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2024 TIP Project Solicitation Pre-Application Meeting

Wednesday, February 28, 2024



Agenda

- 📊 Welcome & Staff Introductions
- 📊 What's Different This Year?
 - TIP Project Prioritization Framework (aka Cookbook)
 - Studies Application?
- 📊 Components of the Project Call
 - Infrastructure Application
 - ▶ Letters of Support
 - ▶ Local Government Resolutions
 - ▶ LAP Certification
 - Mapping
- 📊 Infrastructure Application Demonstration
- 📊 Questions & Answers



Welcome and Staff Introductions



What's Different This Year?

Updates to Prioritization Framework

- ▮ KDP1 filter criteria were updated to better reflect ARC priorities for project readiness, safety, and collaboration with state and regional partners
- ▮ Safety B/C: large roadway projects will undergo a safety analysis that monetizes safety harms or benefits
- ▮ Emissions B/C: project with emissions impacts will undergo additional analysis to monetize harms or benefits
- ▮ [Link to updated Cookbook](#)

Why No Studies Application?

- Regional Transportation Study Program began with 2017 TIP Solicitation
- Studies Applications Received
 - 2019 - 39
 - 2022 - 27
- More than 20+ studies funded since program began
- Majority complete but have 2021 studies still underway
- Administrative Challenges
 - Process for studies to get underway too lengthy due to delays with scope development and contracting with ARC
 - Issues with receiving, tracking, and processing invoices causing administrative backlog



Components of the Project Call

Infrastructure Application or PlanIt Submittal?

- Submit **infrastructure application** if your application fits any of these criteria:
 - New projects (not currently in TIP)
 - Total federal fund request \$2 million or more
 - Advance one or more long range project phases of an existing RTP project into the TIP
 - 100% local funded phase in an existing TIP project
 - Add federal funds for the first time to implement a project that was previously awarded with a federally funded scoping (SCP) phase
 - Seeking federal funds to add the remaining phase(s) of a project that was initially only programmed with federal PE funds, during a prior solicitation
- All applications classified as "new federal funding requests" will be required to complete a project deliverability assessment section unless the sponsor can provide an approved GDOT concept report.

Infrastructure Application or PlanIt Submittal?

- **Submit a request through PlanIt** if your application fits any of these criteria:
 - Existing TIP projects looking to increase federal share of existing programmed amount
 - Request should be less than \$2 million
 - Add federal funds to a TIP project to supplement a previously authorized project activity. An example would include adding a right-of-way (ROW) phase in FY 2020 to help complete ROW activities which could not be completed by a previously authorized ROW phase in FY 2019.
 - Add federal funds to an existing TIP project phase within the same fiscal year. An example would include adding federal funds a FY 2020 CST phase to address a recently discovered funding shortfall.

Application ID Instructions/Reminder

- ▮ All applications must have an ID and will be assigned by the applicant and listed by priority
- ▮ Applications from County applicants should read:
 - DeKalb County (priority one) – “DK-01”
 - Cherokee County (priority three) – “CH-03”
- ▮ Applications from City applicants should read:
 - City of Peachtree Corners (priority one) – “Peachtree Corners-01”
 - City of Atlanta (priority three) – “Atlanta-03”
- ▮ Applications for existing TIP projects should use the same ARC ID as listed in the TIP
- ▮ Follow guidance in the **TIP Solicitation Guidance on Unique IDs for Applications** document available on solicitation website

Letters of Support

- Applications located on a state route must obtain a Letter of Acknowledgement from GDOT. Please send all requests to: ARCTIPSolicitation@dot.ga.gov
- Include a funding match commitment and project sponsor support resolution documentation from the local governing body or bodies
- All project sponsor support documentation must be on official letterhead and signed by the chief elected official of the local government that is serving as the project sponsor
- CID applications (or similar organizations) submitted by an LAP-certified local government must include the following:
 - A letter(s) signed by the executive officer (if a CID) which confirms commitment to provide all local match funding amounts required to match the federal amount being requested
 - A letter signed by the chief elected official of the local government which confirms that said local government will act as the official project sponsor for the proposal if awarded funds through this solicitation. This local government must be eligible to deliver federal aid transportation projects.

RESOLUTION NO. 1702
CITY OF MARIETTA, GA.
RECORDS

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) is currently accepting applications for federal funding through its Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) for projects in FY 2023 through 2025; and the City desires to submit an application for consideration to fund construction of Phase 1 of the Rottenwood Creek Trail project; and

WHEREAS, Phase 1 of the Rottenwood Creek Trail project will construct a 3-mile multi-use trail that will begin at Alumni Drive on the Kennesaw State University-Marietta campus, travel along Rottenwood Creek through Life University, and terminate at a trailhead on Franklin Gateway; and

WHEREAS, the Rottenwood Creek Trail project is part of a larger effort to expand the regional trail network by developing a connection piece between the Mountain to River Trail and the Bob Callan Trail, creating an east-west connection between Kennesaw Mountain and the Chattahoochee River; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marietta's Vision Statement #6 states that "we are a hub of activity, where traffic, transit, and pedestrians move about easily and safely. In designing our transportation system, we place a high premium on the quality of life of our citizens"; and

WHEREAS, Vision Statement #6, Goal 6 states that the City will "continue to expand and connect the city's trail system in a way that fosters recreation opportunities and transportation alternatives, including linkages to neighboring trails and other points of interest"; and

WHEREAS, the Vision is a fundamental component of the City's Comprehensive Plan and the Marietta University Enhancement (MU²) LCI Plan of which the Rottenwood Creek Trail project is a plan recommendation, thereby progressing the City's Vision Statement, Comprehensive Plan and the LCI study; and

WHEREAS, the grant agreement for Federal financial assistance, if awarded, will impose certain obligations upon the City of Marietta, and will require the City of Marietta to provide the local share (20 percent) of the project costs; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MARIETTA, GEORGIA, THAT:

Section 1: The City of Marietta is in support of the Rottenwood Creek Trail project and will provide the required 20 percent match for this project should grant funds be awarded.

Section 2: This Resolution shall be effective upon signature or without the signature of the Mayor, subject to Georgia laws 1983, page 4119.

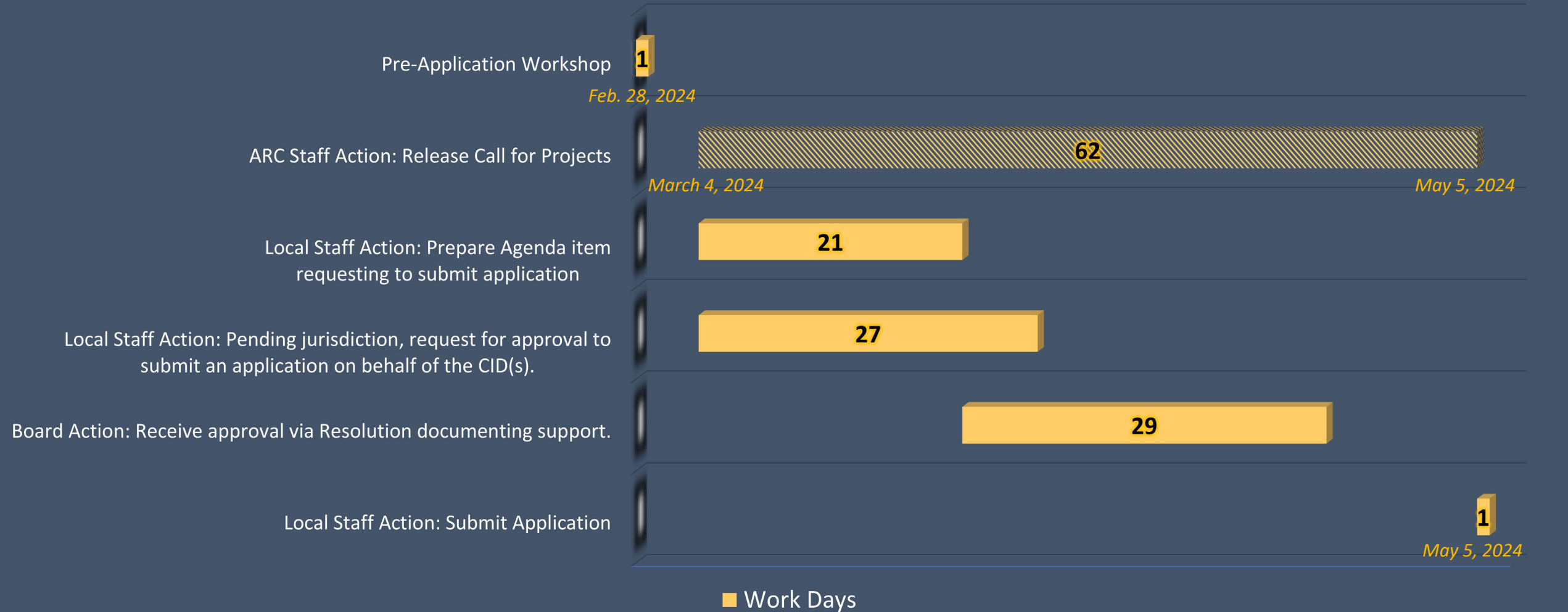
Date: November 10, 2021

Approved: 
Steve Tumlin, Mayor

ATTEST: 
Stephanie Guv, City Clerk

2024 TIP Solicitation Process Schedule

2/28/2024 3/9/2024 3/19/2024 3/29/2024 4/8/2024 4/18/2024 4/28/2024 5/8/2024



Note 1: This scenario is based on an agency's ability to meet the submittal deadline.

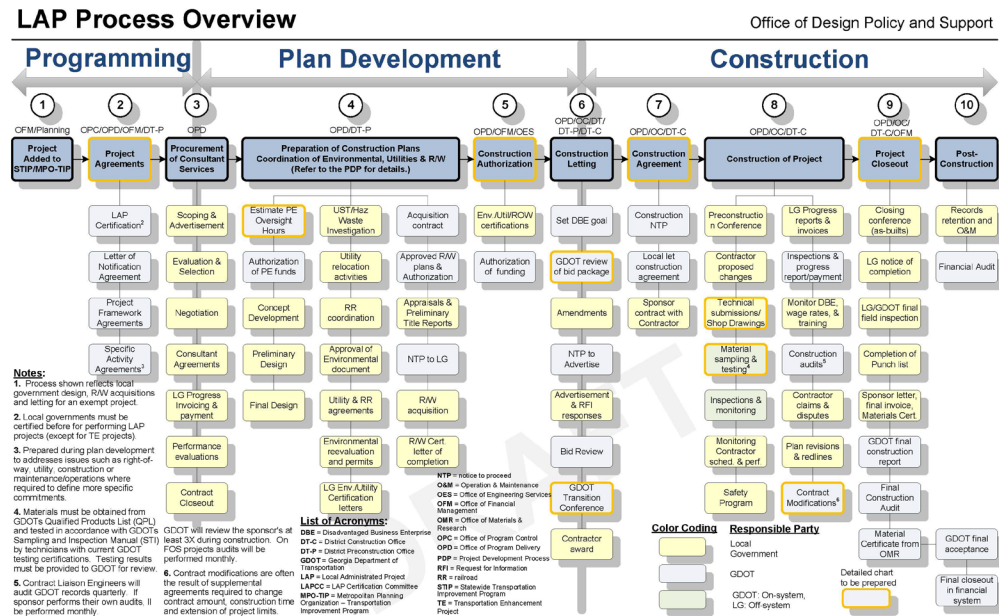
Note 2: It is assumed agenda items are required to be submitted three weeks in advance of the Board meeting.

Note 3: Based on the call for projects release date and Note 2, it is assumed the first Board meeting would potentially occur on March 25th (4th Monday) and the last meeting assumed to be held on April 22nd (4th Tuesday). Pending each Board's schedule, the perspective Board meeting should happen on the referenced dates or between.

LAP Certification Reminder

- Only LAP Certified Local Governments Eligible
- Several sponsors in the Atlanta MPO area have LAP certifications expiring soon!
- Do not delay with keeping LAP certification up to date!

<https://www.dot.ga.gov/GDOT/Pages/LAP.aspx>

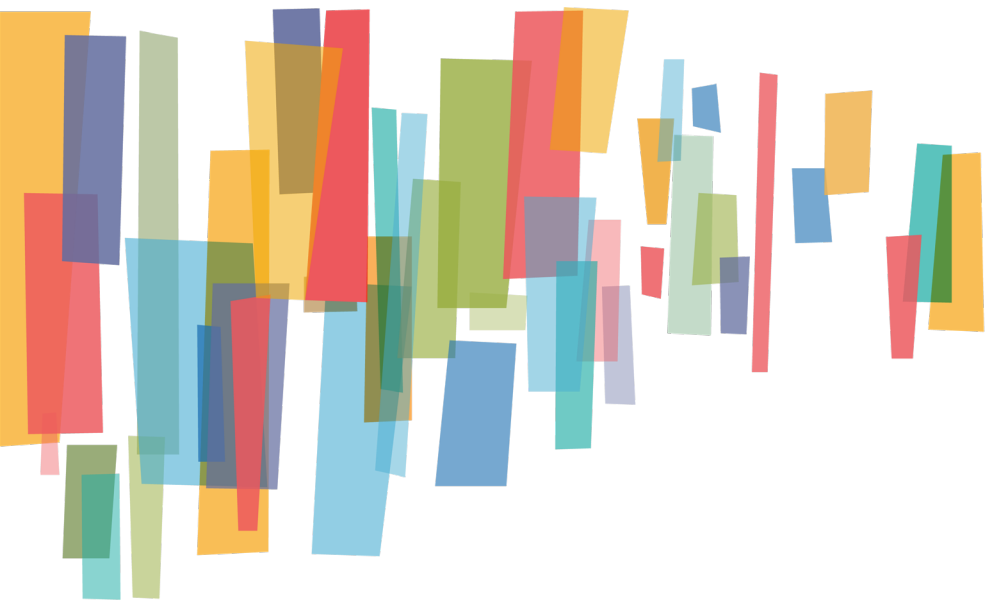




Infrastructure Application and Mapping Demonstration

Schedule

- ▮ **Applications Open – March 4th**
- ▮ **Open House/"Office Hours" with ARC staff – March 28 (in person only)**
- ▮ **Application Close – May 5th**
- ▮ **Application Project Delivery Review with GDOT OPD and ATL Authority Staff – June 2024**
- ▮ **KDP 1 Evaluation – late Spring/early Summer 2024**
- ▮ **KDP 2 Evaluation – Summer 2024**
- ▮ **KDP 3 Evaluation – late Summer 2024**
- ▮ **Initial Recommendations – early Fall 2024**



Questions?

Email – tipsolicitation@atlantaregional.org