

Action Transmittal

Transportation Advisory Board



Committee meeting date: December 18, 2025

Date: December 12, 2025

Action Transmittal: 2026-05

2026 Regional Solicitation Criteria, Measures, and Scoring Guidance

To: TAC Funding & Programming Committee

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Requested action

Approval of the attached criteria, measures, and scoring guidance for each application category for the 2026 Regional Solicitation.

Recommended motion

Recommend that the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) recommend adoption of the attached criteria, measures, and scoring guidance for the 2026 Regional Solicitation.

Background and purpose

The Regional Solicitation is part of the Metropolitan Council's federally required continuing, comprehensive, and cooperative transportation planning process for the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area. The Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) selects projects for federal funding. The attached materials include the criteria for each category, proposed measures within the criteria, and proposed scoring guidance for the 2026 Regional Solicitation. The attached proposed criteria, measures, and scoring guidance were developed as part of the Regional Solicitation Evaluation. The score weighting will be part of a separate action item.

Relationship to regional policy

TAB develops and issues a Regional Solicitation for federal funding. The 2050 Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) provides the goals, objectives, and policies that are the basis for the category structure of the Regional Solicitation. The 2050 TPP has an action that states "Consider equity and geographic balance principles when allocating federal funds. Ensure all community types have adequate opportunity to access regional transportation funding" ([Policy 2: Funding, Action 2A](#)).

Routing

To	Action Requested	Date Completed (Scheduled)
TAC Funding & Programming Committee	Review and recommend	<i>December 18, 2025</i>
Technical Advisory Committee	Review and recommend	<i>January 7, 2026</i>
Transportation Advisory Board	Review and approve	<i>January 21, 2026</i>

