



Fiscal Year 2029-2032 TIP Development to Date

Regional Transportation Committee: September 1, 2026

TIP Policy document updates.

- First step: review and amend the existing TIP Policy document.
 - The policy outlines the rules, criteria and process to conduct the calls for projects.
- Discussions began in January to update for Fiscal Years 2029-2032.
- The following slides outline those discussions and potential adjustments to date.
 - Broken into categories; calls for projects process, Regional Share, Subregional Share, specific project types, funding and schedule.

Call for projects process.

- Walk audit.
 - Walk audits: project location site inspections for pedestrian safety, comfort and accessibility deficiencies.
 - Sponsor proposed to be required to conduct as part of their application, including a diagram.
- Emissions calculations.
 - Staff developing a spreadsheet-based calculator that integrates all proposed project elements.
 - Previously used national web-based calculator, that didn't include local and regional control totals, averages or calculations.

Call for projects process (continued).

- TIP application platform.
 - Web-based application being developed through Formstack, replacing Word document.
- TIP application questions.
 - Currently being discussed by the TIP Subcommittee and planning to go to TAC in September.
- TIP training.
 - Formerly two half-day sessions, being adjusted to video modules.
- MPO boundary adjustment.
 - As of July, Gilpin and Clear Creek added; process adjustments throughout.

Regional Share.

- Eligibility.
 - Adjustments include an alignment of staging period years to adjust to the proposed RTP, and to studies, which can now be located anywhere, and not just the entire MPO.
- Use of RTP goals.

Discussions to align to one or more goals; overall mixed results on potential changes.

 - Staff recommend no adjustments to align to goals, but goals remain a significant scoring element within application.
- DRCOG funding minimum and maximum
 - Currently set between \$100,000 and \$20 million. Subject of September TAC discussion.

Subregional Share.

- Eligibility.
 - Adjustments include an alignment of staging period years to adjust to the proposed RTP, and removal of the maximum number of applications staff will assist in scoring.
- Funding target adjustments.
 - Funds are proportionally targeted for planning purposes based on population, employment and vehicle miles travelled, as compared to the regional total.
 - Due to the MPO expansion, different options are being developed for a September TAC discussion.

Specific project types.

- Active transportation project after counts.
 - To update DRCOG and local government datasets, sponsors will be required to conduct user counts after their project is open to the public.
- Transit service and studies.
 - Per DRCOG and Federal Transit Administration discussions, sponsors will no longer be able to include a transit study and undefined transit service (a “pilot project”) in the same application.
 - Both remain eligible as separate items, just not the same application.

Funding.

- MMOF funding.
 - Due to state budget reductions, DRCOG has no MMOF funds to program in Fiscal Years 2028-2030, therefore will not be included in the calls.
- Overall funding.
 - Current estimate of \$405 million to program.
 - Based on growing FY26 funding by 2% per year, due to the absence of having a federal transportation bill covering the years of the TIP.

Upcoming schedule.

- September and October: general updates, application questions, overall detailed schedule, overall review of amendment.
- November TAC, December RTC/Board: Policy amendment recommendation and action.
- 2027:
 - January to August: Regional Share call.
 - August to March 2028: Subregional Share call
- 2028:
 - Prepare TIP, public hearing and adoption by August.

Thank you!

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