Draft 2050 MTP/SCS and Draft EIR

December 18, 2025

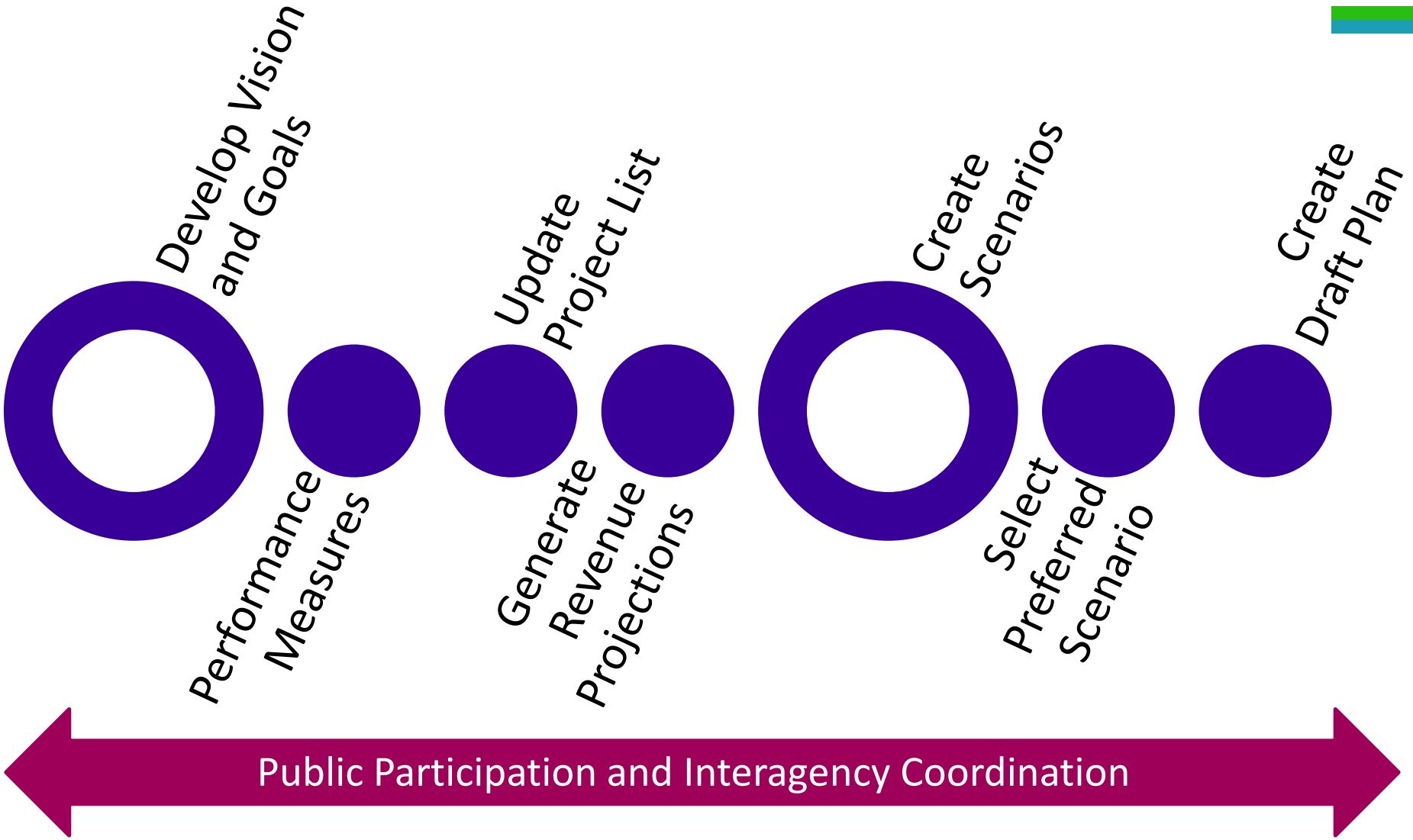
Overview

- Background
- Draft 2050 MTP/SCS
- Draft Environmental Impact Report
- Public hearings/workshops
- Next steps

What Does the MTP/SCS Do?

- Long range vision for our transportation system
- Determines how transportation dollars are spent in the tri-county area
- SCS demonstrates how the region can achieve GHG reduction targets determined by California Air Resources Board

MTP/SCS Development

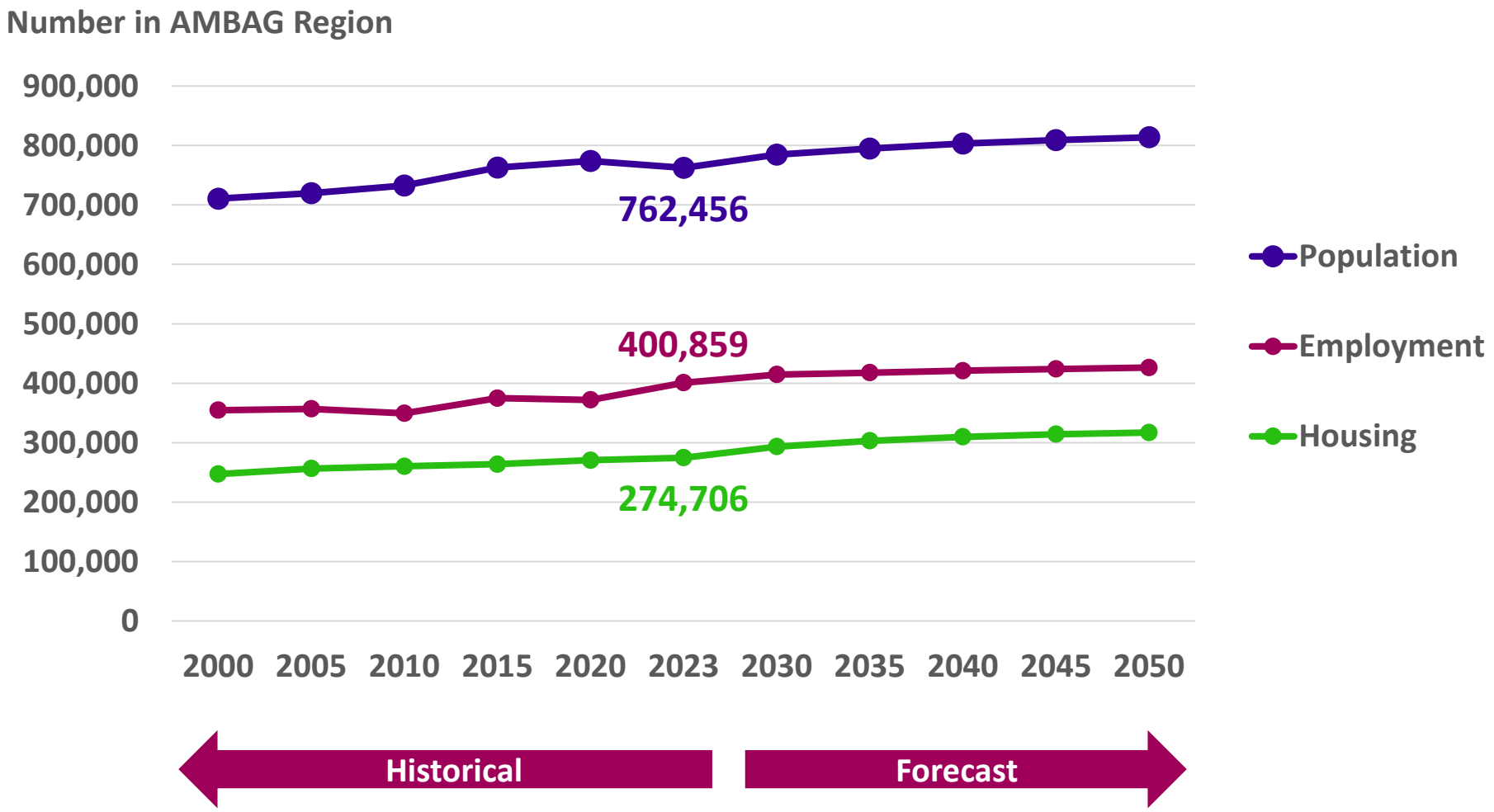


Vision & Policy Goals

Vision: An accessible and connected region for a safe, resilient, and equitable future

MOBILITY	ENVIRONMENT	COMMUNITIES	ECONOMIC	EQUITABLE
Build and maintain a safe and robust transportation network	Create a healthy region for all	Develop, engage, connect, and sustain communities that are livable and thriving	Support a sustainable, efficient, and productive regional economic environment that provides opportunities for all	Plan for people of all ages, abilities, and backgrounds

Regional Growth



Sources: California Department of Finance; AMBAG and PRB

Basis for the MTP/SCS

- Land use pattern
  - Population, housing, and employment

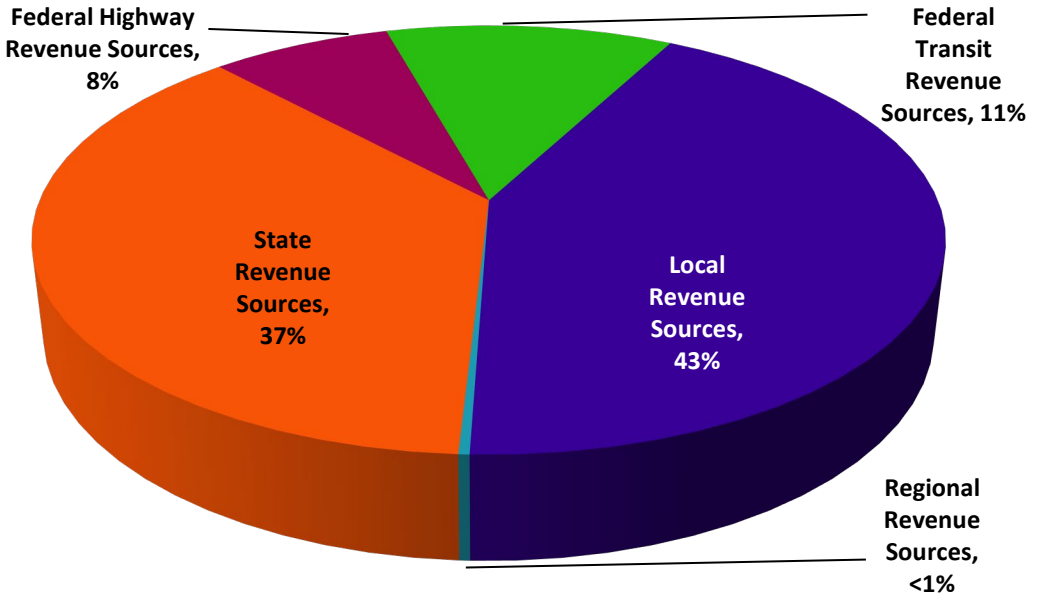
- Transportation investments
  - Transit services and rideshare programs
  - Active transportation projects
  - Roadway improvements
  - Other transportation related strategies such as electric vehicles, telecommuting, etc.

- Evaluated using the Regional Travel Demand Model and Board approved performance measures (Attachment 1)

- Includes $16 billion in transportation improvements, programs, and services
- Meets CARB's GHG reduction target of -6% reduction per capita for 2035
- Implementation strategies

Financial Assumptions

- Developed financial assumptions for the MTP/SCS through 2050
- Reasonably available local, state, and federal funding
- $16 billion (2025 $) regionwide
  - $7.9 billion (M)
  - $1.9 billion (SB)
  - $6.2 billion (SC)



Transportation Projects

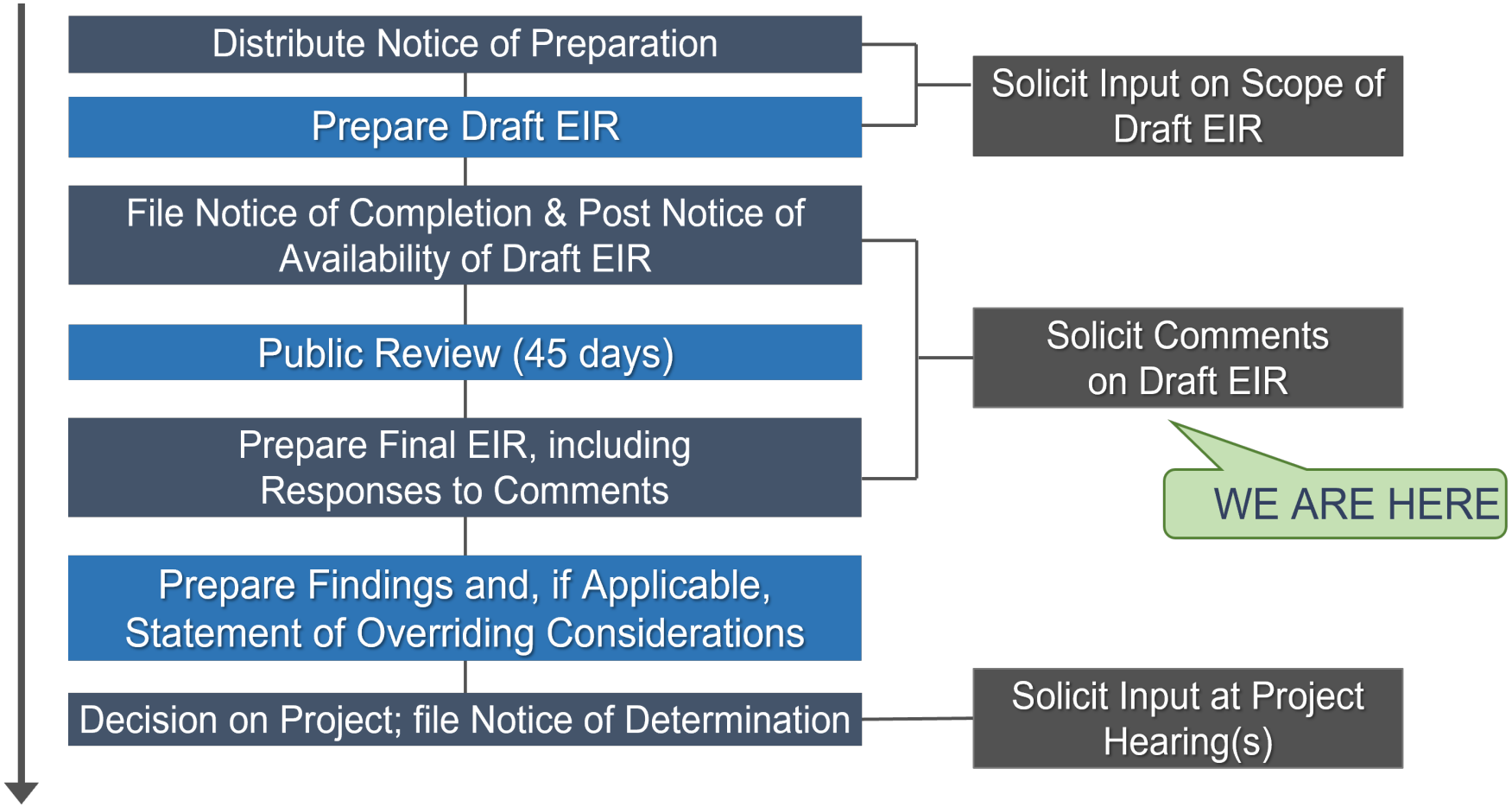
- Developed with local and regional partners

- Mix of multimodal and regional/local projects
  - Active transportation
  - Maintenance & rehab
  - Transit
  - Roadway

Draft EIR

- AMBAG is the lead for developing the programmatic EIR, working with the RTPAs, and environmental consultants to develop the joint EIR
- Draft EIR evaluates the impacts of the 2050 MTP/SCS on the physical environment at the program level
- The EIR also serves at the EIR for each of the RTPAs' 2050 Regional Transportation Plans
- The EIR analyzes a range of impacts resulting from future development and improvements to the regional transportation network

EIR Process


Distribute Notice of Preparation
Prepare Draft EIR
File Notice of Completion & Post Notice of Availability of Draft EIR
Public Review (45 days)
Prepare Final EIR, including Responses to Comments
Prepare Findings and, if Applicable, Statement of Overriding Considerations
Decision on Project; file Notice of Determination
Solicit Input on Scope of Draft EIR
Solicit Comments on Draft EIR
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Solicit Input at Project Hearing(s)

EIR Issue Areas

- Aesthetics/Visual Resources
- Agriculture and Forestry Resources
- Air Quality and Heath Impacts/Risks
- Biological Resources
- Cultural Resources
- Energy
- Geology, Soils, and Mineral Resources
- Greenhouse Gases Emissions/Climate Change
- Hazards and Hazardous Materials
- Hydrology and Water Quality
- Land Use
- Noise
- Population and Housing
- Public Services and Recreation
- Transportation
- Tribal Cultural Resources
- Utilities and Service Systems
- Wildfire

DEIR identified significant and unavoidable impacts resource categories

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- Proposed Project
- Alternative 1: No Project Alternative
- Alternative 2: Infill and Transit Focus
- Alternative 3: Infill and Operational/Complete Streets

Public hearings/workshops on the Draft 2050 MTP/SCS and Draft EIR

- Tuesday, January 13, 2026 at 12pm (general)
- Wednesday, January 14, 2026 at 6pm (general – as part of the AMBAG Board meeting)
- Tuesday, January 20, 2026 at 12pm (general)
- Wednesday, January 21, 2026 at 6pm (San Benito County focus)
- Thursday, January 22, 2026 at 6pm (Monterey County focus)
- Tuesday, January 27, 2026 at 6pm (Santa Cruz County focus)

Next Steps

- Draft 2050 MTP/SCS and Draft EIR for public review and comment until January 30, 2026
- Review and respond to comments received and consider proposed changes for the 2050 MTP/SCS
- Prepare Final 2050 MTP/SCS and Final EIR
- AMBAG Board considers certification of the Final EIR and adoption of the Final 2050 MTP/SCS in June 2026

We Welcome Your Comments

Due by January 30, 2026

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