

TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE PROGRAM

Virginia Project Recommendations for FY 2019-2020

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Staff recommends TPB approval of Resolution R20-2018 to approve projects for funding under the Surface Transportation Block Grant Set-Aside Program for FY 2019-2020 in Northern Virginia.



TA Set Aside

- *PURPOSE:* A federal formula program that provides funding to projects considered “alternatives” to traditional highway construction
- *FEDERAL AUTHORIZATION*
 - MAP-21 (2012) – Established as the “Transportation Alternatives Program”
 - FAST Act (2015) - Renamed “Transportation Alternatives Set Aside”
- *TPB ROLE:* Large MPOs are sub-allocated funds and given the responsibility for selecting projects for those funds.



TLC Program

- In our region, the TA Set Aside Program is a component of the TPB's TLC Program
- The TLC Program also includes:
 - Technical assistance projects
 - TLC PeerX (Peer Exchange Network)
- These programs promote regional goals and priorities, including:
 - Multimodal transportation options (RTPP Goal 1)
 - Regional activity centers (RTPP Goal 2)



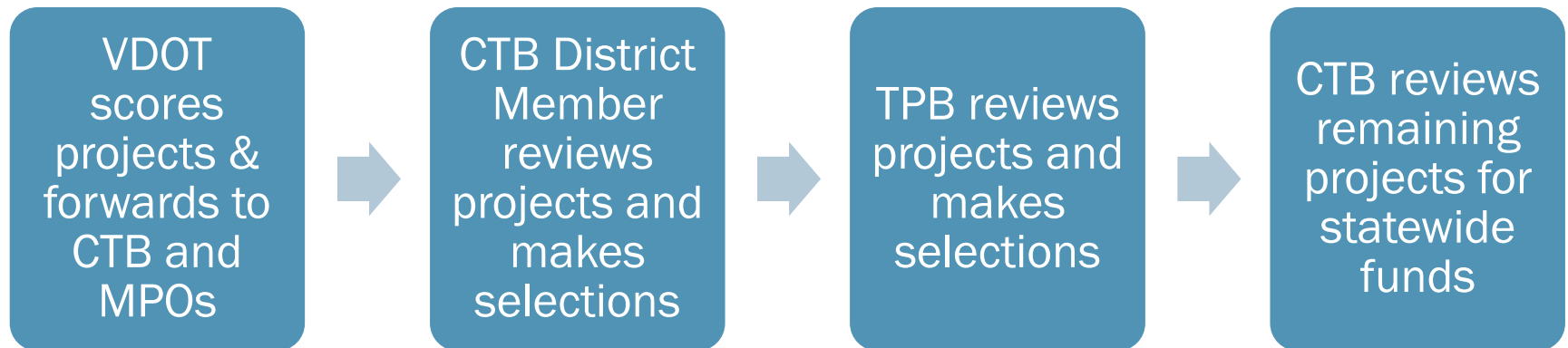
Virginia: FY 2019-2020 Schedule

- Nov 15 Application deadline
- Nov-Jan VDOT scores applications and forwards them to CTB District Member and MPOs
- March 6 CTB District Member selected projects
- April 3 TPB Selection Panel selected projects
- April 18 TPB approval
- April 18 CTB final approval



Virginia Project Selection

- VDOT's Local Assistance Division oversees project selection
- FY 2019-2020 project solicitation: November 2017-April 2018



- Funds are split into three pots: CTB Districts, Large MPOs, and CTB statewide



TPB Panel's Selection Process

- Selection Panel included TPB staff, District Office of Planning, Prince George's County DPW&T, and Maryland State Highway Administration
- Panel members individually scored projects



- Based on scores, panel members rank projects “High/Medium/Low”
- At the selection panel meeting on April 3, panel used rankings to help evaluate and jointly prioritize projects for funding



Regional Policies Criteria

- Expanding Multimodal Transportation Options for Non-Drivers
- Supporting Regional Activity Centers
- Access to High-Capacity Transit
- Increased Access in Equity Emphasis Areas
- Safe Routes to School
- Increased Access for People with Disabilities



FY 2019 Project Recommendations

- TPB received **\$16,425,802** in funding requests for 22 projects in Northern Virginia.
- TPB's STP Set Aside sub-allocation is **\$5,440,710**
- **Eleven projects were** recommended for funding
 - Seven projects are in or close to regional Activity Centers
 - Four projects (or component) are within $\frac{3}{4}$ mile of transit
 - Four projects (or component) are in Equity Emphasis Areas
 - One project is for "Safe Routes to School"
 - Four projects followed up on previous TLC studies



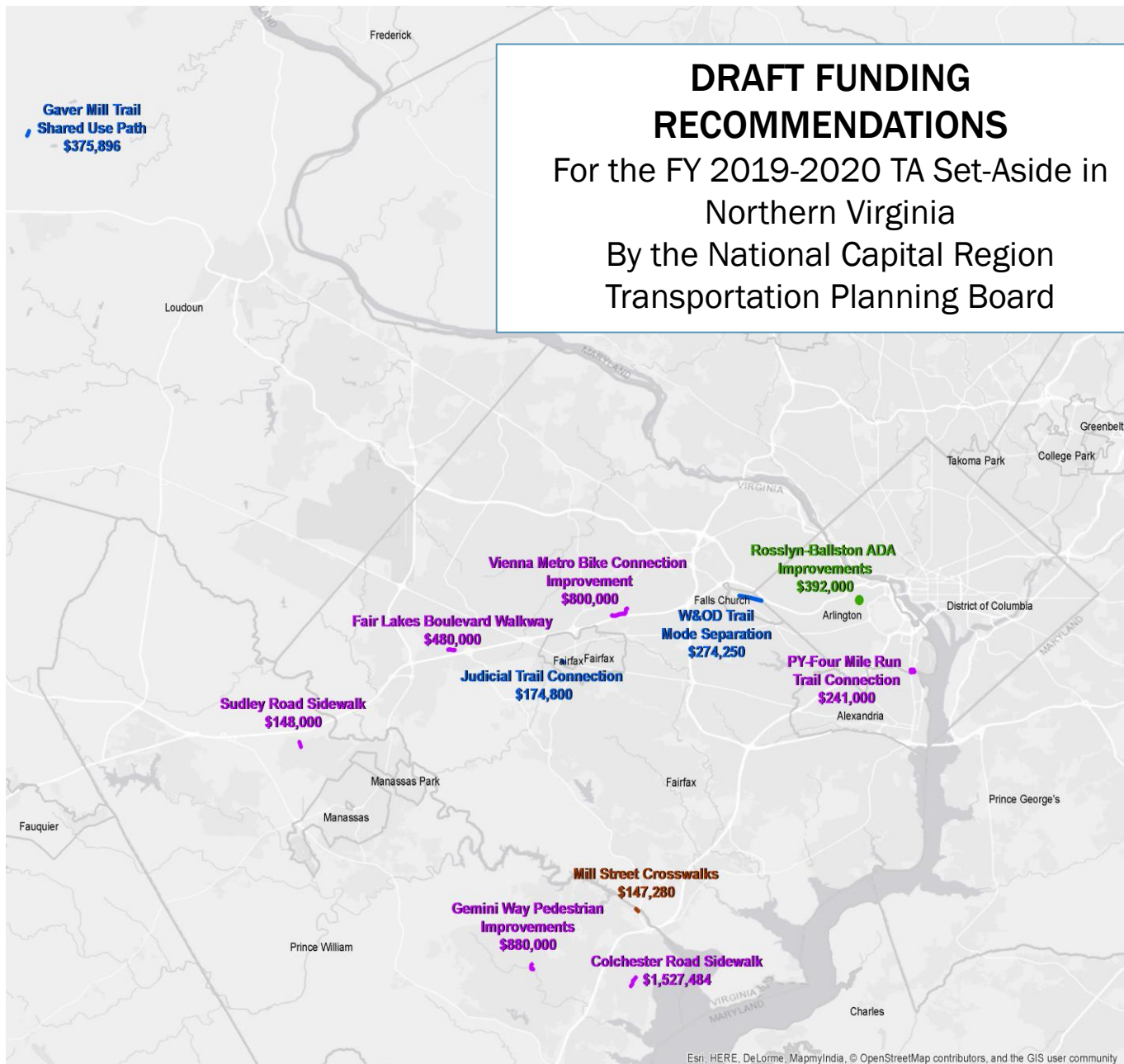
FY 2019 Project Recommendations

Project	Jurisdiction/Agency	Recommendation
PY-Four Mile Run Trail Connection	Arlington County	\$241,000
Rosslyn – Ballston ADA Improvements	Arlington County	\$392,000
Judicial Trail Connection	City of Fairfax	\$174,800
W&OD Trail - Mode Separation	City of Falls Church (Northern Virginia Regional Parks Authority)	\$274,250
Vienna Metro Bike Connection Improvement	Fairfax County	\$800,000
Fair Lakes Boulevard Walkway	Fairfax County	\$480,000
Sudley Road Sidewalk	Prince William County	\$148,000
Mill Street Crosswalks	Prince William County	\$147,280
Gemini Way Pedestrian Improvements	Prince William County	\$880,000
Colchester Road Sidewalk	Prince William County	\$1,527,484
Gaver Mill Trail—Shared-Use Path Project	Town of Hillsboro	\$375,896
Total		\$5,440,710



DRAFT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

For the FY 2019-2020 TA Set-Aside in
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Next Steps

- *Staff recommends TPB approval of Resolution R20-2018 to approve projects for funding under the Surface Transportation Block Grant Set-Aside Program for FY 2019-2020 in Northern Virginia.*
- Following TPB action, staff will forward information regarding the approved projects to VDOT for inclusion in the Commonwealth's Six Year Improvement Program for Transportation.
- The CTB will also consider whether to award funding, using the statewide TA Set Aside funds, to the remaining Northern Virginia applications.
- Once all selections are finalized, VDOT staff will work with applicants to administer funding.



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