

AGENDA ITEM #8: RSTP PROJECT EVALUATION METHODOLOGIES

During the TPS meeting of February 19, 2016, the Subcommittee voted to use the HRTPO Project Prioritization Tool to evaluate highway-type RSTP projects and to continue to use the previous RSTP methodologies to evaluate non-highway RSTP projects, since the Prioritization Tool is not currently capable of evaluating most non-highway type projects.

During the TPS meeting of October 28, 2016, HRTPO staff reported that during the evaluation of RSTP projects it was determined that the Prioritization Tool could not be consistently used to evaluate all of the highway-type projects proposals because the Tool does not currently apply the Economic Vitality component for some projects types and, therefore, the scores for such projects cannot be directly compared to the scores for the other projects. Following discussion, the TPS requested that HRTPO staff review the most recent 10 years of project selection and allocations and provide some statistics that may be helpful in making a decision regarding RSTP project evaluation methodologies.

During the TPS meeting of March 17, 2017, HRTPO staff presented the findings of a review of the most recent 10 years of project selection and allocations and provided some statistics to assist the TPS in making a decision regarding RSTP project evaluation methodologies. Following discussion, the TPS requested that HRTPO staff compare ranks of the RSTP Highway-Type project evaluated during the 2016 CMAQ/RSTP Project Selection Process to the following:

- Projects ranked using the Prioritization Tool, excluding the Economic Vitality component
- Projects ranked using the scores from the Prioritization Tool divided by the maximum possible score for each project type

Mr. John Mihaly, HRTPO Transportation Analyst II, will brief the TPS on this item.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Determine the methodologies for RSTP project evaluation to be used moving forward.