



Background

Every two years, the WAMPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is fully updated. As part of this process, WAMPO issues a Call for Projects to award WAMPO-suballocated funding to important transportation projects in the region. During each cycle, typically \$20 million to \$25 million is awarded to currently-funded projects requesting additional funding and to new projects.

Process

This cycle’s Call for Projects will open on February 9, 2022 and close on **March 9, 2022**. Project sponsors/member jurisdictions will be e-mailed Access-database (or, upon request, Excel-workbook) forms to use for submitting projects (the forms are identical to those used for TIP amendments, accompanied by additional instructions to indicate if an existing project is completed and/or needs to be removed from the TIP). Project sponsors will need to review the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Funding Menu to ensure that any project(s) being submitted for WAMPO-suballocated funds is/are listed in the MTP. For projects currently in the TIP, increased WAMPO-suballocated funding may be requested, up to the limit listed in the MTP Funding Menu. However, if sponsors have projects that they want included in the TIP but which are not in the Funding Menu, they are still encouraged to submit those projects for consideration.

A Call for Projects Workshop will be held virtually on February 18, 2022, from 9:00 AM to 10:30 AM, to answer any questions project sponsors may have:

<https://meet.goto.com/242837021>

Or dial in using your phone:

United States: +1 (408) 650-3123

Access Code: 242-837-021

After projects are submitted, staff will review them and provide scores to the Project Selection Committee (PSC). The PSC will select projects to recommend to fund in the TIP, which will then be reviewed by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and approved by the Transportation Policy Body (TPB). After that, WAMPO staff will update the TIP document to reflect the approved projects. Then, a thirty-day public comment period will be held, the TIP will go before the TAC for review, and the TPB will approve it.

Schedule

2/8/2022-3/8/2022	Call for Projects
Spring 2022	Staff review & Project Selection Committee meetings
Summer 2022	Document development & Public Comment period
Summer/Fall 2022	TAC recommendation
Summer/Fall 2022	TPB approval

Available Funding

Unfortunately, due to delays at the congressional level, new funding amounts for Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2022 and later are not available. Therefore, staff are using a conservative approach, assuming FFY2021 funding levels will hold steady in each FFY through 2026 for this Call for Projects. Staff will adjust the available-funding assumptions once more information is available.



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FFY2021 Obligation Limitations for WAMPO-suballocated funds (not counting carryover balances from FFY2020):

Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG):	\$8,701,161
Congestion Management and Air Quality (CMAQ):	\$1,898,911
Transportation Alternatives (TA):	\$689,136

The following funding types will be considered in this Call for Projects:

- WAMPO suballocated (projects from the MTP Funding Menu)
 - STBG
 - CMAQ
 - TA
- WAMPO non-suballocated (projects are requested to be submitted by the same deadline as those requesting suballocated funds, March 9th)
 - KDOT, Wichita Transit, significant local projects not requesting WAMPO suballocated funding

Note: All WAMPO-suballocated federal funds (STBG, CMAQ, and TA) come with a required 80%/20% federal/nonfederal split (e.g., if the construction and construction-engineering phases of a project cost \$100, at least \$20 must be paid from local or state sources and no more than \$80 can come from federal funds). Also, projects receiving suballocated funds (or other federal funds that are distributed to local jurisdictions through WAMPO) are charged a "TIP fee" to support the operations of WAMPO (which is not counted towards the required 20% nonfederal share of costs); this fee is calculated as a percentage of the federal funds programmed to be used in a given Federal Fiscal Year and that percentage may change from one year to the next.

Years of Projects to be Selected

FFY2023, FFY2024, FFY2025, FFY2026

Related Documents:

- [WAMPO Planning and Funding Process \(MTP and TIP\)](#)
- [WAMPO Procedure for Awarding Suballocated Funds \(Short Version\)](#)
- [WAMPO Suballocated Programs Management Procedures](#)
- [Projects Evaluation Methodology & Scoring Criteria](#)
- [Statements of Assurances Form \(sponsors will be asked to fill one of these out for each new project to be included in the 2023-2026 TIP that is not in the 2021-2024 TIP\)](#)
- [2023-2026 Transportation Improvement Program Call for Projects Addendum #1 \(sponsors will be asked to fill one of these out for each new project to be included in the 2023-2026 TIP that is not in the 2021-2024 TIP\)](#)