Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Process, Engagement, and Readiness Committee Meeting

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**February 15, 2024, Meeting Time 1:00 PM** (Estimated duration: 1 hour and 30 minutes, expected ending at 2:30PM)

## **Meeting Agenda**

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Public Comments
- 3. Action Item: October 19, 2023, meeting summary, Ethan Lapointe, TIP Manager: Vote to approve this meeting summary (to be posted)
- 4. Action Item: December 14, 2023, meeting summary, Ethan Lapointe, TIP Manager: Vote to approve this meeting summary (to be posted)
- **5.** Recap of Previous Meetings, Discussion of Upcoming Meetings: Review of December 14, 2023, MPO meeting and discussion of proposal for two March meetings on March 14 and March 28 to discuss TIP Scenarios and Disparate Impact and Disproportionate Burden analysis, 10 minutes.
- 6. Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2025–29 TIP Draft Scoring Update, Ethan Lapointe, TIP Manager: An overview of trends in project scores and a list of projects under evaluation for the FFY 2025–29 TIP, 10 minutes.
- 7. FFY 2025–29 TIP Readiness Update, Ethan Lapointe, TIP Manager: Further discussion of projects and trends in readiness changes for projects currently programmed in the FFY 2024–28 TIP, 50 minutes.
- **8. Members' Items:** Reports and notices by MPO members, including regional concerns and local community issues.

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