What is the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)?

The Transportation Future for our Region

- The long-range comprehensive plan for the region that guides major transportation investments over 20+ years.
 - Aligns with federal, state, and local vision.
 - Assesses needs and priorities within the region.
 - Develops action plan.
 - Includes a fiscally constrained project list.
 - Updated every four years to ensure federal funding
- The RTP project list is:
 - A reflection of the vision and goals of the most recent RTP;
 - Fiscally-constrained;
 - Subject to Air Quality Conformity Determination; and
 - Approved by the Transportation Policy Council (TPC).



RTP Project List



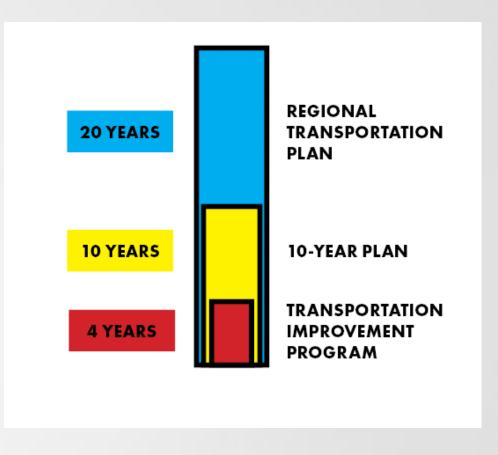
- A fiscally-constrained listing of long-term, RTP-eligible transportation projects that closely reflect the vision and goals of the comprehensive plan.
 - Fiscal constraint is demonstrated by including sufficient financial information to confirm that the listed projects can be implemented using available revenue sources.
 - Long-term transportation projects are projects 10+ years away from construction.
 There are exceptions for certain types of projects.
 - RTP Vision and Goals are what guides the development of the plan.
- An Illustrative List is developed if there are more expenditures than revenues.
- The RTP Project List is subject to Air Quality Conformity Determination.



RTP Project Development Process

Overview

- Local sponsors submit projects to H-GAC
- Two rounds of evaluations.
- Projects recommended to RTP Fiscally Constrained Project List,
 Illustrative List, or Refinement.
- Purpose: Establish primary avenue to add projects to RTP
 - Project list that reflects and adheres to the RTP
 - Increase projects added to the RTP before 10-Year Plan/TIP eligibility.
 - Maximize planning efforts (planning before programming)





RTP Project Development Process Recap



- 99 projects submitted (12 project sponsors)
 - √ 98 projects eligible for evaluation
- ~ \$10 billion in projects submitted
- Projects underwent two rounds of evaluations
 - ✓ RTP Project List, Illustrative List, or Refinement.
 - Met with all project sponsors to discuss project placement.
- Air Quality Conformity determination is required for amendment adoption.
- RTP Project List and Illustrative List will be presented to TAC and TPC in January.
 - ✓ Air Quality Conformity Determination Process will commence shortly after.

