




Spokane Regional Transportation Council

Transportation Technical Committee Meeting

Wednesday, January 28, 2025

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FFY 2027–2032 NHFP

Regional Priority Freight Projects List — Draft

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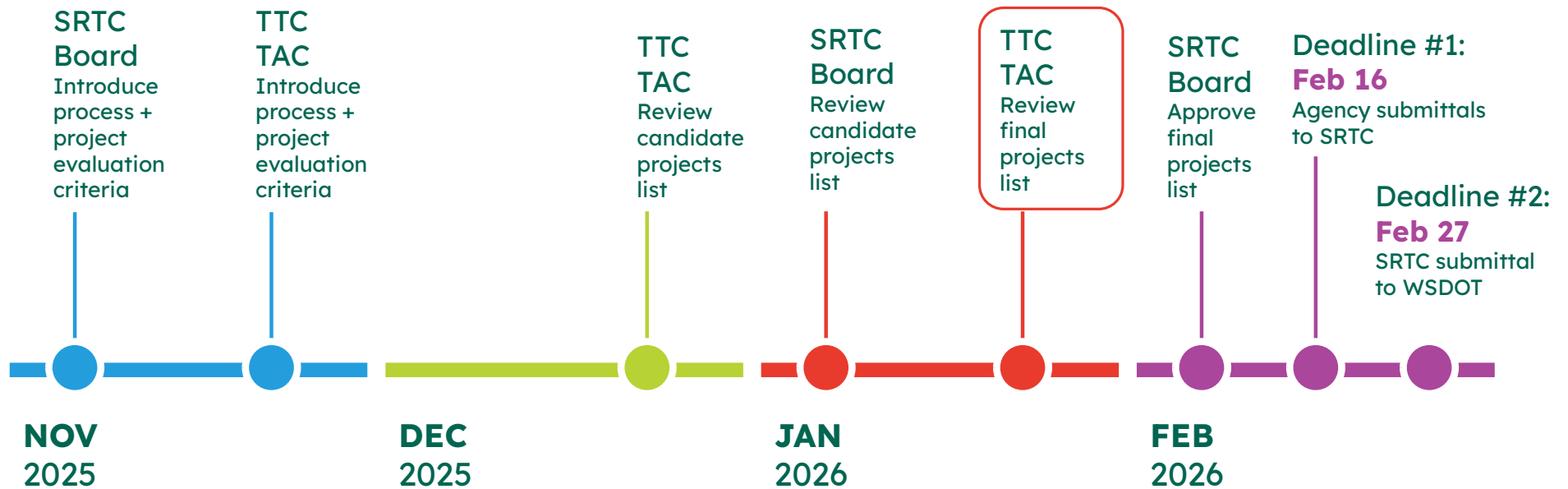
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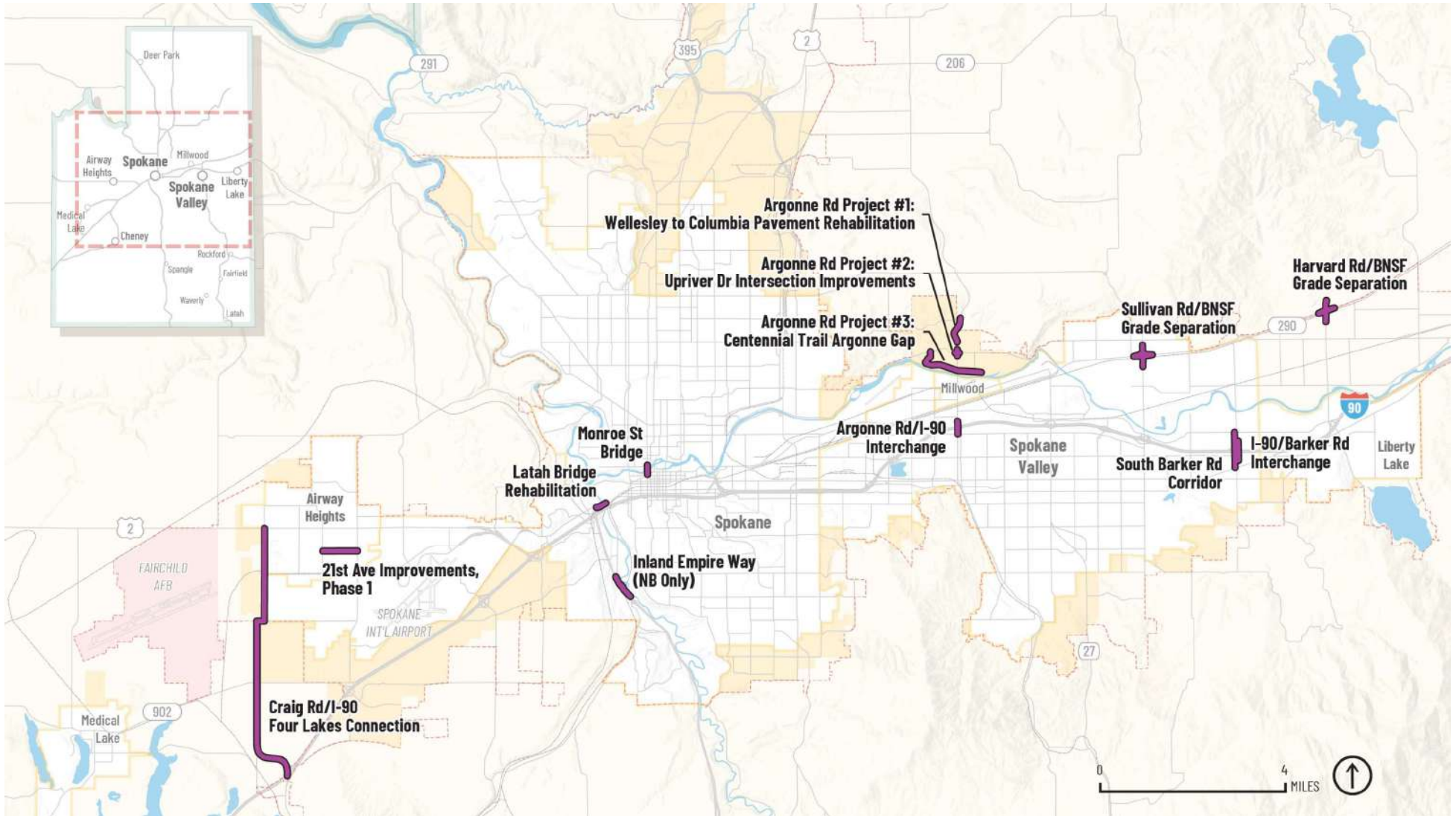
- ▶ Recommend SRTC Board approval of the FFY 2027–2032 National Highway Freight Program (NHFP) Regional Priority Freight Projects List, as shown in the attachment.

Overview

- ▶ WSDOT has announced the opening of their FFY 2027–2032 **National Highway Freight Program (NHFP)** project solicitation
- ▶ Approximately **\$11 million statewide** is expected to be available per year for local projects
- ▶ MPOs/RTPOs are requested to submit a consolidated **list of regional freight investment priorities**
- ▶ WSDOT will convene a **project selection committee** comprised of city, county, and MPO/RTPO representatives from across the state to evaluate submitted projects

Timeline

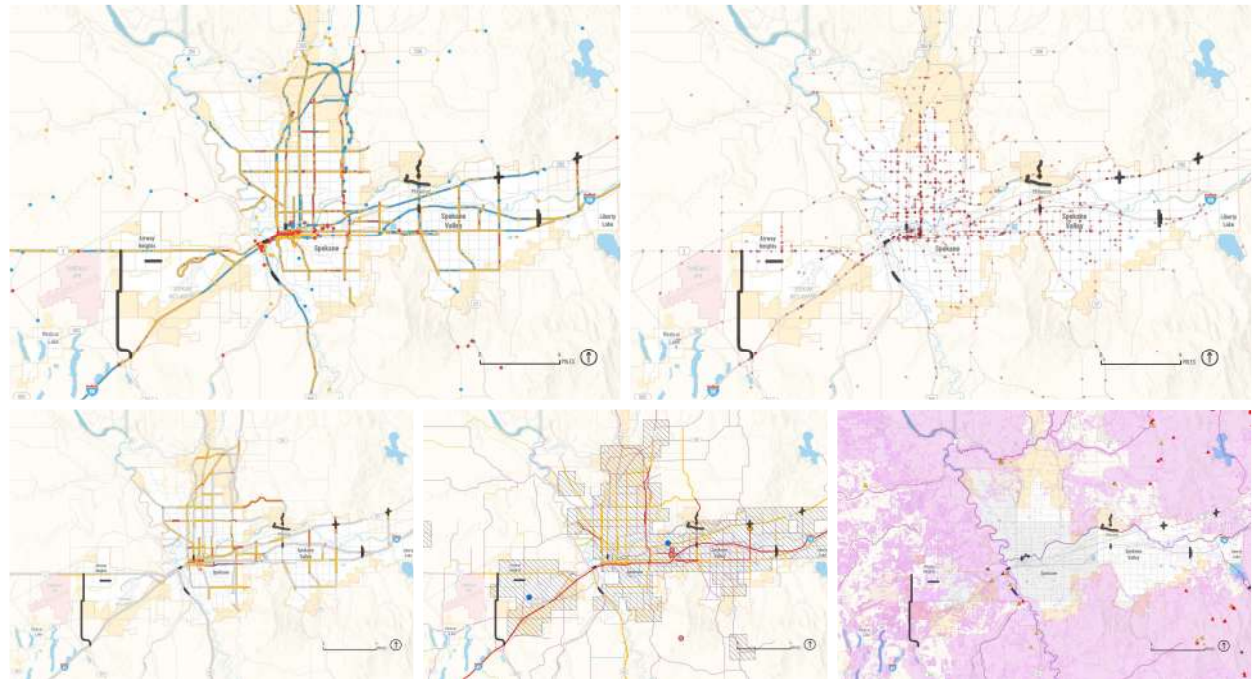




Project Evaluation

Six Criteria Areas:

- ▶ Preservation
- ▶ Safety
- ▶ Stewardship
- ▶ Mobility
- ▶ Economic Vitality
- ▶ Environment



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Project Evaluation Criteria

Goal	Evaluation Criterion	Measure	Points
Preservation	Improve state of good repair of freight infrastructure	Pavement or bridge condition within project boundary	20
Safety	Prevent or reduce serious injuries and fatalities	# of fatal/serious injury crashes within project boundary in the last 5 years	20
Stewardship	Matching funds	Non-federal match %	10
Mobility	Reduce congestion and improve reliability	Travel time reliability in project area	15
Economic Vitality	Support economic activity and employment	Project distance from nearest freight cluster	7
	Located on FGTS Network	FGTS designation or equivalent truck traffic volume	7
	Intermodal connectivity between modes	Degree of connection to an intermodal facility	6
Environment	Reduce freight's negative impacts on stormwater runoff	Address stormwater impacts above min. requirements	5
	Reduce freight's negative impacts on wildlife habitats	Address wildlife impacts if in WDFW Priority Habitat Area	5
	Reduce freight's negative impacts on fish passage	Corrects fish passage barriers in project area	5
Total Points Possible			100

FFY 2027–2032 NHFP

Regional Freight Priority Projects List

* Projects in final list must submit completed NHFP project submission forms to SRTC by Monday **February 16, 2026**

#	Project Name	Agency	2026 Unified List Project Status	NHFP Funding Request Amount	Evaluation Criteria Scores						Total
					Preservation	Safety	Stewardship	Mobility	Economic Vitality	Environment	
1	Sullivan/Trent Interchange	Spokane Valley	▶ Development	\$3,000,000	20	16	1	15	16	5	73
2	Latah Bridge Rehabilitation Design Only	Spokane	▶ Development	\$2,000,000	20	12	1	10	11	10	64
3	Argonne Rd Project #2 Argonne/Upriver Intersection	Spokane County	▶ Development	\$4,300,000	12	20	1	15	14	0	62
4	Barker/I-90 Interchange	Spokane Valley	▶ Initiation	\$2,000,000	12	20	1	15	13	0	61
5	Monroe St Bridge	Spokane	N/A	\$3,745,000	12	12	1	15	13	5	58
6	21st Avenue Improvements Phase 1 Garfield to Hayford	Airway Heights	N/A	\$1,697,000	0	20	1	15	15	5	56
7	Harvard Rd/BNSF Grade Separation Planning Study	Spokane County	N/A	None	6	20	1	15	13	0	55
8	Inland Empire Way Northbound Only	Spokane	▶ Initiation	\$5,408,000	0	12	4	15	14	5	50
9	Craig Rd & I-90 Four Lakes Connection	Spokane County	▶ Development	\$57,868,500	6	16	1	5	11	0	39
10	Argonne Rd Project #1 Wellesley to Columbia Rehabilitation	Spokane County	▶ Development	\$5,000,000	20	0	2	0	14	0	36
11	Argonne Rd Project #3 Centennial Trail Argonne Gap	Spokane County	▶ Development	\$3,400,000	0	12	2	0	14	5	33

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Public Participation Plan (PPP) Update Overview

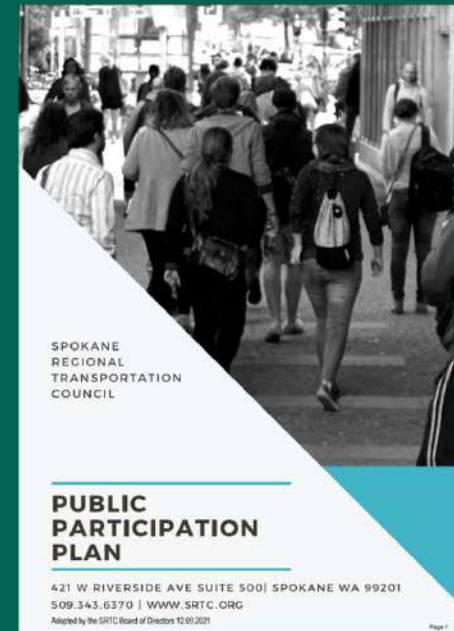
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Background

- The plan's purpose is to
 - Teach the public how they can participate
 - Formally guide SRTC Staff's Outreach Practices
- Recognizes requirements for a proactive public engagement process
- Last Updated in 2021



Outreach Program

- **2023**
 - Communications & Public Relations Coordinator Joins SRTC
- **2025**
 - New SRTC Brand & Website Launches
 - SRTC Messaging Guide



Planned Updates



Visuals & Structure



Community & Partner Input



Requirements & Federal Recommendations

Planned Outreach



Lunar New Year Celebration, 2025

- Online Survey
- In-Person Activity
- Community Events
- Equity Working Group Presentations
- TAC & TTC Workshop
- 45-day public comment period
- Public Meeting

Proposed Timeline

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July
Drafting Plan							
Public Outreach	TAC/TTC Workshop						
Public Comment Period							
Plan Adoption						TAC/TTC Final Approval	

Committee Guidance

- Anything specific we should keep in mind as we go through this update?

Feedback and input are appreciated and welcome at any time.

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MPO-RTPO Overview and Upcoming Activities

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Role of an MPO in the Community

- **Federal-Aid Highway Act of 1962;**

Mandated the formation of MPOs to **plan for regional transportation planning expenditures** and are responsible for the *continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive* transportation planning processes for their urbanized area.

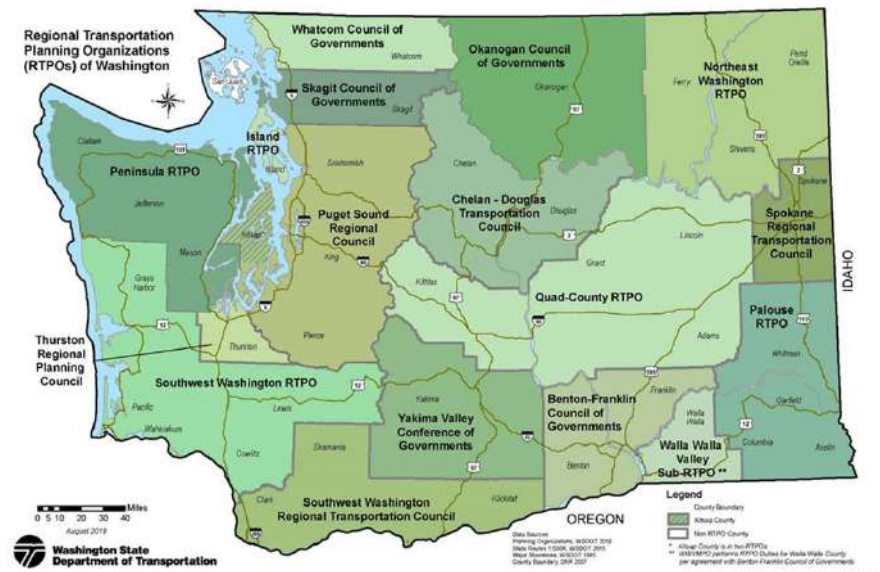
- **Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO):**

An Agency created by federal law to *provide local elected officials input into the planning and implementation of federal transportation funds*

(areas with populations of greater than 50,000)

Role of an RTPO

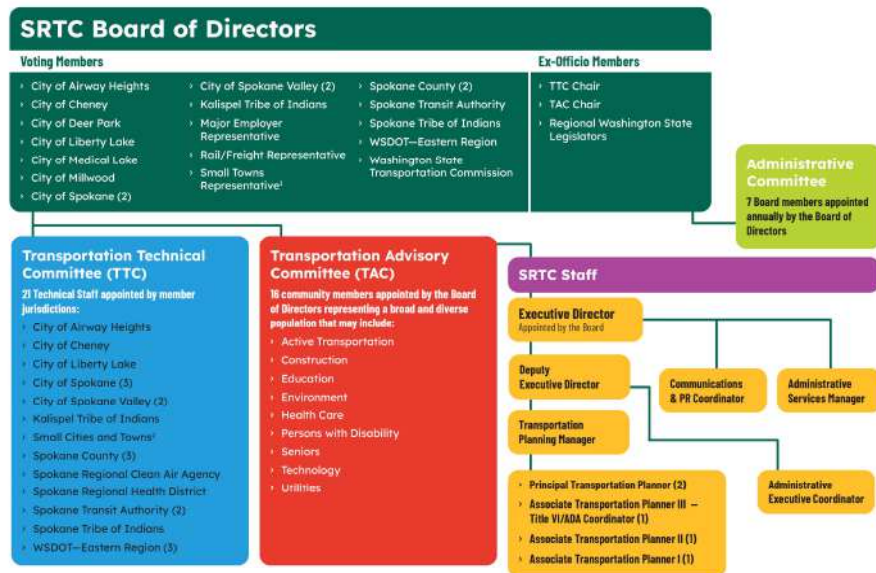
- **Chapter 47.80 RCW:** “while the transportation system in Washington is owned by numerous public jurisdictions, it should function as one interconnected and coordinated system.”
- **Regional Transportation Planning Organization (RTPO):** to facilitate the coordination and cooperation among state and local jurisdictions of transportation planning and comprehensive plans, and to coordinate the achievement of statewide and local transportation goals.



Your Vision – Our Vision

SRTC Organizational Chart

Last Updated: January 2026



¹ Towns of Fairfield, Latah, Rockford, Spangle, and Waverly

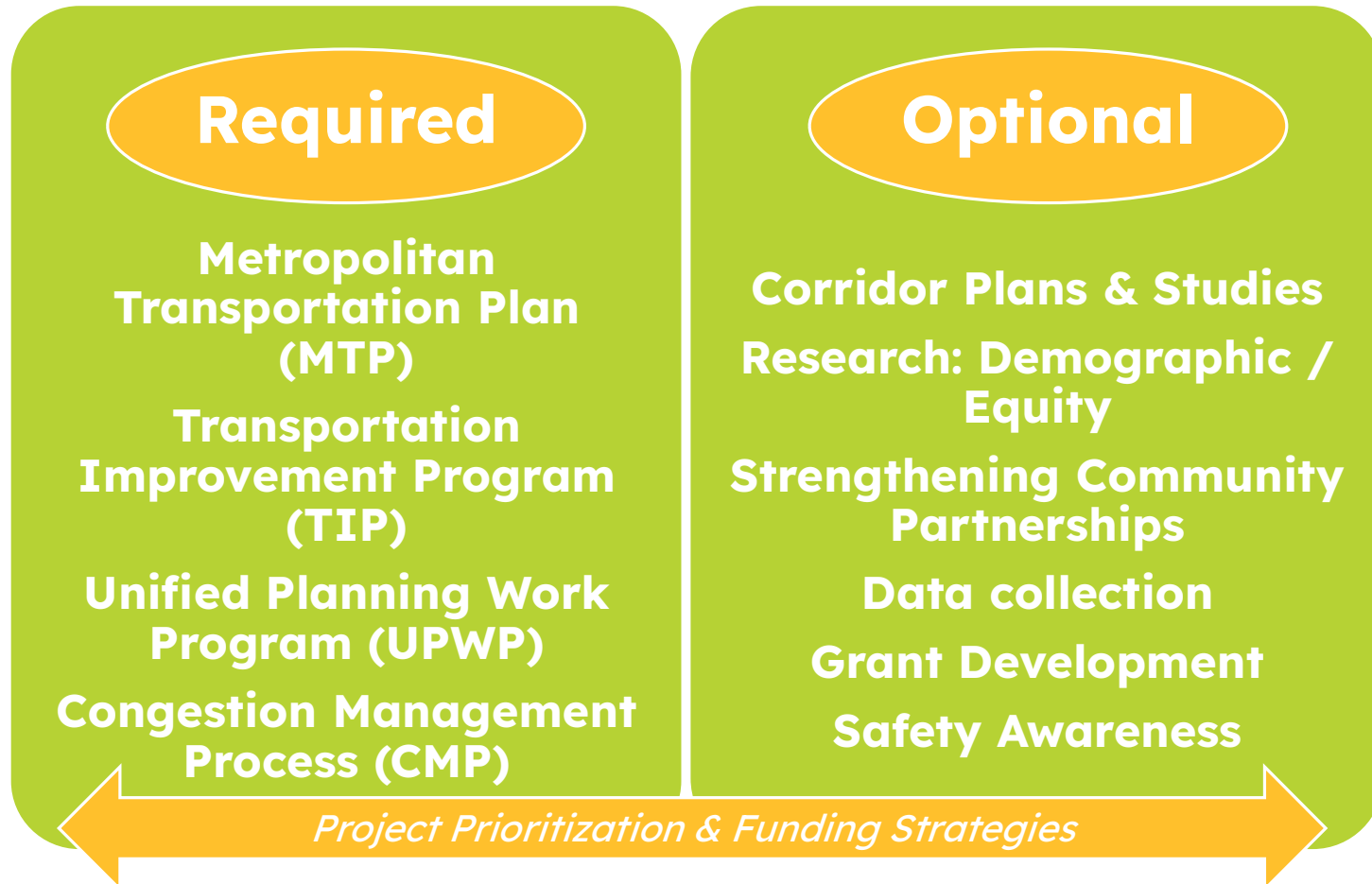
² Towns listed above, plus the cities of Deer Park, Medical Lake, and Millwood

Note: In accordance with ILA 2021 Resolution R-22-01 - TAC Resolution R-22-07 - TTC Resolution R-22-19 - Administrative Committee

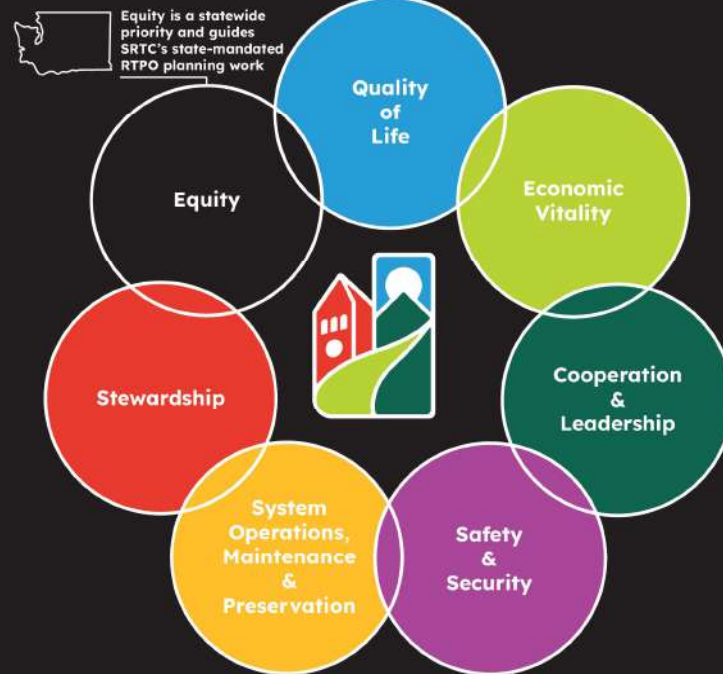
Governance Structure of MPOs & RTPOs

- Board of Directors
- Transportation Technical Committee
- Transportation Advisory Committee

Required Activities – Optional Activities



Guiding Principles



Required Planning Factors

1. Support the **economic vitality**, especially by enabling **global competitiveness**, productivity, and efficiency;
2. Increase the **safety & security** of the transportation system for motorized and non-motorized users;
3. Increase **accessibility and mobility** of people and freight
4. Protect and enhance the **environment**, promote energy conservation, improve the **quality of life**, and promote consistency between state and local planned growth;
5. Enhance the integration and **connectivity** of the transportation system, across and between modes, for people and freight;
6. Promote efficient system **management and operation**;
7. Emphasize the **preservation** of the existing transportation system;
8. Improve the **resiliency and reliability** of the transportation system and reduce or mitigate stormwater impacts of surface transportation; and
9. Enhance **travel and tourism**.

Responding to Community Needs



SRTC Activities in 2026



- Support Local **Comprehensive Plan** Updates
- **Human Services** Transportation Plan
- Update the **Public Participation** Plan
- Implement **Safety Awareness** Campaign
- Complete **Economic Analyses** of Projects
- Coordinate **Data Collection** Processes
- Update the **Intelligent Transportation Systems** Plan
- Complete a Transportation **Funding** Study
- Undertake a **Truck Parking** Study
- Scope the **I-90/East-West** Travel Study

Questions?



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