

WHAT IS A LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN?

A Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) is a federally-mandated 20-year blueprint that identifies transportation investments that will be needed to support the Stateline Area Transportation Study (SLATS) Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) goals for mobility and future development. The LRTP has a horizon year of 2045 and must address federal planning requirements. These include:

- **Multimodal** – The LRTP must address all modes of transportation including streets and highways, bikeways and walkways, public transportation, freight movements, and rail (freight and passenger rail)
- **Regional/Local Demographics** – The LRTP must be informed by existing and future year travel characteristics and population and employment projections
- **Coordination** – The LRTP must be developed in coordination with state and local agencies including WisDOT, IDOT, and Federal Highway Administration
- **Fiscal Constraint** – The LRTP must be based on realistic financial projections
- **Environmental Resources** – The LRTP must consider the impact on the social and natural environments
- **Community Input** - Perhaps most importantly, the LRTP must be derived and represent robust community feedback, needs, and vision

