

8. CARRYOVER SPEND DOWN SUMMARY ANALYSIS

BACKGROUND

The Carryover Spend Down Policy (Item 8-02) was approved by the Transportation Policy Council (TPC) on December 15, 2023. There have been three rounds of programming carryover spend down projects since the Carryover Spend Down Policy was approved.

- In December 2023 (the first round of carryover spend down), TPC programmed approximately \$335M of projects with Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program, Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) funds. These projects were programmed with an August 2025 let date.
- In September 2024 (2nd round of carryover spend down), TPC programmed an additional \$65M of projects with STBG Program funds with a let date of August 2025.
- In October 2024 (3rd round of carryover spend down), TPC programmed approximately \$335M of projects with STBG Program funds with a let date of August 2026.

The 4th round of carryover spend down recommended projects, with approximately \$260M of CMAQ funds, is anticipated to gain approval by TPC on December 20, 2024. TPC has requested staff conduct an analysis of how projects programmed throughout this process align with the project selection process category priorities of the policy council. Because the 4th round of projects is expected to gain approval in December 2024, the projects will be included in the category analysis presented at TAC and TPC.

CURRENT SITUATION

TPC approved approximately \$1B of carryover spend down projects since December 2023. H-GAC staff will present a summary analysis of how these projects align with the carryover spend down policy approved by TPC. Staff will also present a project selection process category analysis for:

1. all carryover spend down projects (programmed or expected to be programmed) since December 2023;
2. all projects programmed in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) since December 2023, inclusive of the carryover spend down projects and projects anticipated to be programmed as part of the Project Selection Process.

ACTION REQUESTED

For information only.