

**AGENDA ITEM #15: SMART SCALE: HRTPO PROJECT PROPOSALS & REQUESTS
FOR HRTPO RESOLUTIONS OF SUPPORT**
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House Bill 2 (HB2), signed into law in 2014, directed the Commonwealth Transportation Board (CTB) to develop and use a prioritization process to select transportation projects. The legislation was intended to improve the transparency and accountability of project selection, as well as improve stability in the Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP). The process, now named **SMART SCALE**, scores projects based on an objective analysis and provides guidance to the CTB for project selection and funding.

The HRTPO is an eligible applicant under SMART SCALE and HRTPO staff will recommend to the HRTPO Board that the following regional priority projects be submitted for SMART SCALE evaluation this year:

- I-64 Southside Widening and High Rise Bridge – Phase 1
- I-64/I-264 Interchange – Phases 1 and 2

In accordance with SMART SCALE guidance documents, under certain circumstances Hampton Roads localities and transit agencies must obtain resolutions of support from the HRTPO for projects they wish to submit for SMART SCALE evaluation. HRTPO resolutions of support will be provided in accordance with the **HRTPO Guidance on SMART SCALE**, which may be accessed on the HRTPO website at:

[www.hrtpo.org/uploads/docs/HRTPO Guidance on SMART SCALE.pdf](http://www.hrtpo.org/uploads/docs/HRTPO%20Guidance%20on%20SMART%20SCALE.pdf).

Mr. Mike Kimbrel, HRTPO Principal Transportation Engineer, will brief the TTAC on this item.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

All applicants are reminded to submit their projects via the SMART SCALE online application by the September 30, 2016 deadline.