

T-5-18: ADOPTING POLICIES FOR MANAGING MORPC- ATTRIBUTABLE FUNDS



Mid-Ohio Regional
Planning Commission

Introduction

- What are MORPC-Attributable Funds?
- Attributable Funds Committee
- Funding Management Process
- Contents of Policies
- Changes to Policies
- Today: Request to adopt Policies



MORPC-Attributable Funding

Approximately \$37 Million Annual Budget

- Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) ~\$23M/yr
- Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) ~\$12M/yr
- Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) ~\$2M/yr

Solicit Project Applications Every Two Years

- Updates to previous funding commitments
- Applications for new commitments

Attributable Funds Committee

- Membership includes:
 - Transportation Advisory Committee
 - Transportation stakeholders
 - Community Advisory Committee, Transportation Policy, Energy & Air Quality
 - Members with current MORPC funding or applied last cycle
- Committee Responsibilities:
 - Oversees the project solicitation and selection process
 - Recommends decisions on requests in project updates
 - Assists staff scoring and ranking of applications
 - Recommends a program of previous and new commitments within targets in the policies
 - **Reviews *Policies* and recommends changes**

What Happened?

- Attributable Funds Committee:
 - Reviewed Policies: May-Dec. 2017
 - Recommended Draft Policies
- Public comment period
 - Jan. 12 – Feb. 12
 - No comments received
- Today: Request to adopt Policies

Funding Management Process



Contents of *Policies*

- Attributable Funds Committee
- Process Milestones and Schedule
- Eligibility and Requirements
- Activity Categories
- Application Process for New Funding Commitments
- Evaluation and Selection Process
- Project Development Requirements
- Maintaining Funding Commitments
- Other Policies for Program Management

Changes

- 3 priority levels for criteria
- Commit only 75% of funds in 5th & 6th years
 - Fund fast-developing projects
 - Address increased cost estimates
- Raise maximum Transit share:
 - 5%-10% → 5%-15%
- Change criteria regarding amount of request
- Freeways & system interchanges
 - Generally not funded
 - Conditions for consideration



Next Steps

May 1 (tentative)	Online application launch
May 14, 2:30-4:30 p.m.	Workshop for applicants at MORPC
June 4, 5 p.m.	Commitment Update Forms due
June 11, 5 p.m.	Screening Applications due
August 13, 5 p.m.	Final Applications due

For More Information

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