

Oregon Statewide Transportation Strategy



Adaptation of the Transportation Sector



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Mitigation and Adaptation



Mitigation	Comprehensive (Everyone)	Publically Vetted	Complete Assessment
Adaptation	Inward Facing (ODOT only)	Internally Developed	Preliminary Assessment

Mitigation



Oregon Statewide Transportation Strategy

*A 2050 Vision for Greenhouse Gas
Reduction*

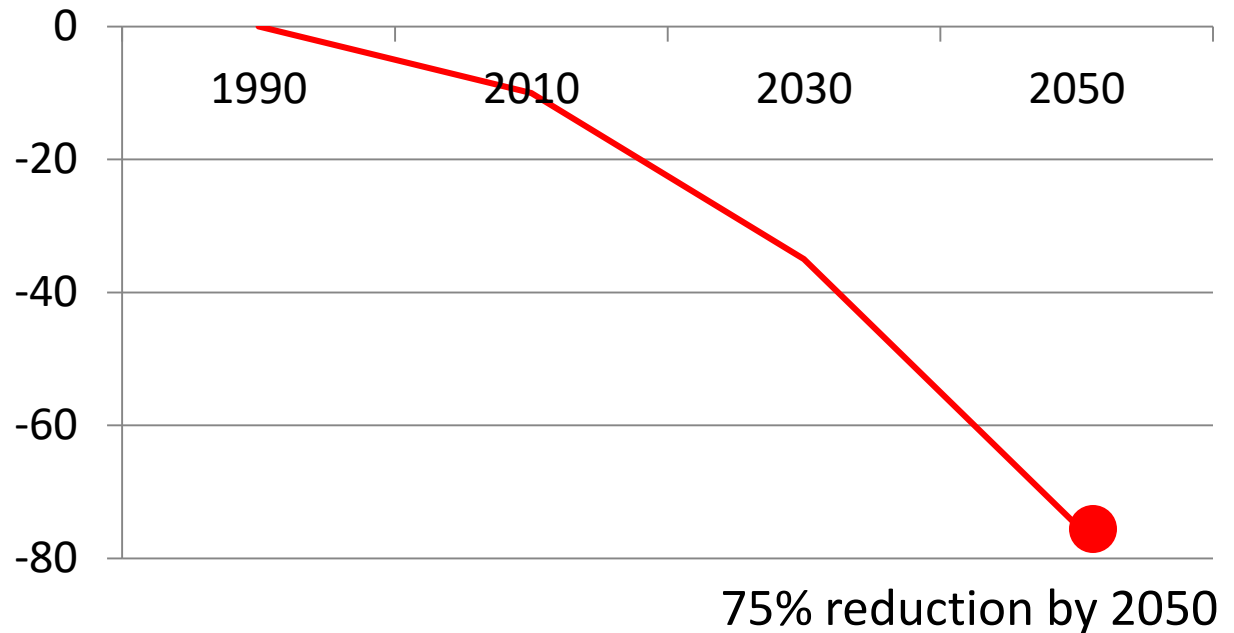
Statewide Transportation Strategy

A Legislative Directive (ORS 184.617)



“Aid in achieving the greenhouse gas emissions reduction goals set forth in ORS 468A.205.”

Oregon Emission Reduction Goals

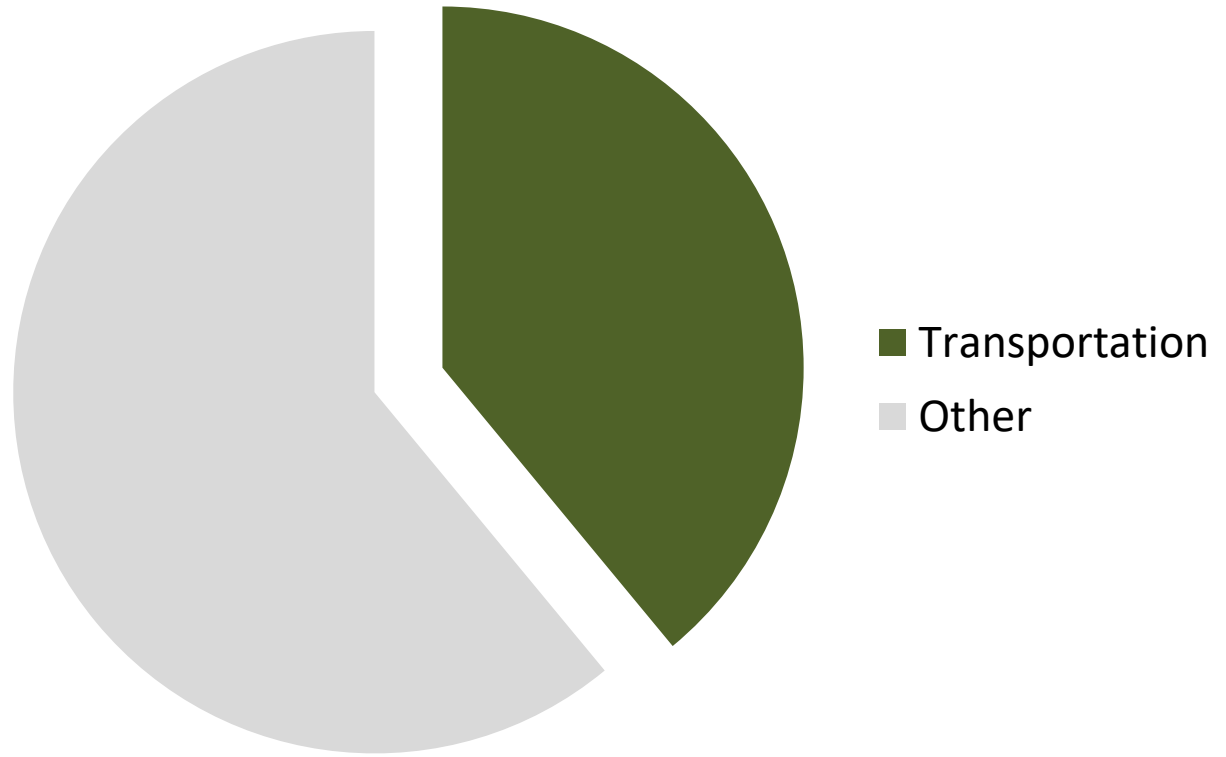


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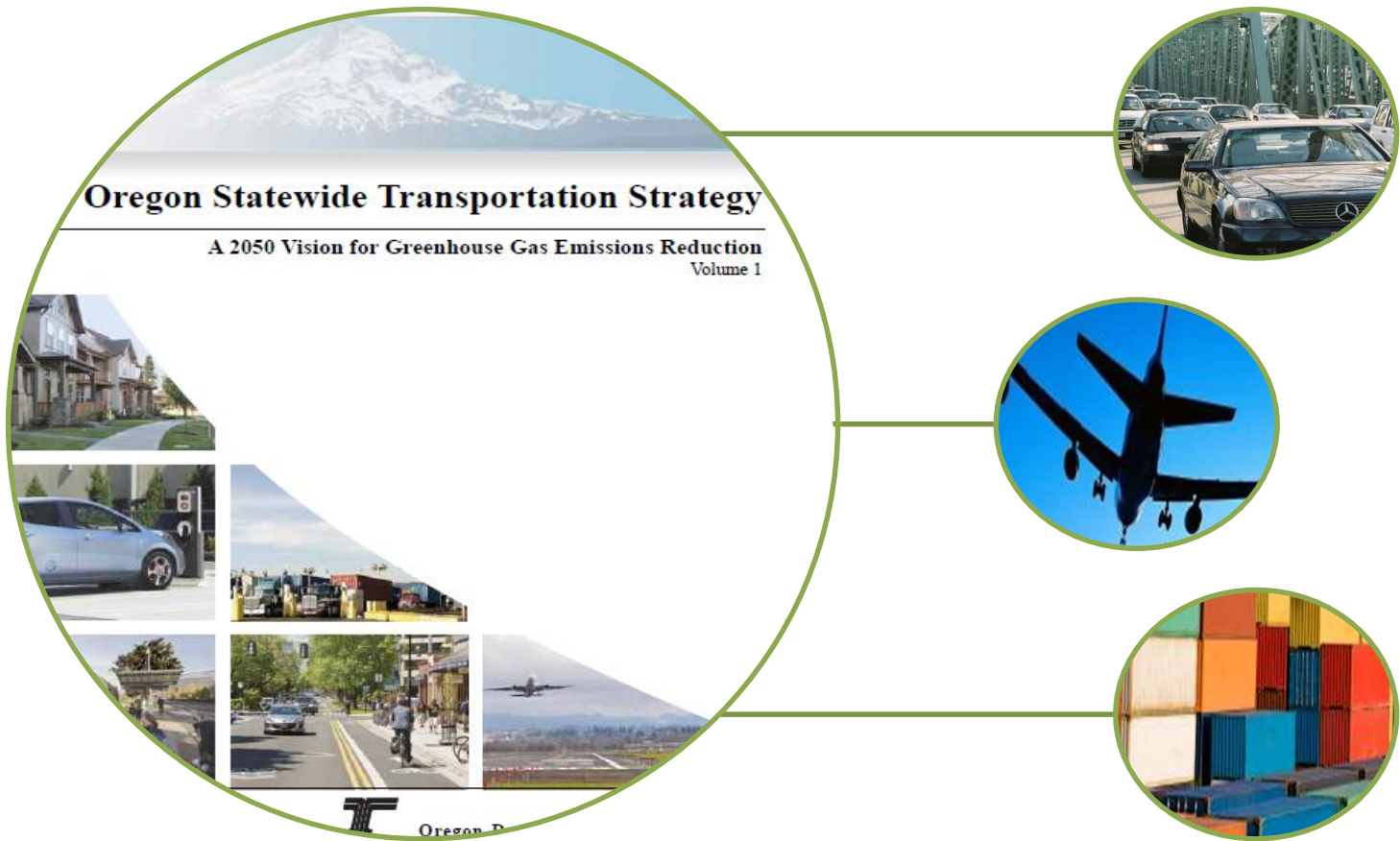


“...focus on reducing greenhouse gas emissions resulting from transportation.”



Statewide Transportation Strategy (STS) Document

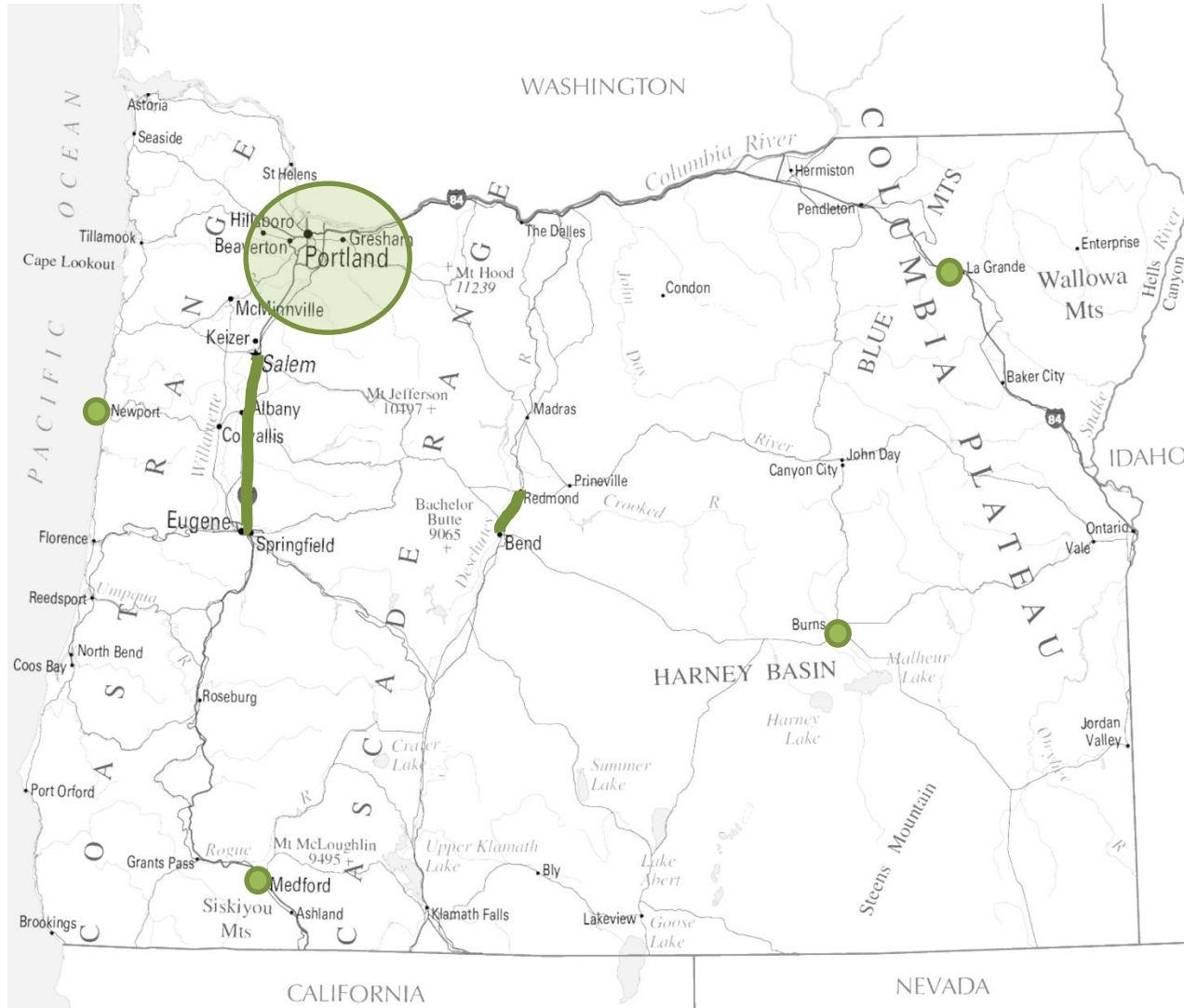
A 2050 Vision for GHG Reduction



STS: A Carbon Reduction Roadmap

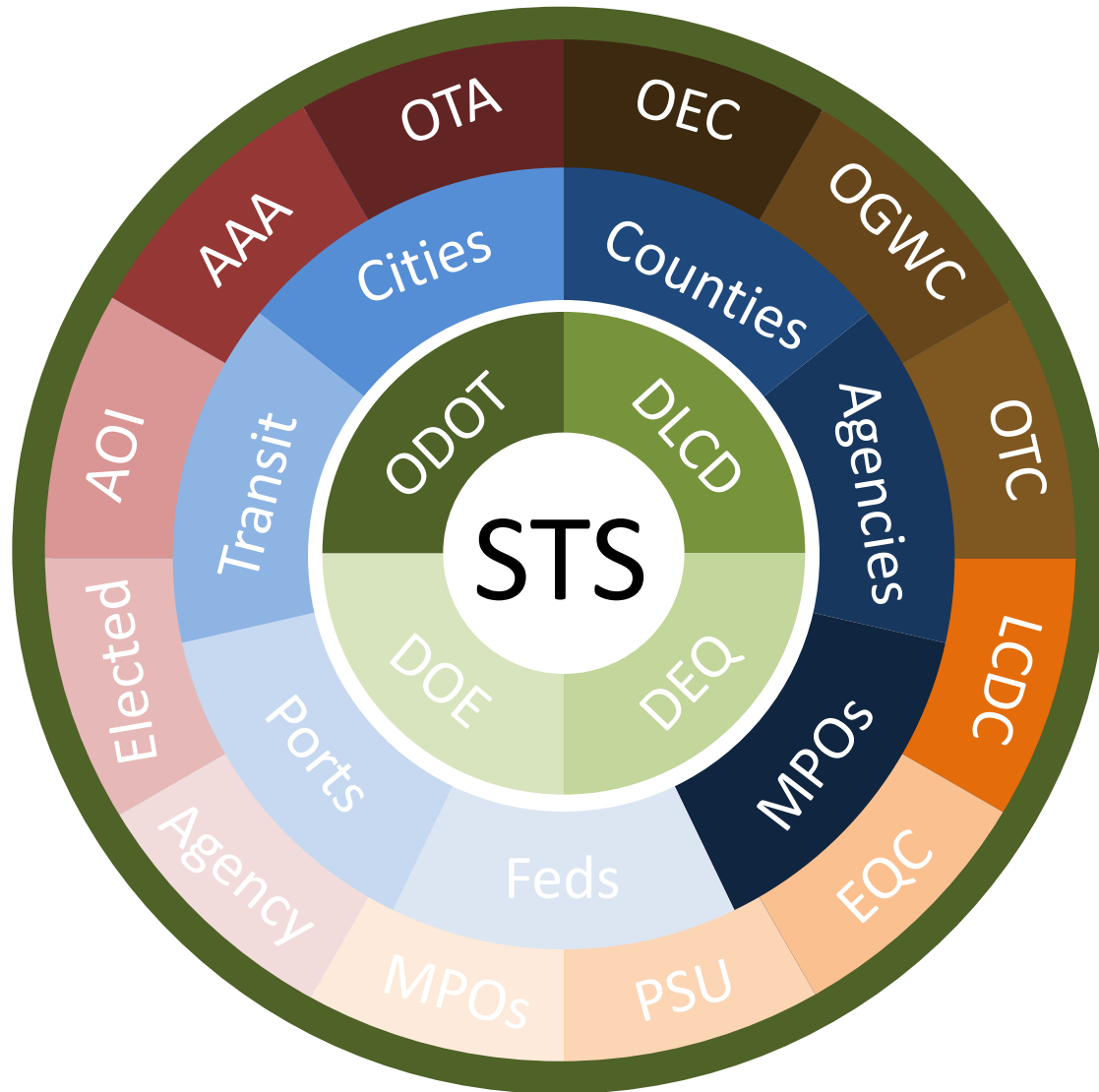
Policies, Programs, and Investments

Illustrative Map – The STS Does Not Identify Projects



STS Development

Extensive Stakeholder Engagement




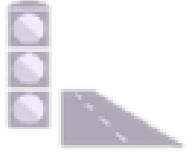




STS Development

Modeling and Analysis



Modeling and Analysis - Inputs

Regional Variables	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Population Growth and Demographics• Income Growth• Fuel Price	
Vehicles and Fuels	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vehicle Fuel Economy (MPG)• Fuels• Commercial Fleets	
Pricing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pay as you drive insurance• Gas taxes• Road user fee	
Systems and Operations	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Intelligent Transportation Systems• Parking Fees• Education on Driving Efficiency• Road Growth	
Transportation Options	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Transit service• Biking and walking• TDM (home & work-based, ridesharing)• Car Sharing	
Land Use	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Future Housing (Single- & Multi-family)• Urban Growth Boundary• Population in Mixed Use Areas	

Modeling and Analysis – Ran Over 200 Scenarios

Inputs

Vehicle Fuel Efficiency



Pricing and Markets



Systems and Operations



Transportation Options



Land Use



Level of intensity (sample)



Modeling and Analysis – Ran Over 200 Scenarios

Outcomes

Report Card (sample)

GHG Emissions



Energy Consumption



Public Health Impacts



System Performance



Household Travel Costs



Travel Delay



Bike/Walk Trips



Equity



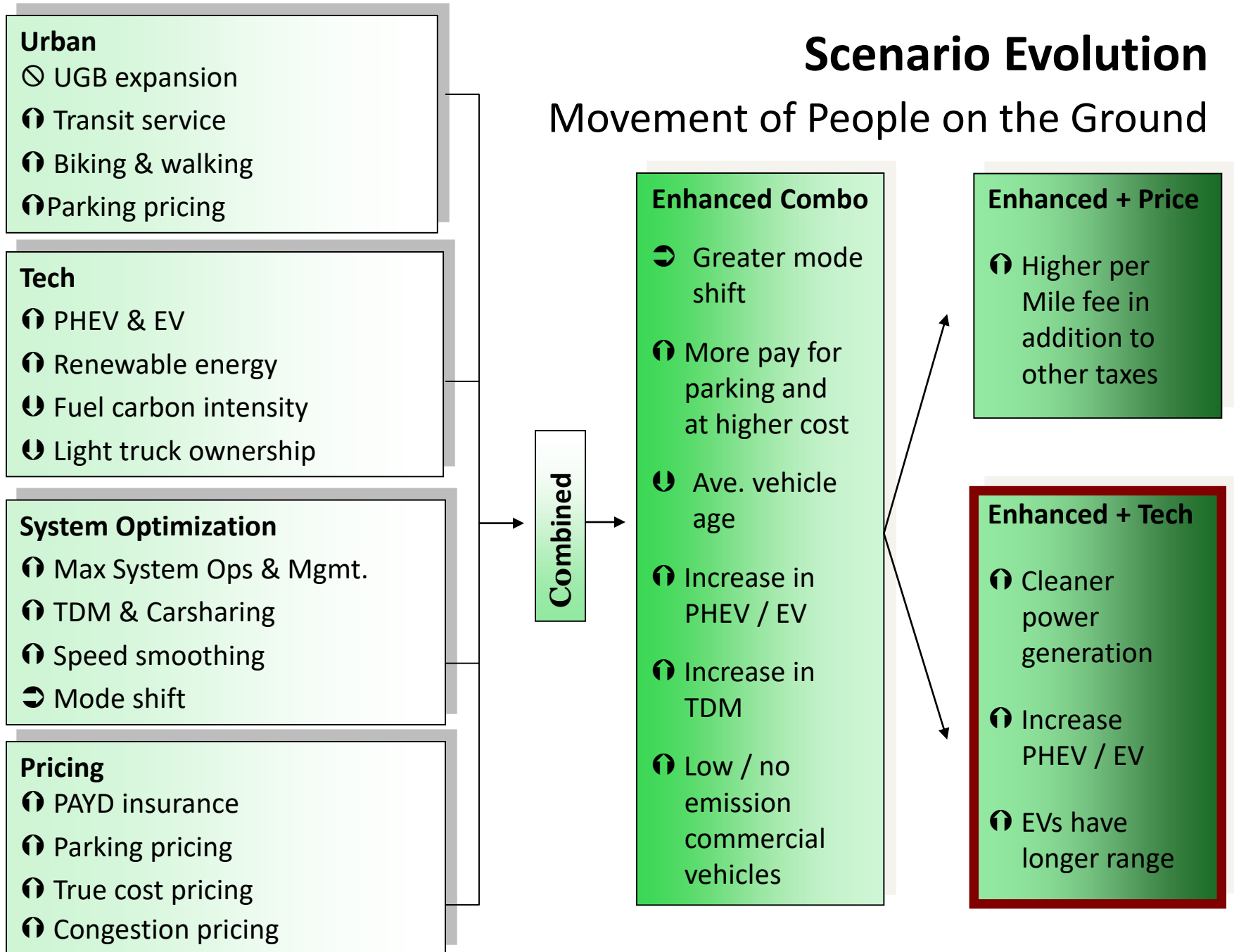
Better

Same

Worse

Scenario Evolution

Movement of People on the Ground

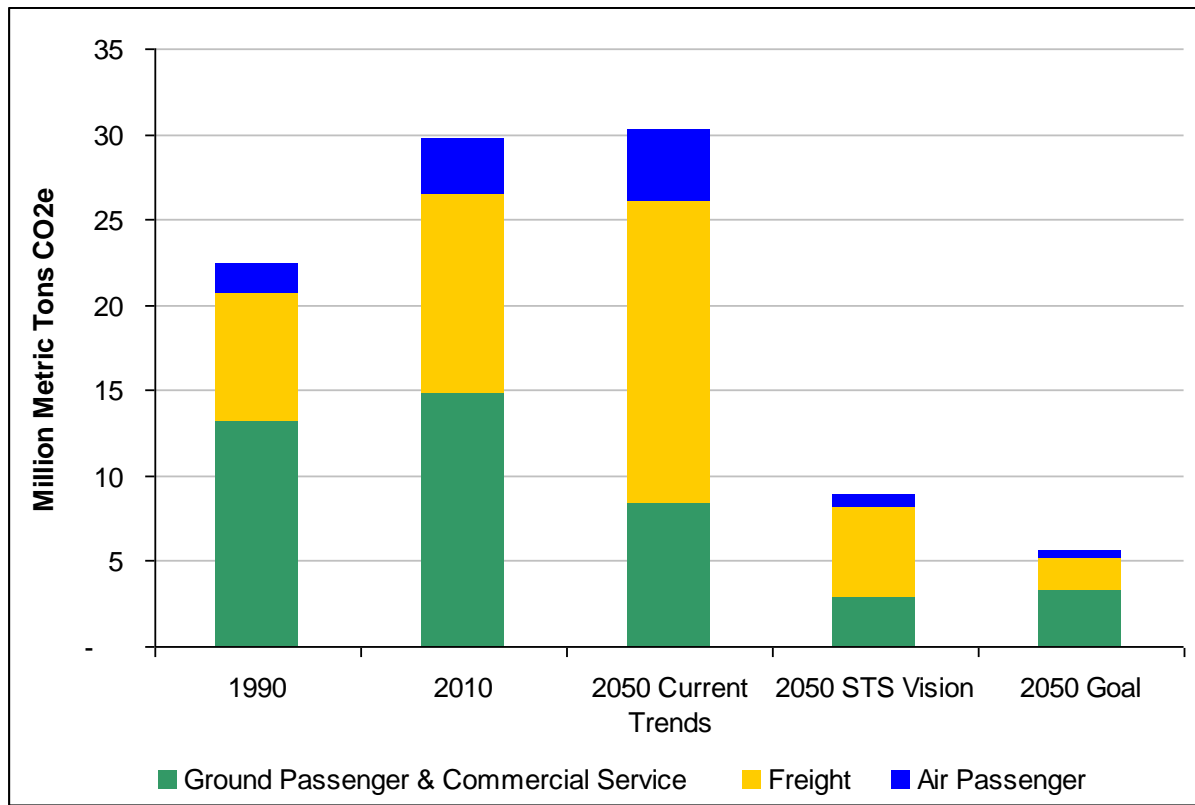


Findings



■ Transportation Sector
■ Other

Overall, 60% fewer *transportation sector* GHG emissions than 1990 (~80% per capita)



Strategies

Vehicle and Fuels



Systems and Operations



Pricing



Transportation Options



Land Use

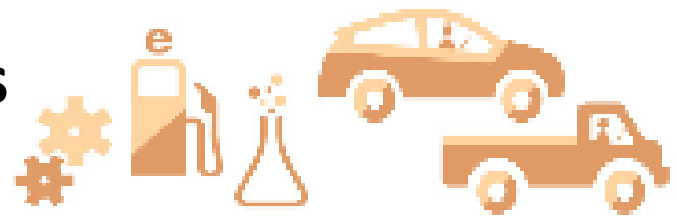


All Actions Needed

Many Authorities



STS Strategies - Vehicles and Fuels



Incentives

\$

- Newer, higher MPG vehicles
- Low-no emission vehicles
- EV Subsidies
- Bio-fuel production

Policies

- ZEV
- Clean Fuels
- Black Carbon
- Commercial Fleet Requirements

Infrastructure

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- EV Charging
- Alternative Fueling Stations
- Electrifying transit corridors

DEQ

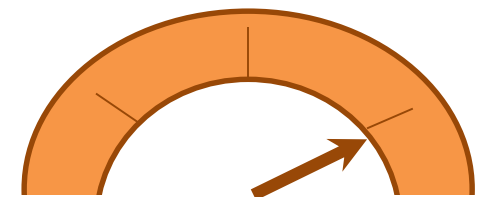
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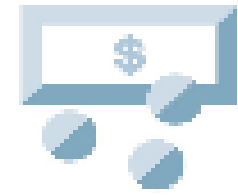
ODOT

Private

Cities /
Counties



STS Strategies - Pricing



Per-Mile Fees

- Flat or variable fee
- Pay-As-You-Drive Insurance

Other User Fees

- True Cost Pricing

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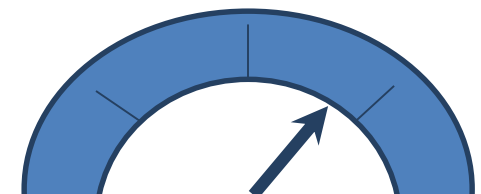
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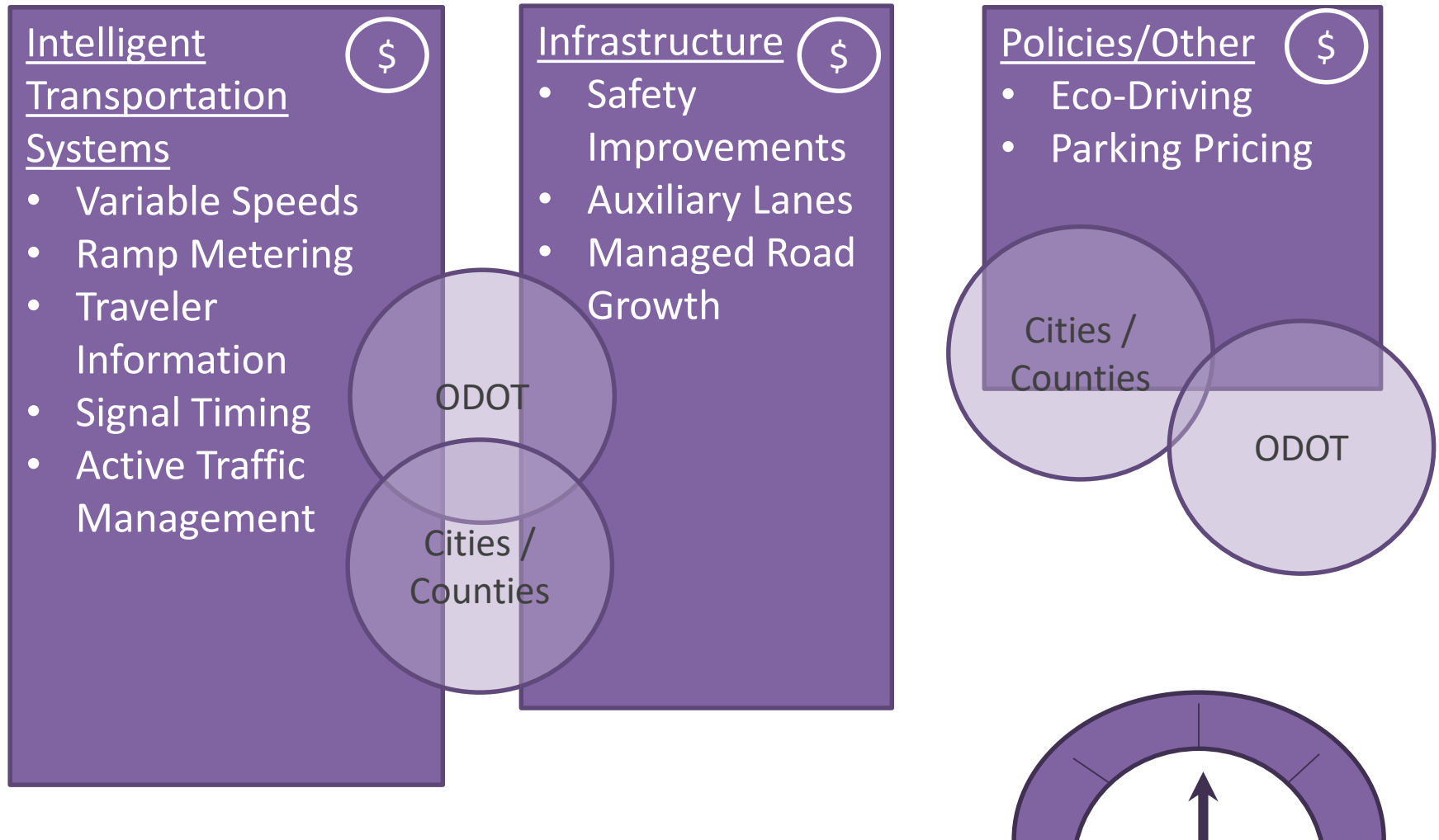
- Tolling technology
- Data collection, storage, and feedback

Private

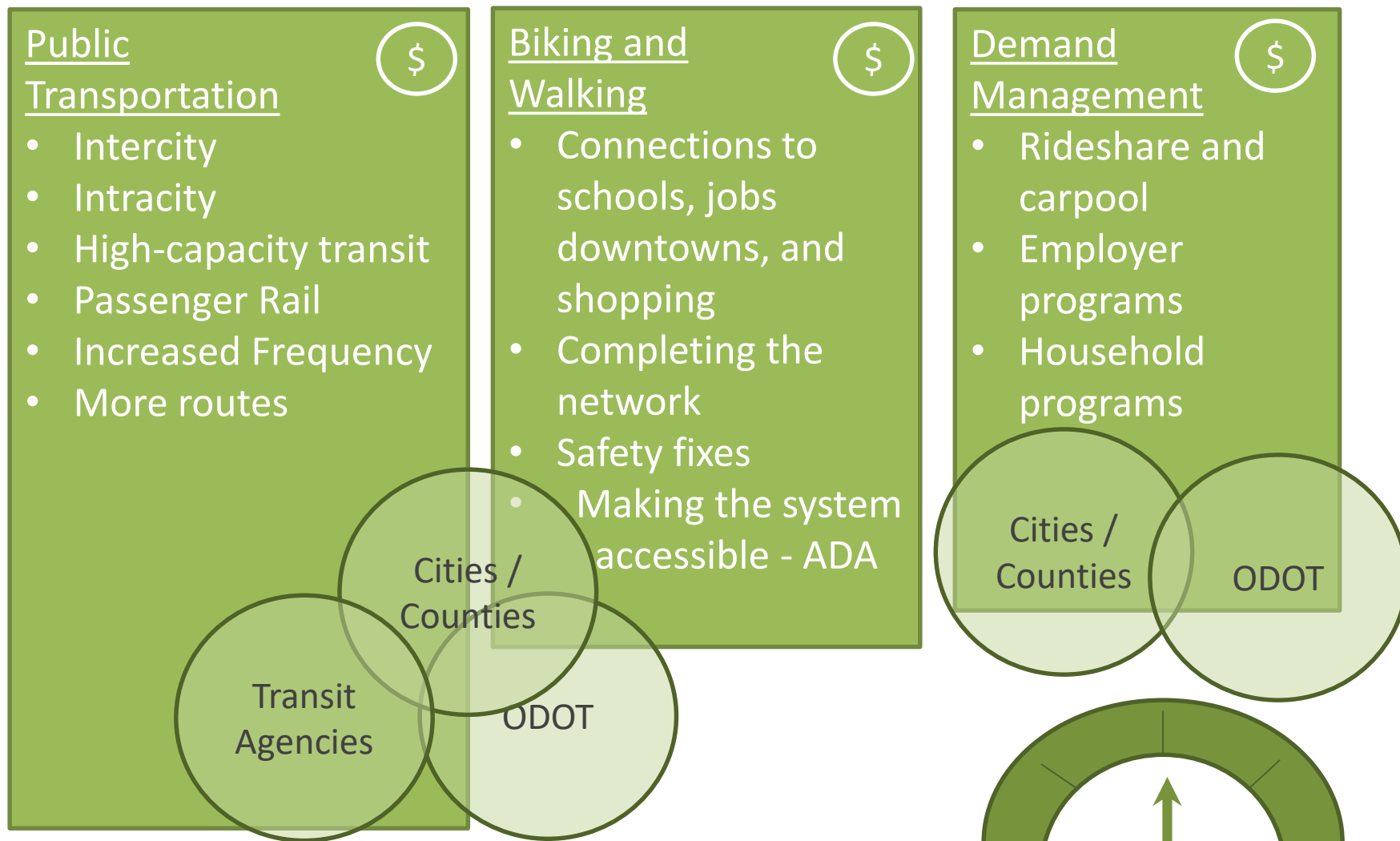
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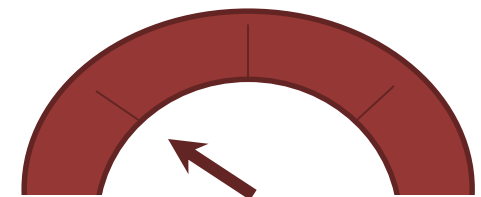
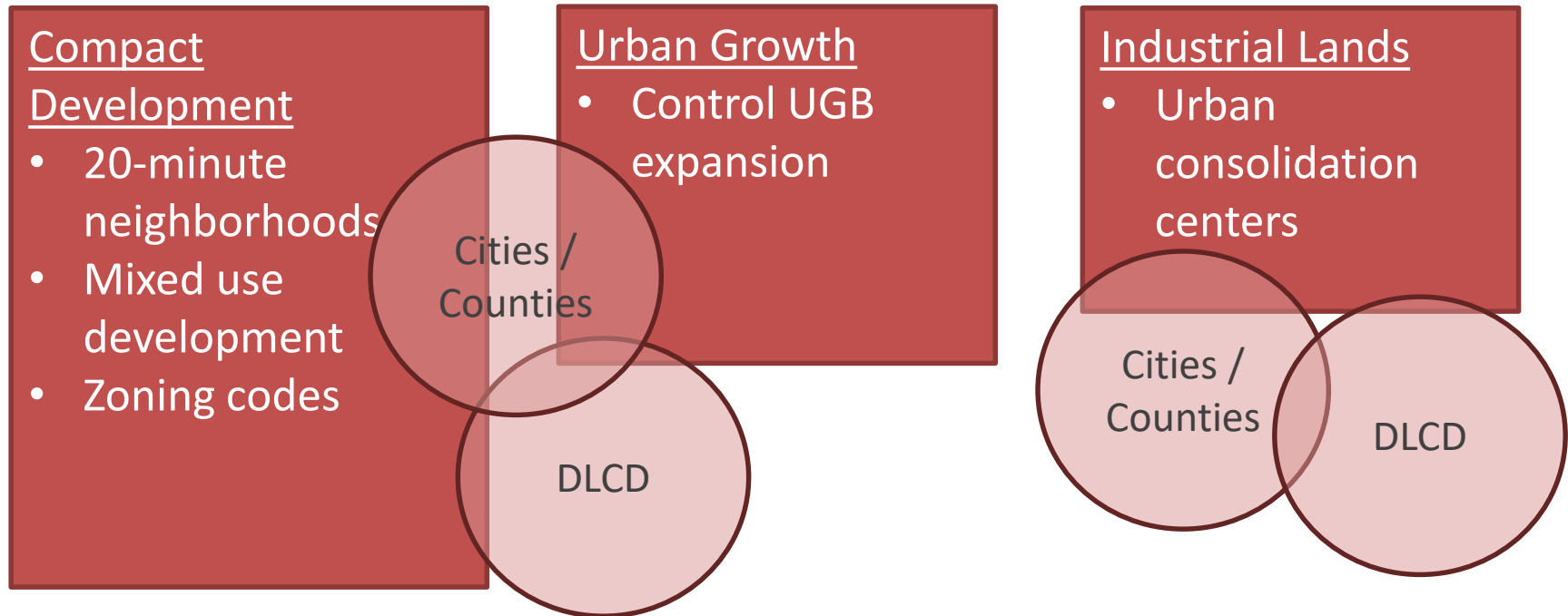
STS Strategies - Systems and Operations



STS Strategies - Transportation Options

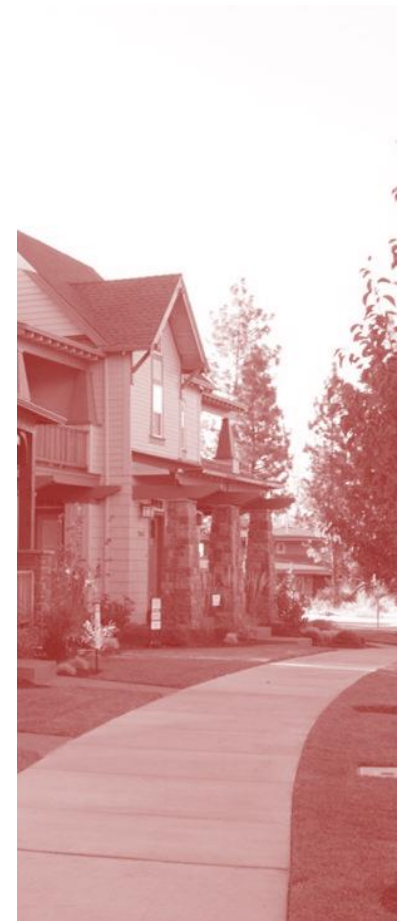
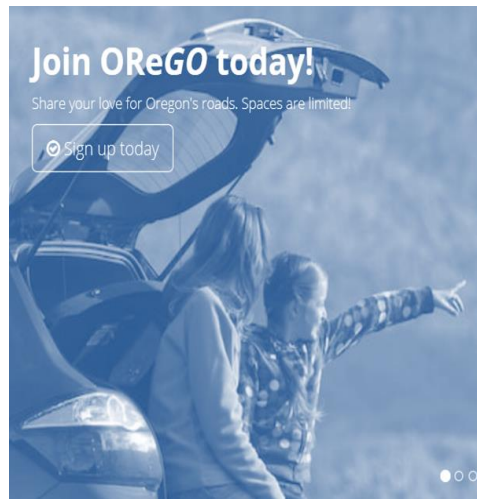


STS Strategies - Land Use



Progress: Driving Forces

For Reducing GHG Emissions



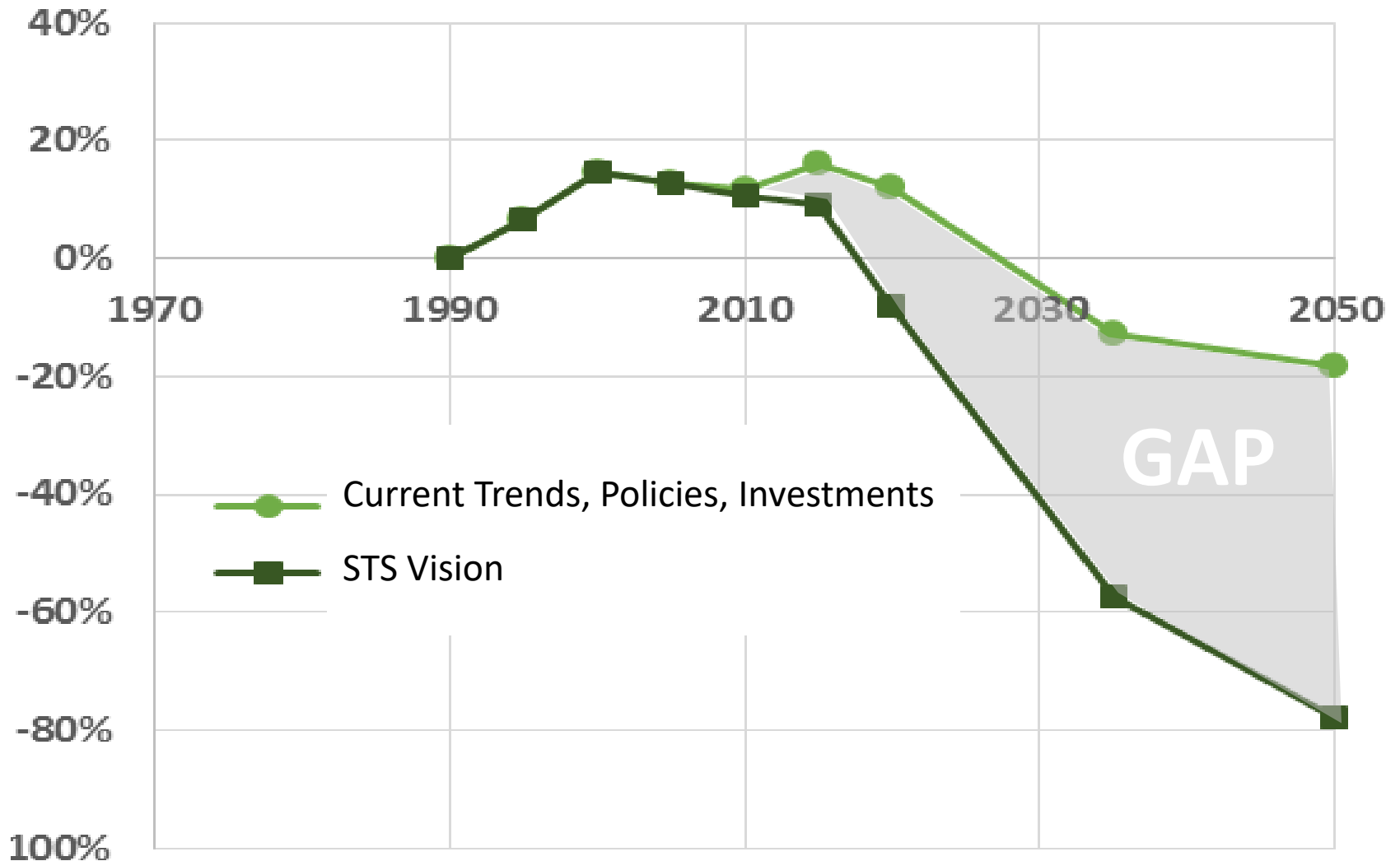
Progress: Restraining Forces

For Reducing GHG Emissions



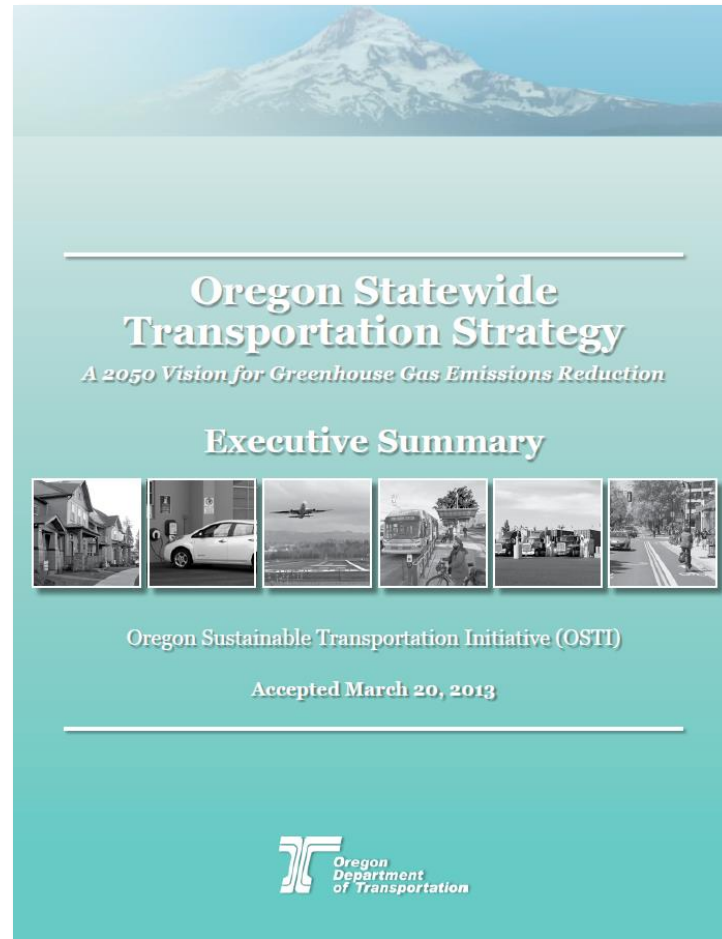
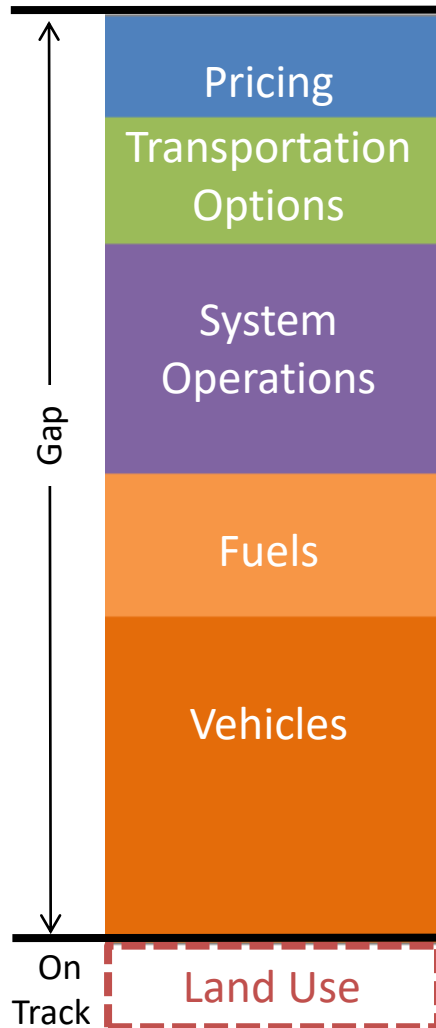
Percent Change in GHG Emissions from 1990

Light Duty Vehicles



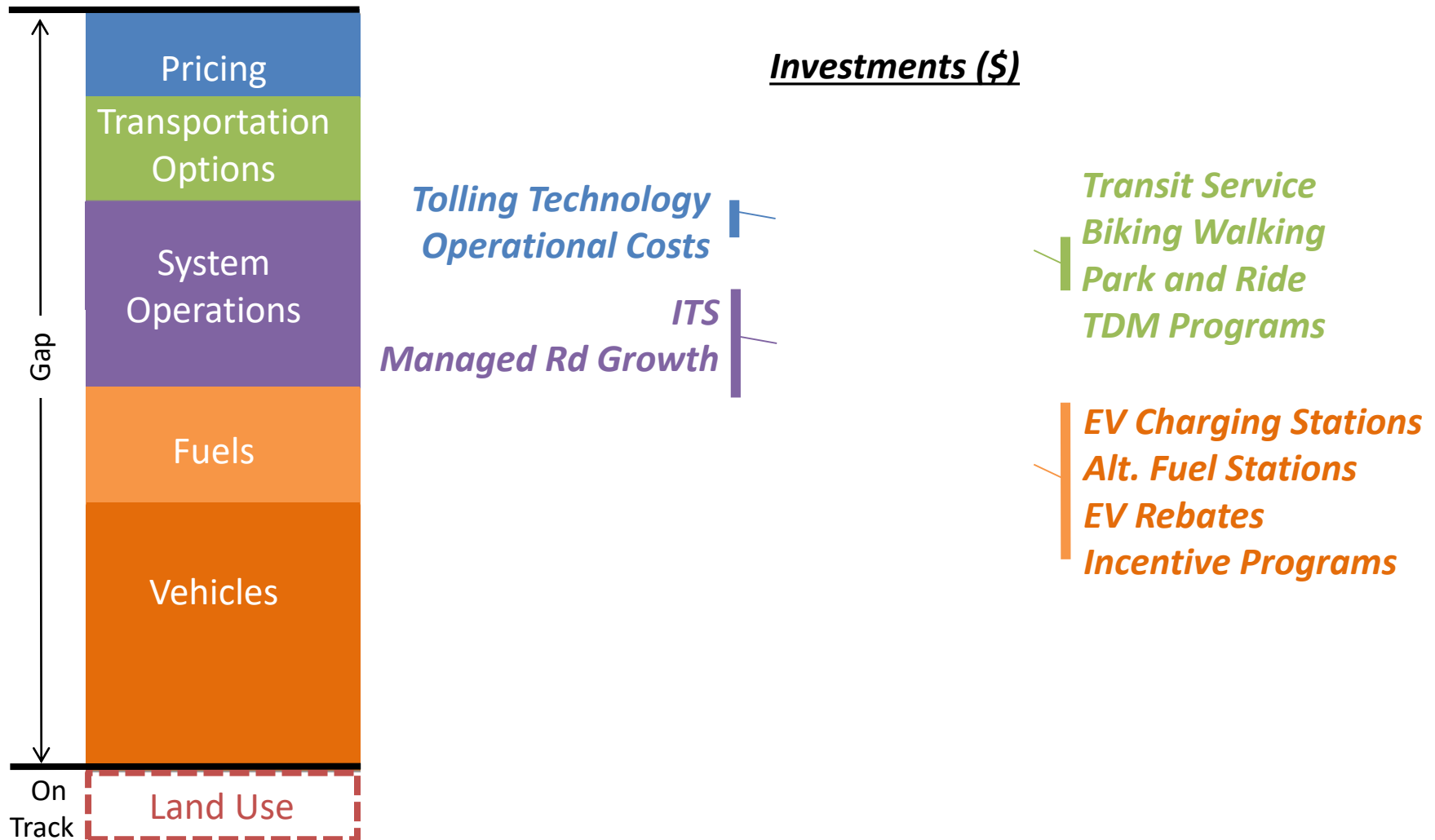
Closing the Gap

Getting from Today's Trends/Plans to the STS Vision



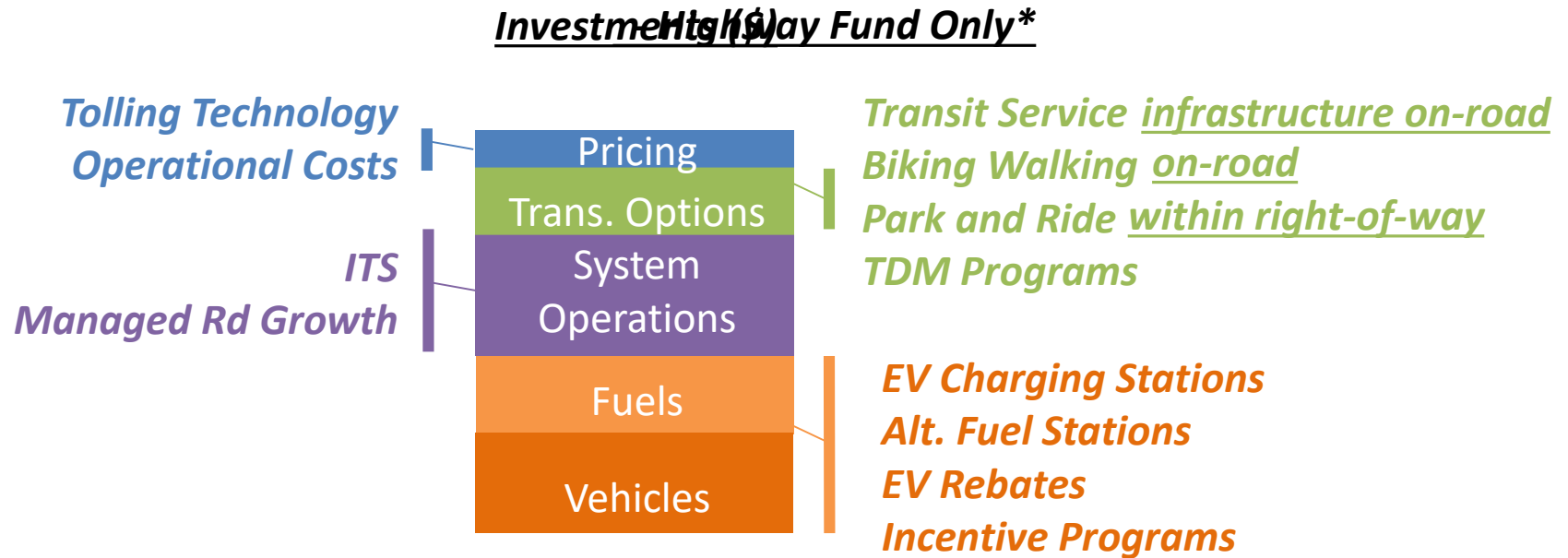
Closing the Gap – Through Investments

Getting from Today's Trends/Plans to the STS Vision



Closing the Gap – Through Highway Fund Investments

Getting from Today's Trends/Plans to the STS Vision



** Highway Trust Funds are to be used "exclusively for the construction, reconstruction, improvement, repair, maintenance, operation and use of public highways, roads, streets and roadside rest areas in this state."*

For more information...

A Carbon Reduction Menu of Investment Options

Potential Transportation Investments to Reduce Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions

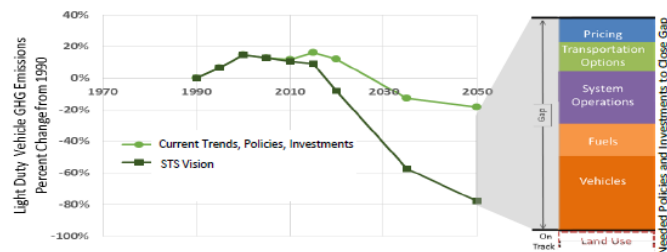


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Overview

One of Oregon's key roadmaps for reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions is the *Oregon Statewide Transportation Strategy: A 2050 Vision for Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction* (STS). The document was completed in 2013 in response to legislative direction set in 2010 (SB 1059). The STS is a plan that includes policies, programs, and types of investments to aid the state in achieving its GHG reduction goals in the transportation sector (75% reduction below 1990 levels by 2050). The STS was developed cooperatively by state agencies and with extensive stakeholder engagement over a three-year period. New tools were created for analysis and thousands of hours were spent evaluating technical data. The political and practical reality of options were reviewed, debated, and agreed upon by stakeholder groups and the public. The resulting STS includes over 130 actions/elements that, if fully implemented, could reduce GHG emissions from the transportation sector by 60 percent (80% per capita) by the year 2050. The categories of actions include: improvements in vehicle and fuel efficiency; pricing the transportation system; making systems and operations enhancements; increasing transportation options; and managing land use.

In early 2018, the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) conducted monitoring work, which re-affirmed the validity of the STS as the reliable roadmap for reducing transportation sector carbon emissions. Results showed that despite policies, programs, and investments in specific STS actions, external forces (such as older vehicles on the roads) have dampened the impact of that progress, and more is needed to fully realize the STS vision (see charts below).



A Carbon Reduction Menu of Investment Options

Oregon Statewide Transportation Strategy

A map of Oregon with various travel routes and icons. A blue circle highlights the Portland area. A green line with a car icon and the number '2' connects Eugene to Springfield. A green bus icon is on the route between Bend and Redmond. A green bicycle icon is on the route between Burns and Malheur Lake. A red icon of a building is near Medford. An orange EV icon is near La Grande. The map also shows major cities, rivers, and geographical features like the Pacific Ocean, Willamette River, and Blue Mountains.

Adaptation

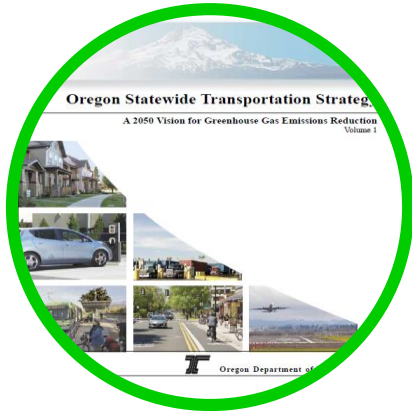


Adaptation of the Transportation Sector

*Climate Change Vulnerabilities and
Adaptation Strategies*

Transition

From talking about the STS to the Adaptation Strategy



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Climate Change Adaptation in Oregon

The Oregon Climate Change Adaptation Framework

December 2010



ODOT's Climate Change Adaptation Strategy Report

April 2012



Climate Change Risks



Maintenance and Operations

Investment Options



Assets

Investment Options



Priority Corridors

Investment Options



For more information...

An Adaptation Menu of Investment Options

Potential Transportation Investments to Adapt to Climate Change Impacts



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Overview

Extreme weather and climate change pose a serious and increasing risk to transportation systems. Oregon is facing many of these threats now and they are projected to get worse in the coming decades. According to the Oregon Climate Assessment Report (OCAR),¹ the state will continue to experience climate variability and extremes in the form of increasing annual air temperatures, wildfires, and changing precipitation patterns. The coast is projected to experience the effects of rising sea levels and higher storm surge in the coming decades.

Adaptation consists of actions to reduce the vulnerability of natural and human systems or to increase system resiliency in light of expected climate change or extreme weather events. Adapting how transportation systems are planned, designed, operated and maintained can help to reduce travel delays and disruptions for all travelers, and lower transportation costs from repairs and reconstruction.

In Oregon, primary climate stressors impacting transportation include:

- Extreme Precipitation
 - Damages roads and can result in closures due to concentrated runoff and scour, flooding, landslides and rock-fall.
- Sea Level Rise
 - Damages roads and can result in closures from increased wave heights, flooding, storm surge, and coastal erosion.
- Extreme Temperatures and Wildfires
 - Damages roads and can result in closures due to extreme heat and wildfires.

The 2010 *Oregon Climate Change Adaptation Framework* looked at these and other risks, and high-level adaptation needs and activities were identified for transportation and other sectors. A few years later (2012) the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) developed *ODOT's Climate Change Adaptation Strategy Report*. Both documents identify the need to better understand transportation infrastructure risks to stressors such as sea level rise through monitoring systems, and to conduct pilot projects to plan

¹ Produced biennially by the Oregon Climate Change Research Institute (OCCRI) at Oregon State University-
http://www.occri.net/media/1055/ocar3_final_all_01-30-2017_compressed.pdf

An Adaptation Menu of Investment Options

Additional Questions?

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