The Transportation Policy Board recommends:

The Executive Board approve the policies and procedures for the 2018 project selection process, to be documented in the 2018 Policy Framework for PSRC’s Federal Funds.
Presentation Overview

- Background on PSRC Funds and Project Selection
- Overview of the Project Selection Task Force
- Task Force Recommendations
- Project Selection Schedule
- Recommended Action on 2018 Policy Framework for PSRC’s Federal Funds
PSRC Funds

Under the FAST Act, PSRC is expected to receive ~$260 Million annually in federal transportation funds:

- **Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)** ~$80m
- **Federal Transit Administration (FTA)** ~$180m

Federal requirements to:

- Build a Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) at least every 4 years
- Provide public comment opportunity
- Conduct a competitive process
2016 Project Selection Highlights

FHWA Funding by Project Type

- Preservation: 23.7%
- Multimodal Capacity: 21.7%
- Transit Capital & Expansion: 20.6%
- Safety & Efficiency: 16.1%
- Bicycle & Pedestrian: 12.4%
- Vehicles & Equipment: 5.0%
- Planning: 0.4%
2016 Project Selection Highlights

FTA Funding by Project Type

- Vehicles & Equipment: 62%
- Transit Capital & Expansion: 14%
- Preservation: 12%
- Other: 12%
2016 Project Selection Highlights

Variety of projects – transit, roadway, technology, nonmotorized, rural, equipment, freight
Project Selection Task Force

- Project Selection Task Force representation
  - Volunteers solicited from PSRC’s four Boards
  - 27 members met four times between September – December 2017

- Purpose:
  - Review key policy issues and administrative procedures for PSRC’s project selection processes
  - Recommend the *2018 Policy Framework for PSRC’s Federal Funds* to the Transportation Policy Board
Policy Framework

Policy Framework for PSRC’s Federal Funds

• Adopted prior to each funding cycle
• Funds distributed approximately every 2 years
  • 2018 process will distribute FFY 2021-2022 funds
• Based on VISION 2040 policies
  • Support for centers and the corridors that serve them
• Board direction on detailed policies and procedures for the competitive project selection process
### Key Policy Framework Issues

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Task Force Key Recommendations

Process consistent with prior cycles

Policy Focus:

- Support for regional growth and manufacturing/industrial centers for the regional FHWA competition
- Support for region, countywide and/or local centers for all other competitions (including military facilities)

Set-Asides:

- Preservation, bicycle/pedestrian, transit minimum floor, PSRC work program
- *Rural Town Centers & Corridors Program increased from* $3 million *to* $5 million
PSRC Project Tracking Program

Project Tracking System in place since 2003

Goal = Efficient use of PSRC funds

• Projects are delivered in a timely manner, cost of delays are minimized
• Policies updated over time
• Current policies address annual delivery target for FHWA funds
  • Firm obligation deadlines
  • “Use it or Lose it”
• 2017 – new element of balancing use of funds by year
  • No more older funds on the books
  • Delivery = annual allocation
  • Each project award tied to a specific fiscal year
Task Force Recommendations

Updates to process due to delivery and balancing by year:

Funding Limits:

- Recommended limit on FHWA regional applications at 50% of available annual funding by source
- No limit recommended on FTA regional applications; each countywide process determining their own limits

Project Readiness:

- Moving from “immediately ready to go” projects to a risk analysis
Draft 2018 Project Selection Schedule

**September to December 2017** – Task Force prepares recommendations on policies and procedures to the Transportation Policy Board

**January 2018** – 2018 Policy Framework adopted

**February to July 2018** – Project selection process conducted; project recommendations to Board

**September 2018** – Public comment on Draft 2019-2022 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

**October 2018** – Board adoption of 2019-2022 Regional TIP

**January 2019** – Federal approval of TIP
Recommended Action

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Thank You

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