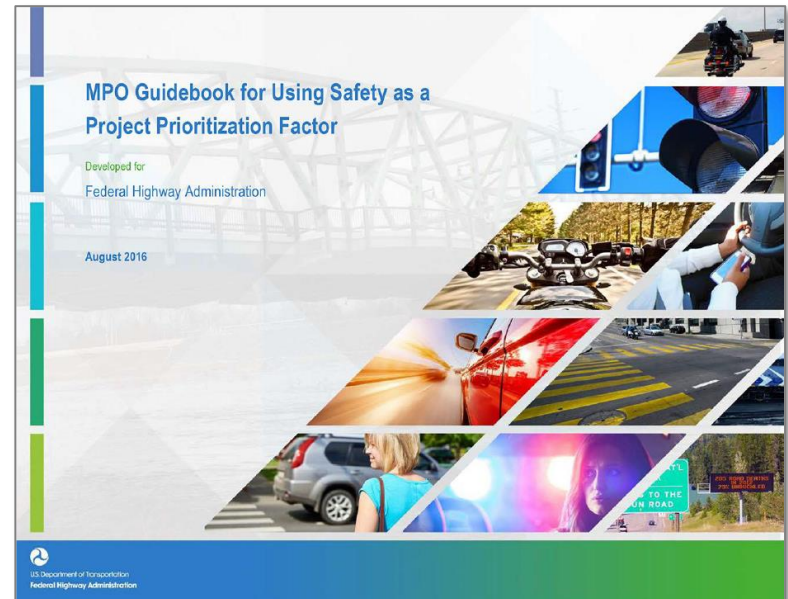
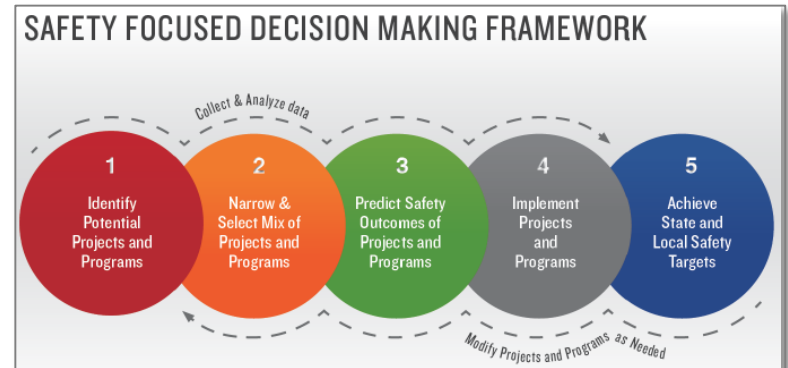


Produce a Regional Walking and Biking Safety Action Plan

“Dangerous corridors and broad safety issues that affect pedestrians and cyclists cross jurisdiction boundaries, so a regional approach is required to reduce the number of serious and fatal crashes in metro Atlanta.”

- Framework for addressing broad policy measures
- Opportunities for specific safety improvements at dangerous locations.

Integrating emerging practices...



WALK & BIKE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES

3 PILOT COMMUNITIES IN 2016, CONTINUE IN 2017?



Develop a Walk Friendly and Bike Friendly Technical Assistance Program for ARC Region



WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO BECOME A WALK & BIKE FRIENDLY COMMUNITY?

Find out at a free technical assistance workshop tailored to the specific needs of your city or county.

This October, the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) is sponsoring a limited number of half-day workshops focused on helping communities become more walk and bike friendly. Participating communities will complete a community audit, learn about the benefits of becoming more walk & bike friendly, and receive expert advice on applying for recognition by the national Walk-Friendly Community and/or Bike-Friendly Community programs.

The workshops are developed out of ARC's new "Walk.Bike. Thrive!" plan, which seeks to actively support the efforts of cities and counties in the Atlanta region who desire to achieve or elevate Walk Friendly Community and/or Bike Friendly Community status.

INTERESTED? COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM AT
www.atlantaregional.com/walkbikeapplication
TO APPLY

Space in the WFC/BFC workshops is limited. To participate or for upcoming schedules and more details, contact ARC staff at bikeped@atlantaregional.com.

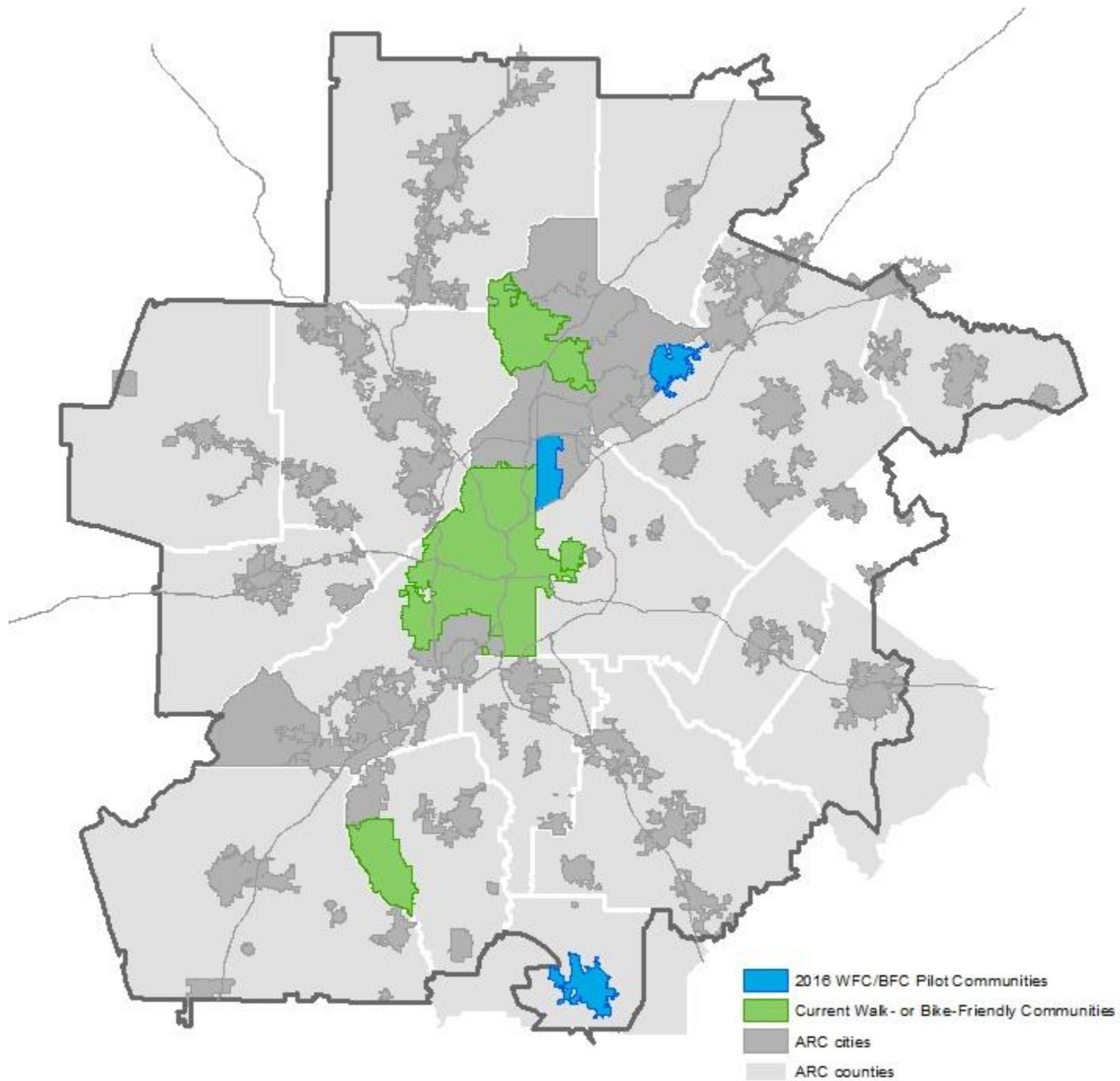
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ARCWalkBikeFriendly>

**COMPLETE A QUICK SURVEY
TO GET STARTED**



For more information on ARC's Walk & Bike Friendly Communities program, see the recommendations in Part One of ARC's newly adopted regional bicycle and pedestrian plan, *Walk.Bike. Thrive! A regional vision for a more walkable, bikeable, and liveable metropolitan Atlanta* here: www.atlantaregional.com/bikeped

For more information on national recognition programs for Walk Friendly & Bicycle Friendly Communities, visit: www.walkfriendly.org, and www.bikeleague.org/community





Establish a Walk Friendly
and Bike Friendly Communities
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