

September 10, 2021

Memorandum #2021-132

TO: Transportation Programming Subcommittee (TPS)

BY: John Mihaly, Principal Transportation Planner

RE: Transportation Programming Subcommittee Meeting – September 17, 2021

Attached are the agenda and related materials for the next HRTPO Transportation Programming Subcommittee (TPS) meeting, which is scheduled for **Friday, September 17, 2021, in-person, in the Regional Building, Boardroom A and B at 9:30 a.m.**

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TPS Members

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Barbara Creel (WATA)
Timothy Cross (YK)
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Anne Ducey-Ortiz (GL)
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Agenda
Hampton Roads
Transportation Programming Subcommittee
September 17, 2021

Call to Order 9:30 a.m.

The Regional Building, 723 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake, Virginia

1. Call to Order
 2. Approval of Agenda
 3. Minutes
 4. Identifying Project Information Needs for the Hampton Roads TPO, Agencies, and Localities
 5. 2021 CMAQ and RSTP Project Selection Process: FY 2028 Funding Allocations
 6. FY 2021-2022 Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside Project Selection Process: Project Proposals
 7. Old/New Business
- Adjournment

ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER

The meeting will be called to order by the Chair at approximately 9:30 a.m.

ITEM #2: APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Members are provided an opportunity to add or delete items from the agenda. Any item for which a member desires action from the TPS should be submitted at this time, as opposed to under “Old/New Business”.

ITEM #3: MINUTES

The minutes of the July 16, 2021 TPS meeting are attached.

Attachment 3

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Approve the minutes.

ITEM #4: IDENTIFYING PROJECT INFORMATION NEEDS FOR THE HAMPTON ROADS TPO, AGENCIES, AND LOCALITIES - HRTPO

Per federal mandate, the HRTPO is tasked with maintaining a complete and accurate Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The HRTPO relies on the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) as one of the main sources of project information contained in the Statewide Transportation Program (STIP) and the Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP). Until recently, HRTPO staff has had access to live STIP and SYIP information to assist in providing up-to-date project information when verifying TIP amendment and administrative modification (ad-mod) requests from VDOT, agencies, and localities.

HRTPO and VDOT District staff met recently to discuss the project information needs of the MPO. It was decided that a survey of project information needs of localities and agencies should be discussed as well.

Ms. Kathlene Grauberger, HRTPO Transportation Planner, will brief the TPS on this item.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

For discussion and informational purposes.

**ITEM #5: 2021 CMAQ AND RSTP PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS: FY 2028
FUNDING ALLOCATIONS – HRTPO**

The HRTPO selection process for projects proposed to be funded under the Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) is conducted annually.

In accordance with guidance provided by the Commonwealth Transportation Board, the TPS will determine a recommended set of CMAQ and RSTP projects and allocations for consideration by the TTAC and HRTPO Board in October 2021.

“Penciled-in” requests are funding requests included in the original CMAQ or RSTP project application for years beyond the first year for which funds were requested. The “penciled-in” amounts for previously approved RSTP projects exceed the anticipated available funding in FY 2028 by more than \$12.7 million. The “penciled-in” amounts for previously approved CMAQ projects result in available funding in FY 2028 of just \$2.9 million.

Since total “penciled-in” requests for FY 2028 in both funding programs are near or above the projected available funding targets, the TPS previously recommended that new applications for CMAQ and/or RSTP projects not be accepted this year and that FY 2028 CMAQ and RSTP funding be allocated solely to previously-approved projects with “penciled-in” requests. Further, the TPS has recommended that existing CMAQ projects with recent funding reductions due to adjustments in the FAST Act could also be considered for FY 2028 CMAQ funding allocations.

The attached tables list the projects for available FY 2028 CMAQ and RSTP funding considerations.

Mr. John Mihaly, HRTPO Principal Transportation Planner, will brief the TPS on this item.

Attachment 5

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Provide a recommended set of CMAQ and RSTP projects and allocations for consideration by the TTAC in October 2021.

**ITEM #6: FY 2021-2022 TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES (TA) SET-ASIDE
PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS: PROJECT PROPOSALS – HRTPO**

The Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside project selection process this year will result in allocating TA Set-Aside funds for FY 2023 and FY 2024. The deadline for TA Set-Aside applications is October 1, 2021. Since the Commonwealth Transportation Board adopted a two-year cycle for the TA Set-Aside project selection process, the next opportunity to submit TA Set-Aside applications will be October 1, 2023.

The VDOT Local Assistance Division (LAD) coordinates the TA Set-Aside in Virginia. The deadline for pre-applications was July 1, 2021, and each proposed project must receive endorsement from the appropriate metropolitan planning organization. HRTPO staff requested that each TA Set-Aside applicant in the Hampton Roads Metropolitan Area submit a letter to the HRTPO requesting endorsement of the applicant's project proposal(s) by August 15, 2021. The TA Set-Aside project proposals received are attached and listed below:

- Chesapeake
 - Chesapeake Bike Trail - Phase 2
 - Project cost: \$1,235,310
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$988,248
 - Chesapeake Bike Trail - Phase 3
 - Project cost: \$2,476,725
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$1,981,380
- James City County
 - Jamestown High School Improvements
 - Project cost: \$663,675
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$530,940
- Newport News
 - Bates Drive and Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI) Multi-Use Path (MUP)
 - Project cost: \$956,000
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$764,800
 - Washington Avenue and 25th Street Pedestrian Improvements
 - Project cost: \$1,250,000
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$1,000,000
 - Birthplace of America Trail (BoAT) – Newport News Park and Yorktown Road Multi-Use Path (MUP)
 - Project cost: \$1,250,000
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$1,000,000

- Birthplace of America Trail (BoAT) – Yorktown Road, Elmhurst Street, and Warwick Boulevard MUP
 - Project cost: \$1,250,000
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$1,000,000
- Healthy and Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Non-Infrastructure Liaison
 - Project cost: \$273,750
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$219,000
- Norfolk
 - Bike Lanes East Little Creek Road
 - Project cost: \$2,152,000
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$1,721,600
 - Roland Park Overpass Sidewalk
 - Project cost: \$4,368,742
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$3,495,264
- Portsmouth
 - Portsmouth Pedestrian Enhancements
 - Project cost: \$1,030,000
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$824,000
 - Lincoln Street Bikeway
 - Project cost: \$1,540,000
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$1,232,000
- Suffolk
 - Suffolk Seaboard Coastline Trail – Phase 3B
 - Project cost: \$2,055,055
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$1,644,084
- Virginia Beach
 - Cape Henry Lighthouse Masonry Restoration
 - Project cost: \$1,918,119
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$1,534,495
 - Independence Boulevard/Baxter Road Intersection Pedestrian Improvements
 - Project cost: \$403,850
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$278,657
 - Seaboard Road Sidewalk
 - Project cost: \$598,604
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$413,037
 - Woodstock Road Sidewalk
 - Project cost: \$1,356,308
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$935,852

- Williamsburg
 - College Woods Circuit – Phase 2
 - Project cost: \$2,277,400
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$1,821,920

- Williamsburg/James City County Schools
 - Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program Administrator Position
 - Project cost: \$168,125
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$134,500

- York
 - Grafton Drive Sidewalk
 - Project cost: \$528,442
 - TA Set-Aside Request: \$422,754

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Attachment 6

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Recommend that TTAC make a recommendation to the HRTPO Board to endorse the proposed projects for the purpose of applying for TA Set-Aside funding.

ITEM #7: OLD/NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT