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**Intro to CMAQ**

- Federal fund for transportation projects that improve air quality or provide congestion relief
- Competitive call for projects every two years
- ~\$100 million available per year
- Next call: January 2015

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**Basic eligibility**

- Wide range of project types
- Cannot fund highway capacity except HOV
- Cannot fund maintenance projects
- Transit facility projects must increase capacity
- Must spend 25% on particulates reduction
- Private sector is eligible
- Air quality cost-effectiveness is focus but other criteria may be used

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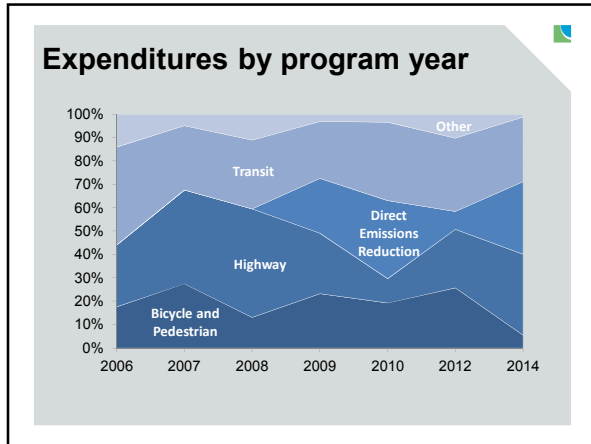
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- ### Past ranking/selection process
- Staff prepared air quality cost-effectiveness rankings
  - Separate rankings from "focus groups" using other criteria
  - Staff recommendation integrated separate rankings based on judgment
  - Project Selection Committee adjusted staff recommendation

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- ### CMAQ at peer MPOs
- Use multiple criteria
  - Consider other project benefits in addition to air quality
  - Specifically fulfill priorities from local plans or the regional plan
  - Focus some CMAQ investment in centers or livable communities

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### Staff proposal for scoring

- Use point system
- Keep strong air quality focus
- Use additional “transportation impact” criteria
- Additional priority for objectives in GO TO 2040
  - Land use – transportation connection
  - Parking management
  - Major capital projects

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### Transportation impact criteria

Highway	Transit	Bicycle	Direct emissions
Safety	Ridership	Safety/attractiveness rating	Sensitive populations
Travel time reliability	Asset condition	Transit accessibility	Health benefits
CMP network	On-time performance	Bikeway connectivity	Public fleets

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### Recommended project type eligibility changes

- Focus on access to transit
  - Fund only pedestrian projects that specifically provide access to transit
  - Focus bike parking projects on transit access
- Need clearer vision for TDM marketing projects before investing in them

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**Local projects that would score well**

- Bicycle
  - Makes bicycling safer with better accommodations
  - Fills gap in a trail
  - Ties directly into transit

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**Local projects that would score well**

- Highway
  - Fixes congestion on higher volume road
  - Addresses reliability problem
  - Addresses safety need (local 5% location)

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**Local projects that would score well**

- Direct emissions
  - Benefit sensitive populations
  - Improves public fleets

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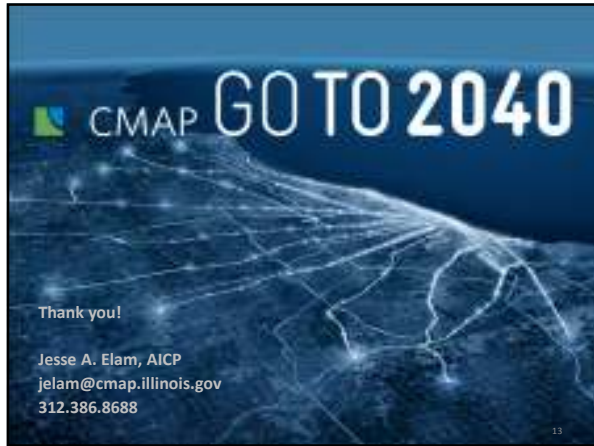
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