

STP-Shared Fund: Lessons Learned Program Goals, Rolling Focus, Phase 1 Engineering

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Reaffirming goals



Use data-driven, performancebased project selection methods



Help region/state achieve federal performance targets and the goals of ON TO 2050



Provide assistance to disadvantaged communities



Leveraging and filling gaps between other fund sources



Ensure projects are obligated in a timely manner



Transparency



Review

Data-driven Fill funding gaps

Performance targets/goals Timely obligations

Assistance to disadvantaged Transparency



Rolling focus



Recommended to

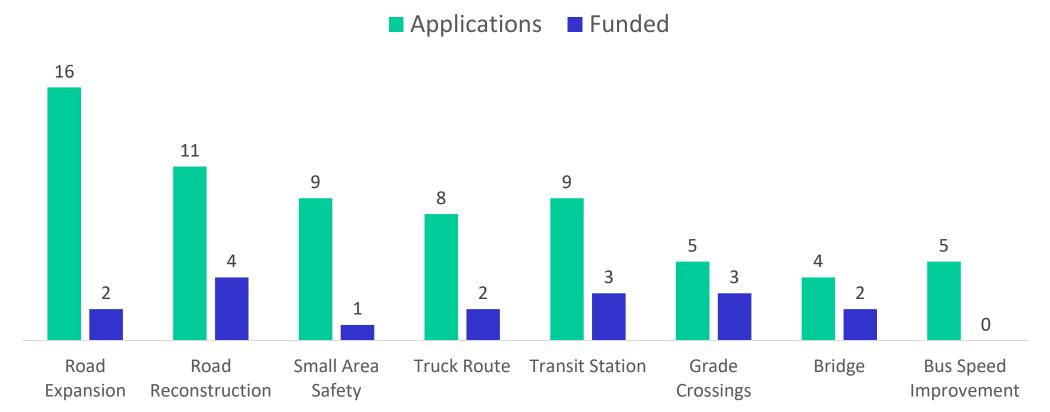
Balance targeted investment and support of multiple priorities

Provide opportunity to encourage priority project types

Be transparent, flexible and facilitate the ability to plan ahead



Applications* and funded projects, by type



^{*}Applications are counted by the category that was determined to be the highest scoring, and includes projects that were evaluated for the Shared Fund that requested only CMAQ and/or TAP funding



Options

Implement rolling focus as proposed in 2018

Implement rolling focus with revisions to areas/years

Incorporate focus areas into scoring

Continue with an open call for FFY 22-26 cycle, and revisit need for rolling focus after that cycle



2018 Recommendation

	First call (2019)	Second call (2021)	Third call (2023)	Fourth call (2025)
		Draft: update based on outcome of first call for projects		
Program years:	2020-2024	2025-2026	2027-2028	2029-2030
		Grade crossing improvements	Road expansion	Truck route improvements
Focus areas:	ALL FOCUS AREAS ELIGIBLE	Road reconstruction	Bridge replacement/ reconstruction	Road reconstruction
		Bus speed improvements	Corridor/small area safety improvements	Transit station improvement



Other Considerations

Additional project types

Impacts of councils targeting certain project types in local programs



Phase 1 Engineering



Current policy

For projects requiring phase I engineering, one of the following must occur by June 1, 2019:

- a. Design approval has been received.
- b. IDOT has certified that a final Project Development Report has been submitted for signatures.
- c. IDOT has certified that a preliminary Project Development Report has been received with an accurate cost and clear scope established.

For transit station improvement projects, the sponsor must demonstrate that sufficient engineering and/or architectural work has been completed to establish accurate costs and a clear scope.



Issues with policy

Leaves too much room for interpretation

Transit vs. highway

Eligibility isn't established until evaluation is nearly complete



Staff proposal

IDOT design approval or completion of NEPA (FONSI/ROD) prior to submitting application

- Purpose and need, scope, and reasonable cost estimate are critical for evaluation of projects
- Eliminates extra evaluation and scoring



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