



February 3, 2010

To: Metropolitan Policy Committee
From: Andrea Riner
Subject: MPC5.e – Draft 2012-15 STIP Eligibility Criteria and Prioritization Factors

Action Recommended: Provide direction to staff on eligibility criteria and prioritization factors for funding priorities for FY2012-15.

Purpose

This agenda item is to review and discuss the draft Eligibility Criteria and Prioritization Factors for the 12-15 STIP. The STIP Stakeholder Committee has requested that comments on the Eligibility Criteria and Prioritization Factors (see Attachment 2) be submitted by February 19th, 2010. The STIP Stakeholder Committee is scheduled to meet and discuss the comments received on March 8th and a send a revised draft to the OTC for approval at their April or May meeting.

Background

The Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) identifies projects to implement within the four-year timeframe. ODOT is in the process of drafting the 10-13 STIP, which has been delayed due to funding uncertainties. An overview of the 10-13 STIP was provided at the December 2009 MPC meeting.

This item, alternatively, addresses the next STIP funding cycle, and covers the years 2012-2015. The State is beginning its process to establish eligibility criteria and prioritization factors for the 12-15 STIP. As part of HB 2001, there was Legislature direction for the OTC to work with stakeholders to review and update the criteria used for STIP project selection. The draft Eligibility Criteria and Prioritization Factors (see Attachment 2) is a preliminary outcome of this process.

Discussion

Attachment 1 contains an overview of the changes to the 2012-2015 STIP Review Draft Criteria. There are considerable changes proposed for the 2012-2015 STIP, including the following:

- The introductory information in the front of the document explains changes resulting from HB 2001 and the likely direction of changes to the criteria in the future.
- New prioritization factors have been added to address safety, environment, and the land use and transportation relationship.

- The separate columns for Prioritization Factors for Modernization, Preservation, and State Bridge have been merged into one to allow consideration of the function and efficiency of the system and the relationship among projects from the different programs areas (Modernization, Preservation, and State Bridge, Safety, Bike/Ped, and Transportation Enhancement).
- The documentation expectations have been included following each criterion or factor. The documentation expectations are also more specific.

Recommendation

Provide direction to staff on developing comments relating to ODOT's Draft 2010-13 STIP Eligibility Criteria and Prioritization Factors, due to ODOT by February 19, 2010.

Attachments

Attachment 1: 2012-2015 STIP Review Draft Criteria – Summary of Proposed Changes

Attachment 2: 2012-2015 STIP Eligibility Criteria and Prioritization Factors

Attachment 3: 2012-2015 STIP Criteria Review Draft Overview (Note: A condensed version of this PowerPoint will be provided by Savannah Crawford, ODOT planner, at the MPC meeting)