Regional Solicitation Policy Work Group Meeting #1 Notes

Primary Policy Topics

1. Maximum funding awards
2. Before-and-After Study Findings – greater ties to TPP, emphasis on larger regional projects vs. smaller local projects
3. Approach to Transit
4. Technology, Travel Demand Management, and Unique projects
5. Equity
6. Geographic Balance

Multiuse Trails

Recommendation to lower the maximum federal funding request to from $5.5M to $4M for the Multiuse Trails application.

Roadways

1. Discussed increasing the maximum of the Roadway Expansion application from $7M to $10M to $15M.
2. Discussed whether to continue the Bridge application or merge it into the Roadway Reconstruction/ Modernization application
3. Discussed adding an application category for Spot Mobility projects with a maximum request of $3.5M.
4. Lowering the Traffic Management Technologies federal maximum from $7M to $3.5M was presented, but not discussed.
5. Referred the above items to the Technical Committees for discussion and recommendations.

Modal Funding

There was discussion on whether there would be changes to the modal funding ranges. If an additional category is added for Unique Projects, TAB will need to review the modal ranges. This will be decided after other decisions are made.

Transit

There will be a presentation led by a consultant during the TAB meeting. This will provide a start to the discussion on transit application changes.

Decision timing

Over the next few months, TAB and the technical committees will discuss items and make recommendations to include in the draft Regional Solicitation. Approval actions will be made at the September TAB meeting to include in the Draft Regional Solicitation to be released for public comment.