

Civic Engagement through Social Media: *from one MPO's perspective*

A little background, first.....



Informing and providing for feedback



Public meetings online

WHETHER YOU LOOK AHEAD ONE YEAR OR 25, THE FUTURE OF THE ATLANTA REGION IS UP TO YOU.

ATLANTA REGION PLAN 2040

PLEASE JOIN THE PLAN 2040 ONLINE PUBLIC MEETING AT ATLANTAREGIONAL.COM/PLAN2040

ARC's Third Online Public Meeting Looks at and How We'll Fund Transport

ARC invites you to help develop policies that will affect the way the Atlanta region is developed throughout the region. How? By participating in ARC's online public meeting on September 30. Your opinions will help shape the region's future through a few minutes to give ARC your thoughts or to ask questions that might lead to a meeting is available 24/7. For more information, call 404.483.3272 or email info@atlantaregional.com

Plan 2040-Maximizing Transportation Resources
By Atlanta Regional Commission

Recommendations: Transit

- Lift MARTA 50/50 funding restriction on the use of sales tax revenue
- Focus on preventive maintenance
- Increase efficiency of current transit operations

Plan 2040 Resources and Links

Plan 2040

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Plan 2040 Interview

"Plan 2040" with ARC's Tom Weyandt
from Atlanta Regional Commission

ARC's Tom Weyandt discusses the basics of regional planning

ARC

Photo and vision sharing

AC FIFTY FORWARD
METRO ATLANTA REGIONAL COMMISSION

FRAMING the FUTURE PHOTO CONTEST

Help envision the future of metro Atlanta through the Atlanta Regional Commission's (ARC) "Framing the Future" photo contest. The part of the ambitious Fifty Forward visioning effort, coordinated regional planning agency for the 10-county metropolitan area.

ARC is looking for thought-provoking photographic images, produced without digital manipulation, submitted between July 24 and Sept. 30. The entries should capture: 1) Why today's Atlanta region and/or 2) What metro Atlanta could and should be.

The jurors for "Framing the Future" are Annette Cone-Skelton, Executive Director of the Atlanta Regional Commission; Rebecca Des Marais, Director of the Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia; Rebecca Des Marais, Director of the Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia; Amy Miller, Director of Metro Atlanta Art and Cultural Enrichment Program; Amy Miller, Director of Metro Atlanta Art and Cultural Enrichment Program; Amy Miller, Director of Metro Atlanta Art and Cultural Enrichment Program; Valenda Campbell, CARE Photo Editor.

Images may be submitted in one of two categories:

- Metro Atlanta Now:** The people and places that make Atlanta what it is and find unique or worth preserving.
- Metro Atlanta Fifty Forward:** Visionary images depicting the potential of metro Atlanta, using traditional or manipulated photographic images.

GIVE US YOUR BEST

PRIZES

- Overall "Best of Show," two roundtrip Business Class Air Train tickets to anywhere Air Train flies.
- "Metro Atlanta Now" winner, one roundtrip coach Air Train ticket.
- "Metro Atlanta Fifty Forward" winner, one roundtrip coach Air Train ticket.

ARC staff selections, one Showcase School of Photography class for "Metro Atlanta Now" winner and one Showcase School of Photography class for "Metro Atlanta Fifty Forward." All winners will be showcased and credited in select ARC publications.

Please visit <http://www.atlantafiftyforward.com/framingthe-future> for rules and submission.

Other methods: Email images to framingthefuture@atlantaregional.com. Printed images may be mailed to Atlanta Regional Commission, 4000 Peachtree Dunwoody Road, Atlanta, GA 30341. Phone: 404.455.4444. Contact: Julie Davis, jdavis@atlantaregional.com or #24.455.

Visions

Atlanta Regional Commission : Framing the Future

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Photo Contest Winners

One of the key goals of Fifty Forward is to have an intensive public conversation to envision metro Atlanta 50 years from now. Open to all metro region residents, ARC's first ever region-wide photography contest, "Framing the Future" engaged metro photographers of all ages and skill levels:

Citizens have helped frame the future by submitting images of what they value about the Atlanta region today and what they envision for the future. Family, parks, greenspace, walkability, public areas, modern skyscrapers and dozens of nature photographs, communicated loud and clear what is important to metro Atlantans.

The winning images were selected by Judges Rebecca Des Marais, Director of the Boys & Girls Clubs of Metro Atlanta Art and Cultural Enrichment Program; Amy Miller, director of Atlanta Celebrates Photography; Valenda Campbell, CARE photo editor and Annette Cone-Skelton, Executive Director of the Museum of Contemporary Art of Georgia.

Metro Atlanta "Fifty Forward" Winner
Alexandra Boldyreva

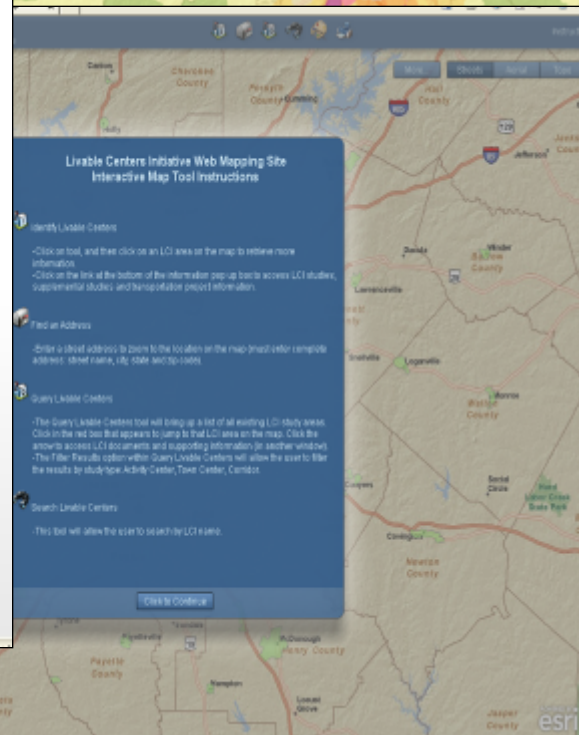
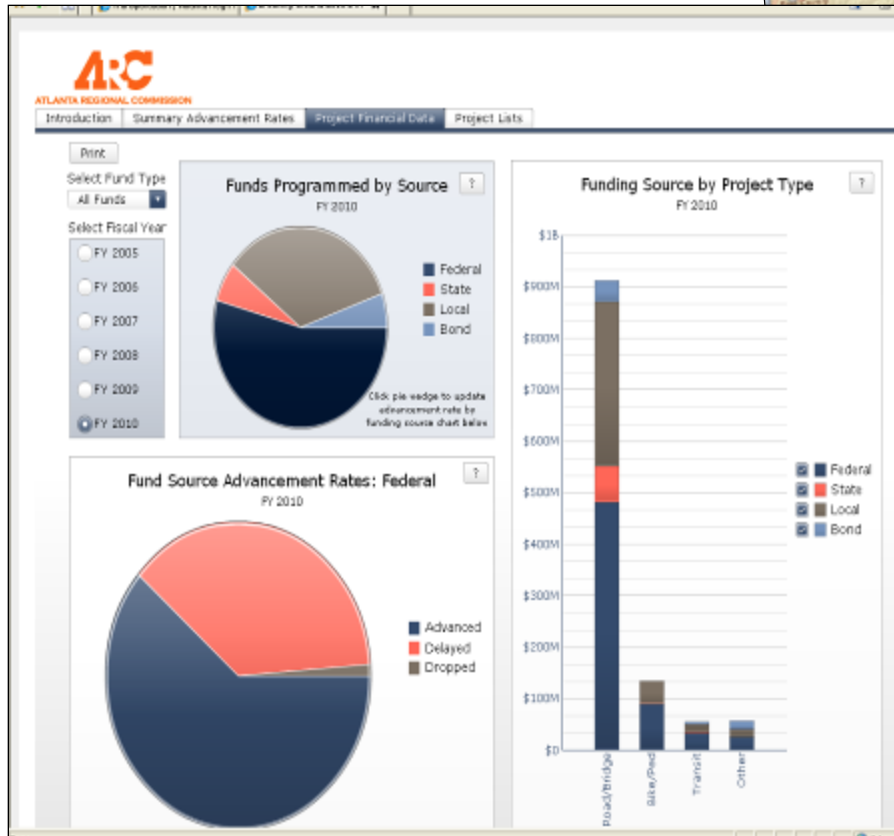
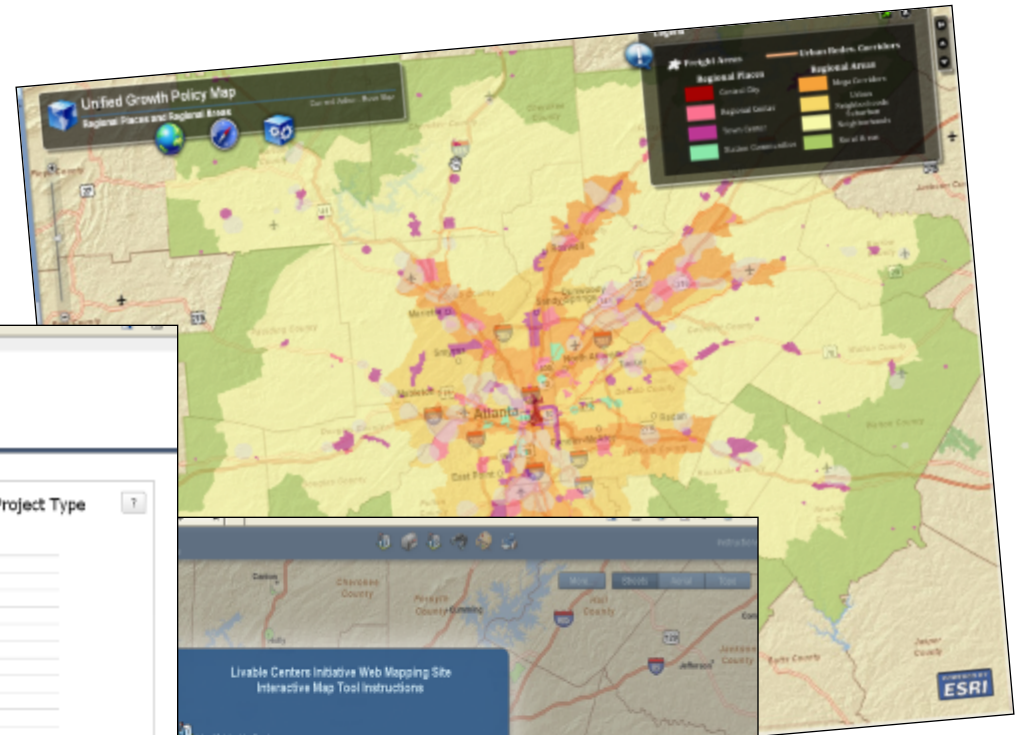
Atlanta Now" Winner
Sam Dobrow

ARC Staff Atlanta "Fifty Forward" Winner
John Sumner

Atlanta Now" Winner
Michael Allen

Overall Best of Show Winner

Interactivity



Transportation Investment Act



Our Transportation Future is in Your Hands!

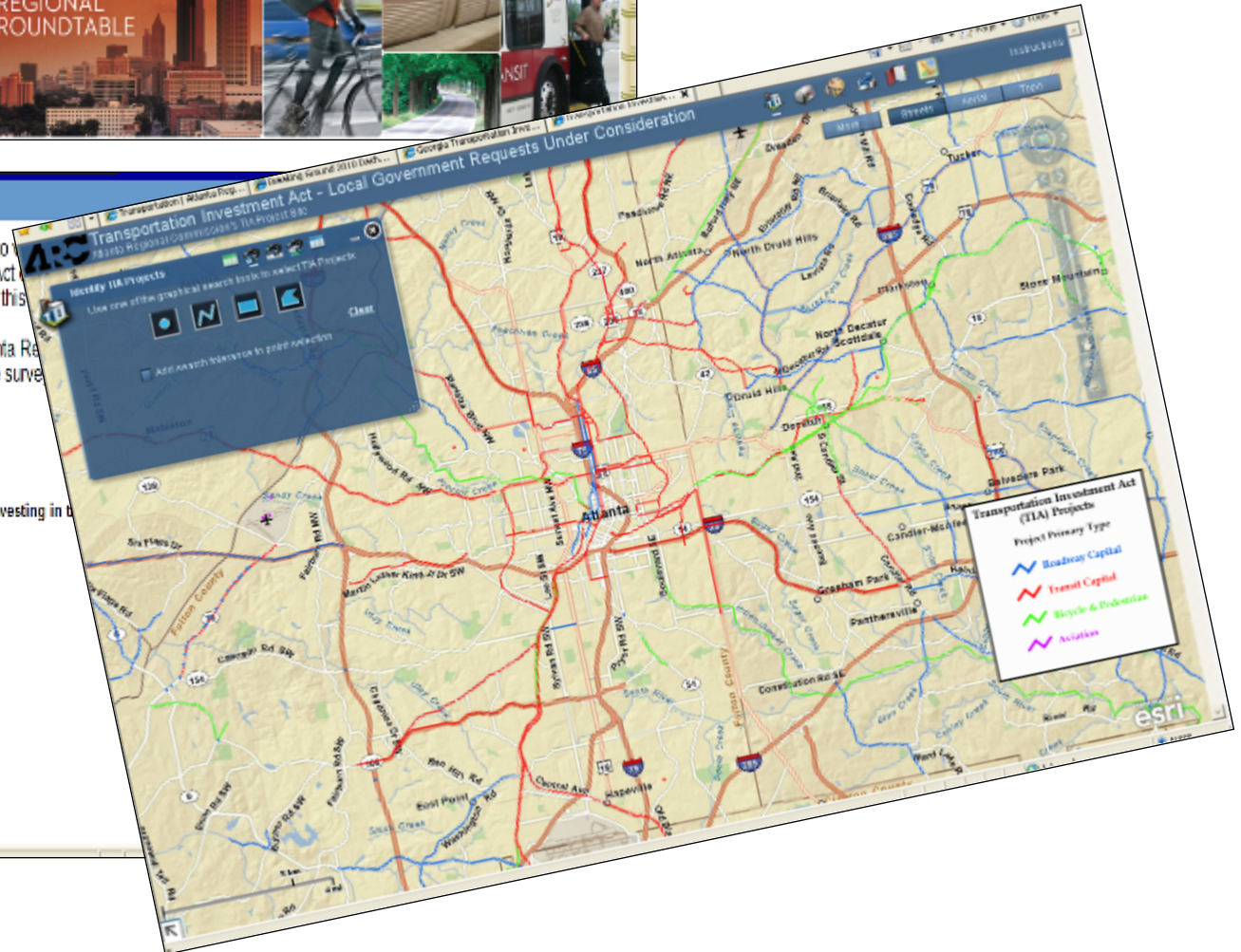
In the summer of 2012, residents will have the opportunity to vote on transportation projects for metro Atlanta. The Transportation Investment Act will provide a list of transportation priorities that could be funded through this act.

Your input is critical to help guide local leaders on the Atlanta Region's transportation future. Please take a moment to answer this five-minute survey.

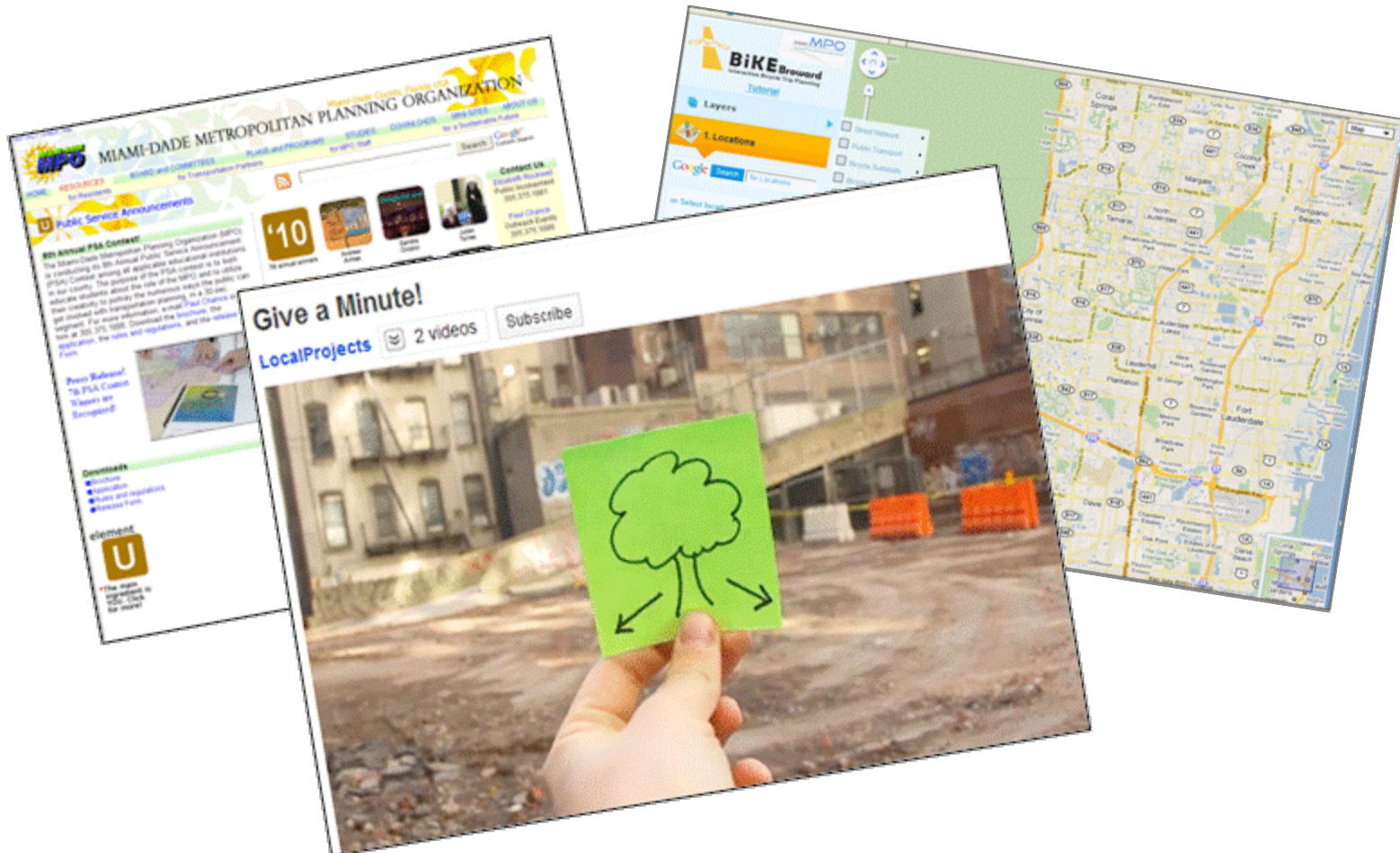
Thanks in advance for your participation.

1. Which of the following is the most important reason for investing in transportation?

- Reduce congestion
- Save money
- Protect the environment
- Reduce stress
- Support the economy
- Reduce dependency on foreign oil
- Reduce travel time



A Goal: Participatory Communication



Good Resources and if you want to contact me...

- Public Agenda: Promising Practices in Online Engagement (www.publicagenda.org)
- National Coalition for Dialogue & Deliberation: Resource Guide on Public Engagement (www.ncdd.org)

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