



Transportation Policy Board Meeting

April 9, 2018

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ITEM 1: CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM



ITEM 2: PUBLIC COMMENTS





Item 2 Public Comments



Long-Term Planning Considerations



Roger Baker



Item 2 Public Comments



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April 9, 2018 CAMPO Meeting; Public comment by Roger Baker

The complete content here may be found at this blue link:

<https://tinyurl.com/ybffvyz8>

Old wine in a new bottle? CAMPO is now developing its new long range plan, which “will reflect current transportation planning trends”. This Aug 2017 CAMPO request for proposals has now been signed into a contract.

Task 1.1 - Develop Draft Vision, Goals and Objectives for the Plan

This task will develop the vision, goals and objectives for the Regional Arterial Plan that build on or refine the adopted CAMPO and its member governments vision and goals. These will be developed in coordination with local jurisdictions, transit agencies, TxDOT and stakeholders to ultimately serve the purpose of creating a comprehensive, integrated Regional Arterial Plan. The vision, goals and objectives will reflect current transportation planning trends. It will enable the Plan to address future travel demand of all modes of transportation using the arterials; effective land use and transportation integration; coordinated TDM/TSM strategies, traffic management; and efficient and safe local goods movement and delivery; improved travel safety, economic development, and regional connectivity. The draft vision, goals, and objectives will be refined and finalized in Task 3.





Item 2 Public Comments



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If the new 2040 CAMPO plan “reflects current transportation planning trends”, and with rapid growth of the six county CAMPO area continuing, won’t congestion keep getting even worse than the severe congestion that the previous 2040 CAMPO Plan has predicted?

Current trends mean dealing with the prevailing low density suburban sprawl by building and widening more roads. These current trends mean far more projects listed as eligible for funding than there are funds. The public needs to be able to get a good sense of how bad things are likely to get under the new CAMPO planning and funding trends. Following is a link to more than a billion in red ink or unmet needs documented in the 2019-2022 Project Evaluation and Recommendation Report, page 9 and 10: <https://tinyurl.com/y8ve38u5>

3) Category 9 – Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside (TASA) funds were assigned to projects in the Active Transportation category which contained nearly \$63,000,000.00 of requested funding with less than \$10,000,000.00 in available funds. Projects were assigned as ranked unless the sponsor was ineligible for funding, the project cost was too high to be accommodated with the funding left available after the previous allocations, or there were additional concerns with the cost-effectiveness of the project.





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Is it possible that CAMPO's "current transportation planning trends" have had a lot to do with the huge funding shortfall further documented below?

- 4) **Category 2** – Mobility and Congestion funds were assigned funding to projects in the Roadway and ITS/Operations categories which contained nearly \$1,100,000,000.00 in eligible requests against \$250,000,000.00 in available funds. Because of the more specific eligibility requirements for Category 2, projects determined eligible were assigned as ranked.
- 5) **Category 7** - Surface Transportation Block Grant funds were eligible to be assigned to projects in all project categories. As the most flexible funding available, projects were funded with other sources as eligible, before being considered for these funds. After taking into account projects that did not pass the screening, and those assigned from another funding source, there was nearly \$900,000,000.00 in eligible requested funding against \$200,000,000.00 in available funds. Projects were considered both within and across categories with an emphasis on the overall value added to the regional transportation system.



ITEM 3: CHAIR ANNOUNCEMENTS



ITEM 4: REPORT FROM THE TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TAC) CHAIR



ITEM 5: EXECUTIVE SESSION



ITEM 6: APPROVAL OF MARCH 5, 2018 MEETING SUMMARY





Item 6
Approval of the
March 5, 2018
Meeting
Summary



Staff requests approval of the
March 5, 2018 meeting summary.



ITEM 7: DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL OF GROUPED PROJECT CATEGORY ELIGIBILITY FOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS





Grouped Project Summary



- Projects that are grouped are not considered to be of appropriate scale for individual identification in the TIP.
- Efficiency tool that streamlines the approval process for projects that qualify.
- Qualification for grouping is ultimately at the discretion of the TPB.



Grouped Project Categories



Note: Highlighted categories are not currently approved

TxDOT/FHWA Approved	Current CAMPO Approved
Preliminary Engineering	Preliminary Engineering
Right-of-Way Acquisition	
Preventative Maintenance	Preventative Maintenance
Bridge Replacement and Rehab	Bridge Replacement and Rehab
Railroad Grade Separations	Railroad Grade Separations
Safety	Safety
Landscaping	Landscaping
ITS Deployment	ITS Deployment
Bicycle and Pedestrian*	Bicycle and Pedestrian*
Rest Areas-Truck Weigh Stations	
Transit Improvements and Programs	





Recommendation



Staff and TAC recommend the TPB adopt the additional three grouped categories.

**ITEM 8: DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL
OF RESOLUTION (2018-4-8) AMENDING
THE UPWP**





FY 2018 & 2019 UPWP Amendment 3

- **Add \$750,000 STPMM to Subtask 1.4.1, General Planning Consultant**



FY 2018 & 2019 UPWP Amendment 3

**Staff recommends the
Transportation Policy Board (TPB)
approve the FY 2018 & 2019 UPWP
Amendment 3 and the
accompanying resolution 2018-4-8.**

ITEM 9: PRESENTATION AND PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE 2019-2022 TIP

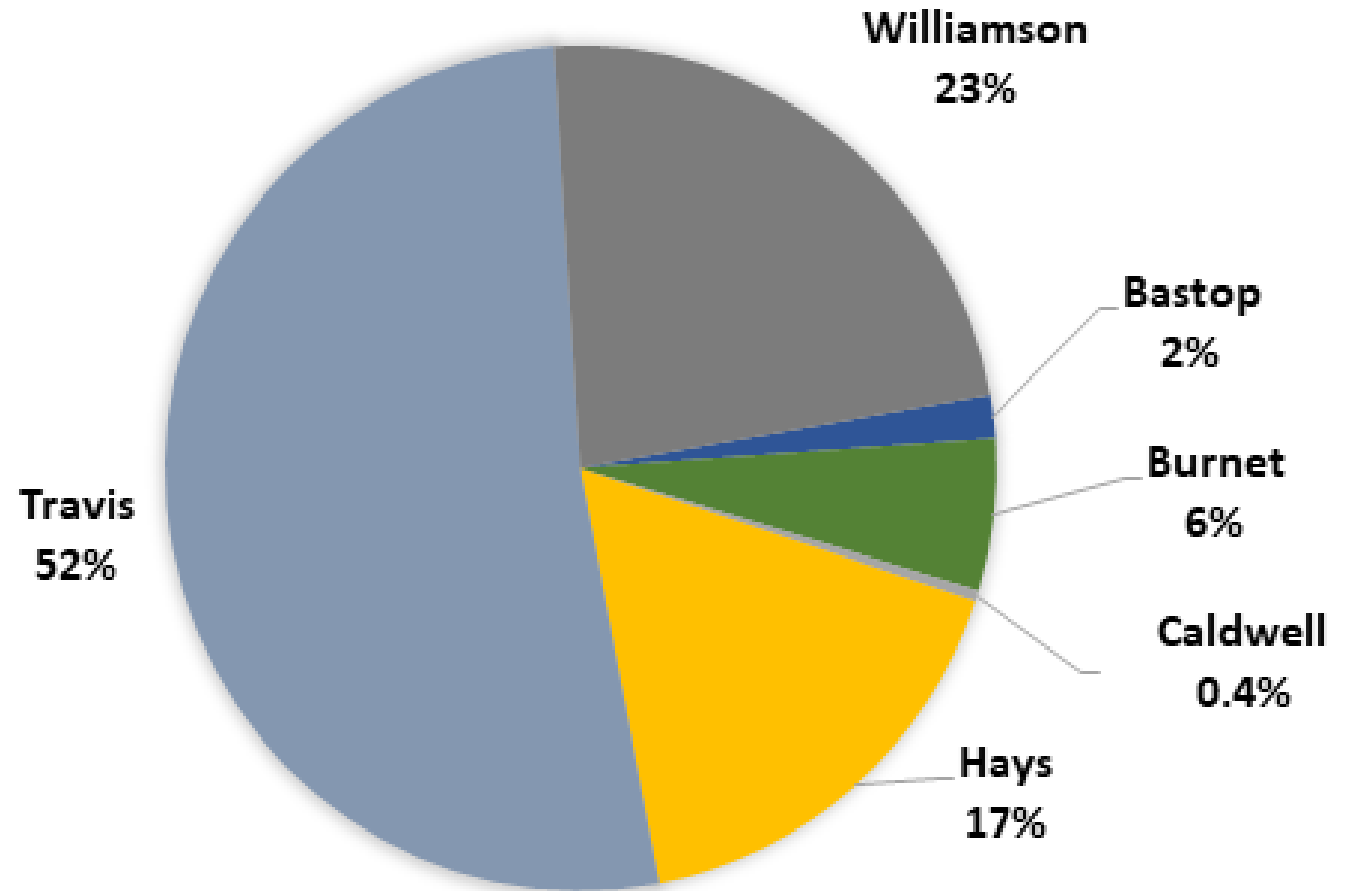


ITEM 10: REVIEW OF DRAFT PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE 2019-2022 TIP



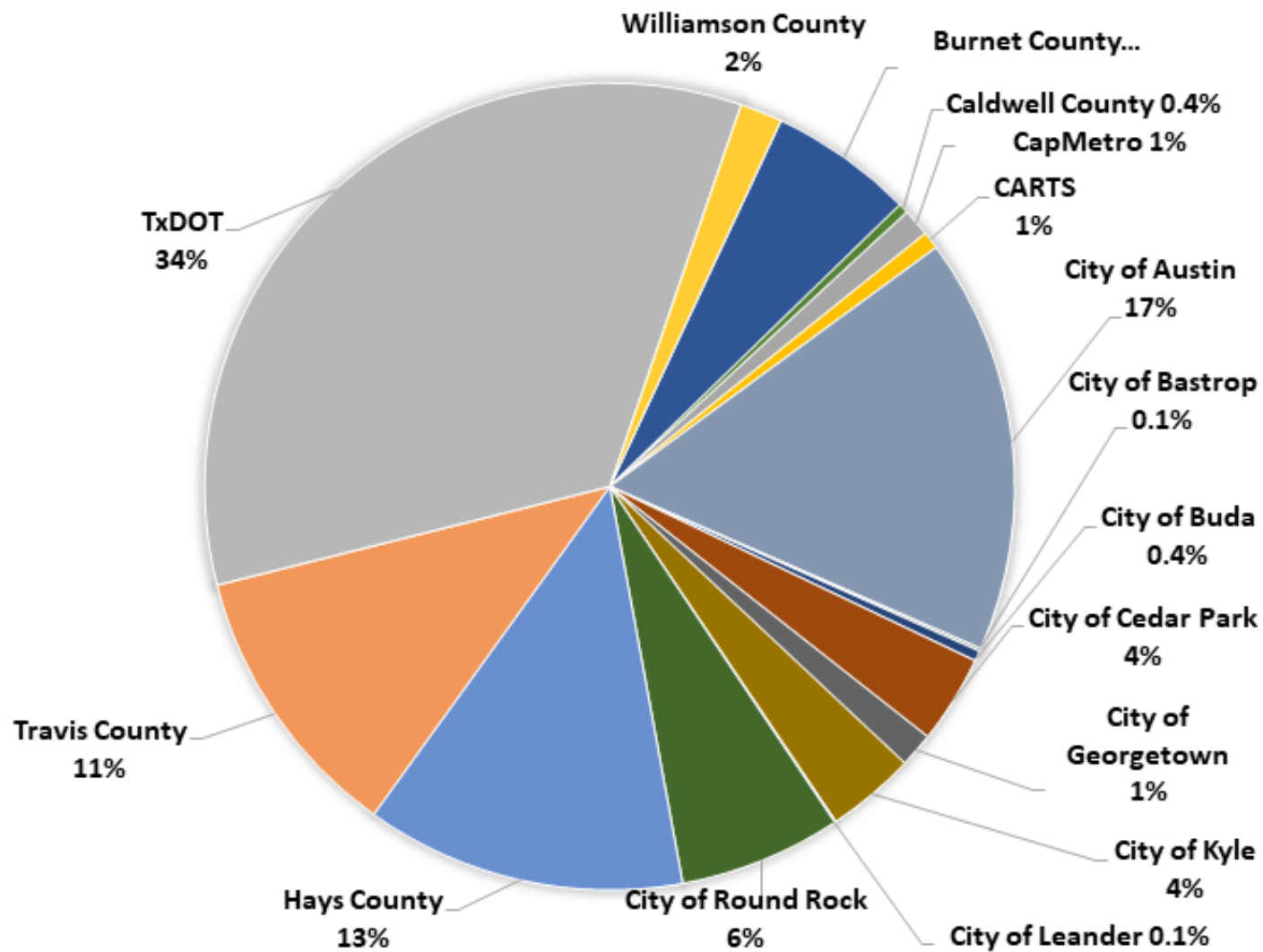


Funding Distribution by County



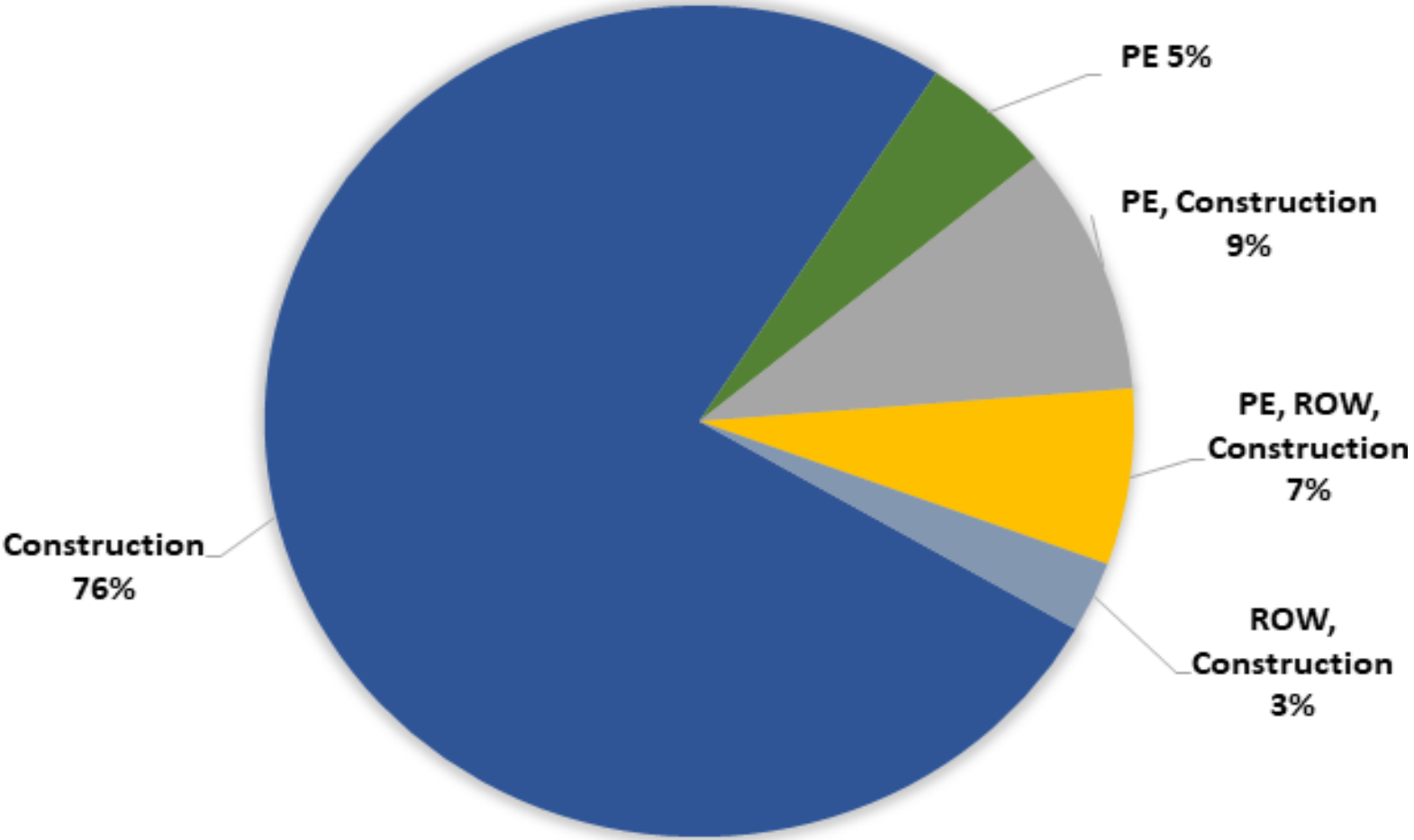


Funding Distribution by Sponsor



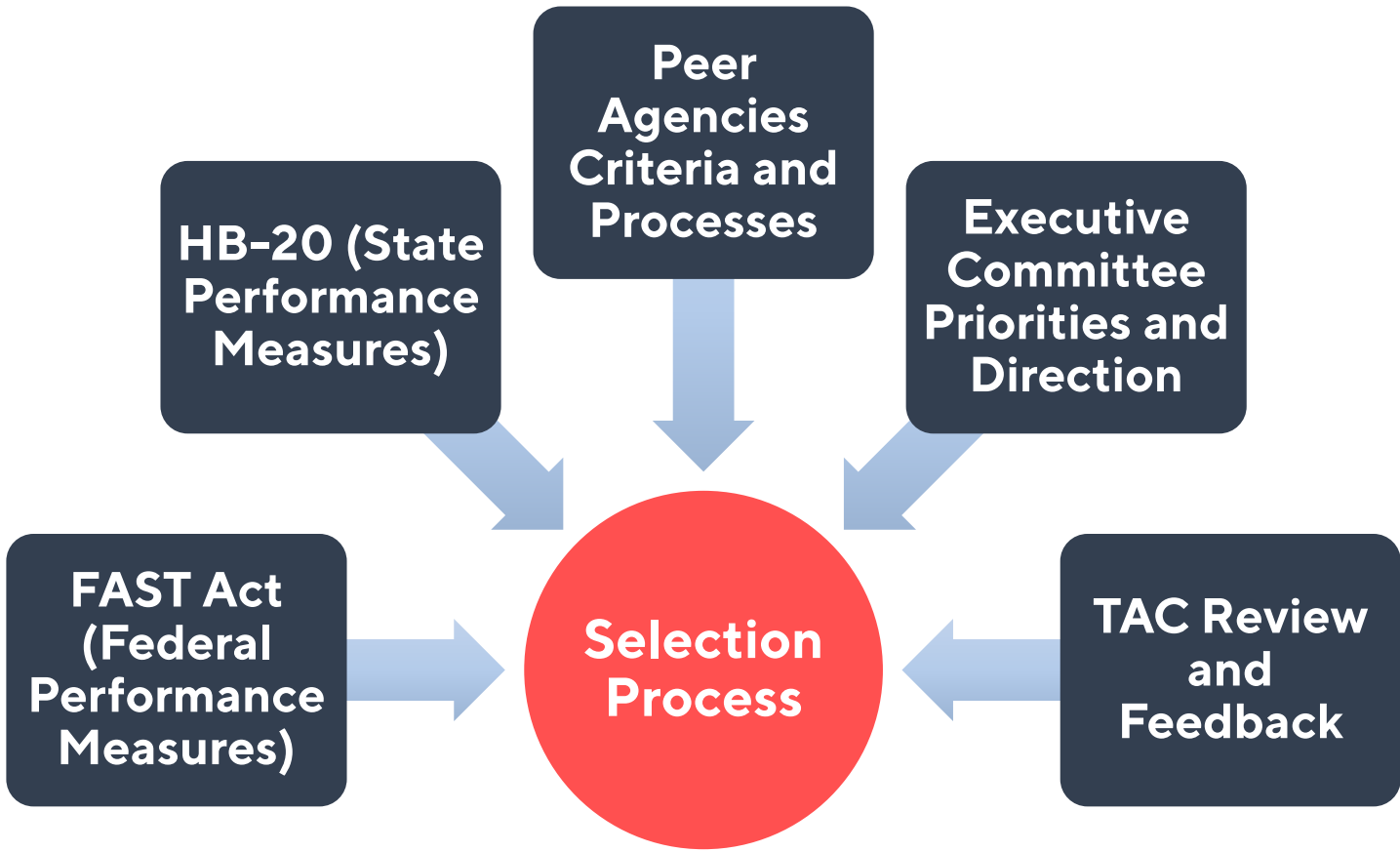


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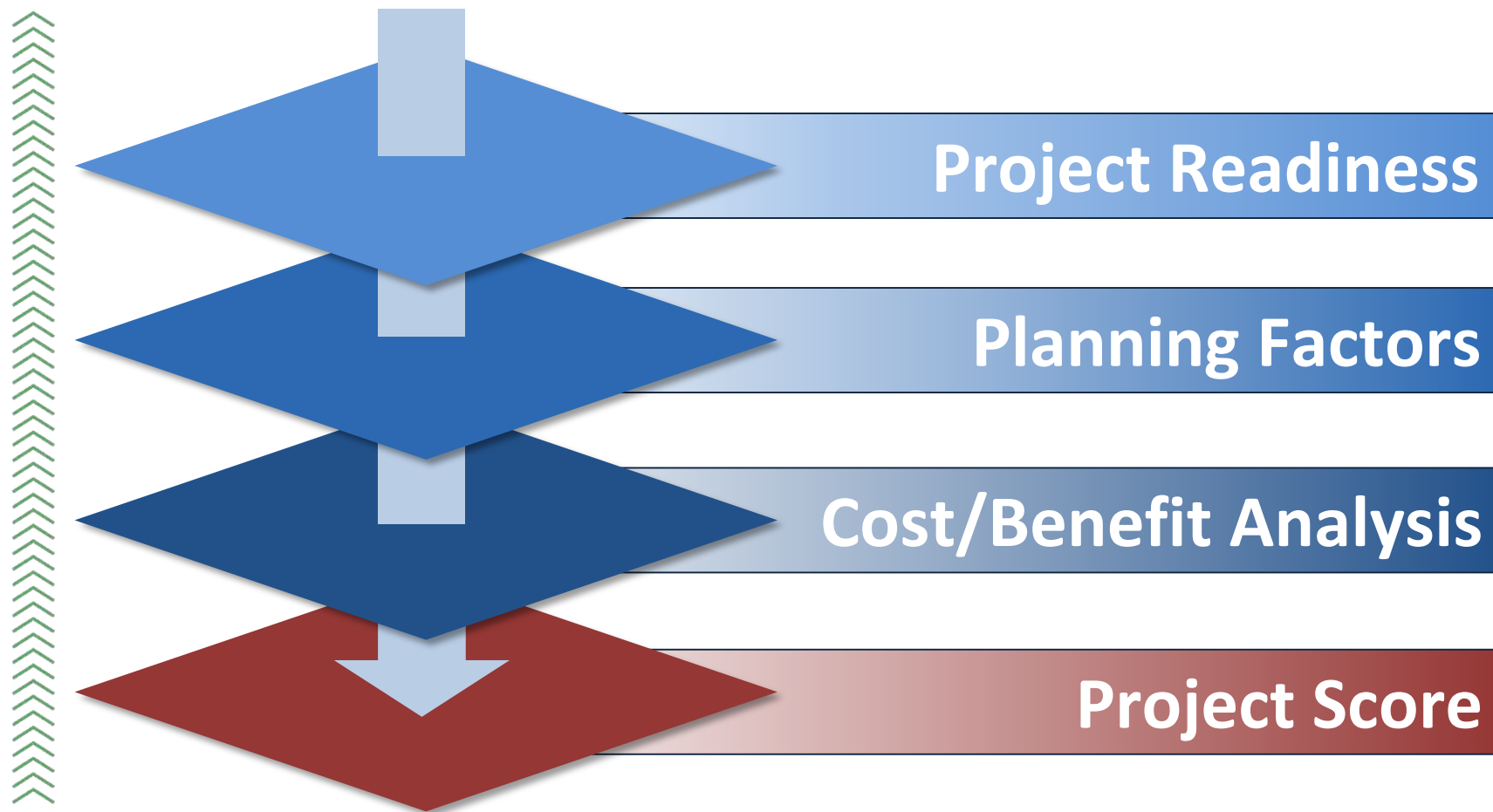


Selection Process Development





Approved Selection Process





Scoring Process Alignment with National Goals

Project Call Criteria	Safety	Infrastructure Condition	Congestion Reduction	System Reliability	Freight Movement and Economic Vitality	Environmental Sustainability	Reduced Project Delivery Delays
Project Readiness							
Congestion and Mobility							
Multimodal Elements							
Safety							
Travel Time Savings							
Regional Impact							
Economic Development							
Social and Environmental Impacts							
Funding Match							
Planning Process							
System Preservation							



Scoring Process Alignment with 2040 RTP Goals

Project Call Criteria	Safety and Security	System Preservation	Land Use and Transportation	Connectivity	Efficiency and Performance	Environment Noise and Neighborhood Character	Air Quality and Energy	Social Equity	Cost Effective	Project Delay	Economy	Mobility and Access
Project Readiness												
Congestion and Mobility												
Multimodal Elements												
Safety												
Travel Time Savings												
Regional Impact												
Economic Development												
Social and Environmental Impacts												
Funding Match												
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Project Call Schedule



Date	Item
10/23/2017	Sponsor Workshop (Travis County)
10/25/2017	Sponsor Workshop (Hays, Caldwell, Bastrop County)
11/3/2017	Sponsor Workshop (Williamson and Burnet County)
11/7/2017	Sponsor Workshop (ACEC)
11/13/2017	Project Selection Criteria Approval
11/22/2017	Sponsor Webinar (Criteria Review)
12/8/2017	Sponsor Webinar (Application Form Review)
12/11/2017	Application Period Opens
1/3/2018	Sponsor Webinar (Project Call Guidance)
1/10/2018	Sponsor Webinar (Project Call Guidance, TDC Information)
1/19/2018	Application Period Closes (COB, 5:00 p.m. Central Time)





Project Call Schedule



Date	Item
1/19/2018	CBA, Planning Factor Scoring and Portfolio Development
3/26/2018	Technical Advisory Committee – Information
3/27/2018	Application Reviews with Sponsors
4/2/2018	Public Comment Period Opens
4/2/2018	Open House – Burnet County
4/4/2018	Open House – Caldwell County
4/9/2018	Transportation Policy Board – Information
4/9/2018	Public Hearing
4/10/2018	Open House – Williamson County
4/16/2018	Open House – Bastrop County
4/17/2018	Open House – Hays County
4/18/2018	Open House – Travis County
4/23/2018	Technical Advisory Committee – Recommendation
4/30/2018	Public Comment Period Closes
5/7/2018	Transportation Policy Board – Approval
TBD	Project Call Sponsor Workshop (Awarded Sponsors)





Sponsor Application Reviews



Sponsor	Meeting Attendees
City of San Marcos	City of San Marcos, Consultant
City of Lockhart	City of Lockhart
City of Elgin	City of Elgin
City of Dripping Springs	City of Dripping Springs, Consultant
Travis County	Travis County
Williamson County	Williamson County, Consultant
City of Buda	City of Buda
City of Austin	Public Works Department
Capital Metro	Capital Metro
City of Austin	Austin Transportation Department
CAPCOG	CAPCOG, Capital Metro, City of Austin, Travis County





Sponsor Requested Changes



Sponsor	Project	Revision	Request Change	Funding Type
TxDOT/ Burnet County	SH 29	Removal	+5,192,778.00	Category 2
Travis County	FM 1626	Reduction	+2,800,000.00	Category 2
Travis County	Pearce Lane	Increase	-4,400,000.00	Category 7





Category 2 Funding Options



**Estimated
\$7,992,778.00
Available**



	Funding Category 2 Options
Option 1 (Recommended)	TPB allocates \$7,992,778.00 to next eligible Cat 2 projects: Burnet County - US 281 at 1431 (Cost \$1,620,000.00) and Hays County – RM 3237 RM 150 to RM 12 (Cost: \$6,630,000.00)
Option 2	Accept the sponsor requested changes and keep the resulting funding for future call.





Category 7 Funding Options



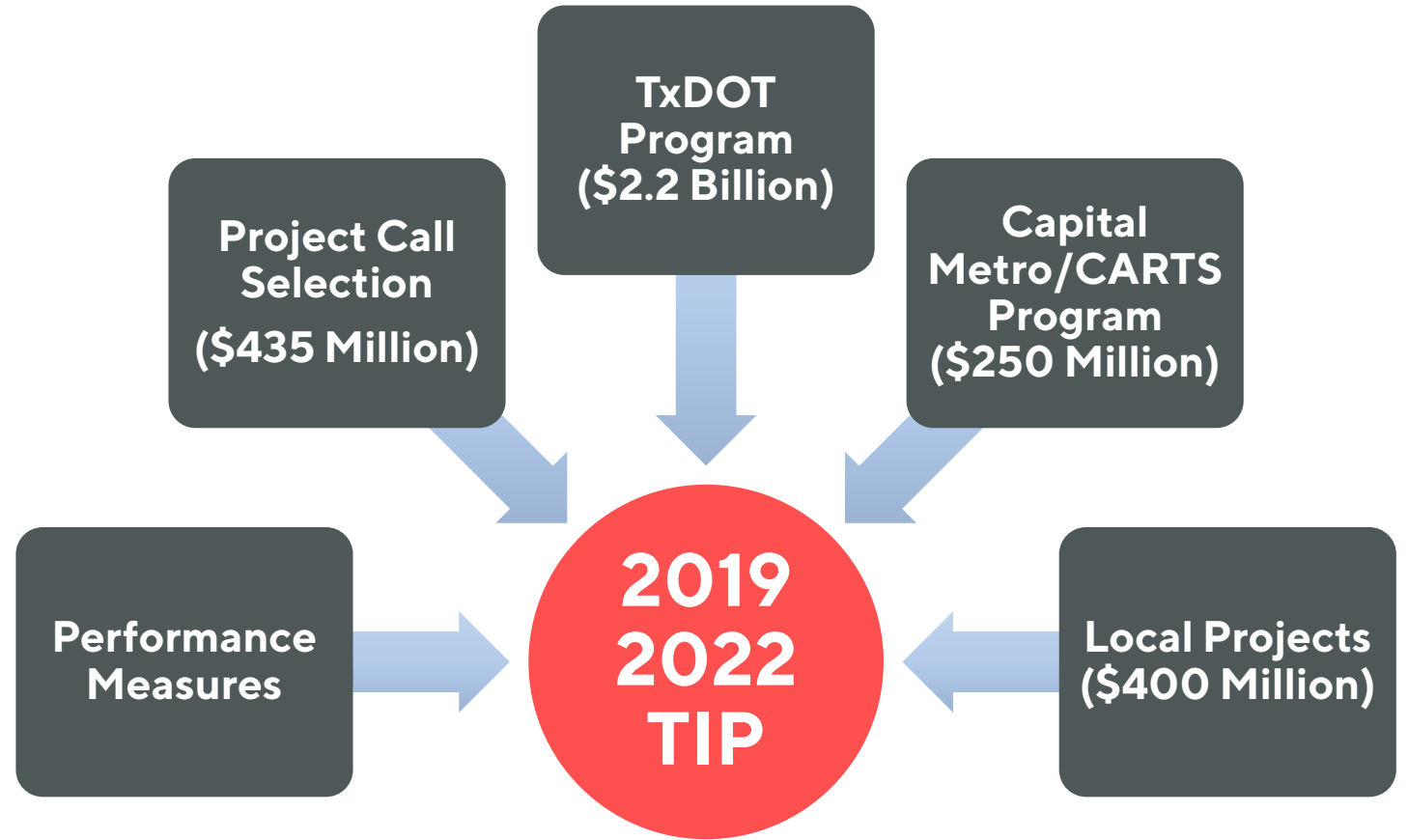
**Estimated
\$1,000,000.00
Available**



	Funding Category 7 Options
Option 1*	Funding Travis County – Pearce Lane Adjustment (\$4,400,000.00)*
Option 2	Funding CAPCOG - Commute Solutions FY 19 (\$250,000.00) and Capital Metro - MetroRideShare VanPool (\$605,880.00)
Option 3	Funding CAPCOG - Commute Solutions FY 19 (\$250,000.00) and City of Austin-SmartTrips (\$720,000.00)
Option 4	Keep the resulting funding for future call.



2019-2022 TIP Development



ITEM 11: DISCUSSION ON TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT CREDIT REQUESTS






TDC Program



Introduction

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1. Program that allows credits to be used to fulfill match requirements for a federally funded project.
 2. Credits are generated when capital improvements are made to public highways using revenues from toll receipts.
 3. CAMPO administers the TDC program for the region in adherence to Federal , State and MPO rules and regulations.





TDC Program



Key Points about TDCs



1. Not cash.
2. Does not decrease or remove sponsor funding investment obligation in transportation system.
3. Reduces funding to the project awarded TDCs.
4. Not an appropriate finance tool for many projects.
5. A spending flexibility tool only.
6. Acts as a 'permission slip' from the federal government that allows sponsors to spend their local match on a different transportation project.





TDC Requests and Local Match



Primary Projects (TDC Recipients)			
Sponsor	Project	Federal Request	TDC
Burnet County	Wirtz Dam Rd.	\$2,981,250.00	596,250
Cedar Park	New Hope Drive	\$12,403,200.00	3,100,800
Cedar Park	Brushy Creek	\$2,672,408.00	668,102
Georgetown	Williams Drive	\$741,000.00	148,400
Travis County	Pearce Lane	\$22,000,000.00	5,500,000
Williamson County	RM 2243	\$8,900,000.00	2,225,000
		\$49,697,858.00	12,238,552

Secondary Project (Local Match Recipients)			
Sponsor	Project	Funding Amount	
Burnet County	Bond Projects	\$596,250.00	
Cedar Park	Anderson Mill Road	\$3,100,800.00	
Cedar Park	Anderson Mill Road	\$688,102.00	
Georgetown	SH 29 Sidewalks	\$148,400.00	
Travis County	Elroy Road	\$5,500,000.00	
Williamson County	Ronald Reagan Ext.	\$2,225,000.00	
		\$12,238,552.00	



ITEM 12: REPORT ON TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ACTIVITIES



ITEM 13: ANNOUNCEMENTS



Adjournment



CAPITAL AREA METROPOLITAN
PLANNING ORGANIZATION