

*FY 2019-2020
Transportation Alternatives (TA) Set-Aside*

UPDATE



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Background

- *MAP-21 established the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), which replaced funding from pre-MAP-21 programs including:*
 - *Transportation Enhancements*
 - *Recreational Trails*
 - *Safe Routes to School*
- *The FAST Act eliminated TAP and replaced it with a set-aside of Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program funding for Transportation Alternatives (TA).*



TA Set-Aside Eligible Project Categories

- *On-road and off-road bicycle/pedestrian facilities*
- *Infrastructure projects that provide safe routes for non-drivers*
- *Conversion of abandoned railway corridors into trails*
- *Construction of turnouts, overlooks, and viewing areas*
- *Inventory, control, or removal of outdoor advertising*
- *Rehabilitation of historic transportation facilities*
- *Vegetation management practices in transportation rights-of-way*
- *Archaeological activities related to impacts from implementation of transportation projects*
- *Environmental mitigation of water pollution related to highway construction*
- *Environmental mitigation focused on wildlife protection or habitat connectivity*



TA Set-Aside Project Selection Process

- *VDOT Local Assistance Division coordinate the application process and scoring of proposed projects*
- *HRTPO staff coordinates with the Hampton Roads District CTB member on his selections/allocations*
- *The Transportation Programming Subcommittee (TPS) reviews the proposed projects and scores and recommends a set of projects and allocations for consideration by the TTAC*
- *The TTAC reviews the recommendations of the TPS and recommends a set of projects and allocations for approval by the HRTPO Board*
- *The HRTPO Board approves a set of TA Set-Aside projects and allocations*



TA Set-Aside Project Scoring

Project score is based on:

- *Project funding*
- *Project concept*
- *Extent to which project improves transportation network*
- *Ability of sponsor to administer a federal project*
- *Project readiness*

Additional assessment for Existing Projects – Priority Ranking

- *Projects evaluated for several indicators*
- *Projects ranked from 1 to 6*
 - *1 – Project ready for construction*
 - *6 – Project in initial stages of project development*



FY 2019-2020 TA Set-Aside Funding Distribution

<i>MPOs & Transportation Management Areas</i>	<i>\$12.2M</i>
<i>CTB District Members</i>	<i>\$18.0 M (\$2.0 M each)</i>
<i>CTB At-large Members & Secretary</i>	<i>\$10.0 M</i>
<i>Total (Statewide)</i>	<i>\$40.2 M</i>



FY 2019-2020 TA Set-Aside Proposed Projects

For HRTPO Area:

- *25 applications submitted; (2 projects were previously approved)*
 - *Brief project descriptions, including scores, attached to TTAC agenda*
- *Total TA Set-Aside funding request: \$10,577,898*
- *Total TA Set-Aside funding available: \$3,614,909*
 - *In addition, the Hampton Roads District CTB member , Mr. John Malbon, may allocate funds to projects within the HRTPO area*



Next Steps

- *3/16/18 – TPS to recommend a set of TA Set-Aside projects and allocations for consideration by the TTAC*
- *4/4/18 – TTAC to recommend a set of TA Set-Aside projects and allocations for approval by the HRTPO Board*
- *5/17/18 – HRTPO Board to approve a set of TA Set-Aside projects and allocations for inclusion in the draft FY 2019-2024 Six-Year Improvement Program (SYIP)*



Recommended Action

- *TTAC members serving on the Transportation Programming Subcommittee are encouraged to review the attachment and attend the TPS meeting on March 16, 2018.*

