

2023 Unified List of Regional Transportation Priorities

Discussion Series Criteria Feedback **DRAFT**

Criteria Area	2022 Unified List Criteria	Board & Committee Discussion Series Feedback	Proposed 2023 Unified List Criteria
Economic Vitality	<p>Located on Regional Freight Priority Network and/or provides access within or between two or more regional activity centers.</p> <p>Increases redundancy in areas of limited connectivity. <i>*Criteria moved to Stewardship category in proposed 2023 criteria</i></p>	<p>Criteria mainly looks at location and land use—consider actual economic impacts of a project.</p> <p>Consider areas targeted for investment by local agencies.</p>	<p>Does the project provide access within or between two or more regional/local activity centers?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> If yes, does the project either: (A) contain active transportation or transit-supportive elements and improve access in a transit focused, mixed focus, or local activity center; or (B) contain freight-supportive elements and improve access in a freight or mixed focus activity center. <p>What is the forecasted 2045 employment density of transportation analysis zones (TAZ) within a 0.25 mile buffer of the project?</p> <p>Is the project located on the FGTS? <i>*Points scaled based on FGTS classification—T-1 through T-5</i></p>
Cooperation & Leadership	Not included in 2022 Unified List criteria.	Not a Discussion Series topic	<p>Is the project identified in the local TIP (or Transit Development Plan) and/or Comprehensive Plan?</p> <p>Is the project identified in other agency plans and/or has it gone through a documented public outreach process?</p>
Stewardship	<p>Avoids increasing SOV travel lanes or prevent expanding roadway capacity.</p> <p>Implements electrification strategies.</p>	<p>Condition of the system</p> <p>Is technology being considered?</p> <p>Include supports system diversity, Include best practices/new technology (TTC)</p> <p>Include supports system diversity (Commute Trip Reduction), Include best practices/new technology (TAC)</p> <p>Does this project improve existing disparities? Does the siting of this project improve access to affordable housing? (TAC)</p>	<p>Does the project incorporate electrification or other clean fuel strategies?</p> <p>Does the project increase resilience by adding redundancy in areas of limited connectivity? <i>*Criteria was included in Economic Vitality category in 2022 criteria</i></p> <p>Does the project reduce air quality emissions or VHT/VMT?</p>
Operations, Maintenance & Preservation	<p>Incorporates TDM or TSMO solutions; or project improves capacity without adding travel lanes or roadways.</p> <p>Improves NHS bridge or pavement condition; or project contributes to meeting STA's adopted public transit asset management targets.</p>	Panelists suggested including technology (ITS) infrastructure be included in complete streets analysis or project reviews.	<p>Does the project incorporate TDM/TSMO solutions or improve capacity without adding travel lanes or roadways?</p> <p>Does the project improve NHS pavement/bridge condition or contributes to STA's adopted public transit asset management targets?</p> <p>Does the project address a need identified in the SRTMC ITS Architecture Plan, SRTMC Implementation Plan, or local technology plan?</p>
Safety & Security	<p>Incorporates appropriate countermeasures to address safety issues, or contribute to STA safety targets.</p> <p>Identified in a state or local plan, or an approved prioritized list of safety projects.</p>	<p>Identify type of contributing factor by geography.</p> <p>Use RAW Data suggested.</p>	<p>What countermeasures does the project incorporate to address crashes that result in serious or fatal injury? If the project is a transit project, how does it contribute to STA safety targets?</p> <p>Is the project identified in a state or local plan, or an approved prioritized list of safety projects?</p>

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Quality of Life	<p>Increases transit or active transportation access or service frequency.</p> <p>Increases transit or active transportation access, or service frequency, to areas of potential disadvantage.</p>	<p>Increases % people within a 1/4-mile of a shared use path.</p> <p>Increases % people within a 1/4-mile of a high-performance transit stop.</p> <p>Increases connectivity factor for regional trails.</p> <p>Target areas or underserved populations that have less access to quality multimodal infrastructure.</p> <p>Assess how multimodal routes or potential routes provide access to popular destinations (groceries, job centers, parks, multimodal centers, etc.).</p> <p>Does proposed project overcome a barrier to travel (safe arterial crossing, river crossing, other pinch points, high-stress to low-stress, topographic)?</p> <p>Safety - specific to bike/ped crashes.</p> <p>Is proposed multimodal project comfortable for users of all ages and abilities?</p> <p>Target multimodal infrastructure around HPTN routes.</p>	<p>Is the project on the Regional Bicycle Priority Network and does it have active transportation elements; or does the project add a new pedestrian connection or feature beyond what is required for ADA compliance?</p> <p>Is the project on the Regional Transit Priority Network and does it have a transit-supportive element?</p> <p>Does the project extend or fill gap in one of the regional trails, or provide new active transportation connectivity to one of the regional trails?</p>
Equity	<p>Project developed with a main emphasis on benefiting an area of potential disadvantage.</p>	<p>Is the project restorative?</p> <p>Does the project negatively impact a community of potential disadvantage?</p> <p>Criteria to address cumulative and legacy impacts.</p> <p>Consider health disparities moving forward. (WA DOH Disparities Tool)</p> <p>Align process with state definitions.</p> <p>Need baseline so we can investigate how/if projects actually improved access to transportation. (TAC)</p> <p>Differentiate criteria for smaller vs. larger communities? (TAC)</p> <p>Avoid undue burden on jurisdictions with regard to equity data/project applications. Avoid undue burden on jurisdictions with regard to equity data/project applications. (Board)</p>	<p>Does the project directly benefit residents in an area of potential disadvantage or an area rated 7 or higher for overall environmental health disparities?</p> <p>Does the project incorporate appropriate countermeasures to address safety issues, or contribute to STA safety targets, in an area of potential disadvantage or an area rated 7 or higher for overall environmental health disparities?</p> <p>Does the project provide access, or increase transit frequency, between an area of potential disadvantage or an area rated 7 or higher for overall environmental health disparities and local/regional activity centers?</p> <p>Does the project include potential negative impacts to areas of potential disadvantage? If yes, please describe efforts to mitigate these impacts. <i>*Question not scored; asked for informational purposes only. SRTC is actively developing a methodology to evaluate negative equity impacts for future updates to the Unified List.</i></p>

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