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February 18, 2021



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Action Item: Approval of MPO Meeting Minutes

Approval of January 21, 2021, MPO Meeting Minutes



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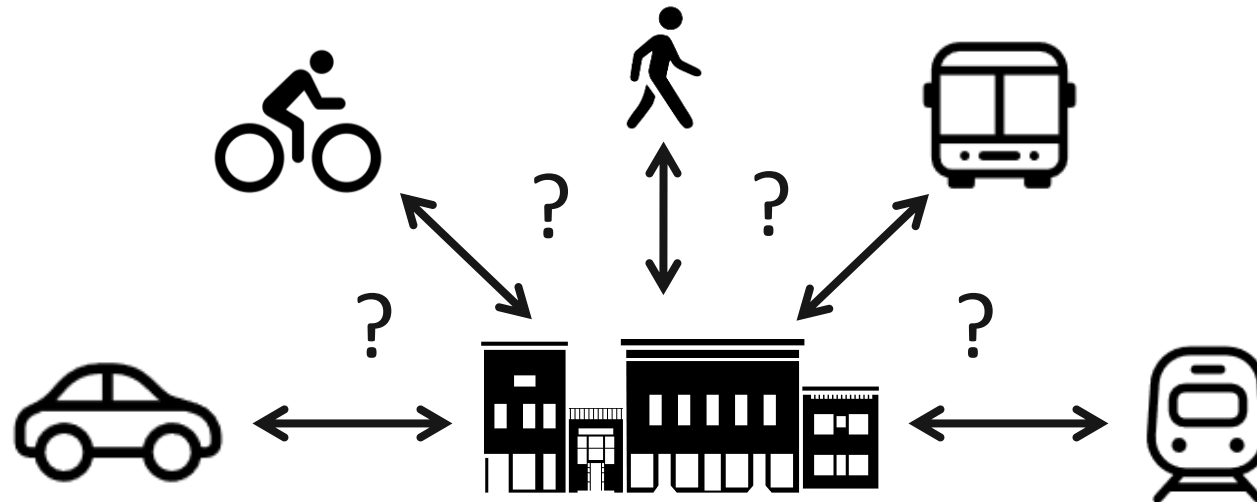
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Access to Central Business Districts Phase 2

Blake Acton, MPO Staff

Presentation, discussion, and expected adoption of this work scope to develop a guidebook to help municipalities identify transportation strategies to support the recovery of central business districts consistent with MPO goals in the aftermath of the COVID-19 pandemic



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Federal Fiscal Years 2022–26 Transportation Improvement Program Project Readiness Updates

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Matt Genova

Transportation Improvement Program Manager

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Today's Presentation

- FFYs 2022–26 TIP development timeline
- Written public comments since February 4, 2021, MPO meeting
- TIP project readiness updates
- Next steps
- Discussion

FFY = federal fiscal year. TIP = Transportation Improvement Program.



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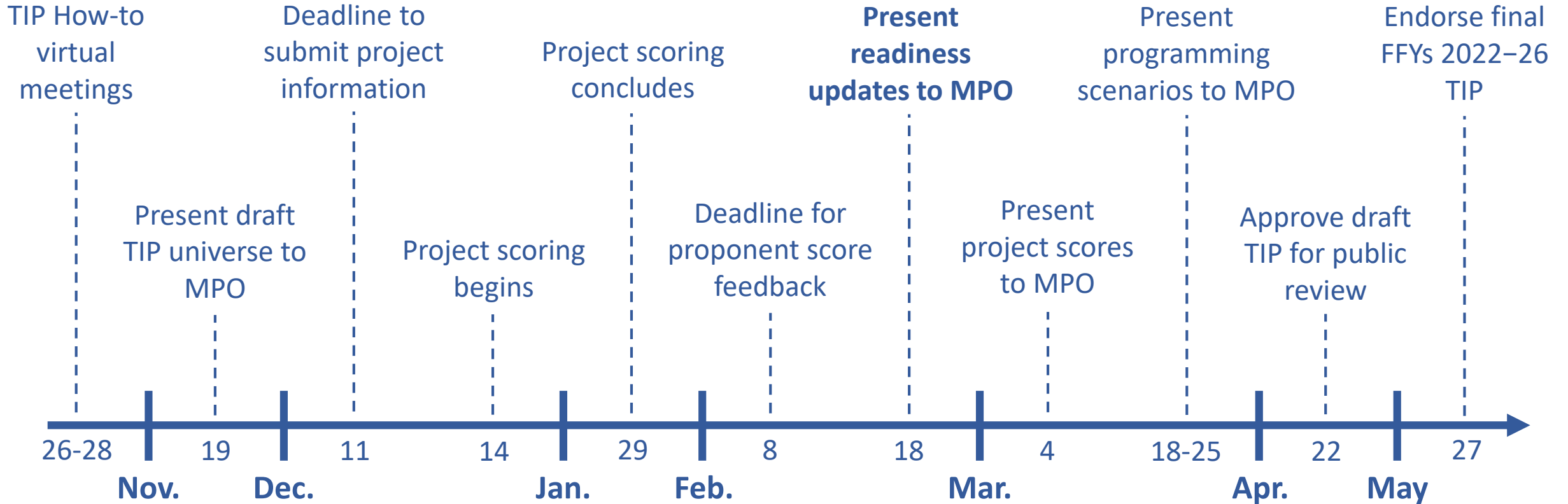
- Packet of written public comments
- FFYs 2021–25 TIP project description handout
- FFYs 2022–26 TIP project readiness table



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FFYs 2022–26 TIP Development Timeline

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Written Public Comments Received
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Written Public Comments Received Since February 4, 2021, MPO Meeting

- Written comments received on five projects:
 - **Bellingham:** Rehabilitation of Route 126 (#608887) (Programmed in FFY 2022)
 - **Belmont:** Belmont Community Path (#609204) (Scored for FFYs 2022–26 TIP)
 - **Ipswich:** Improvements on County Street (#611975) (Scored for FFYs 2022–26 TIP)
 - **Peabody:** Independence Greenway, multiple segments (#609211 and #610544) (Programmed in FFYs 2024 and 2025, respectively)



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TIP Readiness Day

- Annual meeting between MassDOT and MPO staff to discuss status of projects currently funded in TIP
 - Schedule changes
 - Cost changes
 - Potential future risks
- Information received at this meeting directly informs approach to drafting new TIP
- Starting point: Information can evolve in coming weeks
 - Proponent feedback
 - Further project developments



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 - Programmed in FFY 2022
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 - **Wilmington:** Reconstruction of Route 38 (#608051)
 - Programmed in FFY 2024
 - Increase of \$5,244,392, or 30 percent of project cost
 - Originally programmed at \$10,802,316, now projected at \$22,743,951 (111 percent increase)



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Baseline Assumptions

- All project cost changes included
- All current funding commitments are retained
- MassDOT's recommendations for project schedule changes are executed
- Four percent annual inflation added beginning in FFY 2023



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Six-Year Programming Summary

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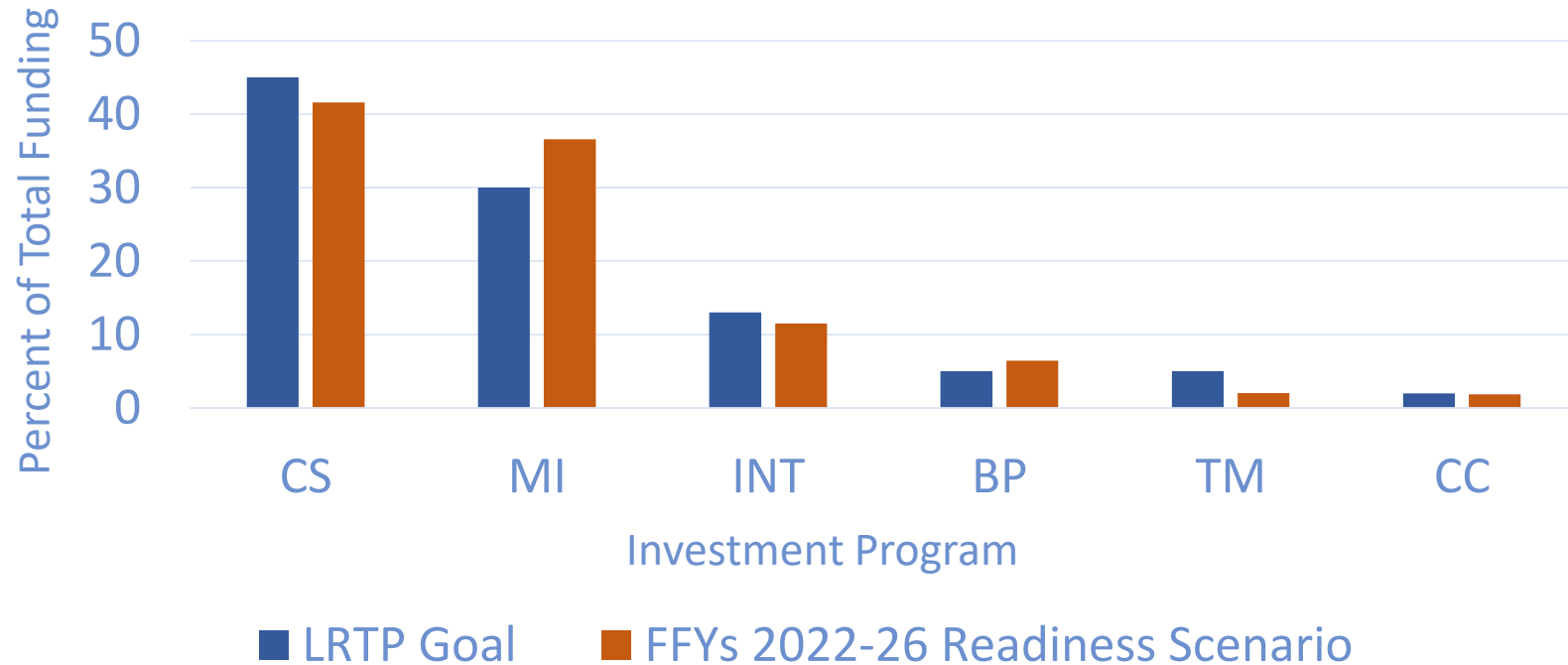
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Baseline Funding Allocations by Investment Program

FFYs 2022-26 TIP Funding Allocations by Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) Investment Program (Readiness Scenario)



BP = Bicycle Network and Pedestrian Connections. CC = Community Connections. CS = Complete Streets. INT = Intersection Improvements. MI = Major Infrastructure. TM = Transit Modernization.



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Today's Discussion

- Clarify information presented today
- Answer questions on project readiness and cost
- Discuss programming implications for FFYs 2022–26 TIP

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Next Steps

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Next Steps

Next MPO Meeting:
Discuss project scores

Remainder of March:
Discuss TIP
programming scenarios

By end of April:
Finalize draft TIP for
public review

March 4

March 18-25

Late April

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Discussion

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