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To: Metropolitan Policy Committee
 From: Paul Thompson
 Subject: Item 5.d: Regional Transportation Plan Project List Review

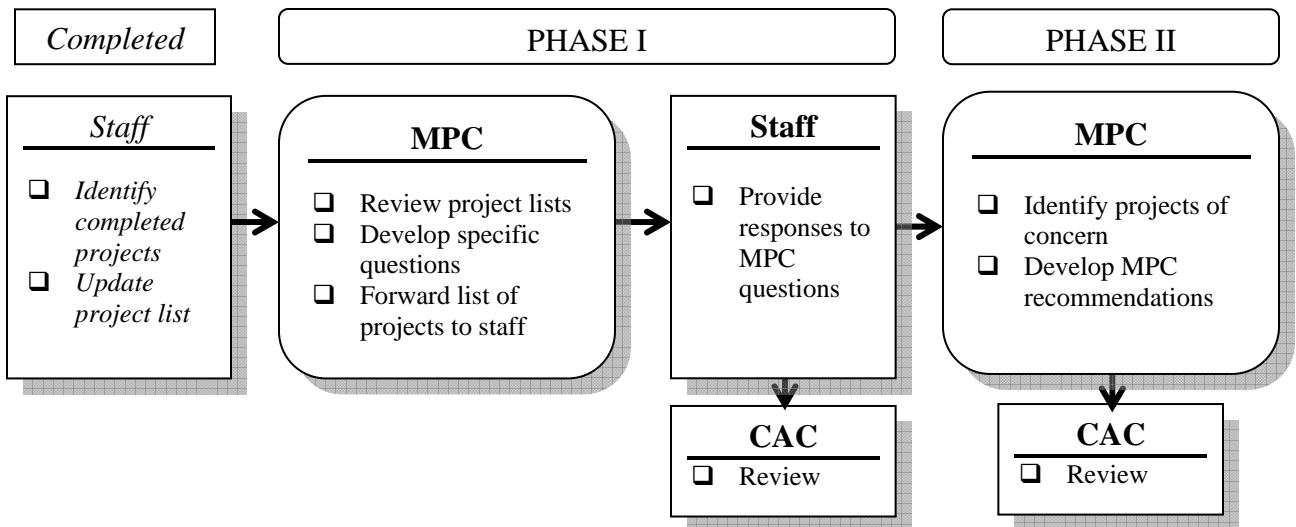
Action Recommended: Identify RTP projects requiring further information and define project questions.

Issue Statement

This agenda item continues the project review process as part of the update of the Regional Transportation Plan.

Background

At the August 12th MPC Meeting, Chair Alan Zelenka designated a RTP Project Review Subcommittee. The role of the Subcommittee was to recommend a process for reviewing all RTP Project Lists well in advance of the anticipated November 2011 approval of the RTP Update. The process developed by the MPC Subcommittee was discussed at the October MPC meeting and the MPC received the RTP Project List at the November meeting.



Current Phase

MPC members are requested to identify projects for which they require additional information in order to make an informed decision when adopting the RTP in

November 2011. For each project, a specific area of interest or concern should be identified to guide staff in responding to the request for additional information.

Local jurisdiction staff will prepare written responses to the specific questions developed by the MPC. It is anticipated that responses will be completed by January, although additional time may be necessary depending upon the number and scope of project-related questions raised by the MPC. Following their review of staff responses, the MPC will identify any remaining project-specific issues and concerns and specify the relevant transportation policy areas upon which concerns are based. Recommendations developed from this process will include proposed project revisions or projects proposed for deletion from the RTP.

As a reminder, new projects proposed for addition to the RTP will be reviewed in subsequent phases of the RTP Update to allow the local jurisdictions adequate time to develop these proposals.

Recommendation

Identify projects on the current RTP project list requiring further information and define project questions in order to guide staff responses.