

FY 2019-2022  
Transportation Improvement Program  
Development:  
STP-MM Call for Projects



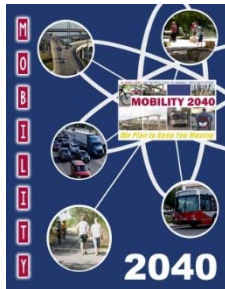
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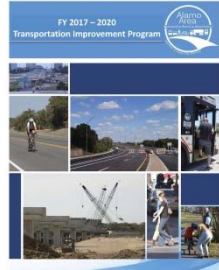
# MPO Responsibilities



Unified Planning Work Program:  
Planning studies and tasks in a 2 year time period



Metropolitan Transportation Plan:  
Future goals, strategies and projects out 25 years



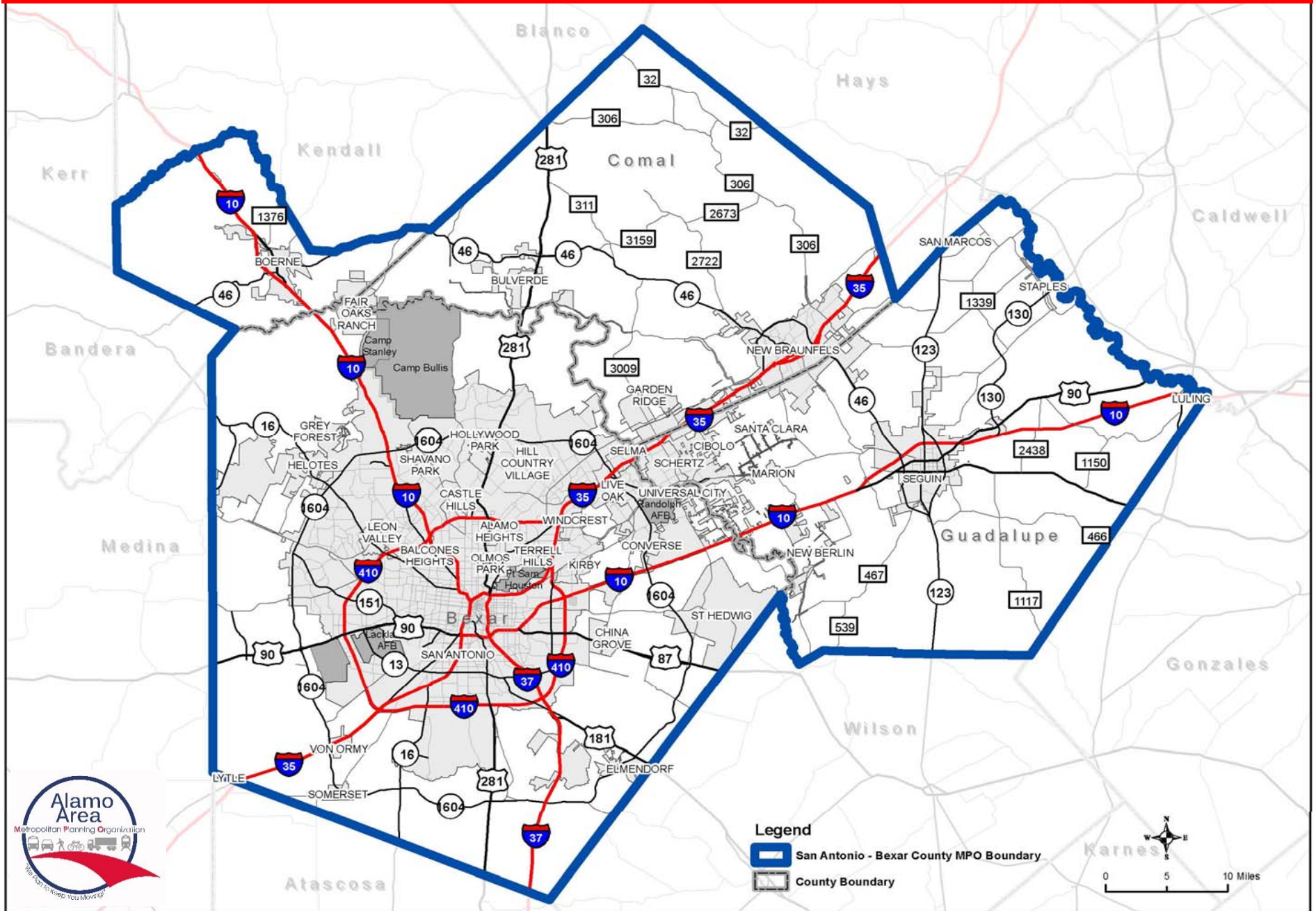
Transportation Improvement Program:  
Funded transportation projects in a 4 year time period



# Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

- Covers a time period of four years
- Formally updated every two years
- Financially constrained
- Developed cooperatively among the partner agencies
- Must be consistent with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan
- Approval process occurs in two steps with presentation one month and action the next month
- Approved TIP is tentatively due to TxDOT in May 2018

# Alamo Area MPO Region





# Types of Projects in the TIP

- Additional vehicle lanes
- Alamo Area Commute Solutions Program
- Bicycle and pedestrian facilities
- Bus and van purchases
- Major planning studies
- Operational/Safety improvements
- Transit passenger facilities



## State and Federal Funding Categories in the TIP

- Category 1 – Preventive Maintenance and Rehabilitation
- Category 2 – Metropolitan Area Corridor
- Category 3 – Non-traditional funding sources (local contribution)
- Category 4 – Connectivity
- **Category 7 – Surface Transportation Program  
Metropolitan Mobility (STP-MM)**
- Category 9 – Transportation Alternatives Program
- Category 11 – District Discretionary
- Category 12 – Strategic Priority
- Transit project funding



## STP-MM: Overview

- “MPO Funded Projects”
- Approximately \$127,000,000 is available to program
- Required 20% match for the project construction cost
- Commitment of project development costs and local match by the implementing agency
- Roadway projects must be on “functionally classified roadways”, not local streets
- Projects would be programmed in years 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 or 2024



# STP-MM: Eligible Project Categories

- **Added Capacity** – roadway projects which add through travel lanes. These projects would also include bicycle and pedestrian facilities.
- **Operational** – projects which improve the operational function of a facility without adding through lanes. Examples include:
  - Improving intersections, including adding right or left turn lanes
  - Adding a center turn lane
  - Adding acceleration or deceleration lanes
  - Constructing a roundabout
  - Adding or improving intersection signalization
  - Constructing new or reversing ramps
  - Converting frontage roads from two way to one way
  - Reconfiguring travel lanes for a multimodal shift
  - Implementing ITS projects
  - Constructing an interchange

## Our project selection process considers:

- Agency priorities
- Project readiness
- Public input
- Technical score





# STP-MM: Eligible Project Categories

- **Bicycle** – projects which construct, reconstruct, or upgrade public bicycle facilities.
- **Pedestrian** – projects which construct, reconstruct, or upgrade public pedestrian facilities.
- **Other** – Projects which do not fit within the other major categories. Past examples include:
  - Public Transit Projects
  - Major Planning Studies

Projects that are solely Rehabilitation projects are not eligible

Our project selection process considers:

- Agency priorities
- Project readiness
- Public input
- Technical score



## STP-MM: Call for Projects Overview

- Proposed process is very similar to the previous project call process
  - Added capacity, operational, bicycle and pedestrian projects will be technically scored
  - Other projects, to include transit, rideshare or planning studies, will not be scored
  - Additional points for overmatching a project
    - (+50 points for overmatching 5%-10% or +100 points for overmatching more than 10% over the required 20% match)
  - \$1,000,000 minimum project cost
  - Rehabilitation projects are not eligible
  - Reimbursable program; not a grant program and all federal rules apply



## STP-MM: Project Funding History

- 2011 Call for Projects (FY 2013-2016 TIP)
  - 73 projects totaling nearly \$1B were submitted
  - 19 projects were selected for funding at an amount of nearly \$92M
- 2013 Call for Projects (FY 2015-2018 TIP)
  - 56 projects totaling nearly \$435M were submitted
  - 19 projects were selected for funding at an amount of nearly \$110M
- 2015 Call for Projects (FY 2017-2020 TIP)
  - 40 projects totaling nearly \$400M were submitted
  - 23 projects were selected for funding at an amount of nearly \$166M (programmed funding out two years past the TIP)



## STP-MM: Project Requirements

- Projects submitted for funding consideration must have a **minimum construction cost of \$1,000,000**
- For infrastructure projects: only eligible items related to construction will be reimbursable; **project development costs are the responsibility of the implementing agency**
- Although the Transportation Policy Board makes all funding decisions associated with STP-MM funds, TxDOT is the federal designated pass-through agency for this funding source. **Entities awarded funding will enter into agreements with TxDOT.** TxDOT will require reimbursement of their costs for review and coordination of the project.



## STP-MM: Project Requirements

- Implementing agencies will be **required to sign the project understanding form**
- If an agency submits more than one project, **the MPO requires the agency to prioritize projects**. The projects selected for funding will be placed in fiscal year 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, or 2024
- The implementing agency **commits to developing and letting selected projects in that timeframe** (or sooner if funding is available)
- Cost overruns are the responsibility of the implementing agency; or re-scope project with Transportation Policy Board approval



# TIP Development Schedule

- ✓ March 27, 2017: Announce Call for Projects
- ✓ April - May 2017: MPO Committee presentations
- ✓ May 22, 2017: Transportation Policy Board adoption of TIP development process

➔ June 1, 2017: Call for projects begins

- June – August 2017 - A workshop jointly hosted by MPO and TxDOT staff will be held to provide information and support to submitting agencies
- June – November 2017: Agency project development and secure local match

★ December 4, 2017: Project submittals are due to the MPO



# TIP Development Schedule

- January 2018: Projects are scored by MPO Committees
- February 2018: MPO hosts public meetings/workshops
- March 2018: Technical Advisory Committee and Transportation Policy Board review the draft TIP; action will be taken on the STP-MM project funding list
- April 2018: Technical Advisory Committee and Transportation Policy Board take action on the TIP
- May 1, 2018: Approved TIP is due to TxDOT (tentative)



## Action

### ***BMAC and PMAC:***

*At their April meetings, BMAC and PMAC unanimously recommended approval of the schedule, process and project submittal form for the STP-MM Call for Projects*

### ***Technical Advisory Committee:***

*There was not a quorum at the May TAC meeting, however the consensus of the TAC members present was to move forward with the process with some minor proposed changes to the text*

### ***Transportation Policy Board:***

***Unanimously adopted the STP-MM Call for Projects schedule, process, and project submittal form on May 22, 2017***