

5B. 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, Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), and the TIP Subcommittee in development of project selection criteria and evaluation methodologies for project planning and programming. At the January 2023 meeting, TPC authorized the MPO staff to initiate the Project Selection Process.

CURRENT SITUATION

Staff is continuing to evaluate the questionnaires and follow up with sponsors to get additional information. All evaluation questionnaires submitted by sponsors are available online here.

The Evaluation criteria ranking is anticipated to be completed by end of April 2024. Evaluation criteria scores will be presented to TAC and TPC after the draft scores are validated by the sponsors. Sponsors with projects scoring higher than 50 points on evaluation criteria score will be requested to submit Benefits Cost Analysis (BCA) in last week of June.

Tentative schedule for the next steps is presented in table below.

Selection Step	Month 2024
Criteria questionnaires	Feb 15th
Evaluation scoring & ranking	March/April
Evaluation score validation	June
Benefit-cost analysis (BCA)	July
Project readiness	July
BCA scoring & ranking	August
BCA validation & final draft ranking	August
Anticipated recommendation	September

ACTION REQUESTED

For discussion only, no action requested.