

Carbon Reduction Program

TPB Technical Committee
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Agenda for Today

- Priorities for the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)
- Available Suballocation for TPB Region
- Project Identification and Selection Process
- Process for Reviewing Applications
- Next Steps

Priorities for CRP

- MDOT has been working to:
 - Reset the CRP funding process in coordination with our MPO partners
 - Maximize the carbon reduction benefit of the funds as much as possible
 - Obligate the available CRP allocations to avoid lapsing funds
 - Advance eligible near-term carbon reduction projects, and create a pipeline of potential future projects

CRP Suballocation

Area	FY22 (Oct 2022 – Sept 2023)	FY23 (Oct 2023 – Sept 2024)	FY24 (Oct 2024 – Sept 2025)	Current Total
CRP >200K Washington, DC	\$3,571,327	\$3,642,754	\$3,888,142	\$11,102,223
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CRP 50K – 200K	\$513,486	\$523,756	\$585,808	\$1,623,050
Frederick, MD	\$289,061	\$294,842	\$350,337	\$934,240
Waldorf, MD	\$224,425	\$228,914	\$235,471	\$688,810
	Lapses Sept 2025	Lapses Sept 2026	Lapses Sept 2027	

Funds are also available for rural areas with population under 50,000 and 5,000.

Project Identification and Selection

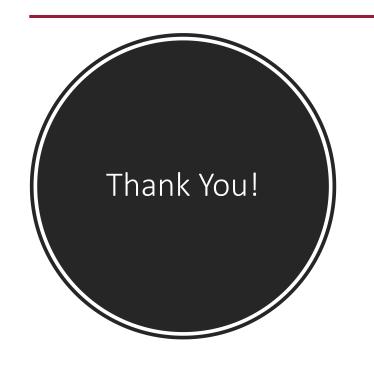
- MDOT solicited applications for Carbon Reduction Program funds through the Climate Focused Funding Portal in March and April
 - MPOs, local governments, MDOT Modal Administrations and partners were able to apply to identify projects eligible for CRP funds
- MDOT hosted a Coordination meeting with staff from MPOs statewide on April 30 to discuss the application review process
 - MDOT and TPB Staff began reviewing applications in May
- MDOT and TPB Staff met on June 14 to reach consensus on projects recommended for this round of CRP funding

Process for Reviewing Applications

- MDOT staff performed an initial eligibility and readiness screening for each
 of the applications received that was shared with the TPB Staff and FHWA
- MDOT and TPB Staff evaluated applications using the following criteria:
 - Timeline for Obligation When will the project be ready to obligate?
 - GHG Reduction Potential Will the project help to reduce GHG emissions?
 - Environmental Justice Is the project located in environmental justice areas?
 - Priority Project Does the project align with regional and state priorities?
- MDOT and TPB Staff reviewed the applications at the same time and developed a recommended list of projects to advance for funding

Next Steps

- MDOT will prepare award letters and begin coordination with applicants for project-specific agreements and moving towards obligating funds
- MDOT will continue to work closely with TPB staff to identify and advance eligible projects for the Waldorf and Frederick suballocation areas
- MDOT will schedule a meeting with the MPOs to evaluate the CRP application process and identify opportunities for improvement for future rounds of funding





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