

Incorporation of the ATL Authority into the Regional Transportation Planning Process

TAQC

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Reminder...ARC as the Metropolitan Planning Organization



ARC is responsible for:

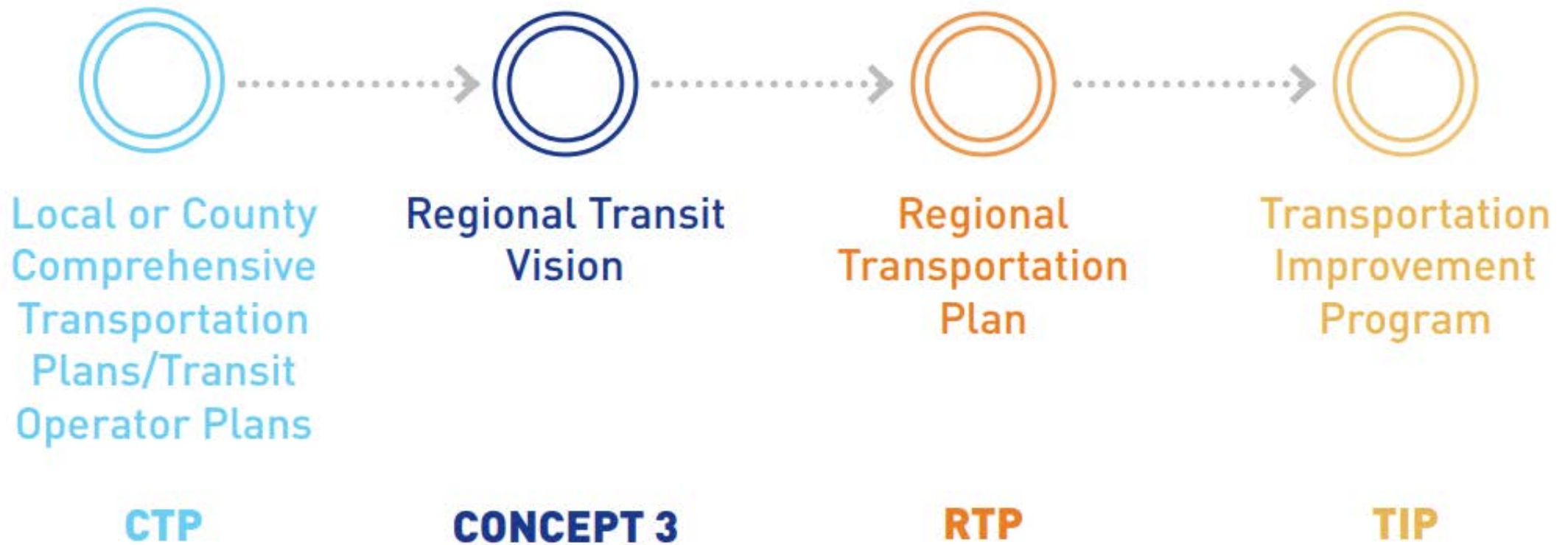
- Helping communities develop local transportation visions (Comprehensive Transportation Plans)
- **RTP** - Coordinating local planning efforts and developing an overall Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)
- **TIP** - Distributing federal funds to transportation projects through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Core ARC Regional Transit Responsibilities

- Federally and state required planning:
 - Recommendations for a financially unconstrained transit vision known as Concept 3
 - Identification of long-range RTP projects
 - Identification of short-range TIP projects
- Support for a Regional Transit Committee (RTC) and the Transit Operators Subcommittee (TOS)
- ARC and the ATL Authority will be a team moving forward, sharing responsibilities and complementing each others mission in many planning tasks
 - Define working partnerships in the Memorandum of Agreement known as the “Quad Party Agreement”

Regional Transit-Planning Process

Pre-ATL Authority (HB 930)





Integration of the ATL Authority Regional Transit Plan into the ARC Federal Planning Process

- ATL is a powerful and critical regional planning entity
- Broad powers for transit planning and implementation
- Directly impacts the federal and state planning process:
 1. ARC – as the MPO - will not include projects in the RTP/TIP that are not in the ATL Regional Transit Plan
 2. Future transit referendums cannot proceed unless it is included in the ATL Authority-approved Regional Transit Plan
- The ATL's Regional Transit Plan is both a filter and the guiding implementation vision for transit in the Region



Potential Committees Where ATL Will Be Added as Members

- Transportation Coordinating Committee (TCC)
- Transportation and Air Quality Committee (TAQC)
- Land Use Coordinating Committee (LUCC)
- Community Resources Committee (CRC)
- Others (?) – Under review

More Information?

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