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Transportation Policy Board Meeting May 12, 2025

ITEM 1: CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM



ITEM 2: PUBLIC COMMENTS



ITEM 3: EXECUTIVE SESSION



ITEM 4: REPORT FROM THE TAC CHAIR



ITEM 5: DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION ON APRIL 14, 2025 MEETING MINUTES





Recommendation

Staff requests the TPB approval of the April 14, 2025 Meeting Minutes.







Recommendation

Staff recommends the TPB appoint Council Member Zohaib Qadri to the Cap Metro Board.



ITEM 7: DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION ON FY 2024-2025 UPWP AMENDMENT #5





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FY 2024-2025 UPWP Amendment #5

- Add PL funds for the Transportation Improvement Program
- Add Carbon Reduction funds* for the Regional Transportation Demand Management Program

*These funds were previously approved by the TPB on May 8, 2023.





Recommendation

Staff requests the TPB approval of FY 2024-2025 UPWP Amendment #5 and accompanying Resolution 2025-5-7.



ITEM 8: DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE DRAFT 2050 RTP





Overview



- Seeking TPB discussion and action on the Final Draft 2050 RTP
- Must be adopted by May 2025 to remain in compliance with Federal rules
- This presentation

- » Timeline of 2050 RTP development process
- » Updates based on comments
- » Second round of community outreach
- » Recommendation for adoption





Timeline – Model and Demographic Development



- November 2021 to October 2023 demographic forecast and model development
- 12-month demographic development process, including three rounds of feedback and adjustment from TAC
- TAC presentations
 - » September 2021 comparison of census to 2045 RTP forecast
 - June 2022 presented Covid methodology recommendations and draft county control totals from State Demographic Center
 - » January 2023 resources for initial UrbanSim forecasts and review by TAC
 - » February 2023 summary of first round of demographic review
 - » April 2023 summary of second and third rounds of demographic review
 - October 2023 preliminary model results and QA/QC









- **February 2024 TAC –** discuss plan process and RTP project call
- March to May 2024 review 2045 RTP list with project sponsors and collaborate on projects to remain in the 2050 RTP
- May 2024 TAC and TPB discuss plan process and present goals, objectives, and evaluation criteria for RTP project call process
- June to August 2024 RTP project call application period
- September 2024 TAC and October 2024 TPB Summary of projects received, prioritization process, and first round of public outreach
- October to November 2024 First round of public outreach and comment



Timeline – Draft 2050 RTP Development





- November 2024 TAC and December 2024 TPB revenue estimation results
- December 2024 and January 2025 finalize project prioritization scores; discuss draft fiscally constrained project list with submitting agencies; submitting agency direction on remaining local funding
- January 2025 TAC Draft 2050 RTP review
- **February 2025 TPB –** Draft 2050 RTP review and second round of public outreach
- February to April Second round of public outreach and comment
- March 2025 TAC Draft 2050 comments and proposed updates
- April 2025 TPB Public Hearing on Draft Final 2050 RTP





Comments Received

Received during public comment period; project list updates detailed in background paper

- Agency staff comments on Draft 2050 RTP
 - » TxDOT
 - » Austin
 - » CapMetro
 - » CARTS

- » Cedar Park
- » Georgetown
- Travel demand model updated based on revisions to project list

- » Hutto
- » Pflugerville
- Travis County
- » Williamson County





Travel Demand Modeling



- Identified improvements represent a reduction of more than 3 million vehicle hours of travel compared to "No Build."
- With projected growth, travel demand is expected to more than double, to
 21 million person-trips per day by 2050.
- With only existing and committed projects, by 2050, the percent of links congested during the AM/PM Peak Period increases by more than 10x.



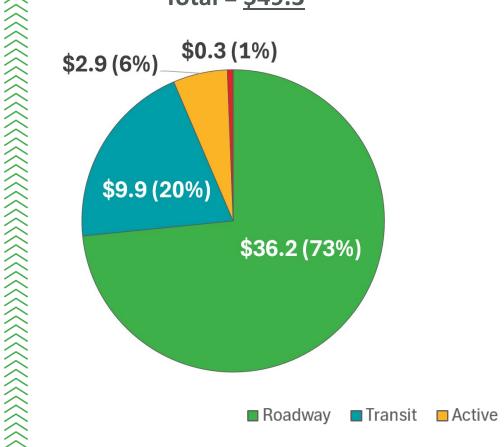


Breakdown of Constraint

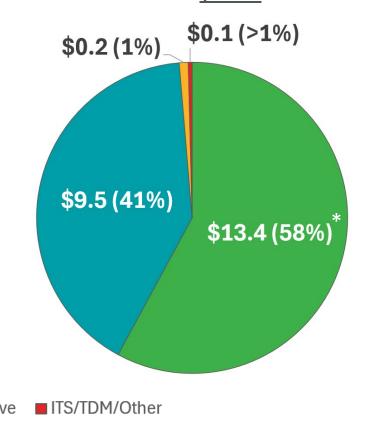
Constrained ≠ Funded

Only projects in TIP are funded; **listing in constrained list does not obligate funding** and non-local constrained projects outside of TIP still need to apply for funding through CAMPO or other state/federal programs





Excluding TIP and Local (Billion \$) Total = \$23.2



^{* 90%} of roadway projects also include active transportation improvements; 25% of roadway projects are supportive of an existing or future transit route.

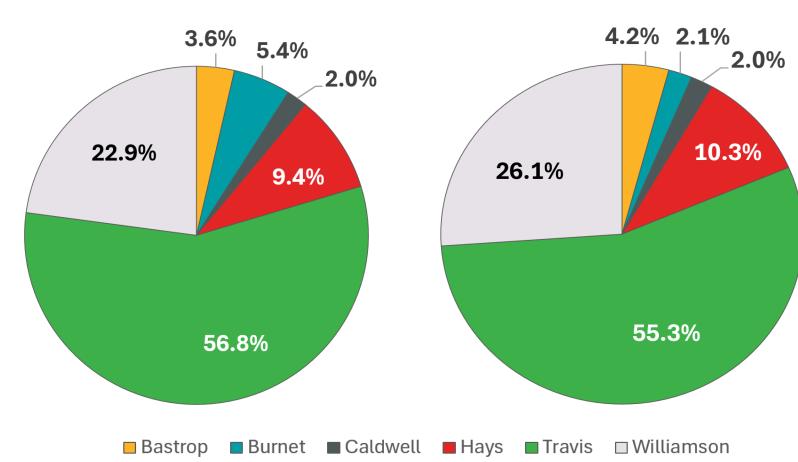




Breakdown of Constraint

Constrained projects excluding TIP and 100% local projects. These are the projects that CAMPO prioritized using 2050 RTP evaluation criteria.

Constrained projects by % total costs, excluding TIP and local, by County





Population by County as % of

region, 2020 Census

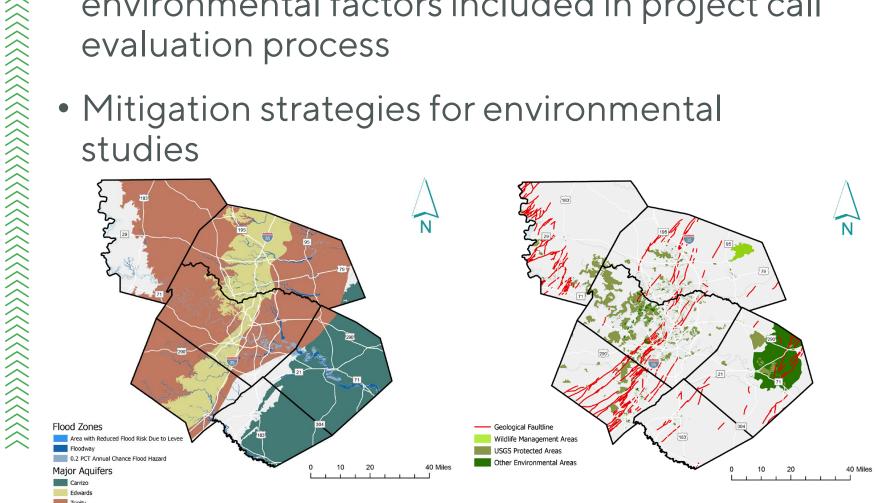




Environmental Considerations

Comments received from board members, agency staff, and the public about incorporation of environmental considerations and mitigations into RTP

- Document updated to describe environmental factors included in project call evaluation process
- Mitigation strategies for environmental studies









Community Outreach

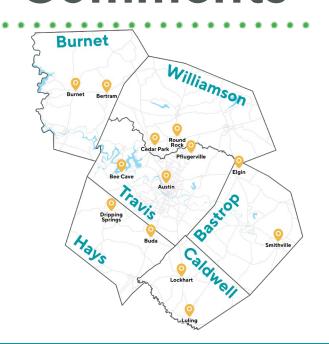


- Second round of outreach February April
- Outreach methods include:
 - Online open house
 - In-person events and open houses
 - » Mail and phone commenting
- Public events in all six counties
- Public hearing at April TPB meeting





Spring 2025 Outreach and Comments



- 400+ people reached through in-person events
- Social media and email notifications
- 707 survey response, 415 email comments
 - » RM 1826, SH 71, Mopac South
 - » More multimodal options
 - » Safety





Technical Advisory Committee Recommendation



- Recommended adoption of draft final 2050 RTP
- One suggested text amendment
 - » Suggested amendment add "Percent Non-Single Occupancy Vehicle Mode" share as a performance measure linked to Travel Choice plan objective in Chapter 7
 - » TAC voted no on the suggested amendment and voted yes to revisit the amendment language in the future







Beyond Adoption: Regular Amendment Process

Regular amendment process (TIP and RTP) happens twice per year – Spring and Fall

Regular Amendment – Fall 2025

- » Applications due June 2025
- » Public outreach late summer/early fall 2025
- » Board adoption September/October 2025
- Regular Amendment Spring 2026
 - » Applications due December 2025
 - » Public outreach late winter/early spring 2026
 - » Board adoption April/May 2026







Beyond Adoption: 2055 RTP

Tentative timeline for 2055 RTP

- 2055 Travel Demand Model Q1 2026 Q4 2028
- Update RTP goals and objectives Q1 2026 Q3 2026
- Update RTP prioritization criteria Q3 2026 Q3 2027
- Prepare & Host RTP Project Call Q4 2028 Q2 2029
- Fiscal Constraint & Draft Project List Q2 2029 Q4 2029
- Draft 2055 RTP <u>December 2029</u>
- 2055 RTP Adoption May 2030





Recommendation

Staff and the Technical Advisory Committee recommend the Transportation Policy Board adopt the draft final 2050 Regional Transportation Plan as detailed in Resolution 2025-5-8.



ITEM 9: DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE FTA 5310 PROJECT CALL





The **FTA Section 5310 Program** enhances mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities by providing funds for transportation programs that serves the specific needs of these populations.

Schedule

Date	Milestone			
1/10/2025	Call Announcement/Application Available			
3/14/2025	Applications Due by 5:00 p.m. (Central)			
March	Technical Review and Scoring of Applications			
4/14/2025	Transportation Policy Board			
4/28/2025	Technical Advisory Committee			
5/12/2025	Transportation Policy Board			

Funding Availability

Fiscal Year	Traditional	Other	Total	
2023	\$431,739	\$0	\$431,739	
2024	\$975,847 \$798,420		\$1,774,267	
2025	\$1,024,639 \$838,341		\$1,862,980	
2026	\$1,075,871	\$880,258	\$1,956,129	
Total	\$3,508,096	\$2,517,019	\$6,025,115	







FTA 5310 Subrecipient Award Recommendation							
Sponsor	Traditional	Other (Capital)	Other (Operating)	Total	Score		
Drive a Senior (Chariot)	\$432,000	-	\$642,733	\$1,074,733	85		
CARTS	\$1,020,000	-	-	\$1,020,000	78		
Faith in Action	\$121,928	-	\$164,800	\$286,728	75		
CapMetro	\$160,000		-	\$160,000	73		
AGE of Central Texas	\$262,116	-	\$96,540	\$358,655	71		
Bluebonnet Trails	\$445,790	-	-	\$445,790	69		
City of Buda	-	\$52,609	\$94,218	\$146,827	65		
City of Austin (PARD)	-	\$112,258	\$641,058	\$753,316	62		
Mary Lee Foundation	\$78,400	-	-	\$78,400	59		

\$164,866

\$1,639,349

\$4,324,449

\$2,520,234



Total





Recommendation

Staff and the TAC recommend the TPB approve the recommendation for the FTA 5310 Project Call as detailed in Resolution 2025-5-9.



ITEM 10: DISCUSSION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION ON TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT CREDITS

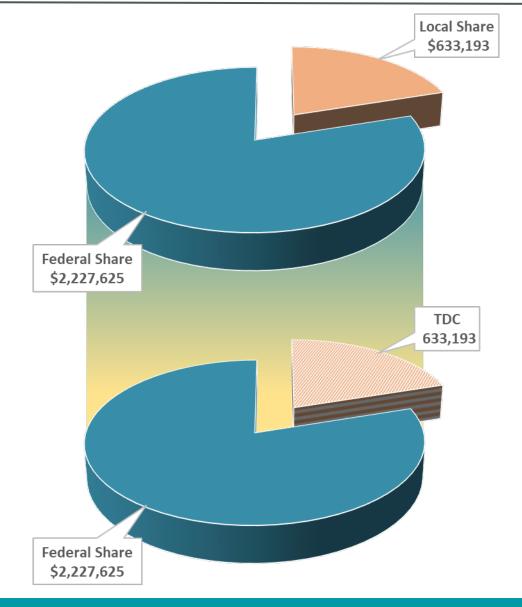




Transportation Development Credits

TDCs are a federal finance tool that waives the local match requirements.

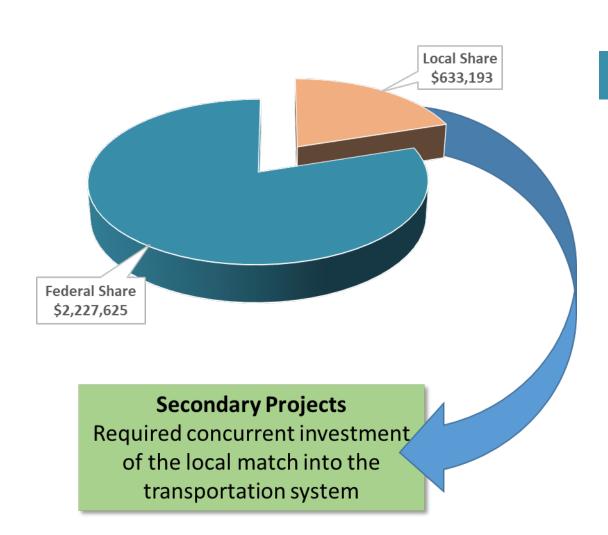
- TDCs are not cash or additional federal funding.
- TDCs only change the rate of reimbursement not the overall reimbursement amount.
- TDCs do not remove the obligation of sponsors to invest local funding (MOE).











Maintenance of Effort (MOE)

The available local match funding must be invested concurrently in secondary transportation projects to meet MOE requirements.

The secondary projects include additional program operational expenses and bus route infrastructure improvements.







Transportation Development Credit (TDC) Recommendation

Sponsor	Primary Project	Program	Federal Funding	Match/MOE	Secondary Project (MOE)	TDC Award
CARTS	Vehicle Purchase	FTA 5310	\$1,020,000	\$255,000	Transportation Operations	255,000
AGE of Central Texas	Vehicle Purchase, Maintenance, Operations	FTA 5310	\$358,655	\$162,068	Additional Operational Improvements	162,068
Bluebonnet Trails	Third Party Contracted Services	FTA 5310	\$445,790	\$111,928	Transportation Coordination Activities	111,928
City of Buda	Scheduling Software	FTA 5310	\$52,609	\$13,152	Transportation Operations	13,152
City of San Marcos	Rolling Stock	FTA 5339	\$112,344	\$28,086	Bus Route Infrastructure Improvements	28,086
City of San Marcos	of San Marcos Rolling Stock		\$115,746	\$32,338	Bus Route Infrastructure Improvements	32,338
City of San Marcos	Rolling Stock	FTA 5339	\$122,481	\$30,621	Bus Route Infrastructure Improvements	30,621
Total			\$2,227,625	\$633,193		633,193







Recommendation

Staff recommend the Transportation Policy Board approve the TDC Award recommendation as detailed in Resolution 2025-5-10.



ITEM 11: DISCUSSION 2026-2029 TASA AND CRP PROJECT CALLS





Milestone	Date
Notice of Funding Opportunity Release	September 12, 2024
Webinars, Office Hours, and FAQ	September – December
Application Due by 5:00 P.M. (Central)	December 20, 2024
Readiness Assessment Evaluation and Debriefs	January - April
Benefit Evaluation and Cost-Benefit Analysis	April - May
Technical Advisory Committee – Information	April 28, 2025
Transportation Policy Board – Information	May 12, 2025
Technical Advisory Committee – Recommendation	May 19, 2025
Transportation Policy Board - Action	June 9, 2025

Project Call Overview

This project call will allocate funding to projects and programs including bicycle/pedestrian projects, ITS, EV infrastructure, and other projects that do not add SOV capacity.

Funding Availability			
Program	Funding		
TASA	\$37,039,320		
CRP	\$31,615,825		
Total	\$68,655,145		







Step 1 - Eligibility

Determines that a project meets the federal funding program requirements

Step 2 - Readiness

Determines that a project can complete all required milestones and be implemented as scheduled

Step 3 - Evaluation

Determines the regional value of a project and how well it meets the goals/objectives of the TPB

Step 4 - Recommendation

Recommends project based on evaluation results, ranking, and funding availability









Readiness Process



Risk Reduction

Planning and Alternative Analysis

Preliminary Engineering

Environmental Clearance

ROW/Utilities

PS&E

Construction

The core of the readiness process is about risk, uncertainty, and protecting the financial investments of the TPB and ensuring that the regional benefits of those investments are realized.

Investing in projects that are not appropriately developed result in adversely negative impacts to the region including:

- Direct loss of funding through appropriation lapses
- Funding redistribution (TX Admin Code: Title 43 §16.154)
- Rapid devaluation of purchasing power due to inflation
- Higher project cost burdens for local sponsors
- Opportunity loss for other local sponsors and projects









Preliminary Engineering

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Readiness Process



Benefit Assurance

Readiness also provides the TPB with the necessary assurance that a project can be built exactly as proposed and evaluated in the project selection process.

Projects that are not sufficiently ready will continue to undergo potentially significant changes through the development process which undermines the results of the evaluation process that drive the recommendation.

Only when it can be assured that a project can be delivered as designed, can there be trust in the expected regional transportation benefits that are the basis of the scores, ranking, recommendation, and selection.







Readiness Assessment Measures						
Requested Phase:	Non-Construction	Engineering	Construction			
Eligibility						
Management						
Scope						
Schedule						
Location						
Cost Estimate						
Funding Requirements						
Coordination/Agreements						
Planning						
Public Involvement						
Preliminary Engineering						
Environmental Analysis						
Right of Way/Utilities						
Construction Design						

Review Requirement:

Readiness Review Process

Application Submittal

Primary Review (Staff)

Secondary Review (GEC)

Final Review (Staff/GEC)

Readiness Assessment Results

Project Sponsor Debriefs







Evaluation Results and Potential Recommendation Preview (Subject to Change)

Application	Sponsor	Project	Project Type	Program	Phase	FY	Score	Rank
CFP-24-09	TxDOT-Austin District	HERO Program Expansion	ITS/Operations	CRP	Implementation	2026	75	1
CFP-24-27	City of Cedar Park	Lakeline Boulevard Shared Use Path	Active Transportation	TASA	Construction	2026	74	2
CFP-24-20	Great Springs Project	Hunter Road Trail Connectivity/Development Study	Planning	TASA	Implementation	2026	74	3
CFP-24-05	City of Georgetown	Austin Avenue / Downtown Square Improvements	Roadway	TASA	Preliminary Engineering	2026	73	4
CFP-24-07	City of Georgetown	FM 971 Side-Paths	Active Transportation	TASA	Construction	2026	69	5
CFP-24-22	Hays County	RM 150 at RM 12 Roundabout	Roadway	CRP	Construction	2026	67	6
CFP-24-10	City of Georgetown	Accessible Intersections	Active Transportation	TASA	Preliminary Engineering	2026	66	7
CFP-24-04	City of Georgetown	RM 2243 / Leander Road Side-Paths	Active Transportation	TASA	Construction	2026	65	8
CFP-24-08	City of West Lake Hills	Eanes Creek Trail Corridor	Planning	TASA	Implementation	2026	61	9
CFP-24-24	Hays County	Old Kyle Road Multimodal Improvements	Active Transportation	CRP	Construction	2027	54	10





ITEM 12: PRESENTATION OF DRAFT FY 2026-2027 UPWP





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Presentation of Draft FYs 2026 and 2027 UPWP

- Federally required document
- FHWA & TxDOT approved template
- Two fiscal years

 Budget based on \$8.1M PL funds received from FHWA for FY 2024 & 2025





Presentation of Draft FYs 2026 and 2027 UPWP

- Identifies work tasks
- Five main tasks:
 - » Task 1 Administration
 - Task 2 Data Development and Maintenance
 - » Task 3 Short Range Planning
 - Task 4 Metropolitan Transportation Plan
 - Task 5 Special Studies
- Federal law requires other agency planning studies in the CAMPO region to be included in the UPWP (included in Task 4). The due date for the studies was March 21, 2025.





Presentation of Draft FYs 2026 and 2027 UPWP

UPWP Timeline

DRAFT

- » Technical Advisory Committee April 28, 2025
- » Transportation Policy Board May 12, 2025
- FINAL
 - Technical Advisory Committee May 19, 2025
 (TPB requires TAC approval on the UPWP development not amendments)
 - Transportation Policy Board June 9, 2025



ITEM 13: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT ON TRANSPORTATION PLANNING ACTIVITIES

ITEM 14: ANNOUNCEMENTS





Upcoming Meetings

- TAC → May 19, 2025
- TPB → June 9, 2025



ADJOURNMENT

