The PennDOT Connects policy makes changes to the project development process to enhance transportation planning. It requires communities to have meaningful opportunities for engagement in the initial stages of the planning process with PennDOT and the regional planning partners.

A more strategic approach to engagement will ensure that local priorities and issues are effectively considered as transportation needs and investments are planned and developed. The result is improved decision making, better investments, and greater local impacts.

Through PennDOT Connects, resources are being provided to support municipalities to better understand:

- the integration of transportation and land use planning in transportation project development;
- the integration of transportation and land use in comprehensive plans and/or corridor plans; and
- the implementation tools available to improve the transportation and land use connection.

Penndot Connects is about better communities and better transportation systems. These complementary goals are accomplished when communities, planning partners, and PennDOT work together.

This graphic shows how municipal responsibilities for community development (left) can dovetail with PennDOT responsibilities for project development & delivery (right). The overlapping section (middle) lists some of the collaboration opportunities to make this happen.

For more information:
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ONLINE TRAINING
Interactive training modules on transportation and land use planning topics are available online. For each topic, the self-guided training covers key principles and practices, examples and key resources, benefits and challenges, and potential next steps. Each module requires approximately 15 minutes of viewing time. The modules are available on the PennDOT Connects page on PennDOT’s website.

TECH SHEETS
Tech sheets provide information on land use and transportation planning. To download the tech sheets, visit the PennDOT Connects page on PennDOT’s website. They are resources to share at a municipal meeting or with staff to help explain planning concepts. Check the website for new tech sheets as they will be added throughout the year.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING SUPPORT
If you are looking for support with transportation and land use planning or want to know how PennDOT Connects may benefit your community, please email paconnects@pa.gov or call 717-710-2090. PennDOT staff will assist you with finding the right resources to support your municipality.

All services provided by the PennDOT Connects Municipal Support Program are free to municipalities.