

**Remaining Milestones for Solicitation and Review of Projects  
for Inclusion in the 2011-2014 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

June 15, 2009	Surface Transportation Program-Urban Guarantee (STP-UG), Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Transportation Enhancements (TE) and Bridge Improvement and Replacement (BIR) applications are due. Applications must be received by 5:00 PM or postmarked on June 15.	
June 16 through July 16, 2009	Staff logs in all the applications and reviews the qualifying criteria responses of all STP-UG, CMAQ, TE and BIR applications. Staff meets with the chair of each scoring group to discuss the qualifying criteria review, and may also consult with the FHWA field office. Staff prepares a report for the TAC Funding and Programming Committee. Staff notifies the applicants if their project appears not to meet the qualifying criteria and invites them to the next TAC Funding and Programming Committee meeting to defend their application.	
July 23, 2009 (Fourth Thursday)	Staff presents the list of project that may not meet the qualifying criteria and applicants may defend their applications. The TAC Funding and Programming Committee votes on each qualifying issue and reports their decisions to the TAC at their August meeting.	Scheduled meeting open to the public.
July 24 through September 10, 2009	Scoring groups meet, staff advises them on scoring methodology and they are assigned a criterion to score for all applications. The scoring groups score their criterion on their own time and meet again to report on their scores and discuss any questions with the group. The scoring group agrees on the scoring methodology and endorses a ranked list of projects based on total score. Staff prepares a report on all the project categories for the TAC Funding and Programming Committee.	
September 17, 2009	The TAC Funding and Programming Committee reviews and approves the ranked lists of projects and makes them available to the public on the Met Council website. Staff notifies all applicants via email that the scores are available and that applicants may submit scoring challenges.	Scheduled meeting open to the public.
October 5, 2009	Scoring challenges are due. Applicants must submit scoring challenges in writing through the US Mail or email, and they must be specific.	
October 5 through October 22, 2009	Staff reviews all the scoring challenges, consults with the individual scorer and scoring group chair and prepares report for TAC Funding and Programming Committee.	
October 29, 2009 (Fifth Thursday)	Staff reports on the analysis of all the scoring challenges to the TAC Funding and Programming Committee and applicants may address the committee. The TAC Funding and Programming Committee votes on all scoring appeals and adjusts the scores and project ranking if necessary. Final scores are forwarded to the TAC and TAB.	Scheduled meeting open to the public.
November 19, 2009	The TAC Funding and Programming Committee develops funding options for TAB consideration and forwards them to the TAC. The ranked lists of projects are also forwarded to the TAB.	Scheduled meeting open to the public.
December 2, 2009	The TAC reviews the funding options forwarded by the TAC Funding and Programming Committee. The TAC may adjust the options, eliminate or add funding options.	Scheduled meeting open to the public.

December 16, 2009	The TAB Programming Committee reviews the funding options forwarded by the TAC. The committee may adjust the funding options, eliminate or add funding options. The TAB Programming Committee reports their deliberations to the TAB at their December meeting, but does not recommend a funding option to the TAB.	Scheduled meeting open to the public.
January or February 2010	The TAB Programming Committee continues discussion of the funding options and recommends one to the TAB. The TAB awards funds to STP-UG, CMAQ, TE and BIR applications and directs staff to include them into the draft 2011-2014 TIP.	Scheduled meeting open to the public.