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#### List of Acronyms

3-C Continuine, Cooperative, and Comprehensive Planning Process
AASHTO American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials

ADA Americans with Disabilities Act

AFV Alternative Fuel Vehicle

AVL Automatic Vehicle Locator

BEA Bureau of Economic Analysis

BLOS Bicycle Level of Service
CAAA Clean Air Act Amendments

CAFE Corporate Average Fuel Economy

CCTV Closed-Circuit Television

CERCLA Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensations, and Liability Act

CIG Capital Investment Grants

CTL Center Turn Lane

CMAQ Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality

CMCSS Clarksville-Montgomery County School System

CMP Congestion Management Process

CNG Compressed Natural Gas

COA Comprehensive Operations Analysis

CSXT CSX Transportation

CTS Clarksville Transit System

CUAMPO Clarksville Urbanized Area Metroplitan Planning Organization

DOT Department of Transportation E+C Existing Plus Committed

EE External-External
EI External-Internal
EJ Environmental Justice

EPA Environmental Protection Agency
EPDO Equivalent Property Damage Only

ESA Endangered Species Act
FAF Freight Analysis Framework

FARS Fatality Analysis Reporting System

FAST Act Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act

FHWA Federal Highway Administration
FTA Federal Transit Administration

GDOT Georgian Department of Transportation

GHG Greenhouse Gas

HPMS Highway Performance Monitoring System
HSIP Highway Safety Improvement Program

IRI International Roughness Index

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ISTEA Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act

ITS Intelligent Transportation Systems

JARC Job Access and Reverse Commute

KBNA Nashville International Airport

KOHS Kentucky Office of Highway Safety

KYTC Kentucky Transportation Cabinet

LEP Limited English Proficiency

LOS Liquified Natural Gas
Level of Service

LOTTR Level of Travel Time Reliability

MAP-21 Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act

MCHRA Mid-Cumberland Human Resource Agency

MO Maintenance and Operations
MPA Metropolitan Planning Area

MPO Metropolitan Planning Organization

MSA Metropolitan Statistical Area
MTP Metropolitan Transportation Plan

MUTCD Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices
NAAQS National Ambient Air Quality Standards

NAICS North American Industry Classification System

NBI National Bridge Inventory

NEPA National Environmental Policy Act
NHFN National Highway Freight Network
NHFP National Highway Freight Program

NHPP National Highway Performance Program

NHS National Highway System

NHTSA National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

NPFN National Primary Freight Network

NPL National Priorities List

NPMRDS National Performance Management Research Data Set

NRHP National Register of Historic Places
OMB Office of Management and Budget

P3 Public-Private Partnerships

PACS Pennyrile Allied Community Services

PBPP Performance-Based Planning and Programming

PDO Property Damage Only

ppm Parts Per Million

PPP Public Participation Plan
PRB Population Reference Bureau

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PUD Planned Unit Developments
RCUT Restricted Crossing U-Turn
RJCM R.J. Corman Railroad Company

ROI Return on Investment
RTA Regional Transit Authority

SAFETEA-LU Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users

SGR State of Good Repair

SHPO State Historic Preservation Office
SHSP Strategic Highway Safety Plan
SIP State Implementation Plan
SMS Safety Management System

STBGP Surface Transportation Block Group Program

STP Surface Transportation Program
STRAHNET Strategic Highway Network

SUSMP Standard Urban Stormwater Mitigation Program

TAM Transit Asset Management

TAP Transportation Alternatives Program

TAZ Traffic Analysis Zone

TCC Technical Coordinating Committee

TDM Transportation Demand Management

TDOT Tennessee Department of Transportation

TEMA Tennesee Emergency Management Agency

TERM Transit Economic Requirements Model

THSO Tennesee Highway Safety Office

TIF Tax-Increment Financing

TIP Transportation Improvement Program

TITAN Tennessee's Integrated Traffic Analysis Network

TMA Transportation Management Area
TSM Transportation System Management

TTTR Truck Travel Time Reliability
TWLTL Two-Way Left Turn Lane

TWRA Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency

ULB Useful Life Benchmark

UPWP Unified Planning Work Program

USDOT United States Department of Transportation

V/C Volume/Capacity Ratio
VHD Vehicle Hours of Delay
VHT Vehicle Hours Travelled
VMT Vehicle Miles Travelled

VOC Volatile Organic Compounds

ZERO Zero Emission Research Opportunity

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## **Executive Summary**

## **ES.1** | Introduction

THE 2045 CLARKSVILLE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLAN (MTP) IS THE MULTIMODAL, LONG RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN FOR THE CLARKSVILLE METROPOLITAN PLANNING AREA (MPA).

It sets a regional vision and course of action for addressing the transportation needs of the Clarksville MPA over the next twenty-seven years.

The recommendations of the 2045 MTP are the result of public input, technical analysis, and close coordination between local municipalities, counties, Clarksville Transit System, the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT), the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC), and other members of the Clarksville Urbanized Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (CUAMPO).

The Clarksville MPA, comprised of the Clarksville, TN urbanized area and nearby areas expected to urbanize in the next twenty years, is federally required to maintain an MTP with a minimum twenty-year time horizon. The 2045 MTP serves this purpose for the next five years; at which point it must again be updated.

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#### **SCOPE OF THE PLANNING PROCESS**

THE MTP ADDRESSES THE FOLLOWING TEN PLANNING FACTORS AS SPECIFIED IN THE MOST RECENT FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION LEGISLATION, THE FIXING AMERICA'S SURFACE TRANSPORTATION (FAST) ACT:

- 1. Support the economic vitality of the metropolitan area, especially by enabling global competitiveness, productivity, and efficiency;
- 2. Increase the safety of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;
- 3. Increase the security of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;
- 4. Increase accessibility and mobility of people and freight;
- 5. Protect and enhance the environment, promote energy conservation, improve the quality of life, and promote consistency between transportation improvements and state and local planned growth and economic development patterns;
- 6. Enhance the integration and connectivity of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight;
- 7. Promote efficient system management and operation;
- 8. Emphasize the preservation of the existing transportation system;
- 9. Improve the resiliency and reliability of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate stormwater impacts of surface transportation; and
- 10. Enhance travel and tourism.

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### ES.2 | Plan Development Process

In order to develop a truly effective transportation plan that addresses the needs of all system users, it is necessary to obtain meaningful input from the public and all stakeholders to ensure that no person is denied an opportunity to participate in the planning process on the basis of race, ethnicity, disability, or language barriers. To this end, the MPO followed the public involvement procedures spelled out in its Public Participation Plan.

Several opportunities for public and stakeholder participation and input were provided. Input received from the public and stakeholders provided valuable insight on current and future transportation needs and ultimately led to the development of a regional vision.

## THIS VISION LAID THE GROUNDWORK FOR THE MTP'S PERFORMANCE-BASED APPROACH TO METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING. THE GENERALIZED APPROACH IS SUMMARIZED BELOW:

- Set Regional Vision
- Define Goals and Objectives
- 3. Establish System Performance Measures
- 4. Assess Baseline System Performance
- 5. Identify Desired System Performance
- 6. Forecast Future Conditions and Need
- Develop Implementation Strategy

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### ES.3 | Setting and Achieving the Vision

As mentioned, a regional vision was synthesized from public and stakeholder input. From this vision, goals and objectives were developed that support achievement of the stated vision.

FEDERALLY REQUIRED PERFORMANCE MEASURES ARE ALSO INCLUDED IN THE MTP. FOLLOWING THE ESTABLISHED FEDERAL GUIDANCE, THE MPO ESTABLISHED PERFORMANCE MEASURE TARGETS AND WILL PERIODICALLY REPORT ON PROGRESS, ALL IN COORDINATION WITH THE KYTC AND TDOT.

#### **VISION**

"In 2045, the residents and workers of the Clarksville Urbanized Area will be able to travel within a safe, well-maintained, and multimodal transportation system. This sustainable system will provide reliable transportation with multiple travel options that support a higher quality of life."

#### **GOALS**

- 1. Provide a safe transportation system.
- 2. Provide a well-maintained transportation system.
- 3. Provide a multimodal transportation system.
- 4. Provide a reliable transportation system by reducing travel delay times and improving mobility.
- 5. Develop an economically and environmentally sustainable transportation system that provides equitable participation and benefits across the diversity of the MPA.

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### ES.4 | Assessing Current Performance and Forecasting Future Needs

The 2045 MTP analyzes current environmental, land use, travel, and socioeconomic patterns to better understand the existing demand for transportation. It then assesses existing conditions of all transportation modes by means of an asset inventory, technical analysis, and input received from the public and stakeholders. This analysis provides a snapshot of current performance and a baseline for performance monitoring.

To forecast future transportation needs, the 2045 MTP developed future population and employment forecasts for 2026, 2036, and 2045 for small geographic areas called Traffic Analysis Zones (TAZs). The forecast data was developed by the CUAMPO through local consultation and analysis of third party county forecasts.

TABLE ES.1 CLARKSVILLE MPA DEMOGRAPHIC DATA FORECAST

Year	Population	EMPLOYMENT	
2016	196,758	68,326	
2026	250,249	92,611	
2036	295,483	111,007	
2045	339,954	129,119	

#### **ROADWAYS**

In general, there is a lack of widespread congestion in the Clarksville Metropolitan Planning Area in the base year.

#### CONGESTION IS MOSTLY FOUND NEAR MAJOR INTERSECTIONS WITHIN THE MPA.

Maintenance needs are also somewhat limited in nature. Less than one (1) percent of the MPA's National Highway System (NHS) roadways are in poor condition. The worst pavement conditions within the MPA are on US 79 to US 79/College St/Wilma Rudolph Blvd from McClure Street to Rossview Road. Conditions on US 41A/Fort Campbell Blvd from US 79/Dover Rd to the Tennessee/Kentucky State Line should also be monitored. Of the 15 bridges in poor condition within the MPA, none are on the NHS.

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Based on the travel demand model results, congestion in the MPA is forecast to become more intense and more widespread. This congestion is expected to spread beyond the intersections and affect large areas of the MPA on the whole.

#### **BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN**

For bicycle and pedestrian needs, a regional demand analysis, facility inventory, and crash analysis were undertaken to better understand current performance and future needs. While there are many areas with relatively high demand for bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, most places in the MPA lack sufficient sidewalks or any bicycle accommodations. As the MPA continues to grow, demand will increase in highgrowth areas. Bicycle and pedestrian improvements will need to be provided in tandem with new roadway projects.

#### **PUBLIC TRANSIT**

For public transit, the MTP evaluates the fixed-route service provided by Clarksville Transit System (CTS), as well as other services offered within the MPA. Current performance and future needs were assessed primarily by means of the Comprehensive Operation Analysis conducted by CTS, as well as the service's Strategic Plan.

THESE ANALYSES INDICATE THAT THE CTS MEETS THE NEEDS OF THE CURRENT DEMOGRAPHICS WITHIN THE MPA.
FUTURE CONSIDERATION WILL NEED TO BE GIVEN TO THE ANTICIPATED INCREASE IN ELDERLY PERSONS AS WELL AS THE
18-34 YEAR-OLD RIDERS DUE TO FORT CAMPBELL'S PRESENCE.

#### **FREIGHT**

For freight, an inventory of the existing freight network and facilities was conducted as well as an analysis of existing freight movement, capacity, traffic, and safety. Future freight volumes were also projected.

The growth in freight shipped to and from the Clarksville MPA by truck is projected to increase by nearly 79 percent. The growth in freight shipped to and from the MPA by rail is projected to lag the truck freight, but still grow by nearly 23 percent.

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## ES.5 | Prioritizing Roadway Capacity Projects to Achieve the Vision

The MTP prioritized roadway capacity projects that were identified by the public, stakeholders, MPO staff, and the previous MTP.

The first step in prioritization was developing project costs, which were estimated based on typical costs, or project-specific costs if such figures were available.

The MTP prioritization process utilized multiple criteria to evaluate projects for their potential to help achieve the regional vision, goals, and objectives.

TABLE ES.2 ROADWAY CAPACITY PROJECT PRIORITIZATION CRITERIA

Rationale	Maximum Points
Prioritize projects with congestion reduction.	20
Unsafe areas should receive priority over other areas.	20
Avoid negative and costly environmental impacts.	15
Projects with benefits (annual dollars saved from reduced delay) exceeding construction costs should be considered first, and maximize limited federal funds.	10
Avoid disproportionately high and adverse impacts to Environmental Justice (EJ) groups.	10
Encourage projects that have the potential to improve bicycle and pedestrian conditions.	10
Encourage projects that benefit the movement of people and goods. Encourage projects that may result in the growth of economic corridors.	10
Encourage projects that have been vetted in locally-adopted plans or existing studies or plans.	5
	Prioritize projects with congestion reduction.  Unsafe areas should receive priority over other areas.  Avoid negative and costly environmental impacts.  Projects with benefits (annual dollars saved from reduced delay) exceeding construction costs should be considered first, and maximize limited federal funds.  Avoid disproportionately high and adverse impacts to Environmental Justice (EJ) groups.  Encourage projects that have the potential to improve bicycle and pedestrian conditions.  Encourage projects that benefit the movement of people and goods. Encourage projects that may result in the growth of economic corridors.  Encourage projects that have been vetted in

\*If a roadway project going through an Environmental Justice area receives support from its minority and low-income community, a project will receive maximum points for this criterion.

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### ES.6 | Staged Improvement Plan and Other Recommended Strategies

The MTP provides a fiscally-constrained staged improvement plan of projects and programs for roadway and public transit modes through 2045. It also recommends several short-term and long-term strategic actions that the MPO and its partner agencies should undertake in order to improve conditions for bicyclists, pedestrians, public transit users, and freight. Strategies to improve regional air quality are also recommended.

The fiscally-constrained list of roadway projects is provided in Table ES.3 and illustrated in Figure ES.1. In addition to these roadway projects, the fiscally constrained plan includes sufficient funding to continue operating transit at its current level of service. Roadway projects, which went through the prioritization process but could not be programmed due to a projected lack of available funding, are included in a separate list of projects called the visionary roadway capacity projects. While not currently programmed in the MTP, they may be added if funding becomes available.

Table ES.4 shows the travel impacts of implementing the fiscally-constrained capacity projects versus a "no-build" scenario. The "no-build" scenario includes only the existing and committed projects that are described in Chapter 7: Forecasting Future Travel Demand. This table indicates that the fiscally-constrained program of projects will reduce the hours of vehicle delay by 46 percent and the vehicle hours travelled by 31 percent, while the reduction in vehicle miles traveled will be less significant.

**TABLE ES.3 FISCALLY CONSTRAINED ROADWAY PROJECTS** 

STAGE	MAP ID	Route	Location	IMPROVEMENT	Project Cost (000's)
1 Stage 1 (2018	1	SR-374 Ext	Dotsonville Rd to US 79/SR 6 (Dover Rd)	New 4 Lane Roadway	\$45,400
	2	SR-374 Ext/SR-149	Dotsonville Rd to SR-149; SR-374 to River Rd	New 4 Lane Roadway & Bridge, Widen to 5 Lanes	\$120,375
to 2026)	3	SR-237 (Rossview Rd) & Dunbar Cave Rd	I-24 to 400 ft. west of Keysburg Rd	Widen from 2 to 3/5 Lanes & Realignment	\$13,300
,	4	KY-911 (Thompsonville Rd)	US 41A to KY-115 (Pembroke Rd)	Widen from 2 to 3 Lanes	\$14,810
	7	SR-48 (Trenton Rd)	SR-374 to I-24	Widen from 2 to 5 Lanes	\$35,700

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#### **TABLE ES.3 FISCALLY CONSTRAINED ROADWAY PROJECTS**

STAGE	MAP ID	Route	Location	IMPROVEMENT	PROJECT COST (000'S)
	101	US 79/SR 13 (Guthrie Hwy)	Cracker Barrel Dr to International Blvd	Widen from 2/3 to 5 Lanes	Under Construction
	102	SR 149/SR 13	River Rd to Zinc Plant Rd	Widen from 2/3 to 5 Lanes	Under Construction
	103	SR 374 (Warfield Blvd)	Dunbar Cave Rd to Stokes Rd	Widen from 2 to 5 Lanes	Under Construction
Cha an	104	North-East Connector Phase 1	Ted Crozier Blvd to Wilma Rudolf Blvd to Trenton Rd	New 4/5 Lane Roadway	\$39,522
Stage I (2018 to	106	Lafayette Rd	Walnut Grove Rd through Ft Campbell Gate	Widen from 2 to 5 Lanes	\$2,438
2026)	107	SR-48 (Trenton Rd)	Needmore Rd	Intersection Improvement	Completed
	108	KY-400 (State Line Rd)	US 41A (Ft Campbell Blvd) to KY-115 (Pembroke-Oak Grove Rd)	Reconstruct with CTL	\$5,486
	109	KY-115 (Pembroke- Oak Grove Rd)	KY-400 (State Line Rd) to I-24	Reconstruct with CTL	\$11,364
	110	KY-115 (Pembroke)	I-24 to KY-1453 (Barker's Mill Rd)	Reconstruct with CTL	\$7,446
	105	Jack Miller Blvd Ext	Tobacco Rd to Peachers Mill Rd	New 4 Lane Roadway	\$41,445
	201	SR-374 (Warfield Blvd)	Memorial Dr to Dunbar Cave Rd	Widen from 2 to 4 Lanes	\$22,629
Stage II (2027 to 2036)	203	North-East Connector Phase 2	SR-48 (Trenton Rd) to Peachers Mill Rd	New 4 Lane Roadway	\$76,673
	204	Peachers Mill Rd	Pine Mountain Rd to Stonecrossing Dr	Widen from 3 to 4 Lanes	\$4,310
	207	KY-117	US 41A (Ft Campbell Blvd) to KY-115 (Pembroke-Oak Grove Rd)	New 5 Lane Roadway	\$71,523

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#### **TABLE ES.3 FISCALLY CONSTRAINED ROADWAY PROJECTS**

STAGE	Map ID	Route	Location	IMPROVEMENT	PROJECT COST (000'S)
Stage II (2027 to	209	KY-109 (Bradshaw Rd)	KY-1453 (Elmo Rd) to Bradshaw-Fidelio Rd	Reconstruct with CTL	\$5,687
	304	SR-48 (Trenton Rd)	SR-13/US79 (Wilma Rudolph Blvd) to SR-374	Widen from 2 to 5 Lanes	\$10,776
	401	New Roadway	Fair Brook Place to Needmore Rd	New 3 Lane Roadway	\$11,190
	402	Professional Park Dr Ext	Extension to Cardinal Ln	New 2 Lane Roadway	\$9,325
	403	International Blvd Ext	SR-237 (Rossview Rd) to SR-76 to Trough Springs Rd	New 2 Lane Roadway	\$34,503
	405	SR-374 (Richview Rd) Ext	SR-12 (Madison St) to US 41A Bypass	New 4 Lane Roadway	\$20,723
2036)	406	Kennedy Ln Ext	Extension to Meriwether Rd	New 2 Lane Roadway	\$8,393
	409	8th St connector	Needmore Rd to Peterson Ln	New 2 Lane Roadway	\$17,718
	411	SR-374 (Richview Rd)	Memorial Dr to US 41A (Madison St)	Widen from 3 to 5 Lanes	\$8,621
	504	SR 13/48	River Road to Old Highway 48	Center Turn Lane	\$6,426
	508	I-24	@ Exit 8 EB Off Ramp	Widen to 2 Lanes	\$9,106
	514	Tylertown Road	Trenton Rd to Oakland Rd	Widen to 4 Lanes	\$18,319
Stage III (2037 to 2045)	111	Oatts-Riggins Rd	KY-400 (State Line Rd) to KY-911 (Thompsonville Ln)	New 3 Lane Roadway	\$23,355
	112	KY-1453 (Elmo Rd)	US 41A (Ft Campbell Blvd) to KY-115 (Pembroke-Oak Grove Rd)	Reconstruct with CTL	\$33,837

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#### **TABLE ES.3 FISCALLY CONSTRAINED ROADWAY PROJECTS**

STAGE	MAP ID	Route	Location	IMPROVEMENT	PROJECT COST (000'S)			
	202	US 41A Bypass (Ashland City Rd)	US 41A/SR-112 to SR-13	Widen from 2/3 to 5 Lanes	\$78,494			
	205	Ft Campbell Gate 5 Ext	KY-911 (Thompsonville Ln) to Allen Rd	Reconstruction	\$10,920			
	208	Ft Campbell Gate 5 Ext	US 41A (Ft Campbell Blvd) to KY-115 (Pembroke-Oak Grove Rd)	New 2 Lane Roadway	\$23,355			
	303	Whitfield Rd/	Hazelwood Rd to SR-236 (Tiny Town Rd)	Reconstruct with CTL	\$5,892			
	305	Old Trenton Rd	Needmore Rd to SR-374	Reconstruct with CTL	\$1,309			
	404	Dixie Bee Rd Ext	Sango Rd to US 41A	New 2 Lane Roadway	\$8,645			
Stage III	407	SR-236 (Tiny Town Rd) Ext	Extension to Meriwether Rd	New 2 Lane Roadway	\$8,645			
(2037 to	408	New Roadway	9th St to 10th St	New 2 Lane Roadway	\$1,235			
2045)	412	Hazelwood Rd	Trenton Rd to Needmore	Widen from 2 to 5 Lanes	\$28,543			
	502	Cumberland Dr	Ashland City Rd (SR 12) to Madison St (SR 76)	Widen to 4 Lanes	\$25,689			
	503	Dunbar Cave Road	Wilma Rudolph Rd (US 79/SR 13) to Rossview Rd (SR 237)	Widen to 4 Lanes	\$57,087			
	507	l-24	@ Dixie Bee Road	New interchange	\$68,614			
	510	Needmore Road	Wilma Rudolph Road to Trenton Road	Widen to 4 Lanes	\$12,844			
	512	Rossview Road	SR 374 to Dunbar Cave Rd	Widen to 5 Lanes	\$21,407			
	515	Wilma Rudolph Boulevard	Kraft St to SR 374	Widen to 6 Lanes	\$42,815			

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#### TABLE ES.4 TRAVEL IMPACTS OF FISCALLY-CONSTRAINED 2045 MTP ROADWAY CAPACITY PROJECTS

Measure	2045 Existing and Committed	2045 FISCALLY CONSTRAINED MTP	Difference	PERCENT DIFFERENCE
Daily Vehicle Miles Traveled	6,923,236	6,954,406	31,170	0.5%
Daily Vehicle Hours Traveled	522,963	345,200	-177,763	-34.0%
Daily Hours of Delay	375,722	198,147	-177,575	-47.3%

Source: Clarksville Travel Demand Model, NSI

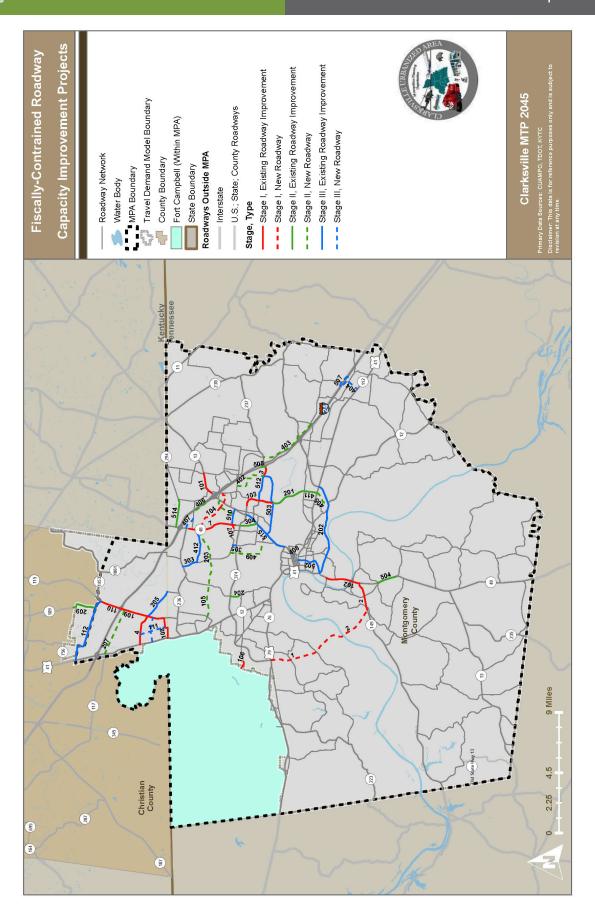


FIGURE ES.1 FISCALLY-CONSTRAINED ROADWAY CAPACITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

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