

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

**UPDATE**



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# *Background*

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- *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*

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- *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*

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- *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*

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*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*

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| <i>MPOs &amp; 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 &amp; Secretary</i>       | <i>\$10.0 M</i>                |
| <i>Total (Statewide)</i>                          | <i>\$40.2 M</i>                |



# *FY 2019-2020 TA Set-Aside Proposed Projects*

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## *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*

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- *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*

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- *Provide a recommended set of TA Set-Aside projects and allocations for consideration by the TTAC in April 2018 and the HRTPO Board in May 2018.*

