## 7. PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS UPDATE

## BACKGROUND

At the March 2020 Transportation Policy Council (TPC) meeting, the Council approved goals, priorities, and policies for selection and prioritization of projects to be programmed in Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), 10-Year Plan, and the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). These goals, priorities and policies guide the H-GAC staff, Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), and the TIP Subcommittee in development of project selection criteria and evaluation methodologies for project planning and programming. At the January 2023 meeting, TPC authorized the MPO staff to initiate the Project Selection Process.

## CURRENT SITUATION

At the May 19, 2023, meeting staff will discuss the following three items:

- Status of regional goods movement investment category evaluation criteria questionnaire: The
  online project evaluation questionnaire has been posted on since April 13. The sponsors that have
  submitted statements of projects interest under regional goods movement investment category were
  invited to set up online accounts to access the questionnaire. Staff provided assistance with
  questionnaire responses on crash rates, and demographic data. At sponsors request the deadline
  for submitting the questionnaire was extended to May 12, 2023.
- 2. Funding Instructions: Staff will provide a summary of TIP Subcommittee discussion on the revised funding instructions.
- 3. Reorganizing investment categories and timelines: Based on the TIP Subcommittee discussion, staff will provide a revised draft project selection process timelines for all investment categories and screening steps for projects submitted in each investment category.

## ACTION REQUESTED

For information and discussion.