Transportation Advisory Committee

November 5, 2026



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"Don't crowd the plow" is a critical winter driving safety campaign reminding motorists to give snow removal vehicles plenty of space to operate.

Key Safety Rules

- **Stay Back:** Maintain a safe distance (typically 200 feet or several car lengths depending on local laws, or at least 10 car lengths behind heavy snow clouds).
- **Never Pass on the Right:** Plows push snow to the right shoulder and often use a side wing (6 to 8 feet wide) that is hard to see.
- **Beware of Blind Spots:** If you cannot see the driver's mirrors, the driver cannot see you (especially directly behind and to the left of the truck).
- **Watch for Debris and Salt:** Tailgating exposes your windshield to flying salt, sand, and deicing materials.

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- **Expect Erratic Movements:** Plows cross center lines, stop frequently, and can shift sideways unexpectedly when hitting snowdrifts.
- **Remember the Safest Road:** The road behind the plow is always cleaner and safer than the road ahead of it; be patient and let them work.

Transportation Advisory Committee
November 5th, 2026, 10:00 a.m.
916 Main Street, 2nd Floor Conference Room
Lubbock, Texas 79401

1. **Call to Order of the Transportation Advisory Committee**
2. **Acknowledgment of Quorum**
3. **Safety Procedures**
4. **Public Comment and Acknowledgment of Guests**

   Members of the public may comment on items listed on the agenda. Comments are limited to three minutes per speaker. The Committee may not deliberate or take action on a matter that is not included on the posted agenda except as permitted by law.

5. **Consider approval of the October 1st, 2026, meeting minutes for the Transportation Advisory Committee.**

   Action Required:
   Consider approval of the October 1st, 2026, Transportation Advisory Committee meeting minutes.

   Staff Recommendation:
   Approve.

6. **Fiscal Year 2026 Annual Performance and Expenditure Report (APER) Update**

   Discussion:

   The Annual Performance and Expenditure Report (APER) documents the LMPO's performance and expenditures for the transportation planning activities included in the FY 2026 Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP). In accordance with §23 CFR §420.117, performance and expenditure reports must compare actual performance with established goals, describe progress in meeting schedules, compare approved budgets with actual costs, identify cost overruns or underruns, and document approved work program revisions. Under 43 §TAC 16.52(a)(5), each Texas MPO must prepare and submit an APER to TxDOT annually.

   Staff will present the draft FY 2026 APER, including the status of each UPWP task, preliminary expenditure reconciliation, identified budget variances, approved UPWP revisions, and items requiring completion before final submission.

   Action Required:
   Consider and take appropriate action
   Staff Recommendation:
   None

7. Fiscal Year 2026 Annual Listing of Projects (ALOP) Update

Discussion:

Under 23 CFR §450.334, TxDOT, the public transportation operator, and LMPO must cooperatively develop an Annual Listing of Projects (ALOP) for which funds under 23 U.S.C. or 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 were obligated during the preceding program year.
The listing must include federally funded projects that were authorized or revised to increase federal obligations during FY 2026, including applicable bicycle and pedestrian projects. For each project, the listing must identify the federal funding requested in the Transportation Improvement Program, the amount obligated during the year, and the federal funding remaining and available for subsequent years.

Staff will present the draft FY 2026 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects. TAC members will be asked to provide missing projects, incorrect project information, or changes in project status, including whether listed projects have been obligated. Letting status is provided for project tracking and does not determine whether a project must be included in the listing.

Action Required:
Consider and take appropriate action

8. Transportation Alternatives Program

Discussion:

Staff will provide the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) with an informational overview of the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), including the program's purpose, eligible project activities, funding opportunities, and applicable requirements. The overview is intended to inform TAC members of the program's role in supporting bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, improving transportation safety, and enhancing multimodal connectivity.

Action Required:

Consider and take appropriate action

9. Reports:

- TxDOT
- Citibus
- LPD/DPS
- Texas Tech University
- LMPO’s
    - TPC Election Results
    - Update on public comment period
    - Lubbock MPO Office Update
    - Fiscal Agent MOU
    - Work Authorization Process

10. Adjourn

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The above referenced NOTICE OF MEETING was posted on the bulletin board outside the South side entrance of City Hall, west of revolving doors, located at 1314 Avenue K, Lubbock, Texas, on the 29th day of October, 2026 before 4:30 p.m. by

Tammy Walker, Management Specialist

AGENDA ITEM 1

Call to Order of the Transportation Advisory Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 2

Acknowledgement of the Quorum of the Transportation Advisory Committee.

AGENDA ITEM 3

Safety Procedures.

Discussion: None

Staff Recommendation: Review

Safety Procedures

Employee or Public Accident

In the event that an emergency or serious illness of an employee or visitor while in this meeting:

1. Call 911
2. Call Courthouse security at 775-1547 or 775-1548.
    a. Provide address
    b. Type of emergency
    c. Do not move injured or ill person
    d. Designate someone to wait for the ambulance at the main Entrance Doors.
    e. HOLD elevator (same person who will wait for Emergency Personnel)

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When a tornado warning has been issued by the National Weather Service the office contacts will be notified by Courthouse Security and an automatic alarm system will sound:

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Fire Procedures

If you hear fire alarm: Begin evacuation by exiting the conference main doors, take exit immediately to your left, it is a firewall stairwell, exit building immediately and meet at the North East corner of the courthouse. When taking the stairs, remain to the RIGHT, so that fire personnel may get through.

If you see smoke or fire: Isolate fire/smoke by shutting the door (if possible) and activating the alarm. Exit building immediately, again DO NOT take the elevator.

Troubled Individual/Shooter

Lock (if possible) and close all doors. If unable to lock door, place furniture from room in front of doors. Remain calm.

Elevator Emergency

Push the talk button, someone will connect with you and ask your emergency. If unable to talk, press alarm button. Remain calm. Do not force elevator doors.

AGENDA ITEM 4

Public Comment Period/Acknowledgement of Guests

DISCUSSION: Opportunity for the public to comment on transportation planning activities.

ACTION REQUIRED: None

Agenda Item 5

Consider approval of the October 1, 2026, meeting minutes for the Transportation Advisory Committee.

DISCUSSION:

The Transportation Advisory Committee is requested to review the meeting minutes of October 1, 2026.

Action required: Consider approval.

Staff Recommendation: Approval.

Minutes of the
Transportation Advisory Committee
Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization
October 1, 2026

The meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee of the Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Organization was held at 916 Main Street 1st Floor Conference room on October 1, 2026.

Required notices were given to the members of the Committee and the public. The following Transportation Advisory Committee members were present:

TAC members:

Randy Criswell, Chair, City Manager, City of Wolfforth
David Bragg, Vice-Chair, Division Director of Public Works, City of Lubbock
Kristen Sager, Director of Planning, City of Lubbock
John Turpin, Division Director of Engineering/City Engineer, City of Lubbock
Shelley Harris, Director of Planning and Development TxDOT, Lubbock District
Rodshadi Moore, Interim Director of Public Works, Lubbock County
Justin Dickson, COL, Traffic Engineer

Proxies and Visitors:

Matt Doherty, Deputy Chief, LPD, City of Lubbock
Jesus Saenez, Kimley-Horn,
Brenda Bullard, TTU,
Josh Kristinek, Freese & Nichols

Staff:

Martin Lucero, MPO, Executive Director
Steven Sims, MPO, Assistant Director
Ayla Ryan, Lubbock MPO, GIS Analyst/Modeler
Kaitlin Matheus, MPO, GIS Database Adm.
Tammy Walker, MPO, Management Specialist

Call to Order:

Chair Randy Criswell called the meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee to order at 10:01 a.m.

The Committee moved to the next item.

Acknowledgement of Quorum of the Transportation Advisory Committee.

Chair Randy Criswell acknowledged the quorum of the Transportation Advisory Committee.

The Committee moved to the next item.

Safety procedures:

The safety procedures were reviewed.

The Committee moved to the next item.

Public Comment Opportunity/Acknowledgment of Guests:

Chair Randy Criswell asked if there were any public comments, there were none.

The Committee moved to the next item.

Approval of the September 4, 2026 meeting minutes of the Transportation Advisory Committee.

Chair Randy Criswell asked if there were any corrections or comments regarding the meeting minutes of September 4, 2026. There were none.

Rodshadi Moore made a motion to approve the meeting minutes of September 4, 2026. Shelley Harris seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

The Committee moved to the next item.

Considerations for Transportation Advisory Committee Chair and Vice Chair.

Randy Criswell, Chair, nominated David Bragg to be the new Chair to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). John Turpin second.

Theresa Drewell made a motion to cease nominations for Chair. John Turpin second the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Chair Randy Criswell asked for a vote on David Bragg as Chair of the Transportation Advisory Committee. He was confirmed Chair by unanimous vote.

Everyone congratulated David Bragg.

Randy Criswell turned the meeting over to the new Chair.

John Turpin nominated Rodshadi Moore as the new Vice Chair to the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC). Justin Dickson seconded it.

Theresa Drewell made a motion to cease nominations for Vice Chair. John Turpin seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

Chair David Bragg asked for a vote for Rodshadi Moore as Vice Chair. He was confirmed by unanimous vote. Everyone congratulated Rodshadi Moore.

Rodshadi Moore took over as Vice Chair.

The Committee moved to the next item.

Fiscal Year 2027 Meeting Schedule:

Steven Sims stated that the TAC presently meets on the first Thursday of each month and asked whether the Committee wished to continue with that scheduled time and date. The Committee reviewed the 2026–2027 meeting schedule calendar and agreed that the current schedule works best for them.

There was additional discussion regarding the July meeting. Because the July 4th holiday often interferes with the scheduled meeting date, Steven Sims asked whether the Committee would prefer to move that meeting date now or address it later. The Committee chose to leave the July meeting date as it is for the time being, noting that TAC can revisit the schedule and make adjustments if needed.

Theresa Drewell made a motion to accept the meeting scheduled as shown with options to change the date if needed because of holidays. Randy Criswell seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

The Committee moved to the next item.

Consider approval of the Functional Classification recommendations to the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC):

Steven Sims reported that following the September TAC meeting, staff distributed a recommended roadway functional classification to TAC members for review and comment. He explained that the recommendations were developed by TxDOT's consultants as part of a statewide evaluation of roadway corridors and their functional classifications.

Steven Sims further stated that the comments received from TAC members were combined with the consultants' recommendations. These combined inputs have now been incorporated into the updated functional classification document.

There was discussion regarding functional classification and how it organizes public roads and streets according to the type of service the facilities are intended to provide,

classifications between mobility and access, supporting distance travel and how it affects if the road is eligible for federal highway funding.

There was also discussion regarding the Census and the MTP 2055 call and the importance of getting projects in the MTP as future projects. More discussion regarding types of roads such as local roads, major and minor collectors, major and minor arterial and principal arterials and freeways.

Randy Criswell made a motion to advance the Functional Classification recommendation to the Transportation Policy Committee for consideration and approval. Theresa Drewell seconded the motion and it was approval unanimously.

The Committee moved to the next item.

Report on TIP Administrative Modification for Loop 88, Segment 3D, SCJ 1502-01-032.

Steven Sims stated that TxDOT has requested an administrative amendment to the LP 88, 3D project (Quincy Avenue and Chicago Avenue). The amendment would reduce Category 11 Energy Sector (Cat 11 ES) and Category 1 funding to a combined total of $13.10 million, lowering the overall project cost from $153.28 million to $142 million.

Shelley Harris noted that this amendment does not affect the project limits, project description, design concept, scope of work, programmed phase, or fiscal year.

Steven Sims stated this is just an update; no action is needed.

The Committee moved to the next item.

Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) Amendment for CSJ 1344-02-027.

Steven Sims stated that the Lubbock District of TxDOT has requested an amendment to the 2027–2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), noting that the amendment would also carry over into the 2050 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). The project is identified as Slide Road from FM 1585 (Loop 88) to CR 9624. The intended letting fiscal year is 2029.

He explained that the project proposes to widen the existing roadway from two lanes to five lanes, including a continuous center turn lane, ADA-compliant ramps, sidewalks, and illumination. Steven Sims stated that the anticipated cost for the project is $40 million in Category 1 funds.

The Committee discussed the different categories of funding and discussed the illusive list.

Steven Sims updated the Committee on the public involvement timeframe as set be the Public Participation Plan (PPP) for the project amendment.

John Turpin made a motion to adopt the proposed amendment, the proposed public involvement and send it to the TPC for action. Theresa Drewell seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

The Committee moved to the next item.

Reports:

Martin Lucero reported on the public comment period for the upcoming Census cycle and encouraged the Committee to take time to submit comments using the provided link and to share the link with others for participation. The Committee discussed the timeline, the current administration's regulations, and concerns regarding the undercount in the previous Census. The MPO will send the link to all Committee members.

Martin Lucero also updated the Committee on the status of the MPO lease agreements, noting that the Transportation Policy Committee (TPC) voted in favor of Option B. He provided an overview of the possible timeline for relocating the MPO office.

Additionally, Martin Lucero briefed the Committee on upcoming staff training and provided an update on the Freight Workshop held in partnership with the MPO and TxDOT.

Shelley Harris reported for TxDOT: He reported that FM 835 currently has traffic control set up. He also noted that LP 88, Section 3C, has installed perimeter signage. He provided an update on the recent Bike and Pedestrian Workshop and stated that the Bike Plan is expected to be ready in early spring. Additionally, he reported that the South Loop 289 and Slide Road project remains scheduled for Fiscal Year 2029.

Justin Dickson reported for Traffic Engineering: He reported that beacon signs at Baylor and University have been completed and stated that power installation will occur soon. He also reported that the CTC has approved the 122nd Street and Quaker Avenue project. The design for that project has been completed, as has the design for the Erskine and Chicago beacon. He additionally provided an update on a general project "watch list."

Theresa Drewell reported for TTU: She stated that currently the only traffic issues are the home games. She also reported that TTU and the City of Lubbock will hopefully be working on a few projects together and will report that at another time when set.

John Turpin reported for Engineering: He reported on the ongoing progress of the Upland Avenue and 114th Street project. He also noted that a project will soon begin in

the area around Covenant Hospital to replace all existing cast iron water pipes. In addition, he provided updates on the progress of the West Lubbock storage tank project and the continuing work on the Broadway project.

David Bragg reported for Public Works: He reported on the progress of the University and South Loop 289 project.

Rodshadi Moore reported for Lubbock County: He reported on the Bond projects Phase 1 is almost complete and Phase 2 is ongoing. He also discussed a project that will start early in summer in front of the Cooper High School.

Chair David Bragg adjourned the meeting of the Transportation Advisory Committee at 11:15 a.m.

Agenda Item 6

Fiscal Year 2026 Annual Performance and Expenditure Report (APER) Update

Background:
The Annual Performance and Expenditure Report documents the Lubbock MPO's progress in completing the activities identified in the approved Unified Planning Work Program. The report compares actual performance with established objectives and schedules, identifies approved UPWP revisions, and reconciles actual expenditures with the amounts budgeted for each task.

The APER allows TxDOT and FHWA to evaluate the MPO's performance and use of federal transportation planning funds during Fiscal Year 2026. It also identifies cost overruns or underruns, incomplete work, schedule changes, and other information needed to close the reporting year and support continued program oversight.

Regulatory Compliance:
Under **23 CFR § 420.117**, annual performance and expenditure reporting must address actual performance, progress in meeting schedules, expenditures compared with approved budgets, cost overruns or underruns, approved work program revisions, and other pertinent supporting information. Under **43 TAC § 16.52(a)(5)**, Texas MPOs must submit the annual report to TxDOT no later than December 15.

Timing and Next Steps:
Staff is reconciling final Fiscal Year 2026 expenditures and completing the report in coordination with TxDOT. Comments received from the Transportation Advisory Committee will be considered before the APER is finalized and submitted to TxDOT by December 15, 2026. The final report may subsequently be presented to the Transportation Policy Committee for information.

Discussion:
Staff will update the Committee on the status of the FY 2026 APER, including completion of UPWP activities, preliminary expenditure reconciliation, budget variances, approved UPWP revisions, and remaining items that must be resolved before submission.

Action Requested:
Consider and take appropriate action

Staff Recommendation: No action

Agenda Item 7

Fiscal Year 2026 Annual Listing of Projects (ALOP) Update

Background:
The Annual Listing of Obligated Projects identifies transportation projects within the metropolitan planning area for which federal funds under **Title 23** of the United States Code or Chapter 53 of Title 49 were obligated during the preceding program year. The listing must include investments in pedestrian walkways and bicycle transportation facilities.
LMPO develops the listing cooperatively with TxDOT and applicable public transportation providers. The report provides the public with a record of federal transportation investments and allows obligated amounts to be compared with the projects and funding identified in the Transportation Improvement Program.
A federal obligation represents a commitment of federal funds to a project. Project letting and obligation are separate actions. Letting information may be included for project tracking, but letting status does not determine whether a project must appear in the annual listing.

Regulatory Requirements:
Under **23 CFR § 450.334**, the Annual Listing of Obligated Projects must be developed and made publicly available within 90 calendar days after the end of the program year. The listing must be published in accordance with the public participation criteria applicable to the TIP. For the program year ending September 30, 2026, the publication deadline is December 29, 2026.

Timing and Next Steps:
Staff is coordinating with TxDOT and the applicable public transportation providers to compile and verify the federal obligation data. After the information has been reconciled, LMPO will publish the final listing on its website in accordance with the adopted Public Participation Plan.

Discussion:
Staff will present the draft FY 2026 Annual Listing of Obligated Projects. TAC members will be asked to provide missing projects, incorrect project information, or changes in project status, including whether listed projects have been obligated by November 17th. Letting status is provided for project tracking and does not determine whether a project must be included in the listing.

Action Requested: Consider and take appropriate action

Staff Recommendation: No Action

Agenda Item 8

Transportation Alternatives Program

Background:
The Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), administered by the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT), provides federal funding opportunities to support transportation improvements that enhance pedestrian and bicycle accessibility, safety, mobility, and connectivity throughout the region. **Eligible projects may include sidewalks, shared-use paths, bicycle facilities, pedestrian infrastructure, and other improvements that promote alternative modes of transportation.** TxDOT has announced plans to open its 2027 Transportation Alternatives Call for Projects on January 8, 2027, providing an opportunity for eligible local governments and project sponsors to pursue federal assistance for qualifying improvements. MPO Staff will provide the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) with an overview of the program, anticipated application schedule, eligibility requirements, and potential opportunities for projects within the Lubbock Metropolitan Planning Area. Staff will also discuss the importance of coordination with TxDOT and local jurisdictions to identify projects that align with regional transportation priorities, improve multimodal connectivity, and support the goals and objectives established in the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP).

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) administers Transportation Alternatives (TA) funding to support locally sponsored bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure improvements throughout the state. In urbanized areas with populations exceeding 200,000, a portion of TA funding is allocated directly to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to administer in accordance with regional transportation needs and priorities. While TxDOT and MPOs maintain independent project selection processes for their respective funding allocations, additional opportunities for discretionary funding may be available through competitive programs administered by TxDOT. These funding opportunities provide local jurisdictions with additional resources to advance bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure projects that enhance safety, accessibility, and multimodal connectivity.

Discussion:
Staff will provide the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) with an informational overview of the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), including the program's purpose, eligible project activities, funding opportunities, and applicable requirements. The overview is intended to inform TAC members of the program's role in supporting bicycle and pedestrian infrastructure, improving transportation safety, and enhancing multimodal connectivity.

Attachments: Unique Aspects of Transportation Alternatives

Action Requested: Consider and take appropriate action

Staff Recommendation: No Action

RECOMMENDATIONS
HOW TO APPLY

If you are interested in applying for these federal funds, contact TxDOT's Bicycle and Pedestrian Program or your local MPO to better understand the timing of their competitive selection process.

TxDOT hosts Calls for Projects every other year while each MPO maintains their own consistent schedule.

Texas Department of Transportation

UNIQUE ASPECTS OF TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES

Contact TxDOT's Bicycle and Pedestrian Program using the QR code below:

You can identify and contact your local MPO using the QR code below:

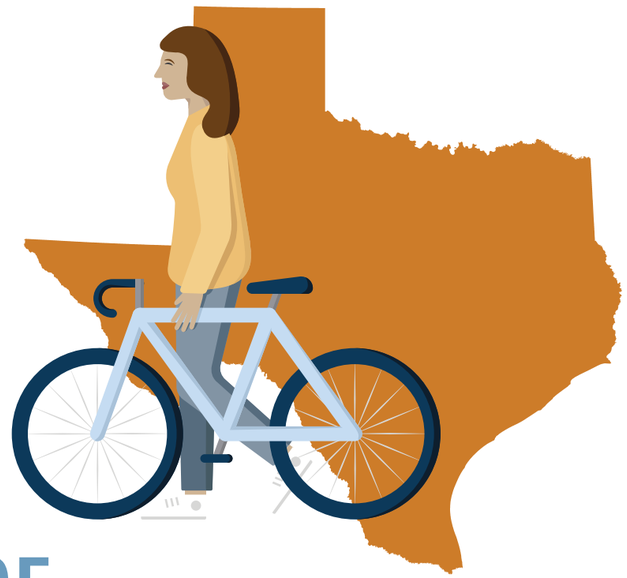
BACKGROUND

As a result of the **Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)** signed into law in 2021, funding allocated to Texas for planning and building safe walking and bicycling networks has **increased substantially.**

This federal funding program is called the **Transportation Alternatives (TA) Program.** TA funds are unique when compared to other federal funding programs. This brochure helps explain some of the **unique aspects** that local cities, counties, their consultants, and other eligible entities should know so they can apply for these funds.

TxDOT and Texas MPOs invite you to take advantage of historic levels of funding for safe pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure!

To view a companion video describing these unique aspects of the TA program, please scan the QR code to the left.

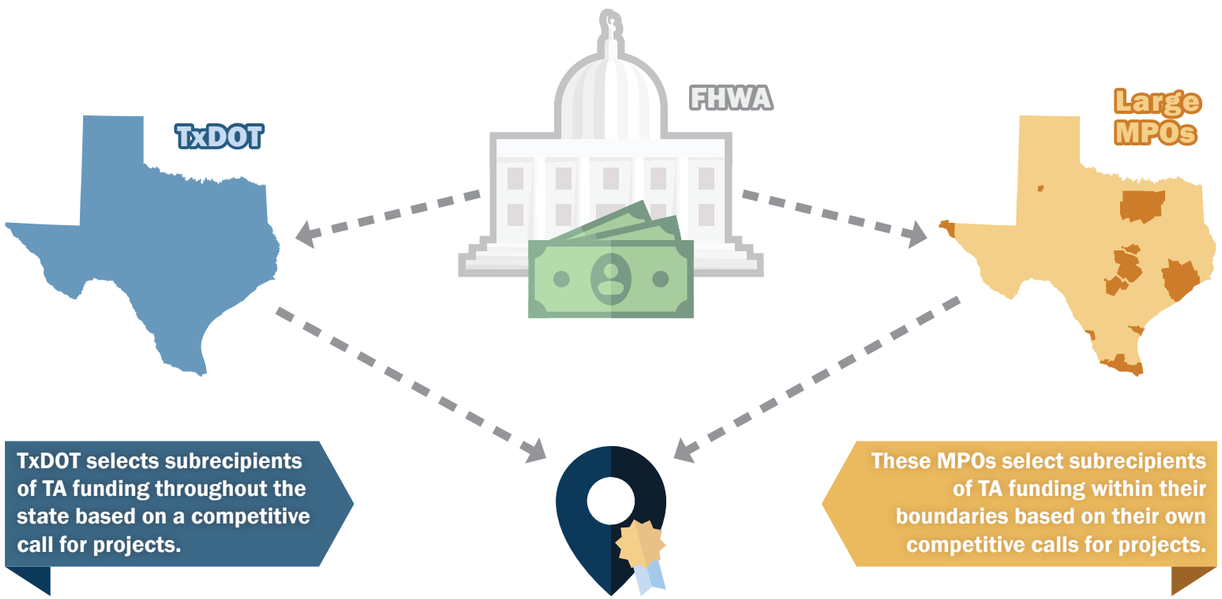


UNIQUE ASPECTS OF TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES

Texas Department of Transportation

ELEMENTS OF FUNDING
DISTRIBUTION

FHWA distributes TA funds to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and 10 large metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) in Texas.



TxDOT selects subrecipients of TA funding throughout the state based on a competitive call for projects.

These MPOs select subrecipients of TA funding within their boundaries based on their own competitive calls for projects.

ELEMENTS OF FUNDING
FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

Federal rules require MPOs and TxDOT to develop transparent evaluation processes to competitively select projects for Transportation Alternatives (TA) awards. These funds must be awarded only to projects which are:

1. Related to bicycle, pedestrian, and/or micromobility modes
2. Principally for transportation rather than recreation
3. Direct relationship to the surface transportation system
4. Creates benefit to the general public and is publicly accessible



TA funding requires a match from the local project sponsor, but the local match amount will depend on the program rules of the state or the MPO hosting the call for projects.

ELEMENTS OF FUNDING
TIME SENSITIVITY



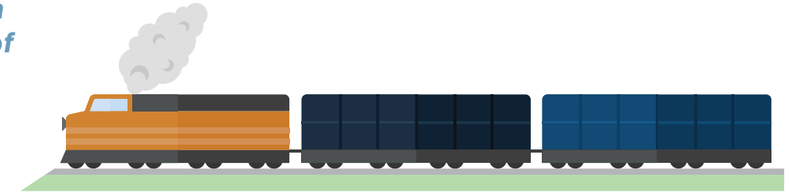
TA funds will be returned to the federal government if they are not obligated for construction letting 3 years after the year they were authorized to the state. This means all TA projects must be let for construction within **3 YEARS** of award or risk losing funding.

This timing constraint also affects projects that require coordination with outside agencies or require right-of-way (ROW) acquisition, discussed further in the Considerations section below.

ELEMENTS OF FUNDING
CONSIDERATIONS

Local governments interested in applying are encouraged to plan ahead for time-consuming tasks before submitting a project for funding consideration. Examples of such tasks include:

- *Railroad coordination if a project is within 100 ft. of railroad ROW*
- *Utility coordination*
- *Environmental issues*
- *Right-of-way acquisition*
- *Public involvement*



This unique quality of TA funding means bundling projects with other funding streams for larger roadway improvements projects can be challenging.

ELEMENTS OF FUNDING
REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES IS A REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM.

Once a project is authorized to proceed, the project sponsor will pay for all project expenses and then must request reimbursement from TxDOT, usually on a monthly basis. TxDOT will review all project expenses to confirm they are eligible, after which reimbursement will be issued to the project sponsor.



Any expenses incurred prior to the authorization to proceed, including grant writing, are not reimbursable expenses for the Transportation Alternatives program.

ELEMENTS OF FUNDING
WORKING WITH FEDERAL FUNDING

Projects are required to meet federal and state design standards and contracting regulations and requirements. All project sponsors awarded funding under the TA programs who propose to manage and perform any work on the project will be required to designate a "Responsible Person in Charge" (RPIC), a "Project Manager" (PM), and a "Qualified" person in accordance with TxDOT's Local Government Project Program (LGPP).



Refer to the TxDOT Local Government Projects Toolkit for requirements at the QR code below.

Agenda Item 9

Reports:

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