

# Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025–29 TIP Engagement

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### **Icebreaker: Mapping Activity**

- Share your resiliency and safety concerns in your region
  - Use the yellow sticky notes for safety, and the orange for resiliency
  - Write a short note on the specific concern
    - For example, a dangerous pedestrian crossing or a flood risk area



#### **Presentation Overview**

- South Shore Coalition (SSC) subregion in the context of the Boston region
- Overview of investment programs
- Discussion
- Upcoming materials, applications, and dates



## SSC Funding Breakdown

- SSC has approximately \$27.8 million in projects programmed between FFY 2024 and 2028
  - 4.5% of funding for 7% of population and 5% of employment
- Lower than what the MPO is looking for, lower than what you are seeking
- About two-thirds of all funding to SSC is coming from the MPO
  - Suggests lower volumes to Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) in turn





#### Regional Target Projects in 2024–28 TIP

- Cohasset and Scituate:

   Corridor Improvements and
   Related Work on Justice
   Cushing Highway (Route 3A),
   from Beechwood Street to Henry
   Turner Bailey Road
- Hingham: Improvements on Route 3A from Otis Street/Cole Road, including Summer Street and Rotary; Rockland Street to George Washington Boulevard



Hingham - Route 3A Rotary. Image Source: City of Hingham



### **Trends in SSC Projects**

- What target funding is present is highly concentrated
- One-half of the municipalities in SSC have no funding in the TIP, and 70% have no regional target funding
- Route 3A corridor studies ongoing—aware there is more demand there
- We want more projects from SSC, recognize significant unmet need, barriers to entry

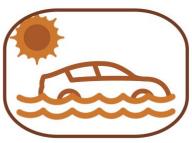


Cohasset and Scituate - Route 3A corridor improvements. Image Source: MassDOT

## **TIP Investment Program Goals**













Six goal areas in MPO Project Development

- Equity
- Safety
- Mobility and Reliability
- Access and Connectivity
- Resilience
- Clean Air and Healthy Communities
- TIP has six discrete investment programs that fund a variety of project types



## **Project Design Pilot**

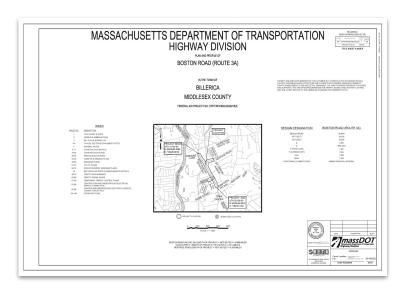


Image Source: MassDOT

- The Project Design Pilot was created to envision, design, and deliver transformative projects for the region
- \$4 million available in FFY 2025
  - Cost covers up to 80% of all design
- Prerequisites
  - Projects must be initiated with MassDOT



#### **Discussion**

- How can the Boston Region MPO help reinforce traffic-calming efforts that your communities are already pursuing?
- What are the largest barriers to entry for advancing TIP projects?
- Are there transportation priorities in your community that the TIP is not currently addressing?



### TIP Scoring and Application

- Scorecards, applications to be released November 1, 2023
- Application deadline, December 31, 2023

#### Prerequisites to apply

- Project is listed in MaPIT
- Project has reached 25% design
  - Community Connections and Transit Transformation exempt
  - Design Pilot requires MaPIT only

#### Transit Transformation Project Scorecard

For project funding through the Transportation Transformation Program



that eliminate transportation-related disparities borne by people in disadvantaged communities.



critical transportation needs or where there exist disparities that negatively impact eguity populations. These criteria



Criteria	Point Value	Equity Multiplier
The proposed project addresses a documented operational safety issue	5	
The proposed project improves the safety of users within the transit faci	IIIty 4	1
The proposed project improves the safety of users traveling to and from transit facilities	3	
The proposed project supports dedicated rights-of-way for transit or mitigates interference from other facility users	2	
The proposed project improves system responsiveness		
during emergency events	16 possibl	e points

Mobility and Reliability Goal: Support easy and reliable movement of people and freigh



Criteria Po	Int Value	Equity Multiplier
The project reduces transit passenger delay	5	1
The project invests in new transit assets or expanded service	5	1
The project performs state-of-good-repair improvements that extend the useful life of the facility	2	
The project improves intermodal connections and the ability of users to navigate those connections	2	
The project improves conditions for personnel that support transit operations	2	

Goal: Provide transportation options and improve access to key destinations Access and Connectivity to support economic vitality and high quality of life.



Criteria	Point Value	Equity Multiplie
The project serves sites targeted for future development	3	
The project serves existing employment and population centers	3	
The project invests in pedestrian connections to transit facilities or routes	3	1
The project invests in bicycle connections to transit facilities or routes	3	4
The project improves ADA accessibility for transit facilities or routes	4	1
	16 possibi	e points

Goal: Create an environmentally friendly transportation system



Criteria	Point Value	Equity Multiplier
The project reduces the risk of flooding in the project area through adaptation and resilience improvements	3	7
The project reduces the risk of extreme heat effects by reducing pavement cover, planting shade trees, providing shade structures, increasing green space, or providing other adaptations	3	1
The project implements recommendations or addresses needs identified in the respective municipality's Hazard Mitigation Plan, Municipal Vulnerability Plan, or Climate Adaptation Plan	2	
The project improves stormwater infrastructure beyond the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's MS4 standard	2	
The project applicant demonstrates regional coordination or partnership on resilience improvements and project impacts with neighboring municipalities environmental or environmental justice advocacy groups, local community organizations, regional or state agencies, or others	i. 2	
The project addresses risk to rider health and safety posed by climate hazar	rds 3	
The applicant details the expected useful life of the improvements and provides a plan for maintenance of resilience improvements beyond		
the construction phase	1	1



## **Upcoming Dates and Engagement**



- November 1, 2023: Application Launch
- November 2, 2023: TIP How-to Session #1
  - Register via MPO calendar
- November 9, 2023: TIP How-to Session #2
  - Register via MPO calendar
- Unified Planning Work Program Survey
  - Link to be shared
- Contact Ethan Lapointe or Logan Casey with application questions
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