Information Item: Potential Changes for 2016 Regional Solicitation – Transit/TDM and Bicycle/Pedestrian



TAC Meeting

December 2, 2015

Today's Information Item

 Highlights of key changes for Transit, TDM, and Nonmotorized applications

- Seeking Input Today
- No Action Items



Cost-Benefit Ratio

All applications will have a cost-benefit ratio measuring project cost versus total project score

- Replaces some cost-effectiveness measures
- Point value yet to be determined



Transit Inflation

Topic:

- TAB adopted inflation policy for 2014 Solicitation:
 - Inflation added after project selection for all project costs except transit vehicle and operation costs
 - Transit vehicles and operation costs should submit using year of expenditure \$'s
- 2014 Solicitation instructions directed applicants to submit all costs in 2015 \$'s
- Inconsistency discovered during 2014 project scoring



Transit Inflation cont.

F&PC and TAC Recommendations (Page 17):

Add inflation to these types of projects

TAB Policy Issue:

- Correct funding for 2014 transit projects (3 projects)?
 - \$1 M cost would add to current over-programming, less than 1% more over-programming



Transit Expansion/Modernization

- Usage: new vs total riders
 - Expansion: New riders
 - Modernization: Total riders
- Connectivity: Ridership of directly-connected transit routes replaced by average daily trips of directly-connected transit routes
- Connection to jobs, education, manufacturing concentrations replaced by counting jobs and students



Travel Demand Management (TDM)

- Reducing geographic-based measurement
 - Job Concentrations, Manufacturing Locations, and Educational Institutions
 - Equity: Eliminating the map
- Simplification
 - Merging Project Innovations and New Geographic Area
 - Eliminating risk assessment form



Multiuse Trails and Bicycle Facilities

- RBTN Changes
 - Scoring guidance clarifications
 - Reducing point award discrepancies
- Safety
 - Merging gaps and barriers to simply scoring



Safe Routes to School

- Elimination of Multimodal Facilities and Connections
 - Bike/ped projects have minimal connection to transit and roadway modes
- Acknowledging transit users
 - Adjusting "Average shore of student population that bikes or walks" to include "rides transit"



Next Steps

- Dec. 2015: Bike/Ped and Transit Applications
- Jan./Feb. 2016: Policy Decisions, Other Measures, Score Distribution, and Modal Funding Ranges
- March 2016: Final Approval of Regional Solicitation
- May 2016: Application Released
- July 2016: Applications Due



Questions

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