



Metropolitan Transportation Plan – Policy Framework



MOBILITY

2055

METRO ATLANTA ON THE MOVE

Board / TAQC Meeting
September 9, 2026

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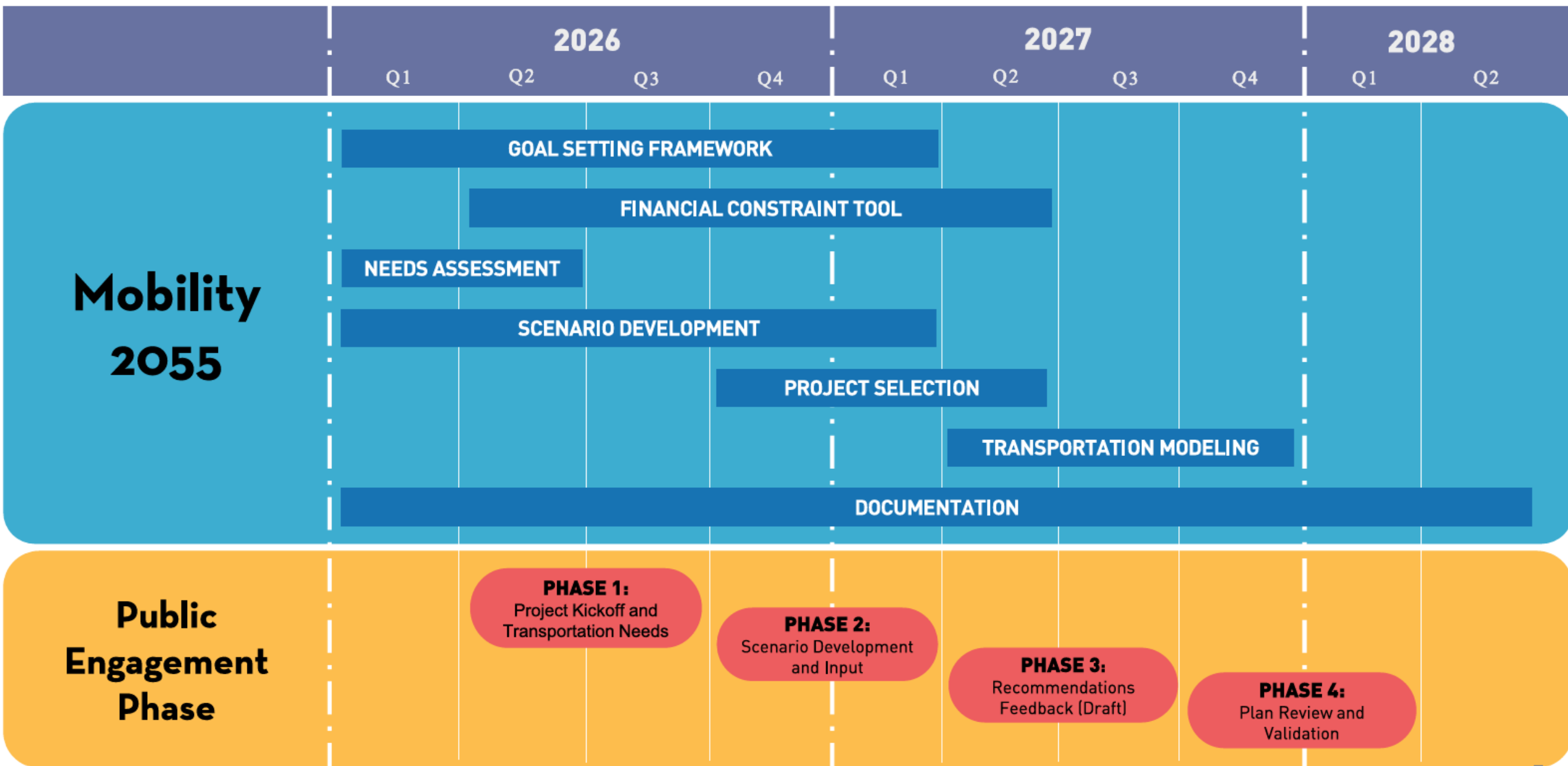
What is Mobility 2055?

Mobility 2055 is the **Metropolitan Transportation Plan** (MTP) for the ARC Metropolitan Planning Organization's (MPO's) 19-county region. The plan will help determine how federal and state transportation funding is invested to improve:

- 📊 Roads and Highways
- 📊 Public Transit
- 📊 Walking and Biking Infrastructure
- 📊 Freight Movement
- 📊 Transportation Safety
- 📊 Regional Mobility and Connectivity

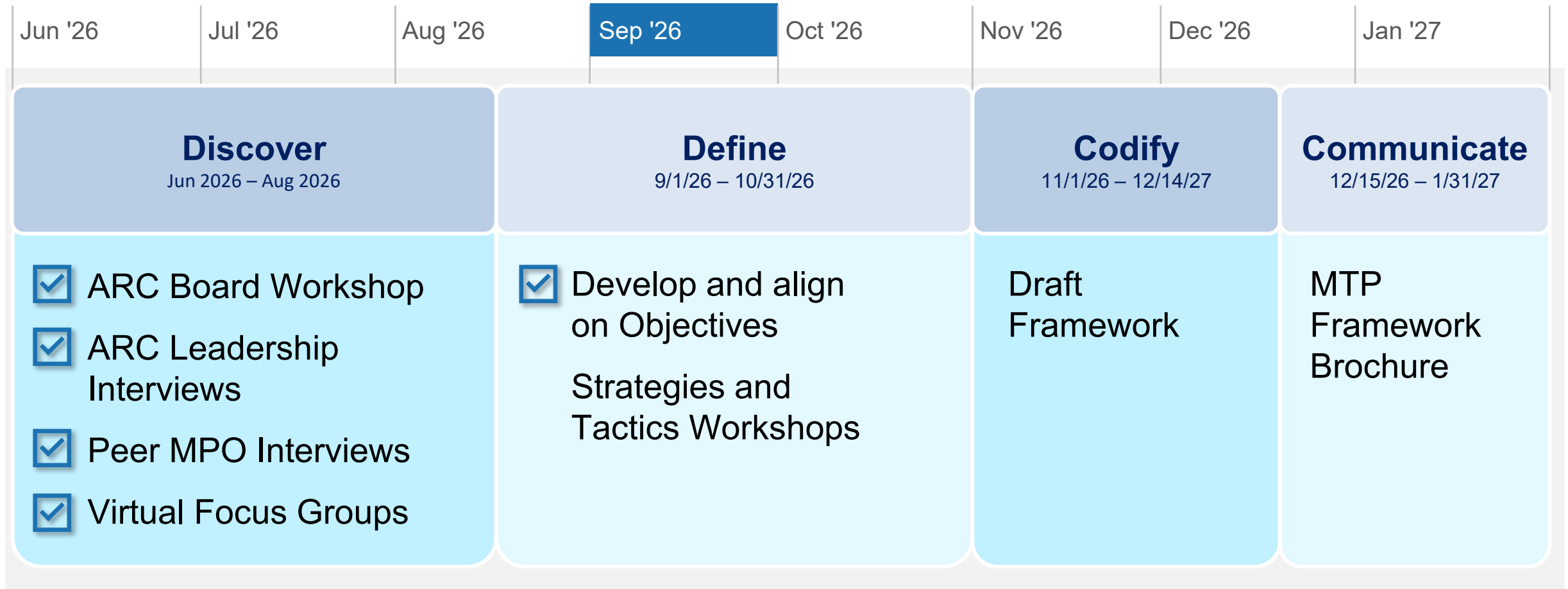


19-County MPO Boundary



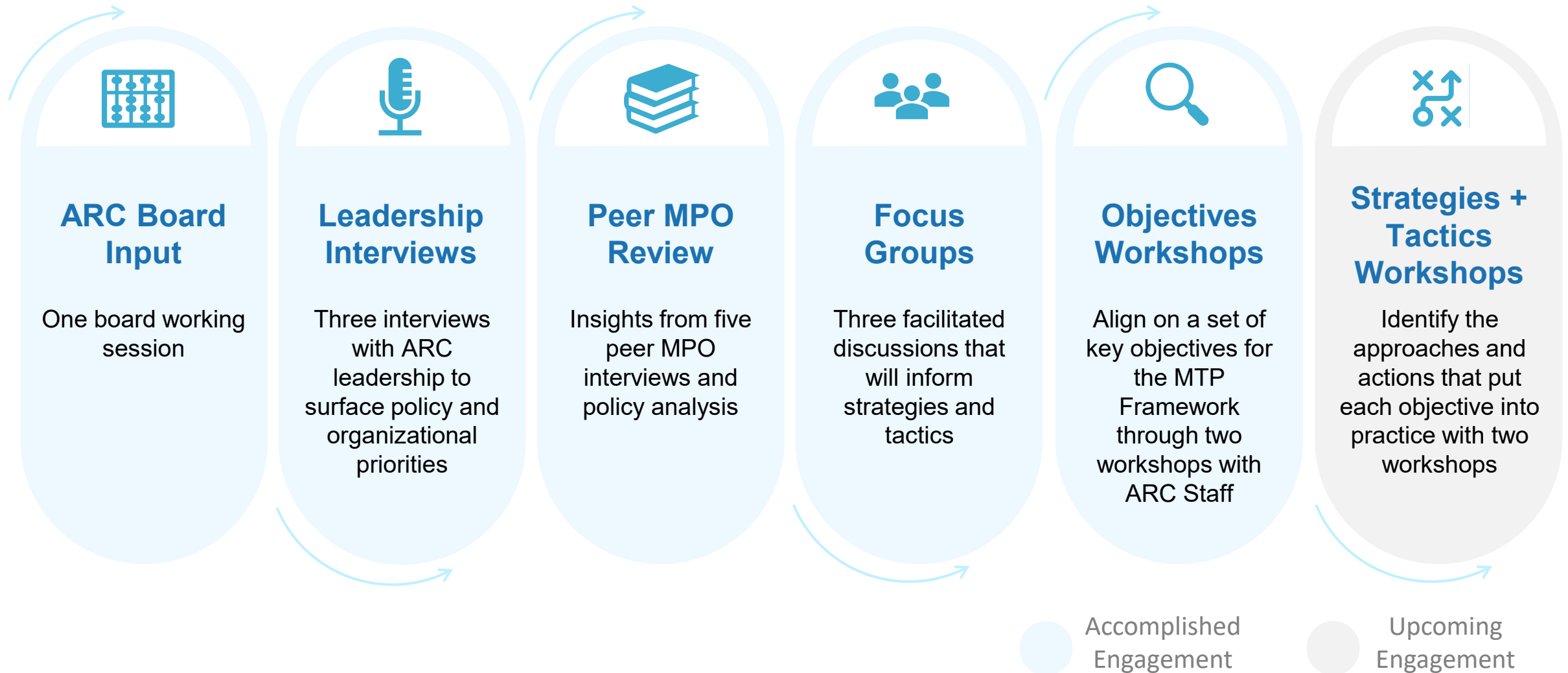
Policy Framework

Framework Progress and Timeline



✓ Accomplished Tasks

Engagement Summary

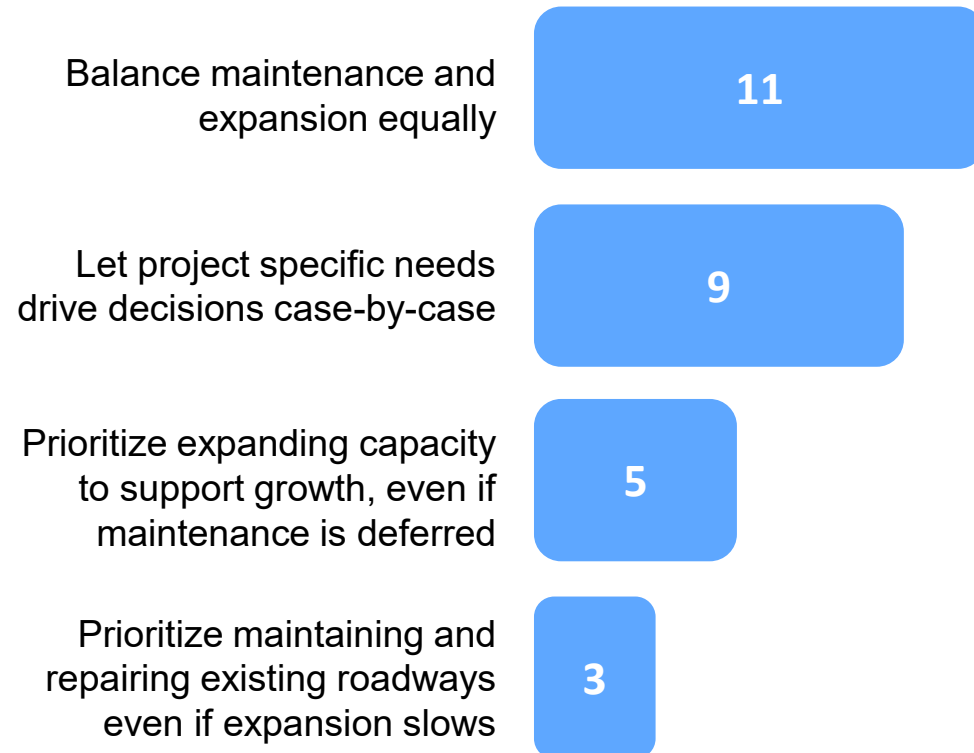


Discover: Key Insights

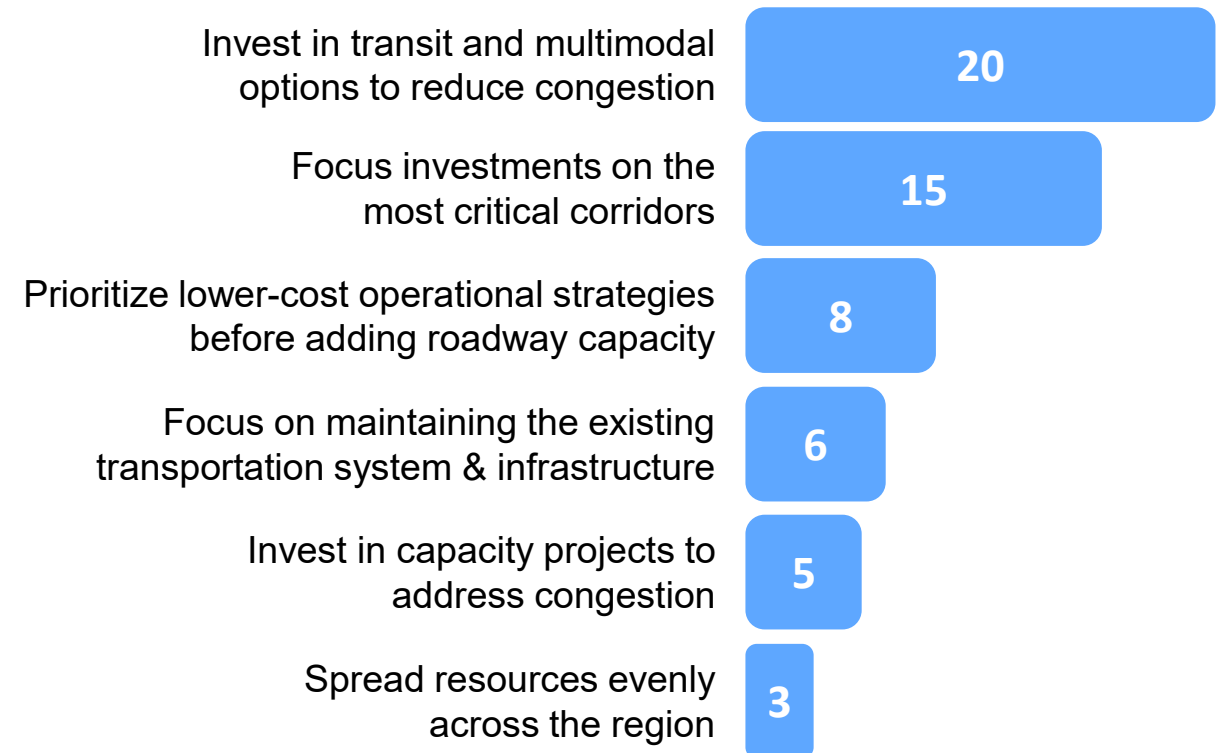
ARC Board Priorities	ARC Leadership Priorities	Peer MPO Insights	Focus Groups
• Direct resources to the greatest needs • Prioritize transit and multimodal investment over highway expansion • Spread funding across both large and small projects	• Focus on a small number of clear priorities • Prioritize economic mobility and access to opportunity • Take a regional perspective across all jurisdictions	• Tie frameworks to funding • Plan for friction in aligning on trade-offs • Avoid legacy project traps	• Congestion and safety were common concerns • Transit, multimodality, and freight and goods movement are opportunities for the region • Prioritize state of good repair

April Board Meeting Recap

How should the region consider maintenance during the MTP Update?



How should the MTP primarily address traffic congestion and travel efficiency given constrained resources and competing priorities?



April Board Meeting Recap

When it comes to allocating transportation funding, what are your biggest priorities?

Spreading funding across a range of larger and smaller-scale projects/programs

19

Prioritizing and funding large projects

6

A focus on smaller-scale projects and funding categories

1

MTP outcomes require tradeoffs - not all projects can be funded. When tensions between priorities arise, what approaches are most appropriate?

Direct resources to the greatest needs regardless of location

13

Maximize regional benefit, even if some jurisdictions benefit more than others

10

Prioritize selections that generate the greatest return on investment

6

Direct resources to places that have historically received fewer investments

4

Respect local preferences, even if regional outcomes are less uniform

1

Summary Framework Priorities

MTP Priorities	ARC Leadership	ARC Board	Focus Groups	Overall Priority
1. Eliminate serious injuries and fatalities	3	N/A	3	High
2. Expand sustainable, well-planned, multimodal transportation infrastructure	3	2	3	High
3. Maintain and optimize the existing transportation system	2	3	3	High
4. Support economic competitiveness and innovation	3	3	2	High
5. Advance access to economic mobility for vulnerable populations	3	2	2	Moderate
6. Build a resilient transportation system that also supports public health	3	2	N/A	Moderate

Key

N/A

N/A: We do not have collected data or sufficient data

1

One: Current data suggests that this is not a key priority

2

Two: Current data suggests that this is a moderate priority

3

Three: Current data suggests that this is a high priority

Framework Components Defined by MTP

ONE **great** REGION

PRIORITIES

The outcomes the region is working towards over the life of the MTP

OBJECTIVES

Standing commitments that guide how investments are selected and delivered, and how the region prioritizes its time and resources.

STRATEGIES

Specific approaches, actions, and programs that put objectives into practice.

**Policy
Framework**

Draft MTP Policy Framework

MTP Priorities

1. Eliminate serious injuries and fatalities

2. Expand sustainable, well-planned, multimodal transportation infrastructure

3. Maintain and optimize the existing transportation system

4. Support economic competitiveness and innovation

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6. Build a resilient transportation system that also supports public health

Priority

Objectives

1. Eliminate serious injuries and fatalities

1.1 Fund safety priorities on the region's high-injury roadway network and transit.

1.2 Require complete streets elements in regionally funded roadway projects.

Priority

2. Expand sustainable, well-planned, multimodal transportation infrastructure

Objectives

- 2.1 Enhance transit service and expand system coverage.
- 2.2 Concentrate growth and housing around high-capacity transit stations and corridors.
- 2.3 Improve network connectivity for walking and biking.

Priority

Objectives

3. Maintain and optimize the existing transportation system

- 3.1 Upgrade and maintain freight network reliability.
- 3.2 Achieve state of good repair and operational efficiency before funding new roadway capacity expansion.

Priority

Objectives

4. Support economic competitiveness and innovation

- 4.1 Adapt to disruptive transportation technologies and evolving mobility needs.
- 4.2 Accelerate transportation project implementation.

Priority

Objectives

5. Advance access to economic mobility for vulnerable populations

- 5.1 Build shared regional priorities through meaningful engagement with underserved communities, local partners, and elected officials.
- 5.2 Increase access to opportunity.

Priority

Objectives

5. Build a resilient transportation system that also supports public health

6.1 Reduce transportation pollution and improve air quality.

6.2 Apply resilience measures for changing weather trends.

Strategies Brainstorm

What **strategies** could make the objectives actionable?



What we are committed to:
Standing commitments that guide how investments are selected and delivered

How will we get there?
the approaches, actions, and programs that put each objective into practice

Engagement

Phase 1 Engagement

- Project Kickoff and Transportation Needs
- May – September 2026
- Purpose: Introduces the MTP process and gathers input on current transportation challenges, needs, and opportunities across the region.

Public Engagement Phase

PHASE 1:
Project Kickoff and
Transportation Needs

PHASE 2:
Scenario Development
and Input

PHASE 3:
Recommendations
Feedback (Draft)

PHASE 4:
Plan Review and
Validation

Phase 1 Engagement

Online Engagement

ARC IS PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE!

Mobility 2055: Metro Atlanta on the Move

ARC is developing Mobility 2055, metro Atlanta's long-range blueprint to guide transportation investments through 2055.

We want to hear from you!

[Take the Mobility 2055 Survey!](#)



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METRO ATLANTA ON THE MOVE

Mobility 2055 will shape how federal and state funding is invested across metro Atlanta to improve roads, transit, and active transportation to address growth, improve mobility, and strengthen the economy. This major update of the Atlanta **Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)** will include the **Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**, the region's short-term list of priority transportation projects that are expected to use federal funding over the next four years.

Community Events

- 📅 Sunday, 9/20 | Suwanee Fest
- 📅 Saturday, 9/26 | Peachtree City Dragon Boat Race & International Festival
- 📅 Sunday, 9/27 | Atlanta Streets Alive
- 📅 Saturday, 10/10 | Paulding Arts Fall Fest
- 📅 Saturday, 10/17 | Covington Fall Festival on the Square (TENTATIVE)

Share Your Input!

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Next Month's Meeting:

- Project Evaluation
- Engagement Update