

16A. 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

Staff has completed scoring all projects evaluation criteria questionnaires. Staff is continuing to meet with project sponsors and their consultants to provide draft evaluation criteria scores. Updated benefits calculator excel templates developed by staff will be made them available for sponsors by July 22. Project sponsors may submit BCA for the projects that scored at least 50 points online by August 23, 2024.

Staff is reviewing the comments provided by the sponsors, after completing the review draft score will be revised if needed. The final evaluation criteria scores will be published after they are validated by the sponsors. A summary draft project scores in each investment categories is provided below.

Investment Category	Projects Scored	High	Low	Median	Moving to BCA
Major Projects	55	94	38	68	54
High Growth Area Needs	72	84	25	69	67
Operational Improvements & Congestion Management	78	76	17	55	49
Resiliency and State of Good Repair	62	81	21	53	40
Transit	16	79	18	35	4
Total*	192				125

*Projects submitted in multiple Investment Categories are only counted once in the total.

ACTION REQUESTED

For information and discussion. No action requested.