

DRAFT POLICIES FOR MANAGING MORPC- ATTRIBUTABLE FUNDING



Mid-Ohio Regional
Planning Commission



MORPC-Attributable Funding

Approximately \$32 Million Available Annually

- Surface Transportation Program (STP) ~\$20M/yr
- Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) ~\$10M/yr
- Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) ~\$2M/yr

Solicit Project Applications Every Two Years

- Updates to previous funding commitments
- Applications for new commitments

Preparing for the next funding round...

- Attributable Funding Committee (AFC) recommended draft Policies
- Public comment period: Jan. 22 – Feb. 22
- No comments received
- Today: Overview of draft Policies
- April: Request to adopt Policies

Key policy components

- Committee Makeup
- Eligibility and Requirements
- Application Process
- Evaluation and Selection Process
- Project Development Requirements
- Maintaining Funding Commitments
- Other Policies for Program Management

Application Timeline 2016-17

- **April 14: MORPC adopts Policies**
 - **April 14:** MORPC hosts applicant workshop, 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.
 - **June 6:** Commitment Update Form due
- **June 13: Screening Applications for new funding due**
 - **Mid-July:** Staff completes review of Updates. Provide feedback to applicants and revised forecast of available funding
- **August 15: Final Applications due**
 - **August 31:** Ad-interim AFC members change, election of AFC officers
 - **September:** Submit CMAQ eligible projects to statewide committee
 - **September - November:** Staff review and score applications & AFC review and recommends funding commitments
- **December : Draft list of funding commitments available for public review and comment**
- **March 2017: Adopt list of attributable funding commitments**

Proposed Changes

- **Policies were formerly two documents:**
 - *Principles for Managing MORPC-Attributable Funds*
 - *Application Procedures for MORPC-Attributable Funding Programs*
- **Evaluation criteria:**
 - Traffic-related criteria moved goals from Health, Safety & Welfare to Economic Opportunity
 - Minor changes in goal weighting
 - Vehicle Miles of Travel reduction added to Energy criteria
- **Application Online (no forms)**
 - Information needs listed
 - More flexibility in creating online forms
- **Considerations for reducing local match**



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