

Transportation Advisory Board
of the Metropolitan Council of the Twin Cities

ACTION TRANSMITTAL No. 2019-46

DATE: August 23, 2019
TO: Technical Advisory Committee
FROM: TAC Funding & Programming Committee
PREPARED BY: Joe Barbeau, Senior Planner (651-602-1705)
SUBJECT: 2020 Regional Solicitation: Release for Public Comment
REQUESTED ACTION: Approval of the 2020 Draft Regional Solicitation for Release for Public Comment.

RECOMMENDED MOTION: That the Technical Advisory Committee recommend to TAB approval of the draft 2020 Regional Solicitation (inclusive of the approvals made in Action Transmittals 2019-39, 2019-40, 2019-41, 2019-42, 2019-43, 2019-44, and 2019-45) for release for public comment and that a meeting for Technical participants be scheduled to review comments and potential changes.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF ACTION: Staff asks that TAB release the Draft 2020 Regional Solicitation package for review and public comment. This package will solicit funding through the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP) and the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program. The Regional Solicitation will be released for comment on September 23, with comments due November 6. After the public comment period, a revised draft solicitation package will be prepared for the TAB's November 20 meeting.

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

COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND ACTION: At its August 22, 2019, meeting, the TAC Funding & Programming Committee voted unanimously to recommend approval of the draft 2020 Regional Solicitation (inclusive of the approvals made in Action Transmittals 2019-39, 2019-40, 2019-41, 2019-42, 2019-43, 2019-44, and 2019-45) for release for public comment.

The schedule calls for the Solicitation to go back to TAB after the public comment period. Members are interested in an opportunity for Funding & Programming Committee and TAC members to have the opportunity to discuss the comments and potential changes. Staff is going to schedule a meeting.

ROUTING

TO	ACTION REQUESTED	COMPLETION DATE
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review & Recommend	8/22/2019
Technical Advisory Committee	Review & Recommend	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Release for Public Comment	
Transportation Advisory Board	Review & Adopt	
Transportation Committee	Review & Recommend	
Metropolitan Council	Concurrence	