

AGENDA ITEM #6: HRTPO PROJECT PRIORITIZATION: RECOMMENDED ENHANCEMENTS

The HRTPO Project Prioritization Tool was developed to assist regional decision-makers in prioritizing transportation projects based off technical merits and regional benefits, evaluating projects based on Project Utility, Economic Vitality, and Project Viability. The Tool, which has been used in the past two Long-Range Transportation Plan updates and in the identification of the Regional Priority Projects, was designed to be updated periodically to reflect current conditions, regional priorities, and new data sources.

On April 5, 2017, the LRTP Subcommittee unanimously voted for HRTPO staff to initiate the process of updating the Project Prioritization Tool based on recommendations received. Since that time, HRTPO staff has been conducting research and soliciting additional feedback from regional stakeholders to refine potential measures to incorporate or enhance in the Tool, and adjust weighting factors based on these recommended improvements. Feedback received through multiple stakeholder meetings has been incorporated into the Tool and a small group of test projects has been scored.

On January 24, 2020, the Project Prioritization Task Force met to review and discuss remaining comments and the results of the scoring of test projects incorporating the proposed enhancements and updated weighting factors (attachment 6A includes summary slides from this meeting). After much discussion, the Project Prioritization Task Force recommends the LRTP Subcommittee approve the recommended enhancements to the HRTPO Project Prioritization Tool, including adjusted weighting factors.

Recommended modifications will be put out for public review and comment before seeking Board approval. As next steps, HRTPO staff will evaluate/score the 2045 LRTP Candidate Projects using the enhanced Project Prioritization Tool.

Ms. Dale Stith, Principal Transportation Planner, will brief the LRTP Subcommittee on this agenda item.

Attachment 6A: Prioritization Task Force Summary Slides

Attachment 6B: Updated Draft Prioritization Weighting Factors

RECOMMENDED ACTION

Recommend TTAC approval of the enhancements to the HRTPO Project Prioritization Tool, including adjusted weighting factors.

CURRENT

Highway Projects Weighting Factors		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
PROJECT UTILITY		
Congestion Level:		30.00
% Reduction in Existing and Future V/C Ratios (Daily Delay)		10.00
Existing Peak Period Congestion/Level of Service		10.00
Impact to Nearby Roadways		10.00
System Continuity and Connectivity		25.00
Degree of Regional Impact		
Safety and Security:		15.00
Crash Ratio		8.00
Improvement to Incident Management or Evacuation Routes		7.00
Cost Effectiveness (Cost/VMT)		15.00
Total Cost (\$)/VMT		
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility		10.00
Project Compatible with Existing Land Use Patterns and Future Plans/Development		
Modal Enhancements:		5.00
Enhances Other Categories		3.00
Improve Access to Freight Distribution Facilities, Ports, Major Industrial Clients, or Major Employment and Population Centers		2.00
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL		100.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY		
Total Reduction in Travel Time		30.00
Labor Market Access		20.00
Increase Travel Time Reliability		10.00
Increased Access for High Density Employment Areas		10.00
Addresses the Needs of Basic Sector Industries		30.00
Increases Access for Port Facilities		10.00
Increases Access to Tourist Destinations		10.00
Increases Access for Defense Installations		6.00
Facility part of STRAHNET		4.00
Facility part of "Roadways Serving the Military"		3.00
Increased Opportunity		20.00
Provides New or Increased Access		10.00
Supports Plans for Future Growth		10.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL		100.00
PROJECT VIABILITY		
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-50)		50.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adopted LRTP?)		10.00
Percentage of Project Design Complete (sliding scale 1-10)		10.00
Environmental Documents Complete		15.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained		5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated		5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained		5.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL		100.00

RECOMMENDED MODIFICATIONS

Highway Projects Weighting Factors		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
PROJECT UTILITY		
Congestion Level:		40.00
% Reduction in Existing and Future V/C Ratios (Daily Delay)		10.00
Existing Peak Period Congestion/Level of Service		10.00
Person Throughput		5.00
Person Hours of Delay		5.00
Impact to Nearby Roadways		10.00
System Continuity and Connectivity:		25.00
Degree of Regional Impact		15.00
Improves Access to Major Employment and Population Centers		3.00
Resiliency		5.00
Addresses a gap		2.00
Safety and Security:		15.00
Reduction of EPDO of Fatal and Serious Injury crashes		5.00
Reduction of EPDO Rate of Fatal and Serious Injury crashes		5.00
Improvement to Incident Management or Evacuation Routes		5.00
Cost Effectiveness (moved to Project Viability)		N/A
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility (moved to Project Viability)		N/A
Modal Enhancements:		5.00
Enhances Other Categories		3.00
Access to Multimodal Choices		2.00
Improves Vehicular Access (moved to System Continuity and Connectivity)		
Travel Time Reliability:		15.00
Level of Travel Time Reliability (LOTR)		10.00
Truck Travel Time Reliability (TTTR)		5.00
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL		100.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY		
Travel Time and Delay Impacts		30.00
Total Reduction in Regional Travel Time		15.00
Improved Delay (Cost of congestion)		15.00
Labor Market Access*		10.00
Increase Travel Time Reliability: (move to Project Utility)		
Increased Access for High Density Employment Areas		
Addresses the Needs of Basic Sector Industries*		30.00
Increases Access for Port Facilities		5.00
Improved Access to Truck Zones		5.00
Increases Access to Tourist Destinations		10.00
Increases Access for Defense Installations		6.00
Facility part of STRAHNET or "Roadways Serving the Military"		4.00/3.00
Increased Opportunity*		20.00
Provides New or Increased Access		5.00
Supports Plans for Future Growth		5.00
Access to Institutions of Higher Education (includes work force development sites)		5.00
Urban Development Areas/ Governor's Opportunity Zones		5.00
Economic Distress Factors*		10.00
Provides access to low income areas		5.00
Provides access to areas with high unemployment		5.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL		100.00
*In terms of Economic Vitality, these measures are dependent on improved congestion and/or travel time		
with cost effectiveness incorporated into Project Viability		
PROJECT VIABILITY		
Project Readiness		50.00
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-15)		15.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adapted LRTP)		10.00
Project Design		10.00
Project alignment status (5 pts)		
5)		
Environmental Documents Complete		5.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained		5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated		5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained		5.00
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility		20.00
Environmental:		10.00
Environmental MOEs/Basic Environmental Review		3.00
Acres of Natural and Cultural Resources		3.00
Project reduces traffic delay at a congested intersection, interchange, or other bottleneck with high percentage of truck traffic		2.00
Project bottleneck has high percentage of truck traffic		2.00
Cost Effectiveness (Estimated Cost/(Project Utility + Economic Vitality scores))		20.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL		100.00

CURRENT

Interchange Projects Weighting Factors		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
PROJECT UTILITY		
Congestion Level:		30.00
Existing Queue Conditions: Number of Approaches with Queues		10.00
Queue Improvements: Number of Approaches Improved		10.00
Number of Movements Added or Improved		10.00
System Continuity and Connectivity		25.00
Degree of Regional Impact		
Safety and Security:		15.00
Crash Ratio		8.00
Improvement to Incident Management or Evacuation Routes		7.00
Cost Effectiveness (Cost/VMT)		15.00
Total Cost (\$)/VMT		
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility		10.00
Project Compatible with Existing Land Use Patterns and Future Plans/Development		
Modal Enhancements:		5.00
Enhances Other Categories		3.00
Improve Access to Freight Distribution Facilities, Ports, Major Industrial Clients, or Major Employment and Population Centers		2.00
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL		100.00

ECONOMIC VITALITY		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
Total Reduction in Travel Time		30.00
Labor Market Access		20.00
Increase Travel Time Reliability		10.00
Increased Access for High Density Employment Areas		10.00
Addresses the Needs of Basic Sector Industries		30.00
Increases Access for Part Facilities		10.00
Increases Access to Tourist Destinations		10.00
Increases Access for Defense Installations		6.00
Facility part of STRAHNET		4.00
Facility part of "Roadways Serving the Military"		3.00
Increased Opportunity		20.00
Provides New or Increased Access		10.00
Supports Plans for Future Growth		10.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL		100.00

PROJECT VIABILITY		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-50)		50.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adopted LRTP?)		10.00
Percentage of Project Design Complete (sliding scale 1-10)		10.00
Environmental Documents Complete		15.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained		5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated		5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained		5.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL		100.00

RECOMMENDED MODIFICATIONS

Interchange Projects Weighting Factors		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
PROJECT UTILITY		
Congestion Level:		40.00
Existing Queue Conditions		10.00
Queue Improvements		10.00
Person Throughput		5.00
Person Hours of Delay		5.00
Number of Movements Added or Improved		10.00
System Continuity and Connectivity		25.00
Degree of Regional Impact		15.00
Improves Access to Major Employment and Population Centers		3.00
Resiliency		5.00
Addresses a gap		2.00
Safety and Security:		15.00
Reduction of EPDO of Fatal and Serious Injury crashes		5.00
Reduction of EPDO Rate of Fatal and Serious Injury crashes		5.00
Improvement to Incident Management or Evacuation Routes		5.00
Cost Effectiveness (moved to Project Viability)		N/A
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility (moved to Project Viability)		N/A
Modal Enhancements:		5.00
Enhances Other Categories		3.00
Access to Multimodal Choices		2.00
Improves Vehicular Access (moved to System Continuity and Connectivity)		
Travel Time Reliability:		15.00
Level of Travel Time Reliability (LOTTR)		10.00
Truck Travel Time Reliability (TTTR)		5.00
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL		100.00

ECONOMIC VITALITY		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
Travel Time and Delay Impacts		30.00
Total Reduction in Regional Travel Time		15.00
Improved Delay (Cost of congestion)		15.00
Labor Market Access*		10.00
Increase Travel Time Reliability (move to Project Utility)		
Increased Access for High Density Employment Areas		10.00
Addresses the Needs of Basic Sector Industries*		30.00
Increases Access for Part Facilities		5.00
Improved Access to Truck Zones		5.00
Increases Access to Tourist Destinations		10.00
Increases Access for Defense Installations		6.00
Facility part of STRAHNET or "Roadways Serving the Military"		4.00/3.00
Increased Opportunity*		20.00
Provides New or Increased Access		5.00
Supports Plans for Future Growth		5.00
Access to Institutions of Higher Education (includes work force development sites)		5.00
Urban Development Areas/ Governor's Opportunity Zones		5.00
Economic Distress Factors*		10.00
Provides access to low income areas		5.00
Provides access to areas with high unemployment		5.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL		100.00

*In terms of Economic Vitality, these measures are dependent on improved congestion and/or travel time

with cost effectiveness incorporated into Project Viability

PROJECT VIABILITY		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
Project Readiness		50.00
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-15)		15.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adapted LRTP)		10.00
Project Design		10.00
Project alignment status (5 pts)		
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Environmental Documents Complete		5.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained		5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated		5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained		5.00
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility		20.00
Environmental:		10.00
Environmental MOEs/Basic Environmental Review		3.00
Acres of Natural and Cultural Resources		3.00
Project reduces traffic delay at a congested intersection, interchange, or other bottleneck with high percentage of truck traffic		2.00
Project bottleneck has high percentage of truck traffic		2.00
Cost Effectiveness (Estimated Cost/(Project Utility + Economic Vitality scores))		20.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL		100.00

CURRENT

Bridge & Tunnel Projects Weighting Factors		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
PROJECT UTILITY		
Congestion Level:		30.00
% Reduction in Existing and Future V/C Ratios (Daily Delay)		10.00
Existing Peak Period Congestion/Level of Service		10.00
Impact to Nearby Roadways		10.00
Infrastructure Condition (Bridge Sufficiency, Tunnel Condition, Obsolescence)		20.00
Bridges:		
Bridge Sufficiency Rating		20.00
Tunnels:		
Age of Tunnel		6.50
Last Major Repair of Tunnel		6.75
Costs for Necessary Repairs/Upgrades		6.75
System Continuity and Connectivity		10.00
Degree of Regional Impact		
Safety and Security:		10.00
Crash Ratio		4.50
Improvement to Incident Management or Evacuation Routes		3.00
Failure Impact (Impact of Detour to Alternate Crossing)		2.50
Cost Effectiveness (Cost/VMT)		15.00
Total Cost (\$)/VMT		
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility		10.00
Project Compatible with Existing Land Use Patterns and Future Plans/Development		
Modal Enhancements:		5.00
Enhances Other Categories		2.00
Provides Continuous Maritime Crossing		1.50
Improve Access to Freight Distribution Facilities, Ports, Major Industrial Clients, or Major Employment and Population Centers		1.50
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL		100.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY		
Total Reduction in Travel Time		30.00
Labor Market Access		20.00
Increase Travel Time Reliability		10.00
Increased Access for High Density Employment Areas		10.00
Addresses the Needs of Basic Sector Industries		30.00
Increases Access for Port Facilities		10.00
Increases Access to Tourist Destinations		10.00
Increases Access for Defense Installations		6.00
Facility part of STRAHNET		4.00
Facility part of "Roadways Serving the Military"		3.00
Increased Opportunity		20.00
Provides New or Increased Access		10.00
Supports Plans for Future Growth		10.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL		100.00
PROJECT VIABILITY		
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-50)		50.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adopted LRTP?)		10.00
Percentage of Project Design Complete (sliding scale 1-10)		10.00
Environmental Documents Complete		15.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained		5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated		5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained		5.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL		100.00

RECOMMENDED MODIFICATIONS

Bridge & Tunnel Projects Weighting Factors		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
PROJECT UTILITY		
Congestion Level:		40.00
% Reduction in Existing and Future V/C Ratios (Daily Delay)		10.00
Existing Peak Period Congestion/Level of Service		10.00
Person Throughput		5.00
Person Hours of Delay		5.00
Impact to Nearby Roadways		10.00
Infrastructure Condition		15.00
Bridges:		
Importance Factor		5.50
Condition Factor		4.50
Design Redundancy Factor		3.00
Structure Capacity		2.00
Tunnels:		
Age of Tunnel		5.00
Last Major Repair of Tunnel		5.00
Costs for Necessary Repairs/Upgrades		5.00
System Continuity and Connectivity		15.00
Degree of Regional Impact		5.00
Improves Access to Major Employment and Population Centers		3.00
Resiliency		5.00
Addresses a gap		2.00
Safety and Security:		10.00
Reduction of EPDO of Fatal and Serious Injury crashes		2.50
Reduction of EPDO Rate of Fatal and Serious Injury crashes		2.50
Improvement to Incident Management or Evacuation Routes		3.00
Failure Impact (Impact of Detour to Alternate Crossing)		2.00
Cost Effectiveness (moved to Project Viability)		N/A
Land-Use/Future-Development-Compatibility (moved to Project Viability)		N/A
Modal Enhancements:		5.00
Enhances Other Categories		2.00
Provides Continuous Maritime Crossing		1.00
Access to Multimodal Choices		2.00
Improves Vehicular Access. (moved to System Continuity and Connectivity)		
Travel Time Reliability:		15.00
Level of Travel Time Reliability (LOTR)		10.00
Truck Travel Time Reliability (TTTR)		5.00
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL		100.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY		
Travel Time and Delay Impacts		30.00
Total Reduction in Regional Travel Time		15.00
Improved Delay (Cost of congestion)		15.00
Labor Market Access*		10.00
Increase Travel Time Reliability (move to Project Utility)		
Increased Access for High Density Employment Areas		
Addresses the Needs of Basic Sector Industries*		30.00
Increases Access for Port Facilities		5.00
Improved Access to Truck Zones		5.00
Increases Access to Tourist Destinations		10.00
Increases Access for Defense Installations		6.00
Facility part of STRAHNET or "Roadways Serving the Military"		4.00/3.00
Increased Opportunity*		20.00
Provides New or Increased Access		5.00
Supports Plans for Future Growth		5.00
Access to Institutions of Higher Education (includes work force development sites)		5.00
Urban Development Areas/ Governor's Opportunity Zones		5.00
Economic Distress Factors*		10.00
Provides access to low income areas		5.00
Provides access to areas with high unemployment		5.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL		100.00
*In terms of Economic Vitality, these measures are dependent on improved congestion and/or travel time		
with cost effectiveness incorporated into Project Viability		
PROJECT VIABILITY		
Project Readiness		50.00
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-15)		15.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adopted LRTP)		10.00
Project Design		10.00
Project alignment status (5 pts)		
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Environmental Documents Complete		5.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained		5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated		5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained		5.00
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility		20.00
Environmental:		
Environmental MOE/Basic Environmental Review		3.00
Acres of Natural and Cultural Resources		3.00
Project reduces traffic delay at a congested intersection, interchange, or other bottleneck with high percentage of truck traffic		2.00
Project bottleneck has high percentage of truck traffic		2.00
Cost Effectiveness (Estimated Cost)/(Project Utility + Economic Vitality scores)		20.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL		100.00

CURRENT

Intermodal Weighting Factors	Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria	
PROJECT UTILITY	
Better Accommodates Intermodal Movements <i>Degree of Conflict for Intermodal Movements</i>	30.00
Improves Rail/Vehicular Access <i>Improves Access to Freight Distribution Facilities, Ports, Major Industrial Clients, or Major Employment and Population Centers</i>	30.00
Cost Effectiveness (Cost/VTM) <i>Total Cost (\$)/VTM</i>	25.00
Enhances Other Categories	15.00
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL	100.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY	
Total Reduction in Travel Time <i>Total Reduction in Regional Travel Time</i>	20.00
Labor Market Access <i>Increase Travel Time Reliability</i> <i>Impact on Truck Movement</i> <i>Increased Access for High Density Employment Areas</i>	35.00 15.00 15.00 5.00
Addresses the Needs of Basic Sector Industries <i>Increases Access for Port Facilities</i> <i>Improves Flow of Rail</i> <i>Increases Access to Air</i>	15.00 5.00 5.00 5.00
Increased Opportunity <i>Provides New or Increased Access</i> <i>Supports Plans for Future Growth</i>	30.00 20.00 10.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL	100.00
PROJECT VIABILITY	
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-50)	50.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adopted LRTP?)	10.00
Percentage of Project Design Complete (sliding scale 1-10)	10.00
Environmental Documents Complete	15.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained	5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated	5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained	5.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL	100.00

RECOMMENDED MODIFICATIONS

Intermodal Weighting Factors	Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria	
PROJECT UTILITY	
Better Accommodates Intermodal Movements <i>Degree of Conflict for Intermodal Movements</i>	30.00
Improves Rail or Vehicular Access <i>Improves Access to Airports, Seaports, Major Employment and Population Centers, or Rail Stations/Terminals</i>	30.00
System Continuity and Connectivity: <i>Degree of Regional Impact</i> <i>Resiliency</i> <i>Address a Gap</i>	15.00 10.00 3.00 2.00
Cost Effectiveness (moved to Project Viability)	N/A
Modal Enhancements <i>Enhances Other Categories</i> <i>Access to Multimodal Choices</i>	10.00 6.00 4.00
Travel Time Reliability: <i>Level of Travel Time Reliability (LOTR)</i> <i>Truck Travel Time Reliability (TTTR)</i>	15.00 5.00 10.00
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL	100.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY	
Travel Time and Delay Impacts <i>Total Reduction in Regional Travel Time</i> <i>Improved Delay (Cost of congestion)</i>	30.00 15.00 15.00
Labor Market Access* Increase Travel Time Reliability (move to Project Utility) <i>Impact on Truck Movement</i> <i>Increased Access for High Density Employment Areas</i>	20.00 15.00 5.00
Improves Interaction Between Modes of Travel (Basic Sector) (20 Points)* <i>Increases Access for Port Facilities</i> <i>Improves Flow of Rail</i> <i>Increases Access to Air/Sea Ports</i> <i>Improves Access to Truck Zones</i>	20.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00
Increased Opportunity* <i>Provides New or Increased Access</i> <i>Supports Plans for Future Growth</i> <i>Urban Development Areas/ Governor's Opportunity Zones</i>	30.00 15.00 10.00 5.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL	100.00
*In terms of Economic Vitality, these measures are dependent on improved congestion and/or travel time	
with cost effectiveness incorporated into Project Viability	
PROJECT VIABILITY	
Project Readiness <i>Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-15)</i>	50.00 15.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adopted LRTP)	10.00
Project Design <i>Project alignment status (5 pts)</i> <i>Percentage of Project Design Complete (sliding scale 1-5)</i>	10.00 10.00
Environmental Documents Complete	5.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained	5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated	5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained	5.00
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility	20.00
Environmental: <i>Environmental MOEs/Basic Environmental Review</i> <i>Acres of Natural and Cultural Resources</i> <i>Project reduces traffic delay at a congested intersection, interchange, or other bottleneck with high percentage of truck traffic</i>	10.00 3.00 4.00 3.00
Cost Effectiveness (Estimated Cost/(Project Utility + Economic Vitality scores))	20.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL	100.00

CURRENT

Transit Projects Weighting Factors		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
PROJECT UTILITY		
Existing Usage and/or Prospective Ridership, Coverage Area/ Population Served		20.00
System Continuity and Connectivity:		20.00
Regional Significance		9.00
Improves access to employment and population centers		11.00
User Benefit (Annual Travel Time Savings per Rider)		15.00
Annual Travel Time Savings per Rider		10.00
Is the project new?		5.00
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility		15.00
Project Compatible with Existing Land Use Patterns and Future Plans/Development		
Cost Effectiveness		15.00
Annualized Capital Costs + Annualized Operating Costs/Annual Riders		
Air Quality/Emissions Reduction (Tons of emissions (HC and NOx) reduced per year)		10.00
Enhances Other Categories		5.00
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL		100.00

ECONOMIC VITALITY		
Labor Market Access		45.00
Increases Access for Major Employment Centers		20.00
Increases Travel Time Reliability		10.00
Increases Frequency of Service		10.00
Provides Access to Institutions of Higher Education		5.00
Addresses the Needs of Basic Sector Industries		20.00
Provides or Improves Access for Defense Installations		10.00
Provides/Improves Access for Tourist Destinations		10.00
Increased Opportunity - Provides New Access to the Network		20.00
Provides New Access to the Network		5.00
Supported by Plans for Increased Density and Economic Activity		15.00
Economic Distress Factors		15.00
Provides Access to Areas with High Unemployment		5.00
Provides Access to Low Income Areas		10.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL		100.00

PROJECT VIABILITY		
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-50)		50.00
Prior Commitment (project included in currently adopted LRTP or documented by Transit Agency?)		10.00
Percentage of Project Design Complete (sliding scale 1-10)		10.00
Environmental Documents Complete		15.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained		5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated		5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained		5.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL		100.00

RECOMMENDED MODIFICATIONS

Transit Projects Weighting Factors		Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria		
PROJECT UTILITY		
Congestion (Percent of trips removed from roadways)		10.00
Percent of trips removed from highways		
Existing Usage and/or Prospective Ridership, Coverage Area/ Population Served		20.00
System Continuity and Connectivity:		25.00
Regional Significance		9.00
Improves access to major employment and population centers		9.00
Resiliency		5.00
Addresses a gap		2.00
User Benefit		35.00
Annual Travel Time Savings per Rider		10.00
Is the project new?		5.00
Operating Efficiency		5.00
Travel Time Reliability		5.00
Accessibility (including ADA) and/or Customer Experience		5.00
Safety and Security		5.00
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility (moved to Project Viability)		N/A
Project Compatible with Existing Land Use Patterns and Future Plans/Development		
Cost Effectiveness (moved to Project Viability)		N/A
Annualized Capital Costs + Annualized Operating Costs/Annual Riders		
Air Quality/Emissions Reduction (moved to Project Viability)		N/A
Modal Enhancements		10.00
Enhances Other Categories		6.00
Access to Multimodal Choices		4.00
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL		100.00

ECONOMIC VITALITY		
Labor Market Access*		30.00
Increases Access for Major Employment Centers		20.00
Increases Travel Time Reliability (move to Project Utility)		
Increases Frequency of Service		10.00
Provides Access to Institutions of Higher Education (moved to Increased Opportunity below)		
Addresses the Needs of Basic Sector Industries*		20.00
Provides or Improves Access for Defense Installations		10.00
Provides/Improves Access for Tourist Destinations		10.00
Increased Opportunity - Provides New Access to the Network*		30.00
Provides New Access to the Network		5.00
Supported by Plans for Increased Density and Economic Activity		15.00
Access to Institutions of Higher Education (includes work force development sites)		5.00
Urban Development Areas/ Governor's Opportunity Zones		5.00
Economic Distress Factors*		20.00
Provides Access to Areas with High Unemployment		10.00
Provides Access to Low Income Areas		10.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL		100.00

*In terms of Economic Vitality, these measures are dependent on improved congestion and/or travel time

PROJECT VIABILITY		
Project Readiness		50.00
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-15)		15.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adopted LRTP)		10.00
Project Design		10.00
Project alignment status (5 pts)		
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Environmental Documents Complete		5.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained		5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated		5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained		5.00
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility		20.00
Environmental:		10.00
Environmental MOEs/Basic Environmental Review		3.00
Acres of Natural and Cultural Resources		4.00
Air Quality/Emissions Reduction (Tons of emissions (HC and NOx) reduced per year)		3.00
Cost Effectiveness (Estimated Cost/(Project Utility + Economic Vitality scores))		20.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL		100.00

CURRENT

Active Transportation	Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria	
PROJECT UTILITY	
System Continuity and Connectivity	30.00
Access to Transit, Local, or Regional Destinations	11.00
Connections to Existing Bicycle/Pedestrian Facilities	8.00
Elimination of Barriers to Major Destinations	7.00
Regional Significance	4.00
Safety	30.00
Crash History	15.00
Safety Improvement	15.00
Cost Effectiveness	20.00
Cost/Population Served in 1.5 Mile Radius	
Enhances Other Categories	10.00
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility	10.00
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL	100.00

PROJECT VIABILITY	
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-50)	50.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adopted LRTP?)	10.00
Percentage of Project Design Complete (sliding scale 1-10)	10.00
Environmental Documents Complete	15.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained	5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated	5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained	5.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL	100.00

RECOMMENDED MODIFICATIONS

Active Transportation	Weighting
Criteria and Sub-criteria	
PROJECT UTILITY	
Existing Usage and/or User Demand	20.00
System Continuity and Connectivity	30.00
Access to Transit or Local /Regional Destinations Activity Centers	10.00
Connections to Existing Bicycle/Pedestrian Facilities	5.00
Elimination of Barriers to Major Destinations/Addresses a Gap	5.00
Regional Significance	5.00
Resiliency	5.00
Safety	30.00
Crash History	15.00
Safety Improvement	
Level of Separation/ Network Quality	10.00
Associated with Safe Routes to School	5.00
Cost Effectiveness (moved to Project Viability)	N/A
Modal Enhancements	20.00
Enhances Other Categories	10.00
Access to Multimodal Choices (SMART SCALE)	4.00
First Mile/ Last Mile	6.00
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility (moved to Project Viability)	N/A
PROJECT UTILITY TOTAL	100.00

ECONOMIC VITALITY	
Labor Market Access*	20.00
Increases Access for Major Employment Centers	
Addresses the Needs of Basic Sector Industries*	20.00
Provides or Improves Access for Defense Installations	10.00
Provides/Improves Access for Tourist Destinations	10.00
Increased Opportunity - Provides New Access to the Network*	40.00
Provides New Access to the Network	10.00
Supports Plans for Future Growth	10.00
Access to Institutions of Higher Education (includes work force development sites)	10.00
Urban Development Areas/ Governor's Opportunity Zones	10.00
Economic Distress Factors*	20.00
Provides Access to Areas with High Unemployment	10.00
Provides Access to Low Income Areas	10.00
ECONOMIC VITALITY TOTAL	100.00

*In terms of Economic Vitality, these measures are dependent on improved congestion and/or travel time

with cost effectiveness incorporated into Project Viability

PROJECT VIABILITY	
Project Readiness	50.00
Percent of Additional Funding (sliding scale 0-15)	15.00
Prior Commitment (project included in the currently adopted LRTP)	10.00
Project Design	10.00
Project alignment status (5 pts)	
Percentage of Project Design Complete (sliding scale 1-5)	
Environmental Documents Complete	5.00
Environmental Decisions Obtained	5.00
ROW Obtained/Utilities Coordinated	5.00
Additional Environmental Permits Obtained	5.00
Land Use/Future Development Compatibility	20.00
Environmental:	10.00
Acres of Natural and Cultural Resources (measures access to as a positive impact)	6.00
Air Quality/Emissions Reduction (Tons of emissions (HC and NOx) reduced per year)	4.00
Cost Effectiveness (Estimated Cost/(Project Utility + Economic Vitality scores))	20.00
PROJECT VIABILITY TOTAL	100.00