## 11D. PROJECT SELECTION PROCESS UPDATE

## **BACKGROUND**

At the March 2020 Transportation Policy Council (TPC) meeting, the Council approved goals, priorities, and policies for selection and prioritization of projects to be programmed in Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), 10-Year Plan, and the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). These goals, priorities, and policies guide the H-GAC staff, the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) and the TIP Subcommittee in development of project selection criteria and evaluation methodologies for project planning and programming.

## **CURRENT SITUATION**

Based on the discussion at the June 1st TIP Subcommittee meeting/workshop, staff requested local project sponsors to submit statements of projects interests (lists of top priority projects) for the short (0 to 5 years), medium (6 to 10 years), and long (greater than 10 years) ranges.

As of August 1, 2022, 302 short-range, 202 medium-range and 81 long range projects across all modes including roadways, transit, bicycle/pedestrian, freight, and other projects (total of 585) were submitted by 41 sponsors with preliminary estimated total project cost of \$47.9 billion. Based on the preliminary assessment, the majority of the projects noted crash reductions as the most desired outcome, and safety improvements were the most identified improvement type. A summary of the submitted statements of project interests by desired outcomes and improvement types is provided in Table 1 and Table 2, below.

Table 1				
Desired Outcomes	Short (302)	Medium (195)	Long (78)	
Crash Reduction/Safety	188	113	54	
Delay Reduction/Congestion relief	163	129	62	
Accessibility/Connectivity	144	53	40	
State of Good Repair	79	40	6	
Strengthen Regional Economic Competitiveness	58	46	15	
Resiliency/Flood Mitigation	38	37	6	
Improved Freight Connectivity	27	25	7	
Conserve and Protect Natural and Cultural Resources	15	6	1	

Table 2			
Improvement Type	Short (302)	Medium (195)	Long (78)
Safety Improvements	182	123	55
Pedestrian Improvements	144	75	28
Bicycle Improvements	99	48	21
Intersection Improvements	92	45	17
Added Capacity	90	103	31
Access Management	75	54	15
Transit	63	34	35
Freight Movement	41	35	12
Other	39	39	15
Policy	15	9	2

Staff will continue to evaluate the projects and provide further updates at the September 2022 TAC meeting.

## **ACTION REQUESTED**

For Information and Discussion