CALL FOR PROJECTS

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STBG-UZA
WORKSHOP

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OUTLINE OF WORKSHOP

FHWA
• Funding and Requirements

ACOG PROCESS AND FUNCTIONS
• State Funding Distribution
• STBG-UZA Funds Process
• Call for Projects and Selection Process
• Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
• TIP Updates
• TIP Modification and Amendments

CALL FOR PROJECTS AND SELECTION PROCESS – DETAILED
• Requirements for Requesting Funds
• Eligible vs. Non-eligible Projects

• Application
• Application Submission
• Criteria Components
• Worksheets and Scoring
• Project Review and Selection
• Schedule

TIP MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS – DETAILED

STBG/TIP NEWS

ODOT: CHAD MEISENBURG
• Project Implementation
FHWA

STBG Funds Under MAP-21 and FAST Act

• MAP-21 and FAST Act state allocations
  - Sub allocated based on relative share of state’s population
  - FAST Act increased sub allocation percentages based on population from 51% of total STBG funds in 2016 to 55% in 2020
  - FAST Act changed the name of the program from STP to STBG and added new eligibilities

• Three Categories of state sub allocated funds
  - Urbanized Area with population over 200,000 (UZA)
  - Population of 5,000 or less
  - Urban areas with population between 5,000 to 200,000
FHWA

Distributing Sub Allocated STBG-UZA Program Funds

• Identify a criteria and process for prioritizing implementation of transportation plan elements

• Procedures or agreements that distribute sub allocated STBG-UZA funds to individual jurisdictions or modes within the MPA by predetermined percentages or formulas are inconsistent with the legislative provisions that require the MPO, in coordination with the State and the public transportation operator, to develop a prioritized and financially constrained TIP and shall not be used unless they can be clearly shown to be based on considerations required to be addressed as part of the metropolitan transportation planning process. 23 CFP 450.326 (m and n)

• Consistent with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)

• Performance based project programming

• Fiscal constraint
WHAT DOES OCARTS STAND FOR?

HINT: CHECKOUT YOUR ACRONYMS!
ACOG TIP PROCESS AND FUNCTIONS
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• Creating a 4-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
• Allocating Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Funds (STBG-UZA)
  - Formerly known as STP-UZA
  - Using a Project Selection Process
• Making amendments and modifications to the TIP
FHWA allocates STBG-UZA funds to ACOG using FHWA urbanized area formula. ACOG issues annual call for projects to prioritize allocated STBG-UZA Funds.
## SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

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*These figures are rounded, will be updated in January 2018*
CALL FOR PROJECTS AND SELECTION PROCESS

- ACOG: Issues Annual Call For Projects
- ITTC/ITPC: Projects Submitted For Scoring
- ACOG: Reviews Projects
- ITTC: Special ITTC Meeting to Review Scores and Prioritize Projects
- ITPC: Approval
- ACOG: Submitted for Inclusion In TIP/TIP Update
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

- Short-range document that lists specific transportation projects and services proposed throughout the OCARTS area for the next 4 years.
- As required by federal regulations, projects included in the TIP must be consistent with the region’s metropolitan transportation plan (MTP).
- Each year must be financially constrained.
- Incorporate performance management into the planning and project selection processes.
- Includes: Federally funded local government, transit, ODOT and airport projects.
- Produced triennially.
TIP UPDATES

- Updates to the TIP occur during the two years between a new TIP
- Include the newly selected project list from the annual call for projects
TIP MODIFICATIONS AND AMENDMENTS

ITTC/ITPC
Amendment Requests

ACOG
Review Of Fiscal Constraint and Project Eligibility

ITTC/ITPC
Approval

ODOT
Approval

ODOT
Updates The STIP

FHWA
Approval
HOW MUCH STBG & TAP FUNDS HAS ACOG DISTRIBUTED THE LAST FIVE YEARS?

a. $20
b. $5 MILLION
c. $1 BILLION
d. $111,032,833
CALL FOR PROJECTS AND SELECTION PROCESS

ACOG

Issues Annual Call For Projects

Entities Submit Projects For Scoring

Reviews Projects

Special ITTC Meeting to Score and Prioritize Projects

Approval

Submitted for Inclusion In TIP/TIP Update

ACOG

Projects Must Be Included In Or Consistent With MTP
CALL FOR PROJECTS AND SELECTION PROCESS

RESOURCES:

• Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Procedures for the Oklahoma City Urbanized Area Funds

• Criteria and Process for Evaluation of Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Urbanized Area Projects
REQUIREMENTS FOR REQUESTING FUNDS

• Member local governments within the OCARTS Area boundary

• Project is included in or consistent with the MTP (Encompass 2040)

• TIP Application form, worksheets and documentation

• Projects submitted for first year of TIP must be programmed through ACOG and ODOT

• Must meet minimum standards of the most recent FHWA Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)
ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

- Widening, including Railroad/Highway Grade Separations
- New Construction
- Intersection/Safety Improvements
- Resurfacing, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, Restoration
- Bridge Improvements
- Transit, Park and Ride, High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lanes
- Independent Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities/Projects
- Carpool/Vanpool Administration, Other
- Safety Projects (100% Federal)

For a detailed list of eligible projects please see page 2 and of the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program Procedures for the Oklahoma City Urbanized Area Funds.
NON-ELIGIBLE PROJECTS

- Local Roads (non functionally classified) - Except Bridges
- State Highway
- Engineering, Environmental, ROW and Utilities
  (based on an OCARTS area decision)
SAFETY PROJECTS

• 10% of STBG funds are set aside for safety projects funded at 100%
  - no local match
• Proposed project location must have had a preventable accident in the last three years
• All school zone safety improvements are eligible
  - does not require a preventable accident
SAFETY PROJECTS

ELIGIBLE PROJECT TYPES

• Traffic Control Signalization
• Traffic Circles (Roundabouts)
• Safety Rest Areas
• Pavement Marking
• Commuter Carpooling and Vanpooling
• Rail-Highway Crossing Closure
• Installation of Traffic Signals
• Traffic Lights

• Guardrails
• Impact Attenuators
• Concrete Barrier End Treatments
• Breakaway Utility Poles
• Priority Control Systems for Emergency Vehicles or Transit Vehicles at Signalized Intersections
APPLICATION

ITEMS NEEDED FOR APPLICATION SUBMITTAL:

• Application form and worksheet(s)
• Location map
• Engineer certified preliminary cost estimate (last 6 months)
• Project readiness (verified by ODOT)
• Bridge Inspection Report (if applicable)
• ADT documentation
• Crash reports (ODOT’s SAFE-T website or local police reports)
• Surface condition photographs (if applicable and ranked poor or fair)
• Bike/ped or intermodal documentation (if applicable)
APPLICATION

PROJECTS WITH MULTIPLE ASPECTS/LOCATIONS:
• Submit worksheet and/or documentation for each aspect of the project
• Project cost estimate itemized by appropriate categories
  - Project scores by category factored on a percent basis
    • 40% widening, 60% intersection improvement
    • Pg. 5 & 6 of Criteria and Process Guidebook
APPLICATION

UTILIZATION OF FUNDS:

• 80% federal/20% local match (safety projects 100% federal)
• Maximum 20 project application submissions per entity
• $7,500,000 max per project
• Max 56% of total STBG-UZA funds per entity
APPLICATION SUBMISSION

• Online submission
• We will be sending a link with the call for projects mailout
• Cannot save and return to the form, must be submitted all at once
THE ITTC & ITPC ARE COMPRISED OF …

a. CITY PLANNERS & ENGINEERS

b. LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS & COUNTY COMMISIONERS

c. TRANSIT, AVIATION, STATE HIGHWAY OFFICIALS

d. PISTOL PETE

e. a, b & c
CRITERIA COMPONENTS

• Evaluation Criteria
• Project Categories
• Criteria Weighting
• Project Rating
### Maximum Possible Score by STP-UZA Project Type (80/20)

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* Maximum score varies by type of project

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WORKSHEETS

- Widening (Including Rail/Highway Grade Separations)
- New Construction
- Intersection Modification/Safety Improvements
- Resurfacing, Reconstruction, Rehabilitation, Restoration
- Bridges
- Independent Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities/Projects
- Transit, Park-and-Ride Facilities, High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes
- Carpool/Vanpool Administration
APPLICATION REVIEW AND PROJECT SELECTION

• ACOG staff reviews application submission for completeness and accuracy, makes changes as needed or requests for more information

• Special ITTC Meeting in February to review scores and prioritize projects to be included in the current TIP years
  - Stays within the fiscally constrained funding estimate for each year, including an inflation factor
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- Occurs as needed throughout the current TIP year
- Modification: Cost overage <20% initial cost estimate
- Amendment: Cost overage ≥20% initial cost estimate

AMENDMENTS REQUIRE:

- Initiation from the sponsoring entity
- Fiscal constraint
  - amendment to add a project may also require deletion of a project to maintain the financial constraint of the TIP
- If funds are not available for current TIP year then entity may request to be added to a subsequent year given the funds become available
- Prioritized based on their scores using the *Criteria and Process for Evaluation of STBG-UZA Projects Guide*
STBG/TIP NEWS

STBG CRITERIA CHANGES
• Review and creation of new criteria using a consultant
• Timeframe:
  - September – April/May

ELECTRONIC TIP (ETIP)
• Electronic/paperless process for project submission and tracking
• Timeframe:
  - September – February
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a. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
b. 9-1-1
c. WATER RESOURCES DIVISION
d. LEGISLATIVE ISSUES & ADVOCACY
e. CLEAN CITIES
f. ALL OF THE ABOVE