RTC Selection Criteria
Transportation Improvement Program

Project Screening Criteria

1. Is the project consistent with Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and Local Comprehensive Plans? *(Road and transit projects that add capacity must be listed in the MTP)*
2. If a road project, is the facility federally classified as an Urban collector/rural minor arterial or above?
3. Is the project an improvement project, rather than a maintenance project?
4. Does the request for STP/CMAQ funds exceed the regional cost limitation of $2,000,000 per mile?
5. Is the project ready to proceed and has a reasonable timeline for implementation?
6. If an operational improvement, does the project follow TSMO guidance?

Summary of Needs Criteria

Evaluation Criteria	Weight
Mobility	20
Multimodal	15
Safety	20
Economic Development	25
Financial/Implementation	15
Air Quality	10
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Mobility ***20 Maximum***

For intersection improvements, V/C ratios must be calculated consistent with the Highway Capacity Manual methodology. Road project will be calculated using the regional model. Travel speeds will use CMP data or a speed study. Supporting documentation is required.

Existing Peak Hour Condition	0-8
• V/C Ratio 0.9 or greater/Less than 60% of Posted Speed	8
• V/C Ratio 0.8 to 0.89/60-64% of Posted Speed	6
• V/C Ratio 0.7 to 0.79/65-69% of Posted Speed	4
• V/C Ratio 0.5 to 0.69/70-74% of Posted Speed	2
• Transit (Unless corridor can be identified)	5
Peak Hour Condition (6 yr. Model)	0-4
• V/C Ratio Reduced 0.2 or more	4
• V/C Ratio Reduced 0.1	2
• V/C Ratio Reduced 0.05	1
• Modeled Speed Improvement	1-4
Congestion Management Process	0-4
• On CMP Network	1
• Project listed in CMP	3

Network Development	0-4
• Extends Improvements	1-2
• Completes Gap	2-3
• Completes Corridor	3-4
• New Network Connection	0-4
Truck Route	0-3
• T3-T1	1-3
• Trucks 4% or greater	1
Benefit Weighted by Peak Hour Volume or Entering Volume	0-3
• 2,500+ Vehicles/3,500 Entering Vehicles	3
• 1,500-2,499 Vehicles/2,500 Entering Vehicles	2
• 1,000-1,499 Vehicles/1,500 Entering Vehicles	1

Multimodal	***15 Maximum***
Operational Improvements	0-8
• Signal integration/upgrade	2
• Data Collection (Volume, speed, occupancy, classification)	2
• Traffic Surveillance	2
• Communication Infrastructure	2
• Variable message signage	2
• Traveler Information	2
• Access Management	2
• Removes Bottleneck	2
• Smart Transit Management	2
Reduction of Single Occupant Vehicles	0-10
• Transit Expansion	0-8
• Peak Hour Transit Buses (1 point per 2 Buses)	0-5
• Transit Replacement	0-3
• Transit Signal Priority	2
• Adds Queue Jump or Transit Bypass Lane	2
• Exclusive Transit Lanes (Transit Only, BAT Lanes, etc.)	2-8
• Transit Amenities (Shelter, Bus-Pullout)	0-2
• Park and Ride Construction	5-8
• Carpool/Vanpool	1-3
• Improve Non-Motorized Access to Park and Ride/Transit	1-2
• Extends or Completes gap in Bicycle Route	1-3
• Construct 10-foot separated path or two 5-foot striped bicycle lanes	2
• Sidewalks (Both Sides)	1-2
• Sidewalks wider than 5’and/or Planter Strip (3’ minimum)	1-3
CTR	0-3
• CTR Employer/Employment Center within 1/3 mile of project	1
• New Opportunity For The Use Of Non-SOV Transportation	1-2

Safety	***20 Maximum***
Correctable Accident History	0-10
• Sliding Scale	0-10
Other Safety	0-5
• Public Transit Safety	2
• Pedestrian Safety (Wider sidewalk/buffer)	2
• Bicycle Safety (striped lanes/separated path)	2
• Improves Intersection identified in Safety Management Assessment	2
• Other Safety Improvement consistent with State Target Zero Plan	2
Existing Conditions	0-5
• Pavement Widths (Deviation from standards)	0-2
• Shoulder Widths (1 pt. per 2 feet less than 6')	0-3
• No Center Turn lane/Pocket (Project must correct)	1
Provides Access Management	0-5
• Add Non-Traversable Median greater than 50% of project length	3
• Add C-Curb at Intersections or less than 50% of project length	2
• Close Minor Intersections	1
• Reduce Access Points	2
• Eliminate Existing At-Grade Crossing	2

Economic Development	***25 Maximum***
Employment Growth	0-12
• Retail Employment Growth (Regional Model-Select Link)	0-5
• Other Employment Growth (Regional Model-Select Link)	0-7
Provide or Improves Access to Existing Employment	0-6
• Existing Employment (Regional Model-Select Link)	0-6
Freight Facility	0-5
• Improves Access	1-3
• Creates Access	4-5
• Distribution Center	1-3
Transportation Concurrency	0-5
• Prevents Concurrency Compliance Violation	0-4
• Reverses Transportation Moratorium	5
• Supports Annexation Agreement	5

Financial/Implementation	***15 Maximum***
Lead Agency Funds	0-3
• 1 pt per 5%	
Private Partner Funds	0-5
• 1 Point per 2%	
Overmatch Funding	0-5
• 1 pt per 5% Above Minimum Local Match	

Previously Completed Work (Prior to application deadline)	0-5
• Environmental Permits Approved	2
• PS&E Package Complete	2
• Right of Way Acquisition Complete	2

Air Quality	***10 Maximum***
Air Quality Benefit	0-10
• TCM Tools (Reduction of CO and VOC)	0-10