

# TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE PROGRAM

2017 Call for Projects  
Recommendations  
for the North Central Texas Region

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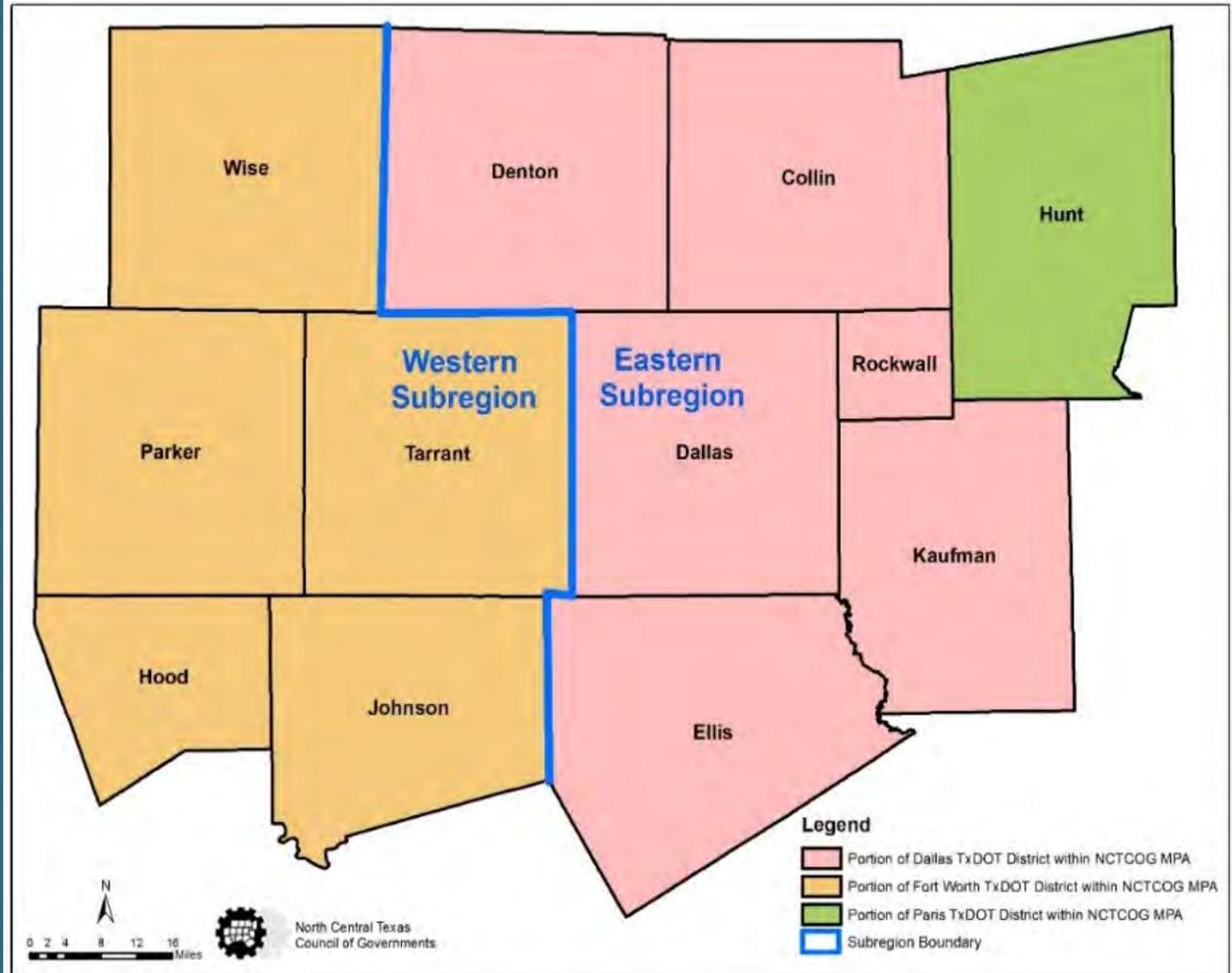
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## What is the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program?

### **FAST Act: Fixing America's Surface Transportation** (Current federal transportation funding bill)

- Similar to the previous Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) and Transportation Enhancements (TE)
- Requires states to sub-allocate to areas based on population
- MPOs serving urbanized areas with populations over 200,000 are responsible for selecting projects through a competitive process

# Eligible Project Area



# Eligible Project Activities

## 2017 Call for Projects (North Central Texas)

### Active Transportation

Shared-Use Paths  
On-Street Bikeways  
Bicycle/Pedestrian  
Signalization  
Sidewalks, Crosswalks,  
Curb Ramps  
Traffic Controls and  
Calming Measures  
Signage  
Road Diets

### Safe Routes to School

Shared-Use Paths  
On-Street Bikeways  
Bicycle/Pedestrian  
Signalization  
Sidewalks, Crosswalks,  
Curb Ramps  
Traffic Controls and  
Calming Measures  
Signage

# Federal Funding Allocation for Fiscal Years 16, 17, 18, and 19

Funding Categories	Western Region (Fort Worth District) (34%)	Eastern Region (Dallas District) (66%)	Total
2016 TAP Funds Carryover (FY 16)	\$ 1,444,697	\$ 2,804,412	 \$ 4,249,109
2017 TA Set-Aside Funds Available (FY 17, 18, 19)	\$ 7,890,720	\$ 15,317,280	\$ 23,208,000
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= additional funds were identified after the program launch in Dec. 2016

# Federal Funding Award Per Project

<i>Maximum Federal Funding Award per Project</i>	<i>Minimum Federal Funding Award per Project</i>
<b>\$ 5,000,000</b>	<b>\$ 150,000</b>

A family of four is riding bicycles on a paved path outdoors. From left to right: a young boy in a pink shirt and grey helmet, a young girl in a green tank top and grey helmet, a man in a light blue shirt, and a woman in a pink tank top. They are all smiling and looking forward. The background consists of tall, thin trees with green foliage under a bright sky. A semi-transparent blue banner with a white dot pattern is overlaid across the middle of the image, containing the text "Evaluation and Scoring".

# Evaluation and Scoring

# Evaluation and Scoring Criteria for Active Transportation Projects

Category	Scoring (pts)	Description
<b>Regional Network Connectivity</b>	25	Improves connectivity of Mobility 2040 regional paths and bikeways between cities and counties.
<b>Mobility</b>	20	Improves connections and access to transit.
<b>Safety</b>	15	Improves safety and provides facilities for pedestrians and bicyclists with a high level of comfort and suitability for users of all ages and abilities.
<b>Reducing Barriers</b>	10	Provides safe crossing of existing travel obstacles such as major roadways, interchanges, railroads, and bodies of water.
<b>Congestion Reduction</b>	10	Provide alternative travel options as an option to motor vehicle trips in areas with greater opportunity for walking and bicycling
<b>Destination Density</b>	5	Provides access to areas with a high density of major employers and destinations.
<b>Air Quality Benefits</b>	5	Improves air quality by supporting non-motorized facility usage.
<b>Equity</b>	5	Improves access to disadvantaged populations and underserved communities.
<b>Local Network Connectivity</b>	5	Implements locally planned priorities.

# Evaluation and Scoring Criteria for Safe Routes to School Projects

Category	Scoring (pts)	Description
<b>Implements a Local Plan</b>	20	Implements a project identified as a priority in a local Safe Routes to School plan.
<b>Safety</b>	20	Improves the safety of students walking and bicycling to school.
<b>Congestion Reduction</b>	20	Strong potential for the project to increase walking and bicycling by students in lieu of motor vehicle trips to and from school.
<b>Equity</b>	20	Improves school access for disadvantaged populations and underserved communities.
<b>Community Support and Stakeholder Involvement</b>	15	Builds upon demonstrated community support for walking and bicycling to school.
<b>Air Quality Benefits</b>	5	Improves air quality by supporting non-motorized facility usage.

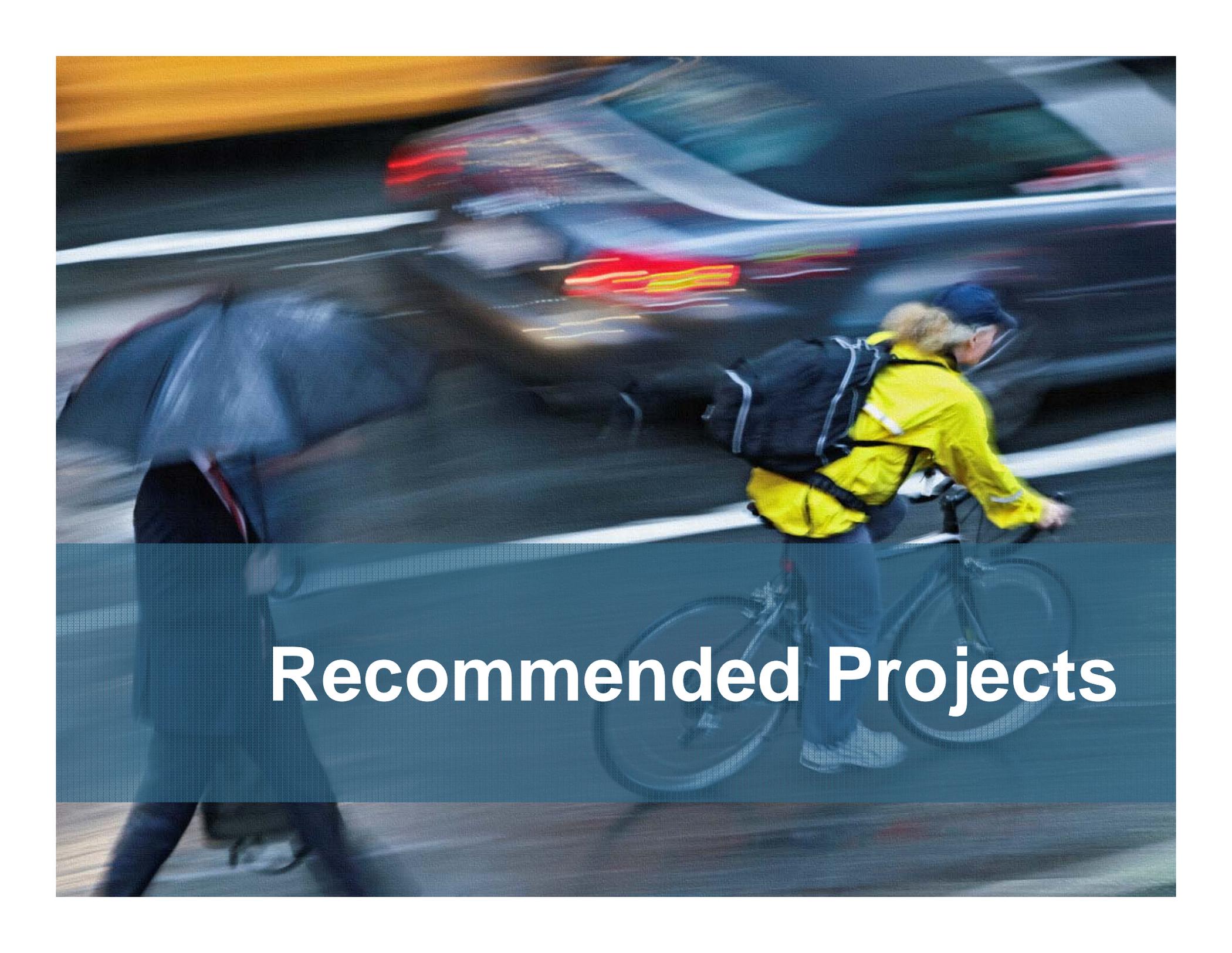
# Additional Considerations

## Active Transportation Applications and Safe Routes to School Applications

Category	Scoring (pts)	Description
<b>Project Readiness and Other Factors</b>	20	Project readiness / ability to obligate funds and initiate construction quickly. Other factors related to project impact upon the community.
<b>Project Innovation</b>	5	Project implements innovative or new treatments and technology that can serve as a model for the region.

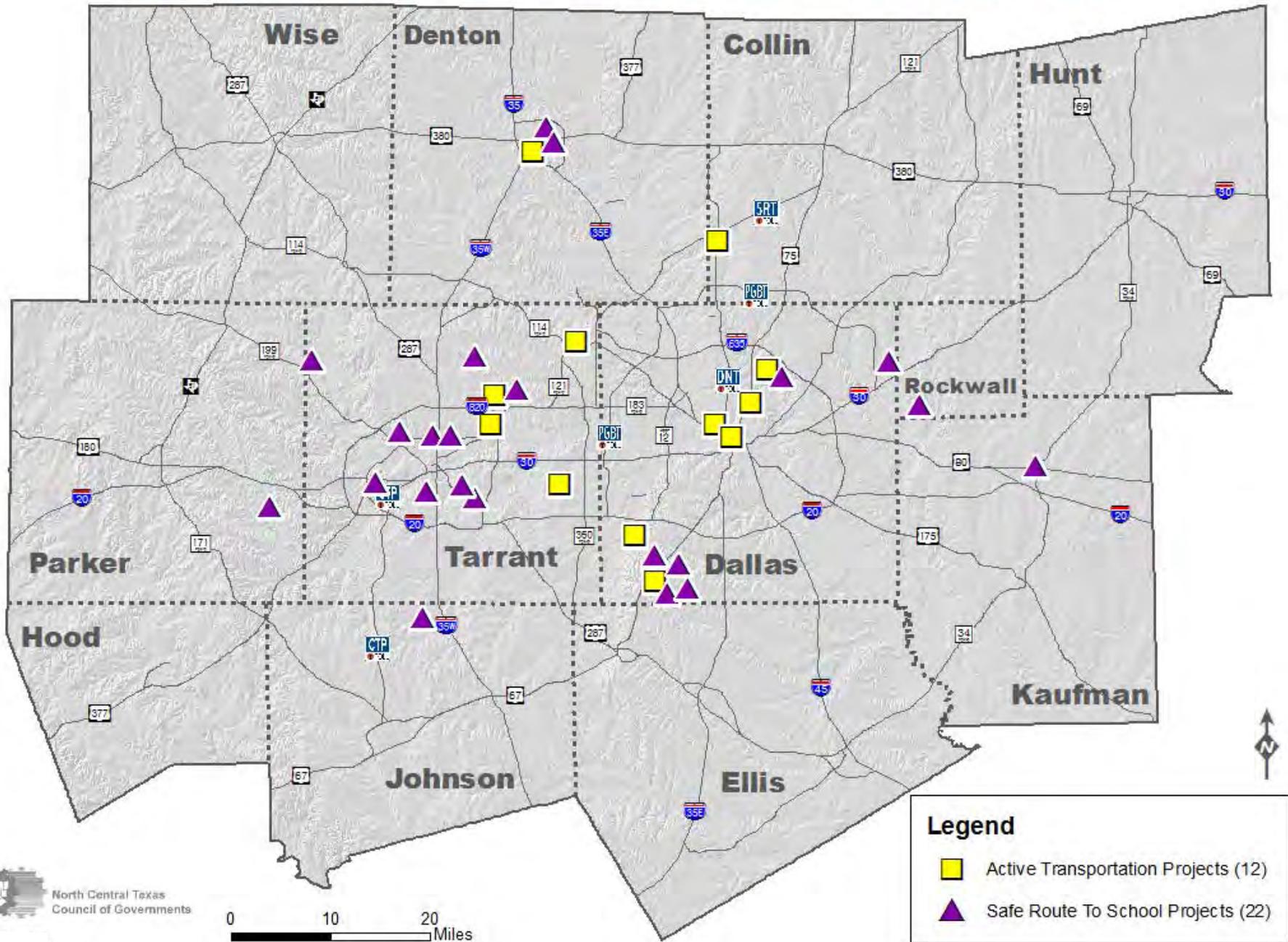
# 2017 TA Set-Aside Applications Received and Requested Federal Funding

Funding Categories	Western Region (Fort Worth District)	Eastern Region (Dallas District)	Total
Active Transportation	\$ 10,956,589	\$ 23,581,601	\$ 34,538,190
Safe Routes to School	\$ 12,264,968	\$ 9,520,911	\$ 21,787,879
<b>Total Requested Federal Funding</b>	<b>\$ 23,221,557</b>	<b>\$ 33,102,512</b>	<b>\$ 56,324,069</b>
<b>Total Number of Applications</b>	31	30	61



# Recommended Projects

# 2017 TA Set-Aside Recommended Projects **DRAFT**



**Legend**

- Active Transportation Projects (12)
- Safe Route To School Projects (22)

## Recommended Project Scoring Tables

- Tables are provided with detailed scoring information.
- Please note: shaded projects are recommended to have reduced funding based on ineligible expenses or various cost factors.

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- Reduced amounts were confirmed with the recommended agency.



# 2017 TA Set-Aside Funding Recommendations

## *Fort Worth District: Active Transportation*

	Nominating Entity	Project Name	Recommended Federal Funds
1	City of Grapevine	Dallas Road TOD Corridor / Cotton Belt Trail Extension	\$ 5,000,000
2	City of North Richland Hills	NRH Active Transportation Project for Trail / On-Road	\$ 617,294
3	City of Richland Hills	Richland Hills TRE Connection	\$ 1,677,121
4	City of Arlington	Julia Burgen Linear Park Trail System	\$ 542,568
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 7,836,983</b>

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= highlighted projects indicate reduced funding based on reductions in project scope, design costs, or other project elements.

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# 2017 TA Set-Aside Funding Recommendations

## *Fort Worth District: Safe Routes to School*

	Nominating Entity	Project Name	Recommended Federal Funds
1	City of Fort Worth*	CC Moss Elementary School SRTS	\$ 310,736
2	City of Fort Worth*	Diamond Hill Elementary School SRTS	\$ 676,906
3	City of Fort Worth*	WJ Turner Elementary School SRTS	\$ 541,572
4	City of Fort Worth*	ML Phillips Elementary School SRTS	\$ 551,405
5	City of Fort Worth*	D. McRae Elementary School SRTS	\$ 383,734
6	City of Burleson	Irene Street & Gardens to Johnson Safe Routes Project	\$ 1,721,019
7	City of Fort Worth*	Bonnie Brae Elementary School SRTS	\$ 310,677
8	City of Fort Worth*	Daggett Elementary/ Montessori School SRTS	\$ 428,775
9	City of Keller	Whitley Road Safe Routes to School	\$ 775,039
10	City of North Richland Hills	Smithfield Middle School	\$ 211,137
11	City of Aledo	Old Annetta Road - Safe Routes to School	\$ 833,880
12	Azle ISD	Walnut Creek Elementary Pedestrian Walkway	\$ 301,116
* = projects to be consolidated for funding agreement			<b>Total</b>
			<b>\$ 7,045,996</b>

# 2017 TA Set-Aside Funding Recommendations

## *Dallas District: Active Transportation*

	Nominating Entity	Project Name	Recommended Federal Funds
1	City of Dallas	Trinity Strand Trail Phase 2	\$ 5,000,000
2	City of Denton	Sycamore - Welch Active Transportation Connection	\$ 762,508
3	City of Dallas	Lake Highlands Trail Phase 2A, 2B	\$ 4,079,294
4	City of Dallas	Union Bikeway Connector	\$ 610,150
5	City of Dallas	Ridgewood Trail Lighting	\$ 687,280
6	City of Plano	Legacy Drive / Dallas Parkway Pedestrian / Bicycle Crossing	\$ 355,784
7	City of Cedar Hill	South Clark Rd. Trail Veloweb Connection	\$ 1,053,151
8	Dallas County	FM 1382 Sidepath	\$ 1,628,951
<b>Total</b>			<b>\$ 14,177,118</b>

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## *Dallas District: Safe Routes to School*

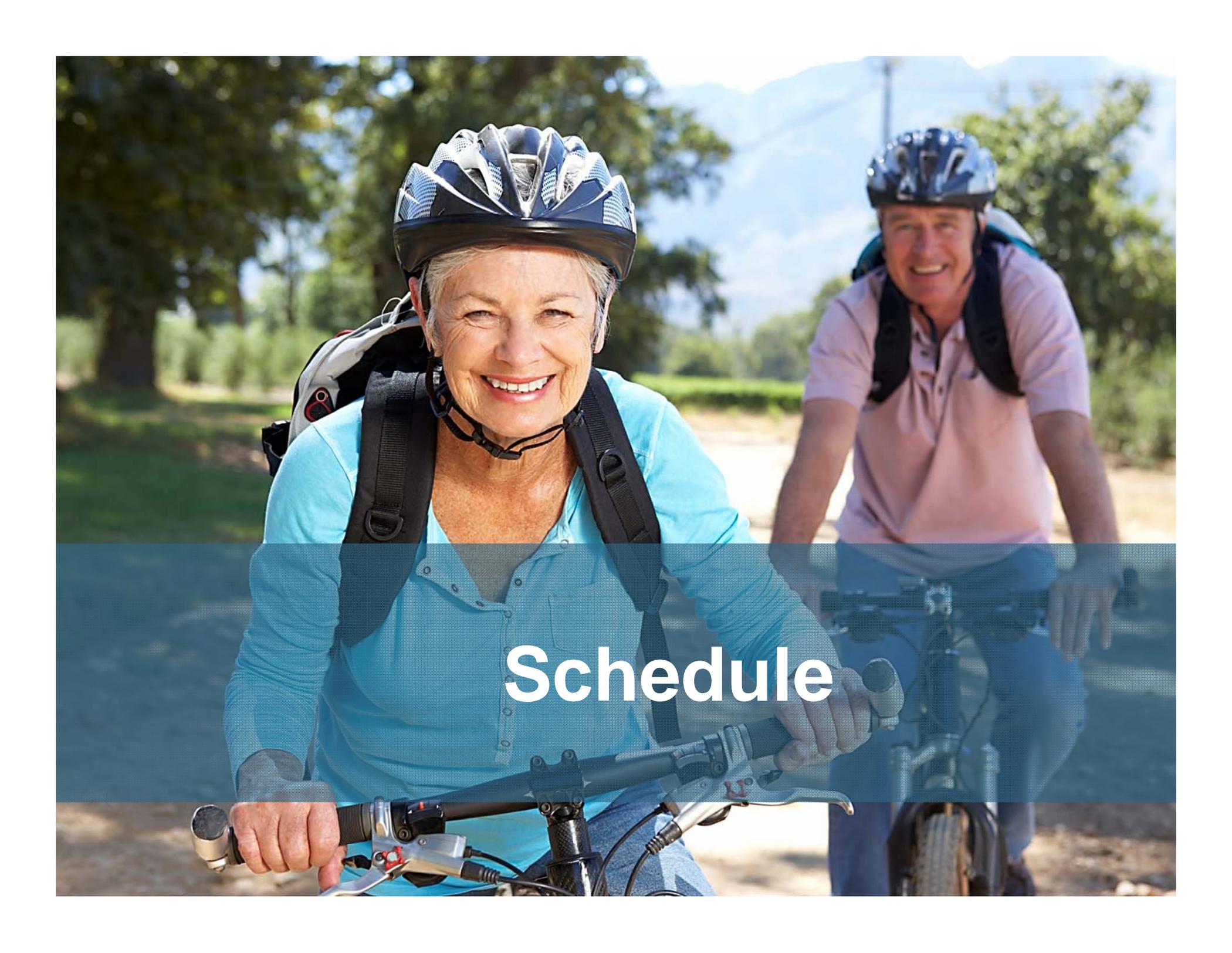
	Nominating Entity	Project Name	Recommended Federal Funds
1	City of Denton*	Ginnings Elementary School Sidewalk Project	\$ 525,142
2	City of Denton*	Lee Elementary School Sidewalk Project	\$ 237,169
3	City of Terrell	Dr. Bruce Wood ES Connection Extensions	\$ 534,380
4	City of Heath	SRTS Trail Project - Smirl & Hubbard	\$ 380,228
5	City of Cedar Hill*	Group 4 - Sidewalk and Crosswalk Improvements	\$ 129,981
6	City of Cedar Hill*	Group 1 - Sidewalk and Crosswalk Improvements	\$ 757,518
7	City of Cedar Hill*	Group 2 - Sidewalk and Crosswalk Improvements	\$ 594,745
8	City of Dallas	Lake Highlands Trail Northern Extension	\$ 1,597,200
9	City of Rowlett	Miller Rd. and Chiesa Rd. Sidewalk	\$ 349,348
10	City of Cedar Hill*	Group 3 - Sidewalk and Crosswalk Improvements	\$ 77,616
* = projects to be consolidated for funding agreement			<b>Total</b>
			<b>\$ 5,183,327</b>

# Recommended Federal Funding

<b>Funding Categories</b>	<b>Western Region (Fort Worth District)</b>	<b>Eastern Region (Dallas District)</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Active Transportation (12 Projects)</b>	\$ 7,836,983	\$ 14,177,118	\$ 22,014,101
<b>Safe Routes to School (22 Projects)</b>	\$ 7,045,996	\$ 5,183,327	\$ 12,229,323
<b>Total Recommended Federal Funding (34 Projects)</b>	<b>\$ 14,882,979</b>	<b>\$ 19,360,445</b>	<b>\$ 34,243,424</b>

## Recommended Federal Funding, cont.

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CMAQ Funds Recommended	\$ 5,547,562	\$ 1,238,753	\$ 6,786,315
<b>Total Recommended TA Set-Aside and CMAQ Funding</b>	<b>\$ 14,882,979</b>	<b>\$ 19,360,445</b>	<b>\$ 34,243,424</b>



Schedule

# Schedule

	Date
 BPAC / Transportation Alternatives Call for Projects Public Meeting	11/16/16
 STTC Action (CFP Guidelines)	12/2/16
 RTC Action (CFP Guidelines)	12/8/16
 Call for Projects <u>Opens</u>	12/12/16
 Application Workshop	12/14/16
 Deadline for Meetings to Review Applications for Completeness	2/10/17
 Call for Projects <u>Closes</u>	<u>2/24/17; 5:00pm</u>
 Review of Projects / Scoring by NCTCOG	March – April
 Public Meetings	Early May
 STTC Action (Selected Projects)	5/26/17
 <b>RTC Action (Selected Projects)</b>	<b>6/8/17</b>
Meetings with Awarded Agencies (Dallas District)	6/21/17
Meetings with Awarded Agencies (Fort Worth District)	6/22/17
Submittal Deadline for Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) modifications (November 2017 Cycle)	7/28/17
Approval of Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)	Nov/Dec 2017

## Requested Action

### Approval of the:

- 2017 Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TA Set-Aside) Call for Projects as provided in Reference Item 4.2, which includes the use of a combination of TA Set-Aside and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program funds.
- Ability to administratively amend the TIP/STIP and any other documents as appropriate to include all TA Set-Aside projects in the Region.



# Questions?



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