

FFYs 2021–25 TIP Criteria Revisions

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Presentation Outline

- Review of framework for criteria revisions
- Review of criteria revision timeline
- Public input process
- Guiding principles for new criteria
- Criteria by investment program
- Next steps
- Discussion



Possible Frameworks for Criteria Revisions

Framework #1:	Framework #2:	Framework #3:
Complete Reimagination	Hybrid Approach	Marginal Adjustments
 Distinct criteria for each LRTP investment program Significant updates to existing criteria Changes to scoring weights 	 Universal criteria for all LRTP investment programs, except Transit Modernization Updates to existing criteria; addition of resilience and bus lane criteria Updates to scoring weights, if desired 	 Continue using universal criteria for all LRTP investment programs Limited additions to existing criteria to incorporate transit, resilience, and bus lanes Changes to scoring weights, if desired



Proposed Framework for Criteria Revisions

Framework #1: Creating distinct criteria for each investment program

- Accommodate the new Transit Modernization program
- More closely align criteria with specific project elements
- Emphasize MPO goals associated with different project types
- Eliminate disparities in scores across project types
- Allow for each project type to achieve full points



Proposed Timeline for Criteria Revisions





Criteria Revision Public Input Process

Round 1: September 4–26

- Two surveys:
 - TIP contacts and municipal representatives
 - Public and advocacy groups
- In-person outreach:
 - MAPC subregional meetings
 - Union Capital Networking Nights (September 4th and 9th)
 - Other: Blue Hills RCC (Sept. 11th), MBTA ROC (Sept. 24th)

Round 2: November

• Solicit feedback on draft criteria

Other Outreach: September–December

- TIP How-To Webinar
- Email and phone conversations with TIP contacts

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- Clear to project proponents and other stakeholders



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Uneven Distribution of Criteria:

- Need to address gaps in the number of criteria across programs
- Need to address score disparities across investment programs



Next Steps

- Release surveys to TIP contacts, stakeholder groups, and the public
- Continue to meet with internal and external stakeholders
- Draft changes to existing criteria alongside new criteria additions
- Present ideas for revisions and feedback from the public at October 3, 2019, MPO meeting



Discussion

- What do you think of using universal criteria for all projects alongside more tailored criteria for each investment program?
- Are there concrete changes or additions you would like to make to the existing criteria?
- Do you have other feedback on the review process?

