BACKGROUND

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the economy has suffered large setbacks and there is an urgency to stimulate the economy.

As was done in 2009 during the Great Recession, the idea is to inject much needed cash into the local and state economies using infrastructure investment.

North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) staff recommends funding a fourth round of projects.

These projects meet one or more of the policies outlined in the current Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and/or assist in reaching the region’s federal performance targets.

Some of these projects have been the subject of discussions between NCTCOG staff and regional partners over the past several years. This program seeks to bring them to a conclusion. Other projects were submitted by local governments for consideration.
PROJECT TYPES

- Projects were divided into project types and evaluated against each other:
  - Roadways
  - Complete Streets/Context-Sensitive Design
  - Bicycle/Pedestrian
  - Intersection Improvements
  - Strategic Partnerships (e.g., planning studies, engineering, additional funding on existing projects, non-traditional project types)
EVALUATION PROCESS

Eligibility criteria considered:

- For Roadway/Intersection projects, facility must be at least a Major Collector on the Federal Functional Classification System or can justifiably be added.
- For projects with added capacity, additional lanes must be warranted.

Selection criteria considered include:

- Traffic volumes/Level of Service (how well traffic moves along a roadway)
- Air quality benefits (reduction of vehicle emissions)/Cost effectiveness
- Consistency with the MTP
- Project addresses a safety issue (history of vehicle crashes)
- Project addresses federal performance measures (e.g., bridge condition, pavement condition, part of the roadway freight network)

The criteria/process used for each project type is included with the project listings posted online.
RECENT STIMULUS FUNDING

- As part of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) was signed into law in December 2020, $9.8 billion of additional funding was set aside for transportation infrastructure.
- Of that amount, $803 million is allocated to the Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) and $164 million is allocated to Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Texas.
- Approximately $54 million is allocated to the Dallas-Fort Worth region.
- These funds will be added to the region’s existing balance of Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) funds in Fiscal Years 2022/2023.
- This program proposes to incorporate these funds into existing project selection efforts (COVID Round 4+ and the 10-Year Plan).
# WEST/EAST FUNDING DISTRIBUTION

## West/East Sub-Region Funding Split of Recommended Projects

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Funding distributions only take Regional Transportation Council (RTC) funds into account and do not include local matches.

¹ Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program
² Surface Transportation Block Grant Program
³ Regional Toll Revenue
## SUMMARY OF PROPOSED FUNDING

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¹ Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) are not cash and do not count in total funding.
SUMMARY

- For a comprehensive list of projects being funded, please refer to the project listing on the public input page at www.nctcog.org/input
- Seeking public comment on the projects proposed for funding
QUESTIONS?

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