#### Integrating Transportation and Land Use: Land Development Plan Standards and Evaluation Tools

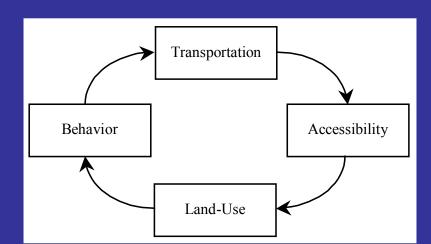
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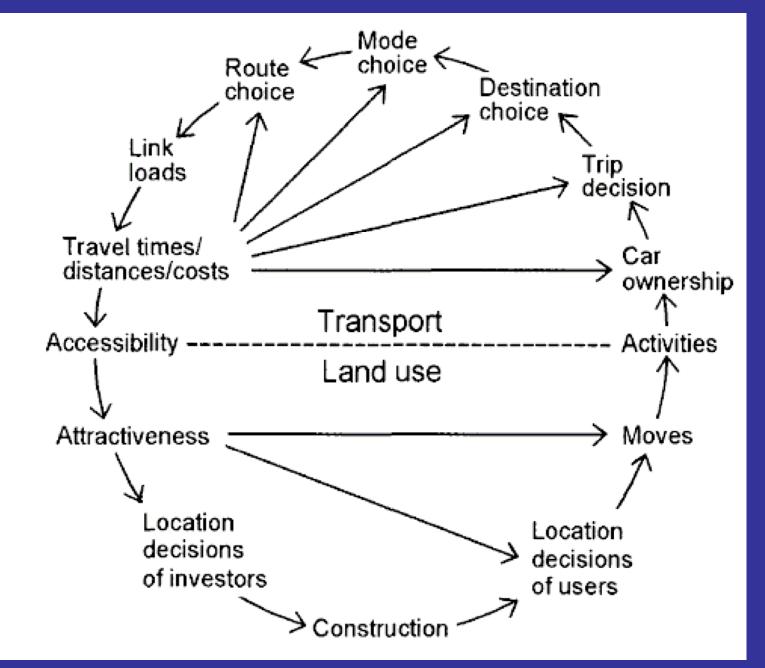
## Outline

- Land Use-Transportation Connection
- North Carolina Context
- Research Questions
- Land Development-Related Data and Policy Information Required for Transportation Planning

# Land Use-Transportation Connection

- Development, location decisions based on accessibility
- Accessibility based on transportation improvements
- Improvements based on existing and anticipated development
- Cycle





Source: Vande Walle, 2004

## **Planning Responsibility**

- Land Development Planning
  - Local government authority
    - Municipalities and/or counties
  - Make land development (LD) plans based on current transportation system
- Transportation Planning – MPO/DOT authority
  - Make transportation plans based on current LU system

#### 2001 Amendment to NC General Statutes

"The Department of Transportation may participate in the development and adoption of a transportation plan or updated transportation plan when all local governments within the area covered by the transportation plan have adopted land development plans within the previous five years. ...

A qualifying land development plan may be a comprehensive plan, land use plan, master plan, strategic plan, or any type of plan or policy document that expresses a jurisdiction's goals and objectives for the development of land within that jurisdiction." [1]

[1] G.S. 136-66.2 (b1)



- Transportation plans consistent with:

   Land development plans
   Utilities and public facilities plans
- Consistent with other localities' plans (intra-MPO)

#### **Basic Goals**

#### "Environmentally friendly" plans:

- Place development where transportation can reasonably be provided
- Place transportation facilities for minimal human and natural environment impacts
- Are consistent with environmental regulations and polices

### **Research Questions**

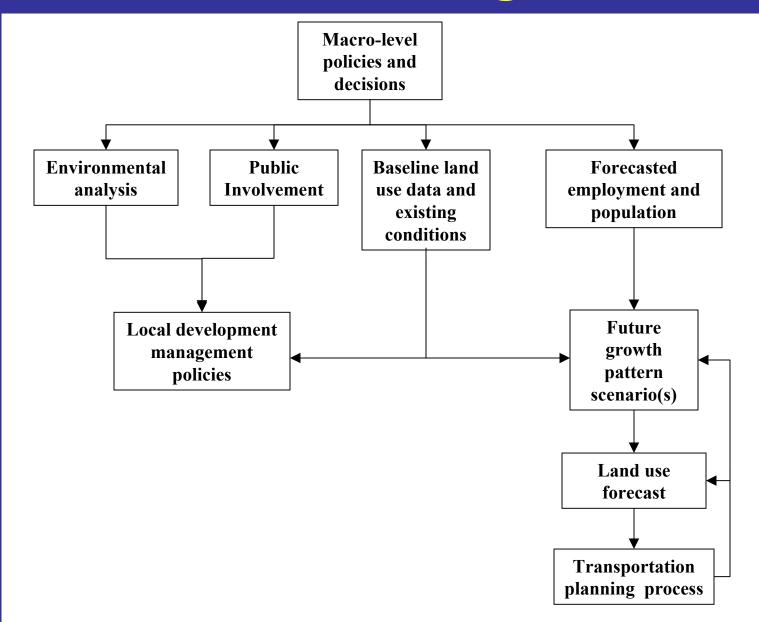
How can local Land Development Plans better feed transportation modeling and planning?

- Data components?
- Policy information?
- Specific transportation components?
- Public Involvement: How do we know that the plan has general community support?
- Plan Evaluation: How do we know that the plan has what we need?

## More specifically:

What information should the LDP contain so that you can make better travel models and predictions of transportation infrastructure demands and capacity?

#### Land Dev. Planning Process



# **Plan Components**

- Introduction to Plan
- Discussion of Current Conditions
- Explanation of Public Involvement Process
- Land Use Vision and Principles
- Land Analysis
- Monitoring and Implementation

## **Travel Model Inputs**

Most directly informed by:

- Land Use Vision and Principles
  - Goals
  - Objectives
  - Policies

- Land Analysis
  - Land Needs
     Assessment
  - Suitability Analysis
  - Supply and Capacity
  - Land Classification
     Districts

## **Questions for you:**

- What is missing from this list?
- What does not need to be on this list?
- Are there ways you can better include land use data in your models now?