

2050 Multimodal Long-Range Transportation Plan



Round 3 Stakeholder Meetings
April 20 – 21, 2021

Agenda

- 2050 LRTP Schedule & Status
- Needs Assessment Findings
- Revenue Forecast/Alternative Findings
- Gap Assessment
- Portfolios and Strategies
- Next Steps

2050 LRTP Accomplishments

Work Completed Since February

- ✓ Finance Plan*
- ✓ Gap Assessment

* Posted to 2050 LRTP website



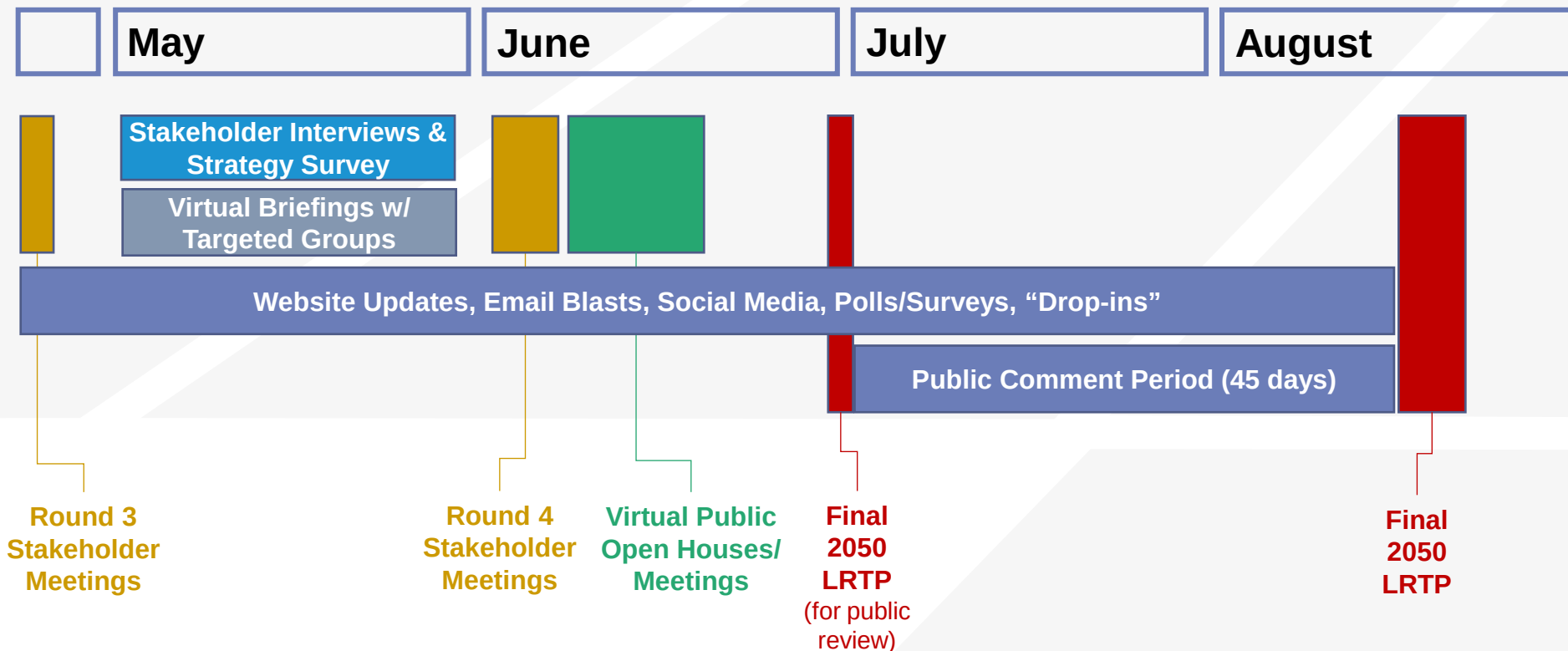
This research helped the LRTP team reach consensus on five goals:

- System Condition, Efficiency & Fiscal
- Economic Vitality & Freight Movement



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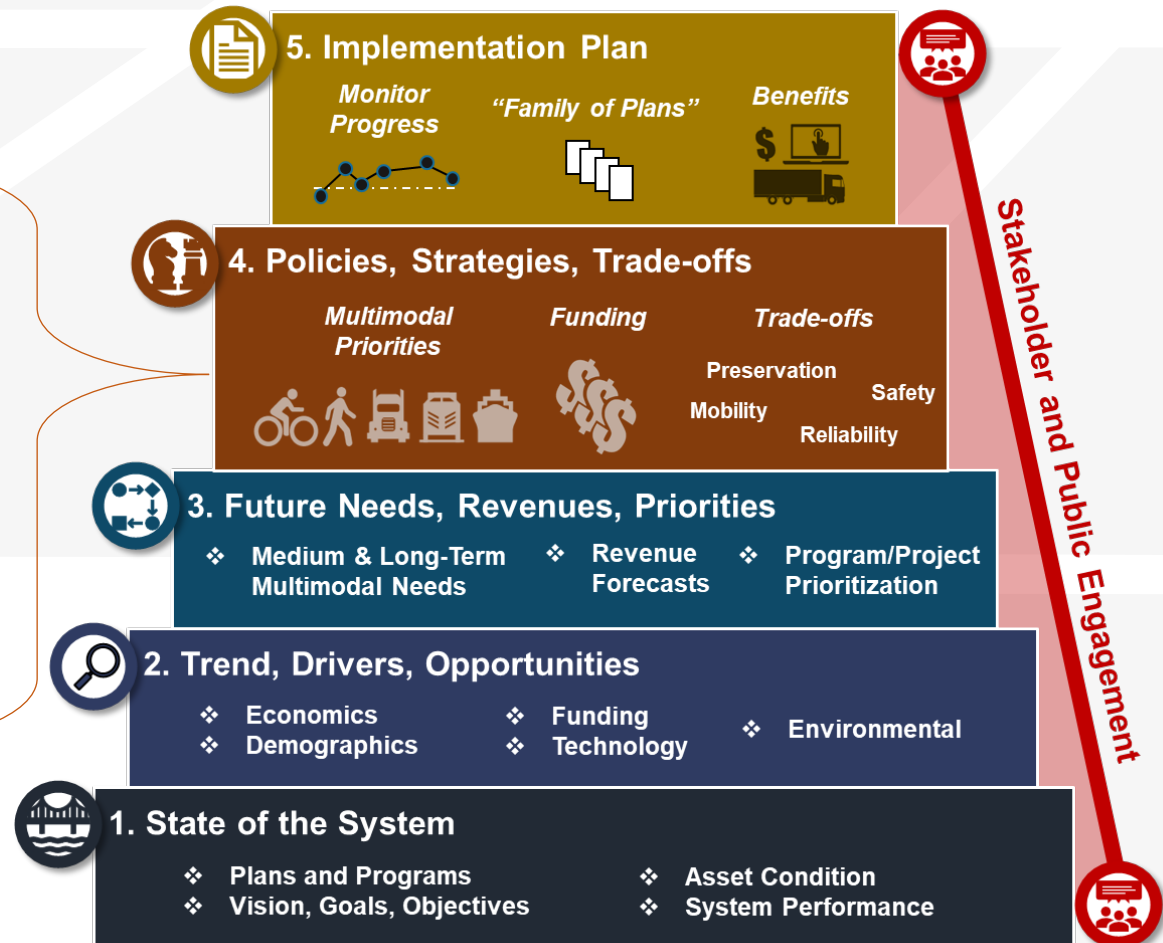
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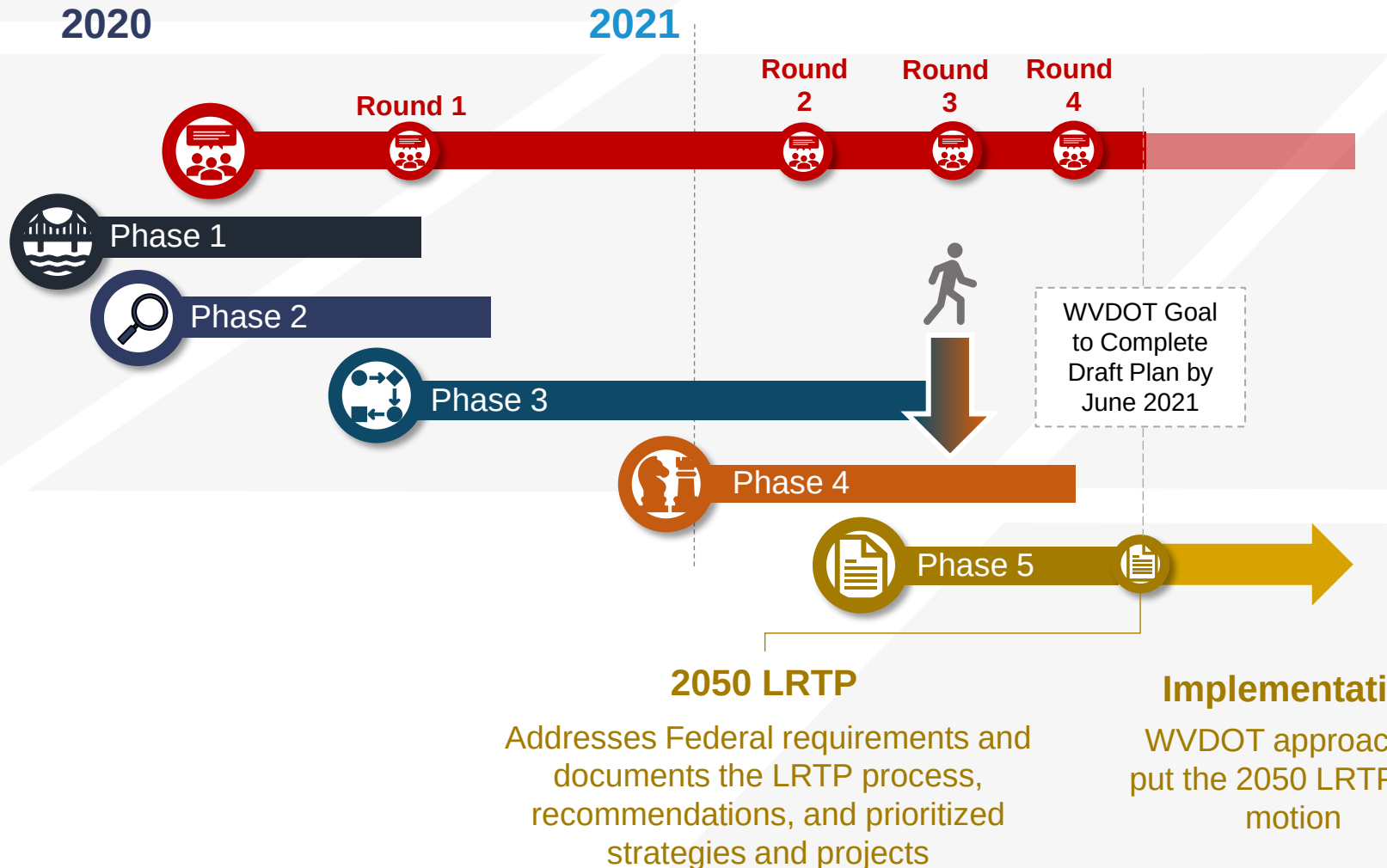
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Phase 4

1. Gap Assessment
2. Draft and Final Portfolios
3. Portfolio Assessment (trade-off tool, alignment with plan goals, stakeholder input, benefits)
4. Priority Portfolio (strategy/program prioritization and stakeholder input)
5. Portfolio Summary and Funding Implications



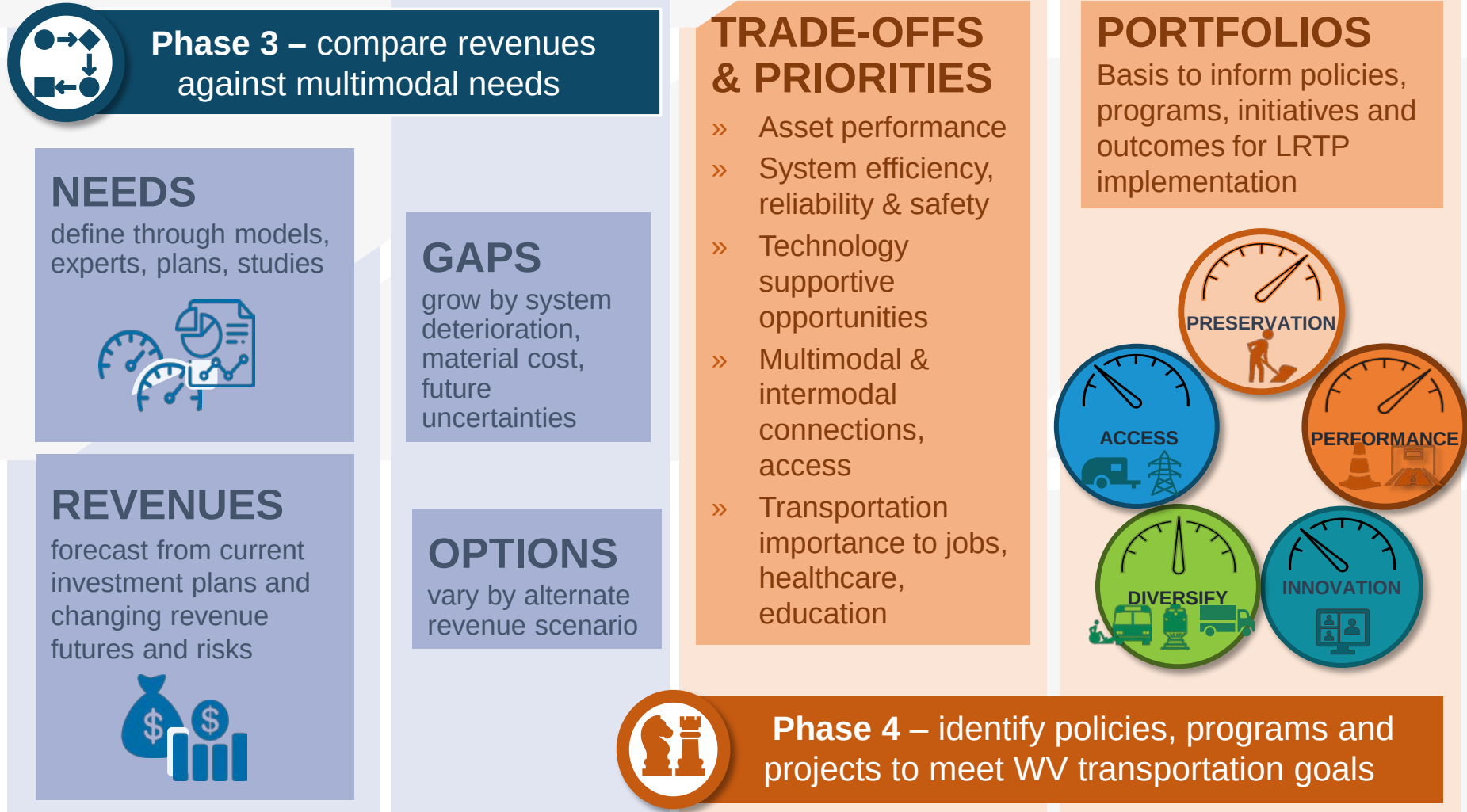
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Needs Assessment

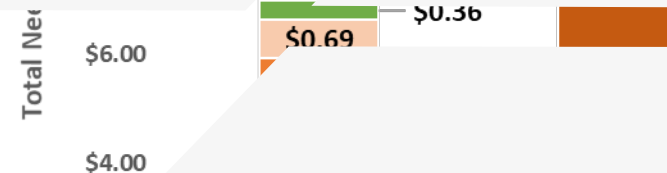
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Overview – How This All Connects



2050 LRTP Needs Assessment

Summary of Future Multimodal Needs



constrained and vision projects.

Subject Matter Experts (SMEs)

WVDOT staff who helped “ground truth” information.

Stakeholder Survey

Perspectives of 106 participants representing WVDOT, MPOs, Regional Planning and Development Councils, and other agencies.



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Needs Assessment – Report & Fact Sheets

Technical Report

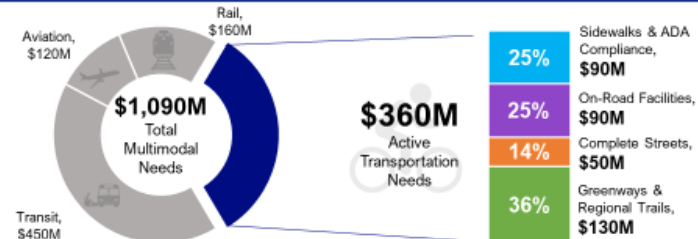
details the complete story, sources, limitations, and outcomes

Fact Sheets (9 total)

- **Technical Summary**
distilled “at a glance” information in reader friendly format
- **Story Telling**
highlights mode, asset specific challenges and opportunities facing WV systems through WV data, tools and SME input
- **Resource Material for Partners, Public**
Packet for distribution to WVDOT planning partners and the public

FACT SHEET – NEEDS BY MODE

ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION



OPPORTUNITIES

An investment of \$1.5M in bike route signage and shared lane markings on 1,440 miles of state bicycle routes could enhance connectivity to recreational destinations and regional trails. These types of transportation investments have a direct impact on West Virginia's tourism economy.

TRENDS AND EMERGING NEEDS

National trends show increased demand for bicycle and walking options to remain economically competitive, attract major employers and provide a higher quality of life. Implementing a Complete Streets Policy, while maintaining the condition of statewide active transportation facilities, is an ongoing challenge.

SHORT-TERM AND LONG-TERM FORECASTS



- Fully obligate FHWA Transportation Alternatives funding allocations
- Implement Complete Streets initiatives along major urban transportation corridors
- Explore addition of designated signed bicycle routes
- Complete WV portions of the Great American Rail Trail
- Prioritize investments that focus on bicycle and pedestrian safety
- Continue to integrate and promote active transportation investments which support state health goals and healthy lifestyles

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Needs Assessment Platform

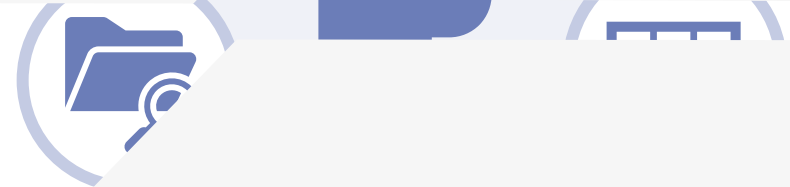
Needs Assessment Platform (NAP)

Filter to

Filter needs by timeframe, mode, sub-mode, source, goal, program, project type, constrained, aspirational. Forecasts of mode-specific, program-based or deterioration-based analyses.

Designed to Evolve

Future functionality could add geospatial reference, tailored reporting capabilities to respond to a variety of federal, state, or local partner inquiries.



Revenue Forecast

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"Real" Population Growth

Stakeholder input guided subsequent tests off 1.78M estimated future population by 2050

Alternative

Scenarios Analyzed macroeconomic effect on revenue across:

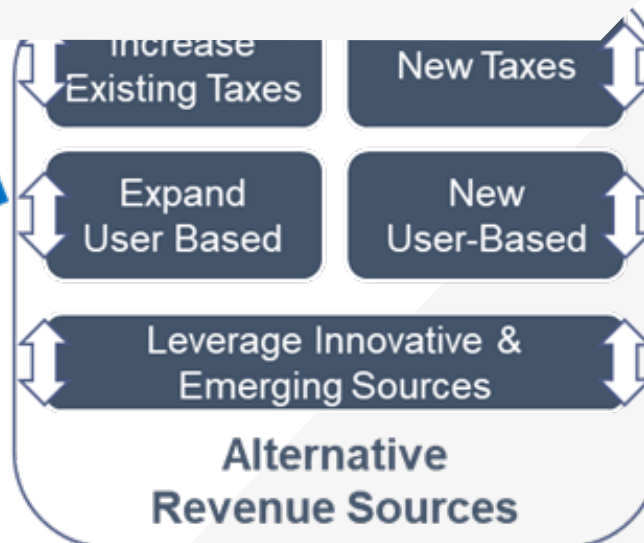
Technology, **Travel Activity**, **Freight**, and Unstable (**Instability**) scenarios

Real
Growth

recovery

Constrained Revenues

Continued estimating all available revenues for capital investment by excluding basic operating expenses



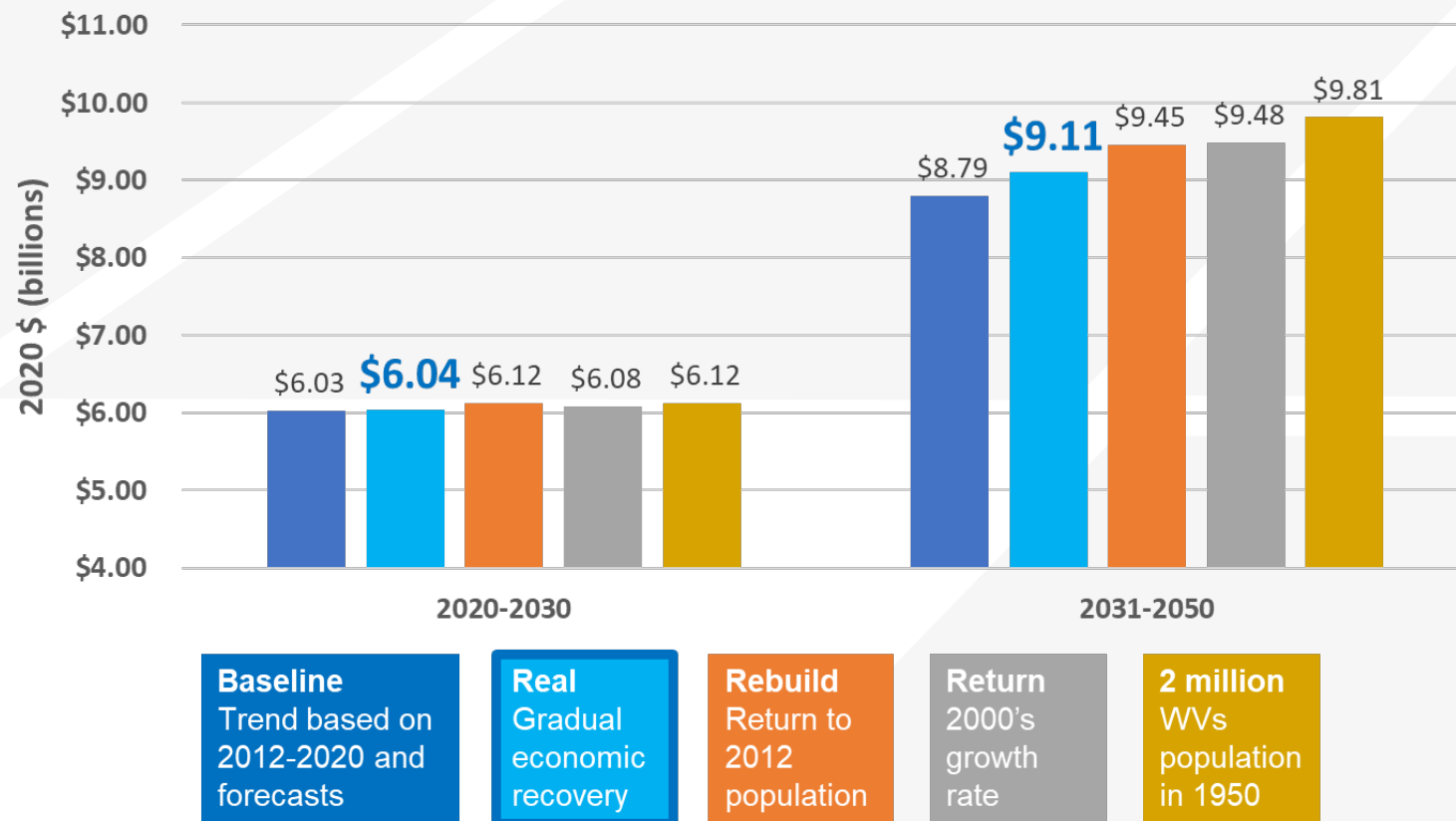
Alternative Sources Evaluated revenue outcomes from possible modifications and additions to amplify, diversify, and strengthen revenue sources



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Revenue Forecast – Baseline Results

Total DOH Constrained Revenue (\$2020)



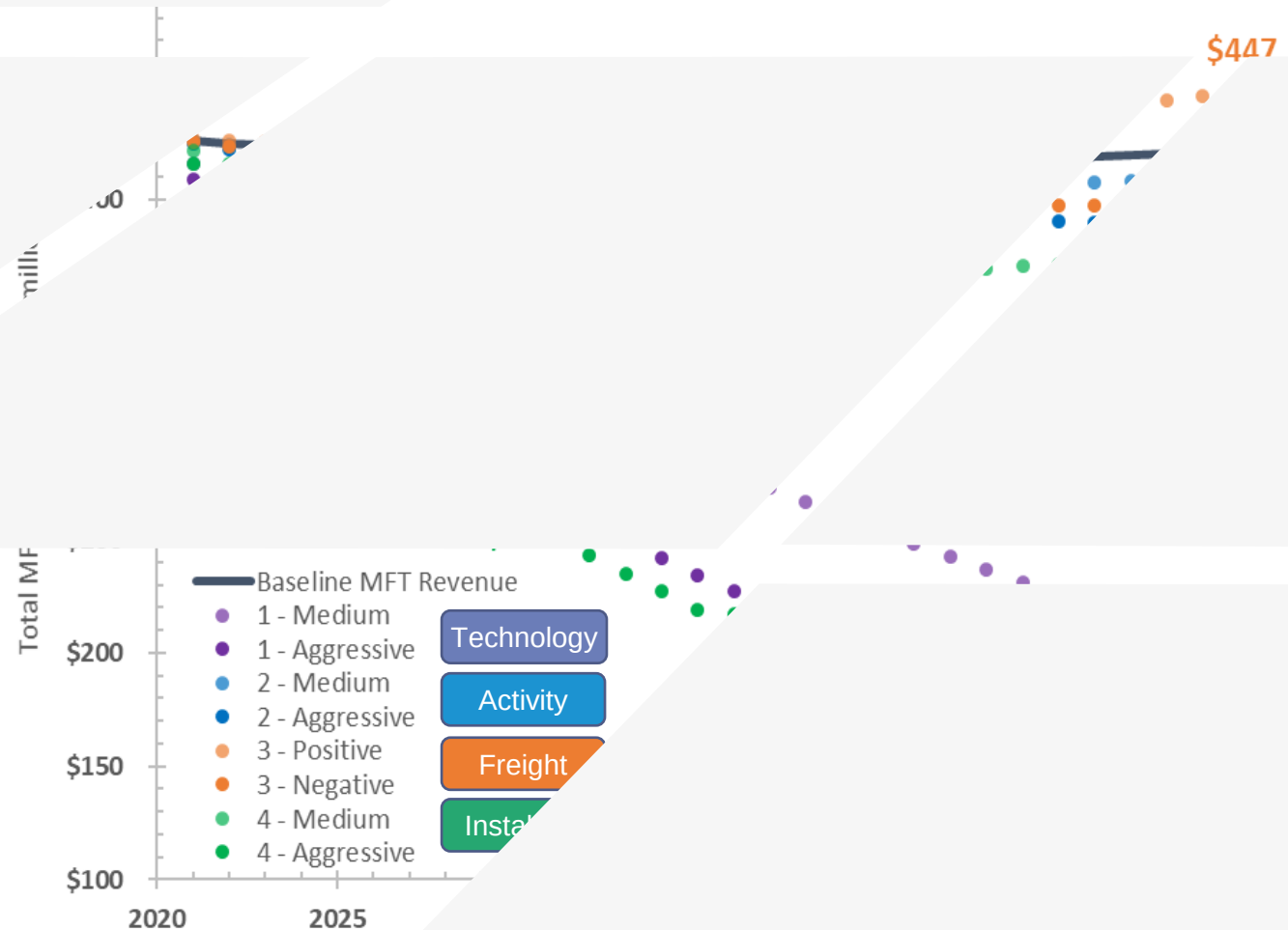
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Revenue Forecast – Scenario Results

High EV market share

Leveraging freight traffic growth can provide added revenues

Unexpected events and high inflation impacts both revenue and costs



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Revenue Forecast – Sources Results

Increasing Existing Taxes

enables revenue to keep pace with cost increases

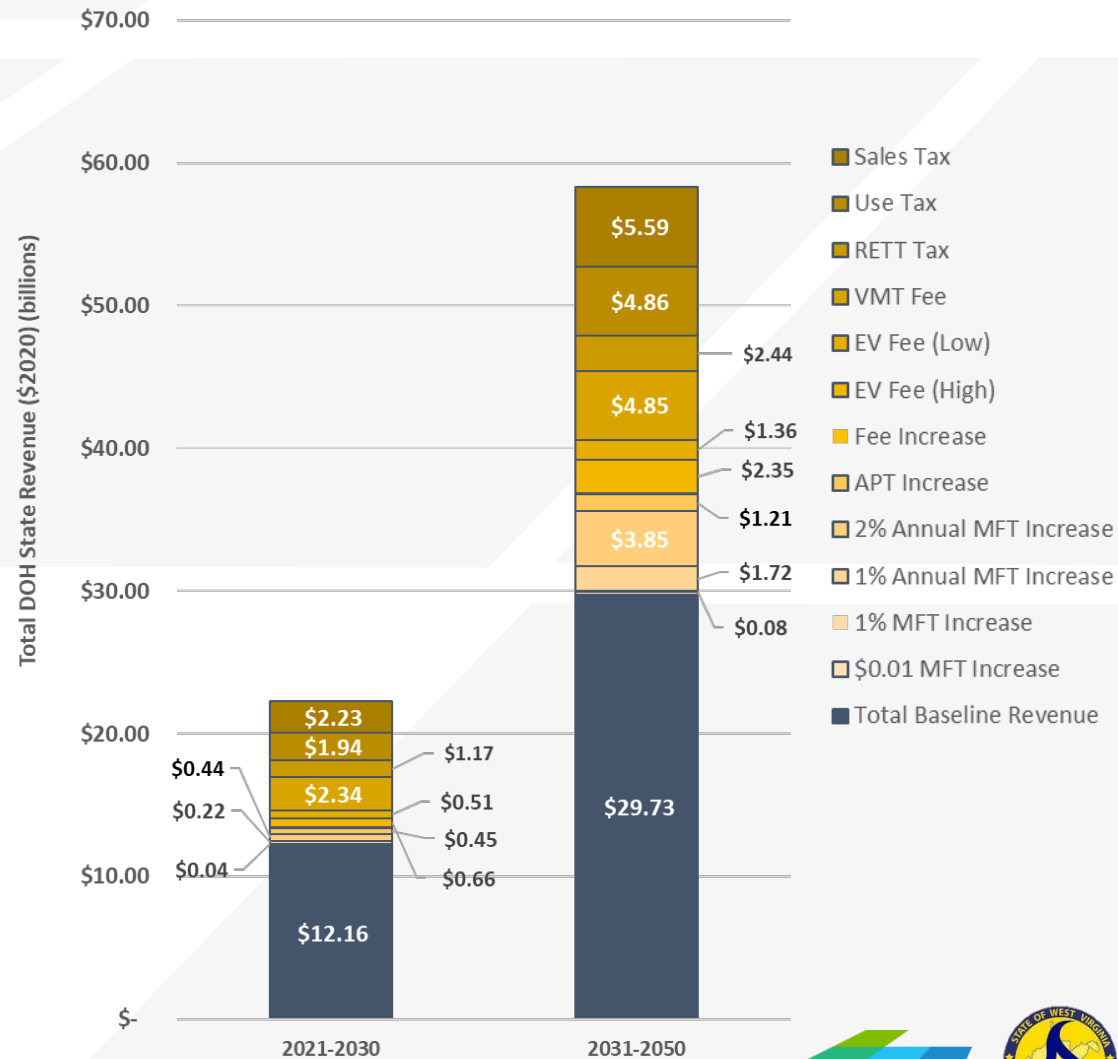
Adding New Fees offsets tax burden

EV fees offset losses to fuel taxes from fleet changes

Implementing VMT Fee

generates direct revenues for roads being used and could eventually replace MFT

Introducing new taxes outside transportation diversifies revenue sources and can provide significant yield

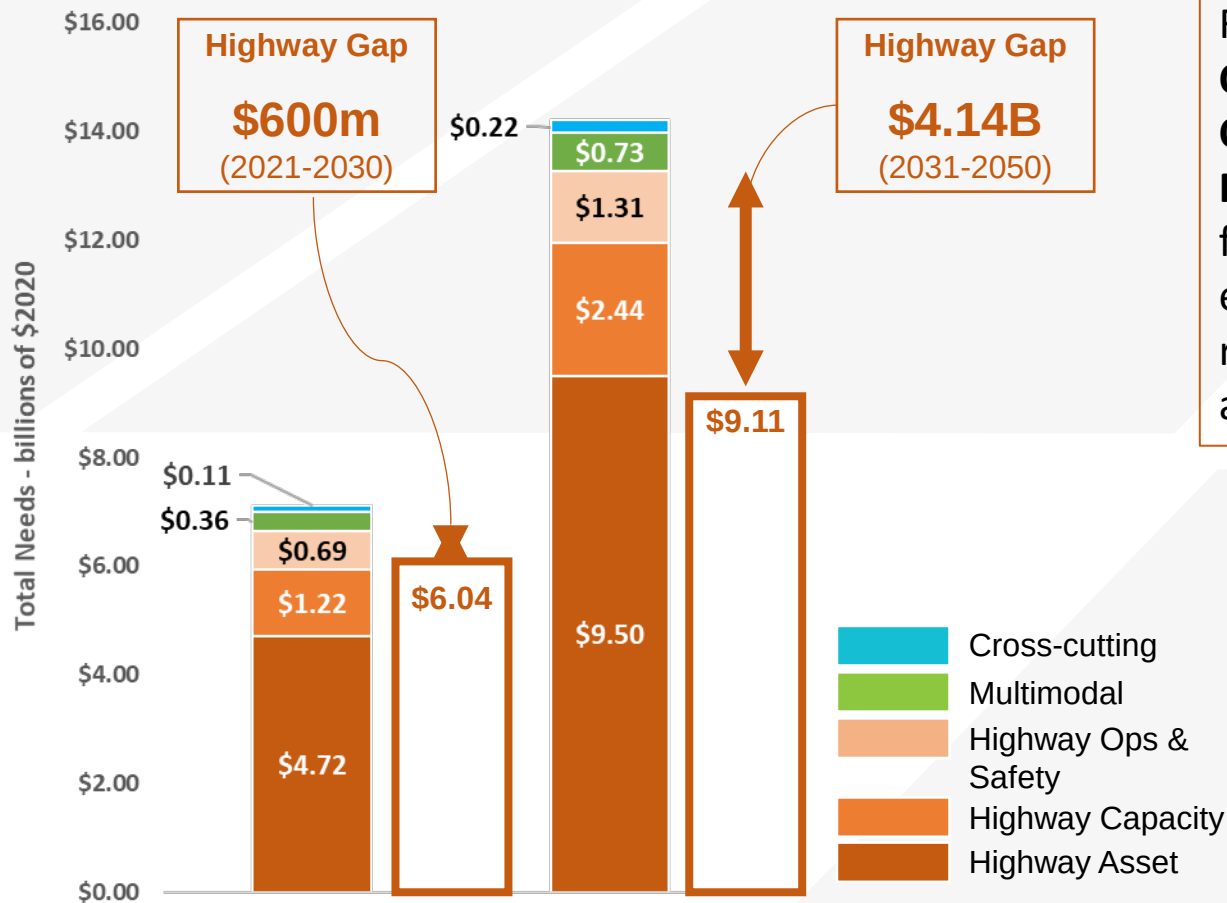


Gap Assessment

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Gap Analysis – DOH Review

Constrained Needs vs. Constrained Revenues



Values

Focusing on **Constrained Needs vs. Constrained Baseline Revenues** provides a framework to compare existing and alternative revenues against **constrained** and **aspirational** needs

Platform for developing Portfolios & Strategies

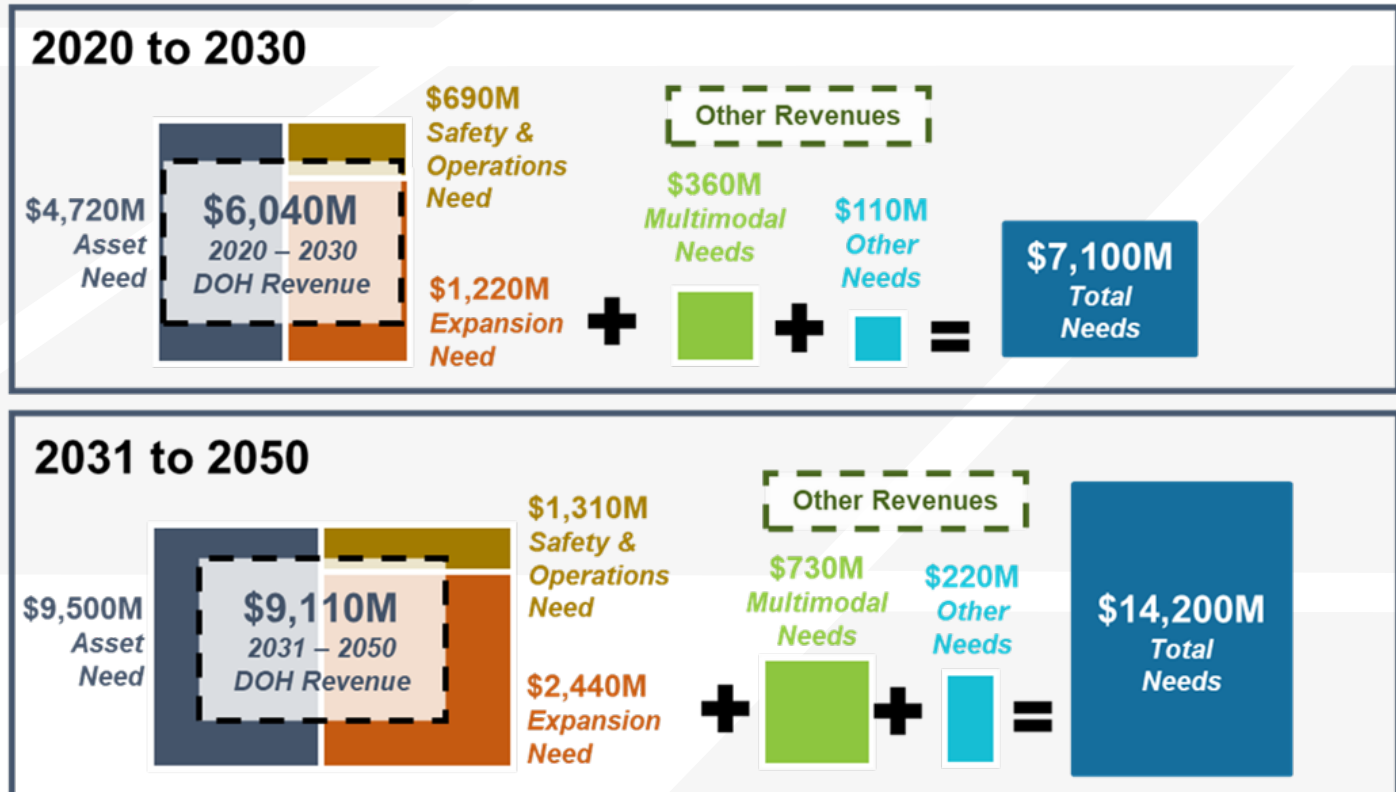
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Gap Analysis – Multimodal Perspective

Time Grows Gap

Unaddressed needs increase if nothing is done.

Studying alternative future **Scenarios** alongside changes to revenue **Sources** supports portfolios, strategies, and prioritization



Ongoing Challenges to Funding Transportation As needs outpace revenues, the **2050 LRTP** helps WVDOT *prioritize* approaches to ensure timely repairs are made as future investments are planned across modes, timeframes, and systems.



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Gap Conclusions

Shaped by Goals & Objectives



As needs increase, costs continue to rise, assets continue to age, economy diversifies, and travel patterns change

Gap Increases

As revenues yield less (if sources remain constant) due to inflation, emerging trends and uncertainties

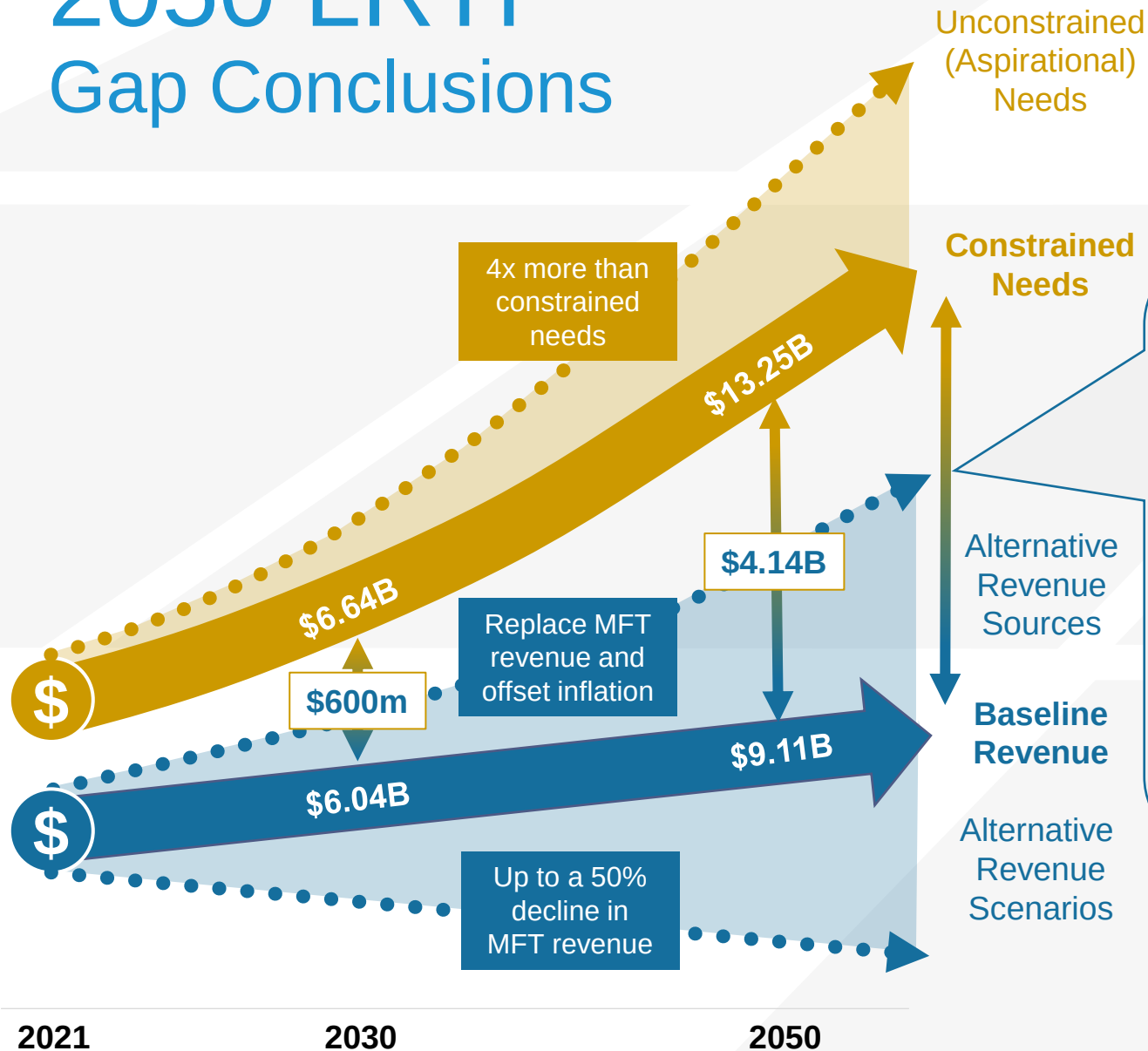
If WVDOT increases efficiency through new technology and best practices leading to lower costs and higher return on investment

Gap Decreases

If modified and new revenue sources can limit the impact of trends that weaken existing revenue sources



2050 LRTP Gap Conclusions



- The gap will continue to increase as needs and costs to do business increase
- The longer that revenue sources remain fixed, the more revenue risks increase from inflation and other external drivers
- More efficient spending and new revenue sources can reduce the gap



Portfolio Development



Defining Portfolios



Focus on critical asset management needs by balancing asset preservation strategies across the entire system



Focus on highway safety and reliability needs, including behavioral and systemic safety improvements and operations and capacity strategies



Focus on existing and emerging technology opportunities to optimize program delivery, capitalize on opportunities, build new partnerships, and prepare for new technologies



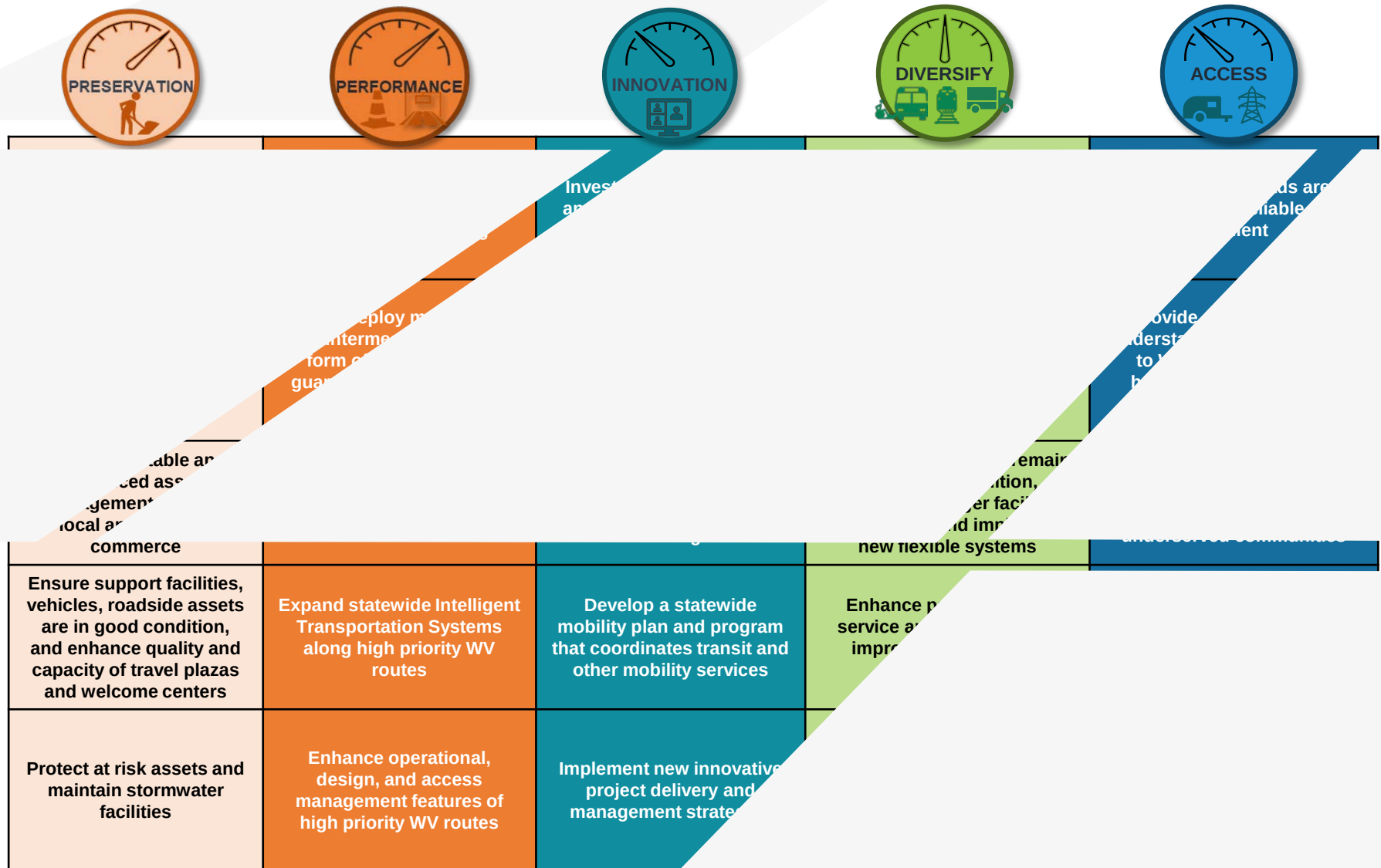
Focus on increasing investment in multimodal options for passenger and freight trips to improve access to destinations and opportunities



Focus on serving disconnected communities and addressing network gaps to improve access to jobs, health care, recreation, and key industries



Portfolio Strategies



Portfolio Performance

System Investment Outcomes



Balance of bridge to pavement condition



Optimize capacity in corridors and establish safer statewide and regional travel conditions



Technology enhances statewide travel and introduces new regional and local travel options



Intermodal, multimodal connectivity to industries, terminals and destinations enhance state economic opportunity



Target investment in key corridors and to underserved areas which stimulate regional, local economies

Change in Performance

*Relative to current state, degree of difference
By time period, by state and local scale*

% Poor, %Fair, %Good

Serious Injury & Fatality Rates

PAX & FRT Travel Time Reliability

PAX and FRT Travel Time Reliability

% Non-Highway Mode Share (PAX & FRT)

% Non-Motorized Mode Share

% Non-Highway Mode Share

PAX & FRT Travel Time Reliability

Portfolio Process



Leadership direction, Stakeholder input, SME & Team review, Public input

PRIORITY

Tier 1 Next 5 years

Combination of strategies that address most critical short-term needs, support performance targets, meet LRTP goals, are cost effective, and are feasible to implement through 2030

Tier 2 & 3 Next 10 years

Combination of existing and new strategies that address short and long-term needs, support performance targets, meet LRTP goals, are resilient to alternative scenarios, and leverage new opportunities



Portfolio Review – Framework



ALIGNMENT

- » System Condition
- » Safety and Security
- » Economic Vitality
- » Multimodal Mobility, Access, Reliability
- » Livable and Healthy Communities



PERFORMANCE

- » Safety – Crash Modification Factors
- » Assets – BMS/PMS Modeling
- » Reliability – Passenger and Freight Travel
- » Other – FTA Asset Management and Public Transit Asset Safety Plans; FRA Rules



READINESS

- » Status (Existing, Modified, New)
- » Address short- and long-term Gap
- » Resource Constraints
- » Policy/Regulatory Issues to Implement
- » Public Acceptance



RESILIENCY

- » Demographic
- » Environmental
- » Federal
- » Funding



Portfolio Review

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Highway Preservation Portfolio

Guiding Principles



Focus on the most critical asset management needs

- Strategies which improve performance, protect assets, and reduce lifecycle costs
- Strategies which protect assets against deterioration, traffic demand and limited funding resources
- Strategies which employ more innovative materials and methods to increase service life
- Strategies which increase extend service life and reduce lifecycle costs



Highway Preservation Portfolio Considerations



Focus on the critical system performance issues

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stakeholders to obtain supportive buy-in for the best asset management practice methodology?

- How should WVDOT deal with its non-eligible highway system?
- What is the proper amount to Non-NHS pavement condition process in the PMS for +



Highway Performance Portfolio

Guiding Principles



Focus on addressing highway safety and reliability needs, including behavioral and systemic safety improvements and highway operations and capacity strategies

- **Maximize the statewide awareness of traffic safety programs** through education and outreach and the role of law enforcement and high-quality safety data
- **Leverage the focus on improving driver behavior** through deploying countermeasures to address critical issues and enhancing highway design practice
- **Optimize the use of existing and new technologies** to actively manage traffic in high-travel corridors and monitor conditions across the State
- **Strategically address existing and future system bottlenecks** through proven and innovative design and infrastructure

Highway Programs Portfolio Considerations



Focus on highway safety, operations, and reliability needs

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resource sharing arrangements?

- Do the strategies provide the right mix implementation tied to existing agency programs? Do the strategies set resource and priority setting direction?



Innovation Portfolio

Guiding Principles



Focus on existing and emerging technology opportunities to optimize asset preservation, safety, highway operations, and multimodal mobility and access

- Strategies which enhance agency response, data streams and communication with changing infrastructure conditions
- Strategies which can provide more real time information to transit providers and users through web and mobile applications
- Strategies which cultivate a “technology awareness” within all phases of project planning, design, operations and construction



Innovation Portfolio Considerations



Focus on existing and emerging technology opportunities

- pilots, and new partners to explore new strategies and program delivery. Are there programs/policies that foster pilot tests and new partnerships?
- How does WVDOT market innovation and potential for private investment?



Diversify Portfolio

Guiding Principles



Focus on increasing investment in multimodal options for passenger and freight trips to improve access to destinations and opportunities.

- Strategies which expand multimodal system connectivity to provide more equitable access for underserved communities and support enhanced freight movement statewide
- Strategies which focus on prioritizing investments in safety measures and related infrastructure for all travelers to improve operational efficiency (i.e., Bike/Ped, ADA compliance, Hwy/Rail crossings)
- Strategies which improve existing assets through management and maintenance, fleet replacements and expansions, and modern infrastructure improvements to meet future travel demand
- Strategies which invest in emerging technologies to support economic development opportunities and increase mobility options for all travelers

Diversify Portfolio

Considerations



Focus on increasing investment in multimodal options for

- Do the strategies leverage state funds to pursue Federal loans and grant applications thereby maximizing
- Do the strategies provide a framework for current and future infrastructure and economic development and growth



Access Portfolio

Guiding Principles



Focus on serving disconnected communities and addressing network gaps to improve access to jobs, health care, recreation, and key industries

- Strategies **enhancing** reliability to underserved rural areas statewide to complement and compete with cities
- Strategies **closing** gaps of job opportunities, education, and health care across rural and urban areas
- Strategies **empowering** a healthy and thriving population who choose to invest in and bring talent to West Virginia



Access Portfolio Considerations



Focus on serving disconnected communities and addressing network gaps to improve access to jobs, health care, recreation, and key industries

- As many strategies will require coordination and collaboration with other state agencies, how can WVDOT's relationship across agencies be amplified to streamline implementation?
- Given existing services provide a wealth of value, can any be modified slightly to meet strategies without creating new programs?
- As some strategies might require new taxes and/or other public funding sources, how might the current political climate respond? Should strategies be reframed to ease adaption and assist acceptance?



Portfolios to Implementation Considerations

1. How should we **prioritize strategies**?
 - Create a priority portfolio
 - Group strategies into 3 tiers (top tier becomes the “priority portfolio” as the top 8-10 strategies)
2. 2050 LRTP Implementation Plan approach:
 - **Within each Tier 1 strategy** will be targeted actions (executable specific policies, plans, programs, projects)
 - **Within Tier 2 and Tier 3 strategy** will be recommendations for next steps (planning and policy development only)

Next Steps

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Next Steps

- Overall strategy priority questions and specific strategy considerations
- **Leadership and Policy & Technical Team survey**
- Setup SME meetings to review portfolio strategies and prioritize
- Implement public outreach



Complete Needs Assessment,
Finance Plan,
Gap Assessment



By early May...
Portfolio Fact Sheets, System
Performance Report



By end of May...Final Portfolios,
Strategies, and Draft
Implementation Actions



May - June...SME interviews,
Stakeholders input to Portfolios



May - June...Public Outreach



By mid June...
Draft Implementation Plan



By end of June...release 2050
LRTP Plan for public comment

