

ACTION TRANSMITTAL No. 2017-31

DATE: November 1, 2017
TO: Transportation Advisory Board
FROM: Technical Advisory Committee
PREPARED BY: Joe Barbeau, Senior Planner (651-602-1705)
SUBJECT: 2018 Regional Solicitation: Awarding One Roadway Project per Functional Classification.
REQUESTED ACTION: Decision on whether to continue to fund at least one roadway project in each functional classification.
RECOMMENDED MOTION: That TAB continue to fund at least one roadway project in each functional classification.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: Following the 2014 Regional Solicitation, TAC and TAB discussed the difficulty that applications along some roadway classifications, specifically A-minor connectors, had in scoring high enough to be funded. Therefore, for the 2016 Regional Solicitation, a policy was added stating that at least one project from each functional classification must be funded to ensure that all parts of the system receive investment. The result was that an A-minor connector project ranked 28th in the Roadway Reconstruction and Modernization category was funded, while the projects ranked 13th through 27th were skipped over for funding. The eligible roadway classifications are:

- Non-freeway principal arterials
- A-minor augmentors
- A-minor connectors
- A-minor expanders
- A-minor relievers

Should this policy be reversed, A-minor connector projects are unlikely to receive funding.

RELATIONSHIP TO REGIONAL POLICY: TAB develops and issues a Regional Solicitation for federal funding.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND ACTION: At its October 19, 2017 meeting, the Funding & Programming Committee voted unanimously to recommend continued funding of at least one roadway project in each functional classification.

At its November 1, 2017, meeting, the Technical Advisory Committee voted unanimously to recommend continued funding of at least one roadway project in each functional classification.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	COMPLETION DATE
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	10-19-2017
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	11-1-2017
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	-
Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	-
Metropolitan Council	Concurrence	-
