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**Public Invited to First Meetings to Update the Regional Transportation Plan for Greater Memphis Region**

The Memphis Urban Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) is committed to building a transportation system that meets the diverse needs of residents, visitors, and other stakeholders in the communities of the Greater Memphis region. To achieve this goal, we—with help from the public—are creating a vision of the future that will shape Greater Memphis for years to come. “It is crucial the public gets involved in the transportation planning process, because the regional strategies and vision being developed will shape tomorrow’s means of travel,” says Memphis MPO Administrator Pragati Srivastava.

Our wish is for a transportation planning process that is inclusive and open, and we continually work with our many partners in the region to bring the voice of the community into these vital decisions for our shared future. We sincerely hope you will join us at one of our public meetings, explore this website, and reach out to us to share your vision for the future of transportation and a more livable Greater Memphis. “Having the region come together and plan for something so important, like transportation, will only propel us forward into next 20 years as a leader in transportation,” said Mayor Mark Luttrell, Jr., Chairman Memphis MPO.

All Interested members of the public are invited to join in the meetings below:

<p><b>A TUESDAY</b> SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2014 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM DeSoto County Admin. Bldg. 365 Loshier St. Hernando, MS 38632</p>	<p><b>B TUESDAY</b> SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2014 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM MATA Airways Center 3033 Airways Blvd. Memphis, TN 38131</p>	
<p><b>C WEDNESDAY</b> SEPTEMBER 24th, 2014 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM MATA Central Station 545 S. Main St. Memphis, TN 38103</p>	<p><b>D WEDNESDAY</b> SEPTEMBER 24th, 2014 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Bartlett City Hall 6400 Stage Rd Bartlett, TN 38134</p>	
<p><b>E THURSDAY</b> SEPTEMBER 25th, 2014 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Oakland City Hall 170 Doss Circle Oakland, TN 38060</p>	<p>We look forward to your <b>PARTICIPATION!!!</b></p>	

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The LIVABILITY 2040 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is a fiscally-constrained document that guides the decision-making process for the selection and implementation of transportation projects in the Memphis Metropolitan Planning Area. It outlines the policies as well as the long-range and short-range actions that support an integrated and multimodal transportation system for the effective and efficient movement of people and goods. Updated every four years, the RTP's planning horizon is at least 20 years. The plan will envision metropolitan Memphis as a livable community, that is, one with a high quality-of-life and an ethos of economic and environmental sustainability.

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