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Chapter 1 | Introduction

What is the Transportation Improvement Program?

A Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a four-year program outlining all federally funded transportation improvements within a region. The TIP includes several components, but central to the TIP is a list of prioritized projects that are fiscally constrained based on the federal transportation funding coming into the region.

TIPs are developed throughout the United States, and federal laws require Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) to oversee the responsibility of developing the TIP within each of the nation's urbanized areas. The Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS) is the designated MPO for Summit and Portage counties and Northeastern Wayne County. AMATS is tasked with developing the TIP in a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive (3C) manner with the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and area transit operators.

This TIP covers State Fiscal Years 2026 through 2029. AMATS' TIP was developed in concert with ODOT, which oversees each region's concurrent TIP development. ODOT compiles each regional TIP into a statewide TIP—also called a STIP—which is then reviewed and approved by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the Federal Transit Administration (FTA).

The projects identified in the TIP are prioritized with funding through federal, state and local revenues. The program maintains a balance of local and regional needs and includes projects from all modes of ground transportation including highways, public transportation or transit, bicycles and pedestrians.

The TIP provides a schedule by which to coordinate projects among jurisdictions and transportation agencies and serves as a guide for implementation of short-and-medium range transportation planning. The TIP also serves as a source of information for the public and any transportation stakeholders curious about the region's program of projects.

Any regional transportation project that will utilize federal transportation funds must be included on the AMATS TIP. Because of this provision, the AMATS Policy Committee has considerable control on the use of federal transportation funds in the AMATS study area.

Federal Funding

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, also known as IIJA, was enacted into law on November 15, 2021. This transportation bill guarantees funding for highway, highway safety, pedestrian and bicycle, freight, EV and transit and bridge projects through the end of Fiscal Year 2026. The IIJA contains almost 100 programs and grants, including many new discretionary/competitive sources of funding. Some of the suballocated programs that AMATS directly administers are Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG), Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality program (CMAQ), Transportation Alternatives Set Aside (TASA), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), and metropolitan planning (PL). AMATS works closely with the region's two transit partners—METRO RTA and PARTA—who oversee federal transit-related funds including the 5307, 5310, and 5339 programs.

TIP Development Process

Although the TIP is typically developed on a biennial basis, several other events occur within the continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning cycle. The TIP's submittal is a significant action formally setting into motion a project's financial commitment, but the programming and management of future projects is something that occurs long before and long after a TIP is finalized.

Before a project becomes programmed into a TIP, substantial work takes place at AMATS to understand trends, needs and issues within the regional transportation system. AMATS produces a variety of reports to this effect, most of which directly feed into the development of the Region's Transportation Plan. AMATS' Plan is referred to as *Transportation Outlook*, and it forecasts more than 20 years into the future. AMATS is currently preparing a Plan update to the year 2050 (TO2050). Prior to the TO2050 planning process, these input documents provide valuable information for AMATS members, transportation stakeholders, and interested citizens. All of this work is developed and shared with these groups, and easily accessible on the AMATS website. Some of these documents include:

Report/Plan	Summary Description
Congestion Management Process	Assessment of where and to what degree the region's roadway congestion occurs and strategies to manage and reduce congestion without causing other issues
Planning Data Forecast	A report that lays out current population and employment trends and seeks to forecast what the Greater Akron Region could look like into the future
Annual Crash Report	A three-year examination of crash data and trends within the region and development of a high-crash list ranking the sections and intersections of concern
Safe Streets for All Action Plan	A comprehensive safety plan that includes a five-year examination of crash data and trends, development of a high-injury network of fatal and serious injury crash hotspots, and development of strategy, project, and transit recommendations for eliminating the most serious crashes.
Freight Plan	Examination of the current truck and rail freight networks, areas of heavy freight activity, and recommendations to improve the movement of freight into and through the region
Transit Plan	Examination of the current transit coverage within the region and recommendations for goals and strategies to improve and sustain transit coverage
Public Participation Plan	A plan that outlines ways the agency seeks to encourage an open planning process that supports early and sustained public involvement, timely public notice, and full public access to information regarding key transportation decisions within the Greater Akron area.
Active Transportation Plan	A plan that shows existing and future/desired active transportation connections (e.g. trails, bike lanes) and identification of additional recommendations for improving the active transportation network
Highway Preservation Needs Report	An overview of the current and forecasted roadway and bridge preservation needs for the region and a forecast of the funding necessary to maintain the highway system in a state of decent repair.

The findings and recommendations of these input documents feed directly into the fiscally constrained TO2050. TO2050's development is an intensive process that directly involves public and stakeholder input.

Needs and issues identified through these myriad plans, in many cases, eventually lead to project ideas that seek funding for implementation. Ultimately, both TO2050 and its input documents directly influence communities'

and agencies' decisions on what future projects get developed and help stakeholders understand the most pressing needs and priorities for the region. Potential project sponsors consider all the data and recommendations from these plans, often also undergoing their own supplemental planning processes and community input.

AMATS, being the agency tasked with planning and funding transportation projects for Greater Akron, has an exceptionally important role to play in this continuing process. Specifically, AMATS announces open calls for project applications.

Project selection typically occurs on a biennial basis, often in the "off years," or years when a TIP is not updated and submitted. Working alongside ODOT, AMATS typically awards funding several fiscal years into the future based on existing allocations. Project development usually takes several years and so it is necessary to have a pipeline of funded projects further into the future.

AMATS is the agency responsible for program management for several federal funding programs in which sponsors apply for project funding. To provide a systematic method for developing and modifying the TIP for projects that utilize AMATS suballocated federal funds, the AMATS Policy Committee has adopted the *AMATS Funding Policy Guidelines, attached in Appendix D*. These guidelines define the criteria to be used in scoring and selecting projects that will eventually be included in the TIP. The *AMATS Funding Policy Guidelines* are typically updated before each call for projects, and decisions about scoring criteria are based on the decisions made by AMATS' committee members. Their decisions are based on the technical recommendations from AMATS staff and the result of comprehensive conversations between staff and AMATS members. Perhaps more importantly, these recommendations and conversations are based directly on guidance from all of the planning documents outlined earlier in this section.

The current funding policy was adopted in September 2023 and establishes the criteria to be used in selecting projects to be included in the TIP. The policy:

- establishes a standing subcommittee of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) that is responsible for monitoring TIP funding, reviewing project applications, and making recommendations to the Policy Committee,
- determines the criteria by which projects are evaluated and scored,
- establishes the maximum amount of STBG, CRP, and TASA funding that can be allocated to any project via AMATS for preliminary engineering, right-of-way or construction,
- defines and describes eligibility and program policies for various Federal Transit Administration funding programs (Sections 5307, 5310 and 5339 Funding), and
- requires a minimum of 20% local funding for most programs, unless using toll revenue credit.

Decisions about how most of AMATS' Highway funding sources (STBG, STBG-Resurfacing, CRP, TASA) are allocated to applicants are based on *AMATS Funding Policy Guidelines* and the input of AMATS TAC TIP Subcommittee and the AMATS Policy Committee. One exception is the Congestion Management and Air Quality (CMAQ) program. Since 2014, CMAQ projects have been awarded via a statewide CMAQ Program Committee—of which AMATS is a member—which also sets the program's policies, procedures, and project selection criteria.

The most competitive project applications are selected for funding, for both AMATS-controlled funding programs and the statewide committee-selected CMAQ program. These projects get programmed into further-out years, and then typically are placed onto the new TIP when development begins. AMATS staff works closely with both highway and transit project sponsors to ensure that projects continue to advance. The AMATS' TIP Coordinator matches projects to available funding for each source per fiscal year.

A TIP is much more than its project listings. Several other components account for other important planning considerations. Developing a program of projects necessitates consideration of how projects satisfy federal performance measures, public input and Title VI requirements, and many other important considerations. The chapters listed on the following page outline these various other components of the TIP.

Development of the 2026-2029 TIP—both the project listings and the other considerations outlined above—began in the fall of 2024, after ODOT directed MPOs such as AMATS to begin developing a program of projects. This work was fine-tuned, and the first draft of the TIP was submitted to ODOT at the end of January 2025. AMATS then shared the draft project listing with its Technical Advisory, Policy, and Citizens Involvement Committees and discussed the draft TIP at a high level. ODOT and USDOT provided review comments in early March, which AMATS staff incorporated into a second draft document. AMATS prepared this document for a public involvement period that began on March 11, 2025 and concluded on April 11, 2025.

During the public involvement period, citizens and other transportation stakeholders were encouraged to comment on the draft TIP. AMATS presented the TIP during the Citizens Involvement Committee meeting on March 20. Online comment forms were available on the AMATS website and options to provide comments in person at the AMATS office or call staff directly to discuss comments were also advertised. Further details about the public comment period can be found in Chapter 6 and Appendix B.

AMATS continued to make minor modifications to the TIP based on the advancement of previously programmed projects. The final TIP was submitted to ODOT by the April 30 deadline and is planned for approval by the AMATS Policy Committee on May 15, 2025.

Upon the submission of the AMATS TIP to ODOT, it will be combined with other Ohio regions' TIPs, packaged into a Statewide TIP (STIP). The STIP will be reviewed by the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) between May 1 and June 30 in order to be officially approved on July 1, 2025.

Even after final submittal and approval of the STIP, it continues as a dynamic, living document. Periodically, it is necessary to revise the allocated funds originally laid out in the TIP. Common issues that occur include projects not advancing according to schedule, projects requiring additional funds because a project phase estimate may increase, or projects not utilizing all programmed TIP funds because a bid comes in lower than the estimated amount. Occasionally, entire projects are cancelled and then that funding must be allocated elsewhere. All changes to TIP projects are regularly monitored and updated to reflect such changes. Small movements of funds are called Administrative Modifications while larger, more impactful changes to the TIP are classified as Amendments, which require concurrence from AMATS' Policy Committee. All TIP Modifications are required to be shared with an MPO's decision-making body.

TIP Document Summary

AMATS 2026-2029 TIP follows the format recommended in ODOT's *Ohio TIP Guidance Template*. The following pages contain nine more chapters and a set of appendices.

Chapter 1 —	Introduction
Chapter 2 —	Performance Based Planning and Programming
Chapter 3 —	AQ Conformity
Chapter 4 —	Demographics
Chapter 5 —	Title VI and ADA Compliance
Chapter 6 —	Public Involvement
Chapter 7 —	Previous TIP Accomplishments
Chapter 8 —	Projects
Chapter 9 —	Fiscal Constraint Analysis
Chapter 10 —	Approval Resolution

The appendices focus on documenting that the AMATS TIP conforms to federal requirements and includes supporting information:

Appendix A —	Air Quality Analysis
Appendix B —	Public Outreach
Appendix C —	Self-Certification Resolution
Appendix D —	Funding Policy Guidelines
Appendix E —	Ohio STIP Revisions Guidelines

Chapter 2 | Performance Based Planning and Programming

Introduction

Current federal legislation and guidance feature an emphasis on performance measurement. This focus is consistent with AMATS goals and objectives, which promote the transparency of public data and decision-making and seeks to improve the accountability of public spending by better linking investments to outcomes.

Performance measures are central to implementing a Performance Based Planning Process (PBPP) that guides decision making. How performance is defined and measured can significantly affect the types of projects and strategies that are advanced by decision makers. Moreover, performance results inform agencies whether the types of projects and strategies they are implementing are in fact helping them achieve their goals. Performance measures aim to answer questions about whether the performance of the transportation system is getting better or worse over time. Performance measures also aim to demonstrate whether transportation investments are correlated or linked to stated goals and whether they produce desired outcomes.

Introducing a performance management approach to planning is intended to improve project and program delivery, inform investment decision making, focus staff efforts on priorities, and provide greater transparency and accountability to the public. Current federal guidelines apply performance measurements at the programmatic, rather than project level and link performance measures and targets to funding decisions by way of performance-based funding. The purpose of this approach is to move towards performance-based decision-making for project selection in the future.

The US DOT and ODOT continue to develop performance targets in consultation with MPOs like AMATS, and others. State investments must make progress toward these performance targets, and MPOs must incorporate these performance measures and targets into their Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs) and long-range Regional Transportation Plans. Federal guidance imposes financial penalties on states that fail to make progress toward these performance goals.

There are seven areas for which the US DOT has established national performance goals. These areas are:

- Safety
- Infrastructure Conditions
- Congestion Reduction
- System Reliability
- Freight Movement and Economic Vitality
- Environmental Sustainability
- Reduced Project Delivery Delays

To implement performance measure goals, US DOT has developed measures and minimum standards for states to follow. In the transportation planning process, the public and other stakeholders articulate a strategic direction that is based on a shared vision for the future.

Goals and Objectives stem from the area's vision and goals, and they address key desired outcomes. Agencies like AMATS create objectives—which are specific, measurable statements—that shape planning priorities.

Performance Measures support objectives and are the basis for comparing alternative improvement strategies, investment and policy strategies, and tracking results.

Driven by data on performance, along with public involvement and policy considerations, AMATS conducts analyses that inform investment and policy priorities.

- **Identify Trends and Targets** – Trends and targets let agencies compare alternative strategies. This step relies on baseline data from past trends, tools to forecast future performance, and information on possible strategies, available funding, and other constraints.
- **Identify Strategies and Analyze Alternatives** – Scenario analysis may also be used to compare alternative strategies and funding levels, or to explore funding levels required to achieve certain performance goals.
- **Develop Investment Priorities** – To reach investment targets, AMATS will create a TIP and a Regional Transportation Plan that consider priorities and tradeoffs.

Programming involves selecting specific projects to include in the TIP. In a performance-based planning approach, agencies make programming decisions based on whether those decisions support performance targets or contribute to desired trends.

Performance based planning is founded on evidence that the process leads agencies to their goals. The following evaluation activities happen throughout implementation and when needed throughout performance-based planning.

- **Monitoring** – Gathering information on actual conditions.
- **Evaluation** – Conducting analysis to understand whether implemented strategies have been effective.
- **Reporting** – Communicating information about system performance and whether policymakers, stakeholders, and the public think plans and programs are effective.

In a performance-based planning approach, each step in the process is clearly connected to the next so that goals translate into specific measures. Those measures then become the basis for selecting and analyzing strategies for the long-range plan. Ultimately, project selection decisions are influenced by expected performance returns. Keeping the next step in the process in mind is critical to each step along the way.

The Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has provided a complete overview of performance measures, data and progress with its report, *The State of Ohio Transportation System Performance*:

www.transportation.ohio.gov/programs/statewide-planning-research/statewide-transportation-planning/01-transportation-system-performance-report

Safety – PM1

23 CFR 490.207 requires states to establish five safety performance measures and set targets for those measures to demonstrate fatal and serious injury reductions on all public roads. The figure below shows the safety performance measures, baselines, and targets. These measures are evaluated on a 5-year rolling average. Safety performance measures are designated as category 1: PM1.

Federal legislation requires MPOs like AMATS to establish performance targets and set targets that demonstrate fatal and serious injury reductions on all public roads. The required performance measures for safety are:

- Number of fatalities
- Fatality rate
- Number of serious injuries
- Serious injury rate
- Number of non-motorized fatalities and serious injuries

In accordance with federal legislation, ODOT used a five-year average to calculate baseline safety statistics. These baseline figures are the benchmarks to which all future calculations will be compared. All future values will also be calculated using five years of data. This five-year rolling average is used to smooth out short-term year-to-year fluctuations. A full discussion of safety planning and the identification of safety needs for the AMATS area can be found in the current traffic crash technical memorandum. This memorandum also includes analyses of bicycle and pedestrian safety data. The memorandum is updated annually.

After reviewing historical crash trends, external factors and through consultation with the state's MPOs, ODOT established a 2 percent annual reduction target across all five safety categories statewide. ODOT developed a baseline using calendar year (CY) 2019-2023 for setting the CY 2025 safety targets. A state is considered to have met or made significant progress if at least four of the five targets are better than the baseline performance. AMATS Policy Resolution 2024-18 (September 2024) affirms support for ODOT's statewide safety targets for calendar year (CY) 2025.

The baselines used to set the targets are (CY 2019-2023):

- 1,228.2 fatalities
- 7,790.5 serious injuries
- 1.12 fatality rate (per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT))
- 6.77 serious injury rate (per 100 million VMT)
- 842.4 non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries

CY 2025 Targets for Ohio are:

- 1,180 fatalities
- 7,482 serious injuries
- 1.08 fatality rate
- 6.51 serious injury rate
- 809 non-motorized fatalities and non-motorized serious injuries

Crash data specific to the AMATS area can be found in the *Traffic Crashes and Safety Performance Measures (2021-2023) Report*, approved in December 2024. For statewide and regional data, ODOT provides a full safety analysis on its dashboard website:

<https://app.powerbigov.us/view?r=eyJrljoiNDJiMjhlMDEtOTU2OC00YjBmLWlxNzgtY2Y3ZTMwZTE0MDI3liwidCI6ljUwZjhmY2M0LTk0ZDgtNGYwNy04NGViLTM2ZWQ1N2M3YzhhMjI9>

The table below shows the current status of safety target performance statewide.

Ohio Statewide Safety Performance				
Performance Measure	2023 Performance	2023 Target	Target Met?	2025 Target
Fatalities	1,228	< 1,173	No	< 1,180
Fatality Rate	1.12	< 1.04	No	< 1.08
Serious Injuries	7,791	< 7,649	No	< 7,482
Serious Injury Rate	6.77	< 6.77	No	< 6.51
Non-Motorized Fatalities & Serious Injuries	842.4	< 824	No	< 809

Notes:

1. All safety measures are rolling 5-year averages.
2. Rates are expressed as events per 100 million vehicle miles traveled (VMT).
3. Targets for 2023 and 2025 are a 2% annual reduction from the baseline performance (for 2021 and 2023, respectively).

The table below shows the total projects and amount of money that is being invested to improve the safety of the AMATS area transportation system. Funding costs are for the TIP period FY 2026-2029, for projects categorized as safety-related. Projects costs include multiple funding sources in addition to safety program (HSIP) funds. The following project list is derived from the specific Individual list of projects and does not include the non-specific Group listing.

FY 2026-2029 Safety-Related Projects					
PID	Project Name	Work Type	Project Termini	Project Description	Total Project Estimate
112869	SUM East Ave Ph 1 (Tallmadge)	Roadway Improvement (Safety)	Community Rd (2.37) to Portage County Line (4.56)	Widen East Avenue (CR 630), a center two-way left turn lane, sidewalks. Identified as a high priority segment in ODOT's HSIP. Phase 1 (Recreation Center Dr. to Parliament Dr.)	\$14,218,294
116917	SUM S Arlington Rd (Green)	Add Through Lane(s)	S Arlington Rd just south of Boettler Rd to just north of September Dr	Widening S Arlington Rd from 2 to 4 lanes and includes new roundabouts at Boettler Rd and Southwood Dr, includes new sidewalks.	\$21,922,841
116929	SUM SR 91/Terex Rd (Hudson)	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	SR 91/Terex Rd	Intersection improvement at SR 91 and Terex Rd, improves left turn lanes	\$570,022
118500	POR SR 59 02.93 (Kent)	Roadway Improvement (Safety)	POR SR 59 from 2.925 to 3.797	Roadway improvements to SR 59 in the Kent area, reducing lane widths, improving sidewalks, ADA curb ramps, mid-block pedestrian crossings, new ADA accessible bus stops and shelters and upgrading pedestrian signals.	\$7,438,234
120949	SUM SR 0532 00.80 (Mogadore)	Traffic Control (Safety)	SUM SR 532 and Albrecht Ave	Install new signal at SUM SR 532 and Albrecht Ave in the Village of Mogadore.	\$358,113
121067	SUM Highland Rd (Macedonia)	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	Highland Rd between I-271 and S Bedford Rd, and S Bedford Rd between Highland Rd and Blue Jay Trl	Intersection improvement at Highland Rd and SR 8, new signal, new turn lanes along Highland Rd, new right turn lane on S Bedford Rd, new sidewalk on S Bedford Rd, and new signal at the Highland/S Bedford Rd intersection.	\$2,950,600
121287	SUM CR 0135 02.60 (Killian Rd)	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	Intersection of Killian Rd and Pickle Rd	New roundabout at Killian Rd (CR 135) and Pickle Rd (CR 70) in Springfield Township, improved sight distance, curb ramps, sidewalks, ADA curb ramps, etc.	\$2,640,600
121457	SUM Graham Rd Signals (Stow)	Traffic Control (Safety)	Graham Rd from Bailey Rd to Newcomer Rd	Replace and upgrade signals on Graham Rd between Bailey Rd and Newcomer Rd.	\$3,575,000
121598	SUM Wooster Rd/Hopocan Ave (Barberton)	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	Wooster Rd N and W Hopocan Ave	Construct a roundabout at the intersection of Wooster Rd N and W Hopocan Ave in the City of Barberton.	\$2,634,715
121863	SUM State Rd Ph 2 (Cuy. Falls)	Roadway Minor Rehab	Quick Rd to Wyoga Lake Rd	State Rd between Quick Rd and Wyoga Lake Rd, pavement replacement, new center two way left turn lane, new roundabout at the State Rd/Quick Rd intersection, new sidewalk on State Rd.	\$15,000,000
Total					\$71,308,418

The following table summarizes all safety-related project spending over the FY 2026-2029 TIP period. The figures include ODOT Group projects programmed in the AMATS area.

Summary – TIP Projects Improving Safety ¹			
Total Safety Projects	Total Safety \$ (Millions)	Projects with HSIP \$	HSIP \$ (Millions)
39	\$64.9	10	\$21.9







1a Projects that have safety program funding; or

1b Projects containing funding with one of the following federal improvement codes (Safety, Safety & Education of Pedestrians/Bicycles).

Projects include ODOT Line Item listed projects. Note: HSIP funding is coded as SAC 4HJ7.

Infrastructure Conditions – PM2

23 CFR 490.307 and 23 CFR 490.407 establish performance measures to evaluate the condition of Ohio's National Highway System (NHS) pavements and bridges. The table below shows these performance measures along with their baselines, 2-year targets, and 4-year targets. Infrastructure condition performance measures are designated as category 2: PM2. The table also shows that AMATS is assisting in meeting statewide infrastructure conditions targets.

Infrastructure Condition Measures and Targets - PM2						
Performance Measure	Baseline (2021)	2-Year Performance (2023)	2-Year Target (2023)	4-Year Target (2025)	2-Year Target Met?	Trend
Interstate Pavement Condition						
% Good	72.9%	75.4%	> 55%	> 55%	Yes	
% Poor	0.1%	0.1%	< 1%	< 1%	Yes	
Non-Interstate NHS Pavement Condition						
% Good	46.4%	50.4%	> 40%	> 40%	Yes	
% Poor	1.9%	1.3%	< 2%	< 2%	Yes	
NHS Bridge Conditions						
% Good	60.9%	60.8%	> 55%	> 55%	Yes	
% Poor	2.0%	2.0%	< 3%	< 3%	Yes	

The tables below show the projects and amount of money that is being invested to maintain and improve pavement and bridge conditions in the AMATS area during the FY 2026-2029 TIP period. The projects listed are derived from the Individual project list and does not include Group project listing. Group projects are usually sponsored by ODOT; or they are sponsored at 100 percent local funding by AMATS members in the area.

TIP Projects Improving Pavements			
Road Type	Number of Projects	Lane Miles Improved	Construction \$ (Millions)
Interstate	7	89	\$49.5
Non-Interstate NHS	16	126	\$40.2

TIP Projects Improving NHS Bridges		
Number of Projects	Bridges Improved	Construction \$ (Millions)
17	62	\$56.4

The AMATS Policy Committee has previously approved support for ODOT's statewide goals for pavement and bridge conditions. (See AMATS Policy Resolution 2022-14, approved August 2022). AMATS continues to support these targets and programs its projects with the goal of assisting ODOT in meeting these goals.

Travel Time Reliability, Congestion and Air Quality Measures – PM3

Travel Time Reliability

Level of Travel Time Reliability (LOTR) is defined as the ratio of the longer travel times (80th percentile) to a "normal" travel time (50th percentile). The measures are the percent of person-miles traveled on the relevant portion of the NHS that are reliable.

Truck Travel Time Reliability (TTTR) is the ratio generated by dividing the 95th percentile travel time by the normal time (50th percentile) for each Interstate segment. The TTTR Index is established by multiplying each segment's largest reliability ratio of five reporting periods by its length then dividing the sum of all length-weighted segments by the total length of Interstate.

The data to assess travel time reliability and establish targets is sourced from FHWA's National Performance Management Research Data Set (NPMRDS).

23 CFR 490.507 and 23 CFR 490.607 established performance measures for the Level of Travel Time Reliability on Ohio's NHS system. The table below shows these performance measures along with their baselines, 2-year targets, and 4-year targets.

System Reliability Measures and Targets - PM3					
Performance Measure	Baseline (2021)	2-Year Performance (2023)	2-Year Target (2023)	4-Year Target (2025)	2-Year Target Met?
Travel Time Reliability (TTR) - Interstates	98.8%	97.1%	> 85.0%	> 85.0%	Yes
Travel Time Reliability (TTR) - Non-Interstates	96.4%	95.9%	> 80.0%	> 80.0%	Yes
Truck Travel Time Reliability (TTTR) Index	1.19	1.22	< 1.50	< 1.50	Yes

The table below shows the total projects and amount of money that is being invested to improve travel time reliability on the NHS system in the AMATS area during the TIP period.

TIP Projects Improving Travel Time Reliability		
Road Type	Number of Projects	Construction \$ (Millions)
Interstate	1	\$13.8
Non-Interstate NHS	0	\$0

CMAQ Traffic Congestion Measures – PHED and Non-SOV Travel

23 CFR 490.707 established the national performance measures for assessing traffic congestion. These measures are applicable to all urbanized areas that include NHS mileage and have populations of over 200,000 (also known as Transportation Management Areas, or TMAs). In addition, these two measures are only applicable in

regions that are designated as non-attainment or maintenance areas for ozone (O₃), carbon monoxide (CO) or particulate matter (PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5}), based upon the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).

The two congestion performance measures are as follows:

- Annual Hours of Peak Hour Excessive Delay (PHED)

Peak Hour Excessive Delay (PHED) is based on the calculation of all segments of the National Highway System. PHED is defined as the extra amount of time spent in congested conditions defined by speed thresholds that are lower than a normal delay threshold. For this measure, the speed threshold is 20 mph or 60% of the posted speed limit, or whichever is greater. The FHWA requires that the data collected must occur during weekdays (Monday through Friday), with a required morning peak timeframe of 6:00am-10:00am, and a variable evening peak timeframe. This metric measures the number of hours of excessive traffic delay (per capita) each year.

The PHED measure formerly only applied to metropolitan areas with one million or more in population. However, as of 2022, urbanized areas of 200,000 or greater are now subject to the PHED measure. For this metric, excess delay is defined as travel time at 20 mph or 60% of the posted speed limit, whichever is greater, measured in 15-minute intervals during key travel windows.

- Percent of Non-Single Occupant Vehicle (Non-SOV) Travel

Mode share is a measure of the percentage by mode of all surface transportation occurring in the urbanized area. Modes of surface transportation include driving alone in a motorized vehicle (Single Occupancy Vehicle), car or van pooling, public transportation, commuter rail, walking, or bicycling, as well as travel that is avoided by telecommuting. Non-SOV travel, defined by the FHWA, applies to any travel occurring on modes other than driving alone in a motorized vehicle. An analysis of mode share includes a calculation of the percent of Non-SOV travel within the urbanized area. This metric, which is derived from the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey (ACS) data, illustrates the percentage of an urbanized area's traffic in which multiple people are in a vehicle. Higher levels of Non-SOV travel can reduce an area's traffic congestion by removing additional vehicles from the roadways, and also lowering the amount of mobile emissions.

The table below shows the two-year, and four-year targets for peak hours of excessive delay (PHED) and non-single occupancy vehicle travel (Non-SOV) in the Ohio air quality urbanized areas. The data for this metric was derived from the American Community Survey Economic Characteristics table. The table shows the progress made toward achieving the PHED and Non-SOV targets. Note that the targets are being met over the last two years in the Northeast Ohio region.

Congestion Reduction Measures and Targets					
Performance Measure	Baseline (2021)	2-Year Performance (2023)	2-Year Target (2023)	4-Year Target (2025)	2-Year Target Met?
Annual Peak Hours of Excessive Delay (PHED) per Capita					
Akron Region	5.6	4.8	< 5.0	< 5.0	Yes
Canton Region	1.6	1.9	< 3.0	< 3.0	Yes
Cincinnati Region	7.1	6.1	< 9.0	< 9.0	Yes
Cleveland Region	6.8	6.5	< 21.0	< 21.0	Yes
Columbus Region	5.1	5.9	< 10.0	< 10.0	Yes
Dayton Region	6.3	6.9	< 7.2	< 7.2	Yes
Toledo Region	6.1	7.1	< 7.0	< 7.0	No
Percent of Non-Single Occupancy Vehicle (Non-SOV) Travel					
Akron Region	17.3%	19.4%	> 16.0%	> 16.0%	Yes
Canton Region	16.3%	17.7%	> 15.0%	> 15.0%	Yes
Cincinnati Region	20.0%	22.2%	> 18.5%	> 18.5%	Yes
Cleveland Region	20.6%	22.7%	> 18.5%	> 19.0%	Yes
Columbus Region	20.8%	24.0%	> 18.5%	> 19.0%	Yes
Dayton Region	18.1%	19.6%	> 16.1%	> 16.1%	Yes
Toledo Region	16.1%	17.6%	> 15.0%	> 15.0%	Yes

Projects that reduce the total number of vehicles on Ohio's roadways and those which improve traffic flow/reduce vehicle idling also contribute to the reduction in these mobile source pollutants. The tables below show projects and investments in the AMATS area that will assist in increasing Non-Single Occupancy Vehicle (Non-SOV) travel and reduce Peak Hour Excessive Delay (PHED). AMATS continues to support the two-year and four-year statewide targets which have been set by ODOT (AMATS Resolution 2022-14).

TIP Projects Improving Non-SOV Travel			
Total Non-SOV Projects	Total Non-SOV \$ (Millions)	Non-SOV Projects Using CMAQ	Non-SOV CMAQ Funds \$ M
12	\$8.4	4	\$0.3

TIP Projects Improving Peak Hour Excessive Delay			
Total PHED-Related Projects	PHED-Related \$ (Millions)	PHED Projects Using CMAQ	PHED CMAQ Funds \$ M
3	\$33.9	1	\$3.0

Past progress towards air quality improvements:

AMATS Area FY 2022 – 2025 CMAQ Projects Summary Emissions Benefits			
Fiscal Years	Nox Benefit (kg/day)	VOC Benefit (kg/day)	PM _{2.5} Benefit (kg/day)
2022 - 2023	11.9777	8.5831	0.9695
2024 - 2025	14.1348	8.4597	1.1183
Total	26.1125	17.0428	2.0878
AMATS Benchmark Contribution	25.00	15.00	2.00

Air Quality Measures

23 CFR 490.807 established the Total CMAQ Emission Reduction Performance Measures. These performance measures affect Ohio's U.S. EPA designated air quality nonattainment and maintenance areas. Ohio was required to set targets for its nonattainment and maintenance areas for the pollutants of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), Nitrous Oxide (NOx), and Particulate Matter at 2.5 Micrometers in Diameter (PM2.5). The table below shows these performance measures along with their baselines, 2-year targets, and 4-year targets.

Air quality emissions reduction analyses calculate the total reduction in three mobile source (i.e. vehicle-based) pollutants: Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC), Oxides of Nitrogen (NOx), and Particulate Matter having a diameter of less than 2.5 micrometers (PM2.5).

The table below shows the on-road baseline, two-year, and four-year quantitative emissions targets for Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC), Oxides of Nitrogen (NOx), and Particulate Matter having a diameter of less than 2.5 micrometers (PM2.5). The baseline data was derived from the CMAQ Public Access System and aggregated by state and pollutant type for the years 2018-2021. The 2018-2022 baseline data listed below is for the AMATS area. The data for the two and four-year targets was estimated from CMAQ projects in the TIP for the years 2022-2025; however, AMATS chose to support the two-year and four-year statewide targets which have been set by ODOT. Data is expressed in kilograms of pollutant per day.

Statewide – CMAQ Funded Projects – Emissions Reduction Benefit					
2022 – 2023 Evaluation					
Environmental Sustainability Measures and Targets					
Performance Measure	Baseline (2018 – 2021)	2-Year Performance (2022 – 2023)	2-Year Target (2022 – 2023)	4-Year Target (2022 – 2025)	2-Year Target Met?
Total Emissions Reduction – VOC (kg/day)	320.195	144.106	> 60.000	> 60.000	Yes
Total Emissions Reduction – NOx (kg/day)	1018.130	222.595	> 250.000	> 250.000	No
Total Emissions Reduction – PM _{2.5} (kg/day)	246.405	18.78	> 30.000	> 18.200	No

The CMAQ program funds projects based on their estimated contribution toward the reduction of these mobile source pollutants. The table below shows the CMAQ funded projects for the FY 2026-2029 TIP period for the AMATS area. The projects listed below contribute to the Ohio statewide CMAQ mobile source emissions goals.

AMATS CMAQ Mobile Source Emissions Projects				
PID	Project Name	Work Group	Fiscal Year	Total Project Cost
118568	Rideshare Program	Miscellaneous	2026	\$100,000
117253	METRO Bus Purchase - Electric	Transit	2026	\$1,818,438
116416	PARTA Bus Purchase - Clean Diesel	Transit	2026	\$2,000,000
118569	Rideshare Program	Miscellaneous	2027	\$100,000
123138	Rideshare Program	Miscellaneous	2028	\$100,000
123139	Rideshare Program	Miscellaneous	2029	\$100,000
				\$4,218,438

Cleveland-Akron-Lorain Air Quality Non-Attainment Area

Summit County and Portage County are part of the U.S. Census-designated eight-county Cleveland-Akron-Lorain Combined Statistical Area (CSA). This area includes: Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Portage, and Summit counties. Based on air quality readings, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) designated this area as marginal non-attainment for the 2015 8-hour ozone standard, excluding Ashtabula County which is a maintenance area. The US EPA designated the entire eight-county area as a maintenance area for the 2008 8-hour ozone standard.

USEPA also designated seven counties and a township in this area (including Summit and Portage) as maintenance for PM_{2.5} (particulate matter) under the 2006 standard. These areas include Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Portage, and Summit Counties, and Ashtabula Township in Ashtabula County.

Three Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) serve seven of these counties. The Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) serves Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina counties. AMATS serves Summit and Portage counties. The Erie Regional Planning Commission (ERPC) serves the City of Vermilion in Lorain County. Ashtabula County is not part of a Metropolitan Planning Organization.

The USDOT requires air quality conformity determinations every time a new TIP or Regional Transportation Plan is completed. This conformity analysis reflects the aggregate regional mobile emissions generated by vehicles using the transportation system recommended in the TIP and Regional Transportation Plan. Conformity is demonstrated when the forecasted regional emissions are below the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP) budgets that have been established by Ohio EPA.

AMATS, NOACA and ERPC manage the transportation planning process in this non-attainment area and coordinate on air quality issues. Consequently, AMATS has coordinated with ODOT, NOACA and ERPC in developing the Cleveland urbanized area traffic congestion (PHED and Non-SOV) targets shown above.

Federal Requirements for CMAQ Project Funding

The Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program supports two important goals of the U.S. Department of Transportation: improving air quality and relieving congestion. Reducing congestion is a key objective of federal surface transportation policy. The costs of congestion can be an obstacle to economic activity. In addition, congestion can hamper quality of life through diminished air quality, lost personal time, and other negative factors. Accordingly, the CMAQ Program includes federal funds programmatically allocated to each state for funding applicable projects.

A CMAQ project must meet three basic criteria: it must be a transportation project, it must generate an emissions reduction, and it must be in or benefit a nonattainment or maintenance area. Additionally, as with all federal-aid projects, CMAQ projects must be included in the MPO's current transportation plan and Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), or the current Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) in areas without an MPO. In nonattainment and maintenance areas, the project also must meet the conformity provisions contained in section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act (CAA) and the transportation conformity regulations. Lastly, all CMAQ-funded projects need to complete National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.) (NEPA) requirements and satisfy the basic eligibility requirements under titles 23 and 49 of the United States Code.

AMATS and ODOT each receive CMAQ funding and allocate it annually to fund applicable projects. In 2012, ODOT created the Ohio Statewide Urban Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality CMAQ Program (OSUCC). The intent of the program is to more quickly advance eligible projects that improve air quality, reduce congestion, and eliminate delay/improve safety, in addition to utilizing statewide CMAQ funding in the year funds are allocated. OSUCC is administered as a subcommittee of the Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) Executive Directors. OSUCC is charged with developing protocols for managing the program, along with project selection. The CMAQ Program provides approximately \$70 plus million annually, to Ohio's eight largest Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) with populations larger than 200,000.

OSUCC/AMATS opens the program for applications once every two years. The next project solicitation will most likely occur in spring of 2025. Projects are selected on various criteria, only one of which is estimated emissions reduction benefits. Projects are not required to have quantifiable emissions reduction benefits; a criteria-based assessment is sufficient. All projects awarded annually must be entered into the FHWA's CMAQ Public Access System (PAS). Data for the CMAQ Emissions Reduction performance measure for the region is taken from the quantified benefits included in the projects listed in the PAS that have been funded in the region. The Table above lists the quantified benefits included in the PAS for the AMATS area for recent years (2022 to 2025). Further information on the joint MPO/ODOT CMAQ project process can be found in the *AMATS Funding Policy Guidelines*.

Transit Asset Management (TAM)

Transit asset management (TAM) is a business model that prioritizes funding based on the condition of transit assets to achieve and maintain a state of good repair (SGR) for public transit assets. FTA rules establish a framework for transit agencies to monitor and manage transit assets, improve safety, increase reliability and performance, and establish performance measures in order to help transit agencies keep their systems operating smoothly and efficiently. See the Federal Transit Administration link for more information:

<https://www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/asset-management/getting-started>

The regulations define the term "state of good repair" as requiring that public transportation providers develop and implement TAM plans and establish state of good repair standards and methods to measure performance for three asset categories in the AMATS area: equipment, rolling stock, and facilities.

The FTA's performance measures applicable to the AMATS area are:

- **Equipment:** The percentage of non-revenue (support and maintenance) vehicles that have either met or exceeded their useful life.
- **Rolling Stock:** The percentage of revenue vehicles (primarily buses and paratransit vehicles) that have either met or exceeded their useful life.
- **Facilities:** The percentage of facilities within an asset class with a condition rated below 3 on FTA's 1 to 5 scale to describe condition.

The AMATS planning area is served by two transit service providers: METRO RTA in Summit County and PARTA in Portage County. METRO and PARTA have each developed their own TAM plan. The TAM targets for each agency are established in the applicable TAM plan.

TAM targets are based on the condition of existing transit assets and planning investments in equipment, rolling stock, infrastructure, and facilities. The targets reflect the most recent data available on the number, age, and condition of transit assets, and capital investment plans for improving these assets.

METRO RTA and PARTA have established TAM targets for each of the applicable asset categories in its TAM plan. The targets are presented in the tables below.

Equipment

Equipment includes service vehicles and equipment not attached to or a part of a facility that has a replacement value greater than \$50,000. The following three tables provide definitions and examples of how to set targets for transit assets.

Equipment TAM Targets			
Asset Class (NTD)	Asset Class	Performance Target	Performance Measure
Non-Revenue Vehicle	Service Lift	100% less than 10 years old	30%
Equipment	Mobile Vehicle Lift	100% less than 10 years old	100%
Equipment	Generator	100% less than 10 years old	100%

Rolling Stock Vehicles

Rolling Stock Vehicles TAM Targets			
Asset Class (NTD)	Asset Class	Performance Target	Performance Measure
Bus	Heavy Duty Bus (B30-HD, B35-HD, B40-HD, B45-HD, B60-HD); Medium Duty Bus (B30-MD, B35-MD); Light Duty Bus (B30-LD)	< 40% older than 14 years	38%
Van	Accessible Vans (AV); (BSV); Converted Vans (CV); Modified Mini Van (MMV); (MV-1); Mini Vans (SMV)	< 35% older than 8 years	34%
Automobile	Automobile (AO)	< 50% older than 8 years	43%
Cut-Away Bus	LTL/LTN, LTV, LTV-FS, LTV-HC, LTV-N, LTV-S	< 20% older than 10 years	18%

Facilities

Facilities TAM Targets		
Asset Class	Performance Target	Performance Measure
Passenger Facilities	0% below a "3"	0%
Maintenance Facilities	< 22% below a "3"	16%
Administrative Facilities	< 38% below a "3"	16%

AMATS Area TAM Targets

AMATS agrees to support the respective METRO RTA and PARTA TAM targets, thus agreeing to plan and program projects in the TIP that – once implemented – are anticipated to make progress toward achieving each RTA's targets.

METRO RTA TAM Targets:

METRO RTA TAM Plan Targets							
Asset Category Performance Measure	Asset Class	2025 Target	2026 Target	2027 Target	2028 Target	2029 Target	2030 Target
REVENUE VEHICLES							
Age - % of revenue vehicles within a particular asset class that have met or exceeded their Useful Life Benchmark (ULB)	AB - Articulated Bus	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	AO - Automobile						
	BR - Over-the-road Bus	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	BU - Bus	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	CU - Cutaway Bus	20%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	DB - Double Decked Bus						
	FB - Ferryboat						
	MB - Mini-bus						
	MV - Mini-van	20%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	RT - Rubber-tire Vintage Trolley						
	SB - School Bus						
	SV - Sport Utility Vehicle						
	TB - Trolleybus						
	VN - Van	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
EQUIPMENT							
Age - % of vehicles that have met or exceeded their Useful Life Benchmark (ULB)	Non Revenue/Service Automobile	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%
	Steel Wheel Vehicles						
	Trucks and other Rubber Tire Vehicles	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%	50%
FACILITIES							
Condition - % of facilities with a condition rating below Economic Requirements Model (TERM) Scale	Administration	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Maintenance	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Parking Structures	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Passenger Facilities	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Achieving these targets depend largely on available funding from the Federal Transit Administration							

PARTA TAM Targets:

PARTA TAM Plan Targets							
Asset Category Performance Measure	Asset Class	2025 Target	2026 Target	2027 Target	2028 Target	2029 Target	2030 Target
REVENUE VEHICLES							
Age - % of revenue vehicles within a particular asset class that have met or exceeded their Useful Life Benchmark (ULB)	AB - Articulated Bus						
	AO - Automobile						
	BR - Over-the-road Bus						
	BU - Bus	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	CU - Cutaway Bus	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	DB - Double Decked Bus						
	FB - Ferryboat						
	MB - Mini-bus						
	MV - Mini-van						
	RT - Rubber-tire Vintage Trolley						
	SB - School Bus						
	SV - Sport Utility Vehicle						
	TB - Trolleybus						
	VN - Van	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
EQUIPMENT							
Age - % of vehicles that have met or exceeded their Useful Life Benchmark (ULB)	Non Revenue/Service Automobile	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Steel Wheel Vehicles						
	Trucks and other Rubber Tire Vehicles	10%	10%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Equipment with Rubber Tires	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%	25%
FACILITIES							
Condition - % of facilities with a condition rating below Economic Requirements Model (TERM) Scale	Administration	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Maintenance	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Parking Structures	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Passenger Facilities	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
	Storage Facilities	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Achieving these targets depend largely on available funding from the Federal Transit Administration							

TAM Investments in the TIP

The TIP was developed and is managed in cooperation with METRO RTA and PARTA. It reflects the investment priorities and project selection process established for *Transportation Outlook 2050*, the area's long-range Regional Transportation Plan. The process is intended to use available funding to improve the condition of the region's transit assets. The process considers factors such as maintaining capital in a state of good repair, air quality improvements, and congestion management on highly traveled roadways.

The anticipated effect of the overall program in the TIP has been evaluated and supports the conclusion that its implementation will contribute toward achieving the TAM performance targets. Investments in transit assets in the TIP include \$97 million for vehicle purchases and \$103 million for facility improvements. A large portion of local funds go towards transit operations, along with providing the local share match for federal capital funding.

The tables below show total transit investments and projects planned for the AMATS area in the FY 2026-2029 TIP period.

Transit Funding Program Estimates: FY 2026 – 2029 TIP				
Funding Program	Fiscal Year			
	2026	2027	2028	2029
5307 – Urbanized Area Formula	\$16,072,000	\$10,979,744	\$9,947,744	\$12,727,744
5310 – Specialized	\$453,104	\$924,605	\$924,605	\$924,605
5339 – Bus and Bus Facilities	\$0	\$777,000	\$777,000	\$0
CMAQ – Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality	\$3,054,750	\$0	\$0	\$0
State – General Revenue Match	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000
Local –	\$113,857,463	\$159,638,282	\$91,542,407	\$98,074,407
Total Funding Program Projects	\$134,762,317	\$173,644,631	\$104,516,756	\$113,051,756

Transit Safety Performance

FTA's Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) regulations established transit safety performance management requirements for providers of public transportation systems that receive federal financial assistance for public transportation under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53.

The PTASP must include performance targets for the performance measures established by FTA in the National Public Transportation Safety Plan. The transit safety performance measures are:

- Total Number of Fatalities
- Fatality Rate: Fatalities per 100,000 Vehicle Revenue Miles (VRM)
- Total Number of Injuries
- Injury Rate: Injuries per 1,000,000 Vehicle Revenue Miles (VRM)
- Safety Events
- Safety Events per 1,000,000 Vehicle Revenue Miles (VRM)
- System Reliability (VRM/failures)

The AMATS planning area is served by two transit service providers: METRO RTA and PARTA. Each RTA is responsible for developing a PTASP and establishing safety performance targets for fixed-route service and paratransit service.

Transit Agency Safety Targets

METRO RTA established the safety targets in the table below in December 2023:

METRO RTA Safety Targets							
Mode of Transit Service	Fatalities (Total)	Fatalities (per 100,000 VRM)	Injuries (Total)	Injuries (per Million VRM)	Safety Events (Total)	Safety Events (per Million VRM)	System Reliability (VRM/Failures)
Fixed Route Bus	0	0	8	0.82	25	9.55	8,949
ADA / Paratransit	0	0	0	0	5	7.79	14,792

PARTA established the safety targets in the tables below in December 2022:

PARTA Safety Targets							
Mode of Transit Service	Fatalities (Total)	Fatalities (per 100,000 VRM)	Injuries (Total)	Injuries (per Million VRM)	Safety Events (Total)	Safety Events (per Million VRM)	System Reliability (VRM/Failures)
Fixed Route Bus	0	0	0	1.31	40	7.34	9,372
ADA / Paratransit	0	0	0	0	20	5.12	2,731



AMATS Transit Safety Targets

AMATS agreed to support the METRO RTA and PARTA safety targets, thus agreeing to plan and program projects in the TIP that, once implemented, are anticipated to make progress toward achieving each RTA's targets.

Chapter 3 | Air Quality Conformity

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) monitors and sets National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for several transportation-related pollutants. The USEPA is responsible for determining whether each county in the United States is in attainment or nonattainment for each of those pollutants. Currently in Ohio, the pollutants include nitrogen oxide (NO_x), volatile organic compounds (VOC) and particulate matter 2.5 micrometers or smaller in size (PM_{2.5}). It is possible for a county that was once in nonattainment for a particular pollutant to achieve levels that brought it back into attainment. These are referred to as maintenance areas.

If any county within an MPO region is designated as a nonattainment or maintenance area for one or more of these criteria pollutants, an air quality conformity analysis of the projects programmed in the TIP must be performed.

Nonattainment areas, through a process called transportation conformity, are required to demonstrate that emissions resulting from planned transportation system improvements will not exceed an area's emissions budgets. The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) issues nonattainment areas formal transportation conformity determinations following a quantitative analysis demonstrating that emissions from vehicles traveling on the planned transportation system are less than the area's emissions budget (or other emission target in the absence of an approved budget).

The Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) and the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) must reestablish conformity for the 2008 and 2015 8-Hour ozone standard and for the 2006 and 2012 fine particulate matter (PM_{2.5}) standards as a result of the adoption of the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the TO2050. Because conformity is determined on a nonattainment area, rather than a subarea basis, each of the area's planning partners must approve a new conformity finding for the area based on these updates. Summit and Portage counties are part of the U.S. Census-designated eight-county Cleveland-Akron-Lorain Combined Statistical Area (CSA). Therefore, the analysis for each standard covers the pertinent portions of the counties of Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Portage and Summit. The current analyses reflect a comparison of projected transportation emissions against the approved budgets for each standard.

Transportation conformity determinations ensure that the region's transportation projects will have either a neutral impact on, or lead to a reduction in, the region's pollutant levels, contributing to an area's progress toward meeting national ambient air quality standards. [Appendix A](#) includes the entire transportation conformity analysis and all air quality non-exempt projects in the AMATS study area as demonstrated for the AMATS FY 2026-2029 TIP.

Chapter 4 | Demographics

Background

In this chapter we examine the different demographics of the region and compare how much future 2026-2029 TIP project funding each demographic receives and a visual representation of these projects. The demographics are broken down into 6 categories, utilizing 2019-2025 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year estimates, they include: elderly (individuals 65 and older), carless households, birth rate, marriage rate, minority, individuals with disabilities, and low-income individuals.

Consequently, programs or activities that use federal funds must make a meaningful effort to involve different demographics in the process to make decisions regarding the use of federal funds. It also means that agencies using federal funds must attempt to identify and address any disproportionately high and adverse effects on different groups, which may result from the implementation of their plans and programs.

Meaningful involvement means that people have an opportunity to participate in decisions about activities that may affect their environment or health; the public's contribution can influence the decision-making process; their concerns will be considered in the decision-making process; and the decision-makers seek out and facilitate the involvement of those potentially affected.

Community groups and social service agencies are made aware of opportunities to participate in the planning process by advertising public meetings in three newspapers: 1) The Akron Beacon Journal; 2) The Kent-Ravenna Record Courier; and 3) The Reporter (a publication that serves the black community). Draft planning documents are provided directly to AMATS members and social service agencies, and are made available on the AMATS website, www.amatsplanning.org. In addition, the AMATS website can be viewed in several different languages.

Definitions:

Elderly population: Elderly population is the share of the population aged 65 years and over.

Carless Household: Households without a record of having access to a personal vehicle.

Higher Birth Rates: Census Block Groups with a higher birth rate than the national average.

Higher Marriage Rates: Census Block Group with a higher marriage rate than the national average.

Low-Income: is defined as a person whose median household income is at or below the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) poverty guidelines (ACS data below 150% of poverty measured). The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) reiterates this definition with Order 6640.23A (issued in June 2012). The *low-income population* means any readily identifiable group of low-income persons who live in geographic proximity, and, if circumstances warrant, geographically dispersed/transient persons (such as migrant workers or Native Americans) who will be similarly affected by a proposed project, program, policy or activity.

Minority: is defined as a person who is: 1) Black (a person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa); 2) Hispanic or Latin (a person of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central or South American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race); 3) Asian (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia or the Indian subcontinent); 4) American Indian and Alaskan Native (a person having

origins in any of the original people of North America, South America (including Central America), and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition; or 5) Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander (a person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands. *Minority population* means any readily identifiable groups of minority persons who live in geographic proximity, and if circumstances warrant, geographically dispersed/transient persons (such as migrant workers or Native Americans) who will be similarly affected by a proposed project, program, policy or activity.

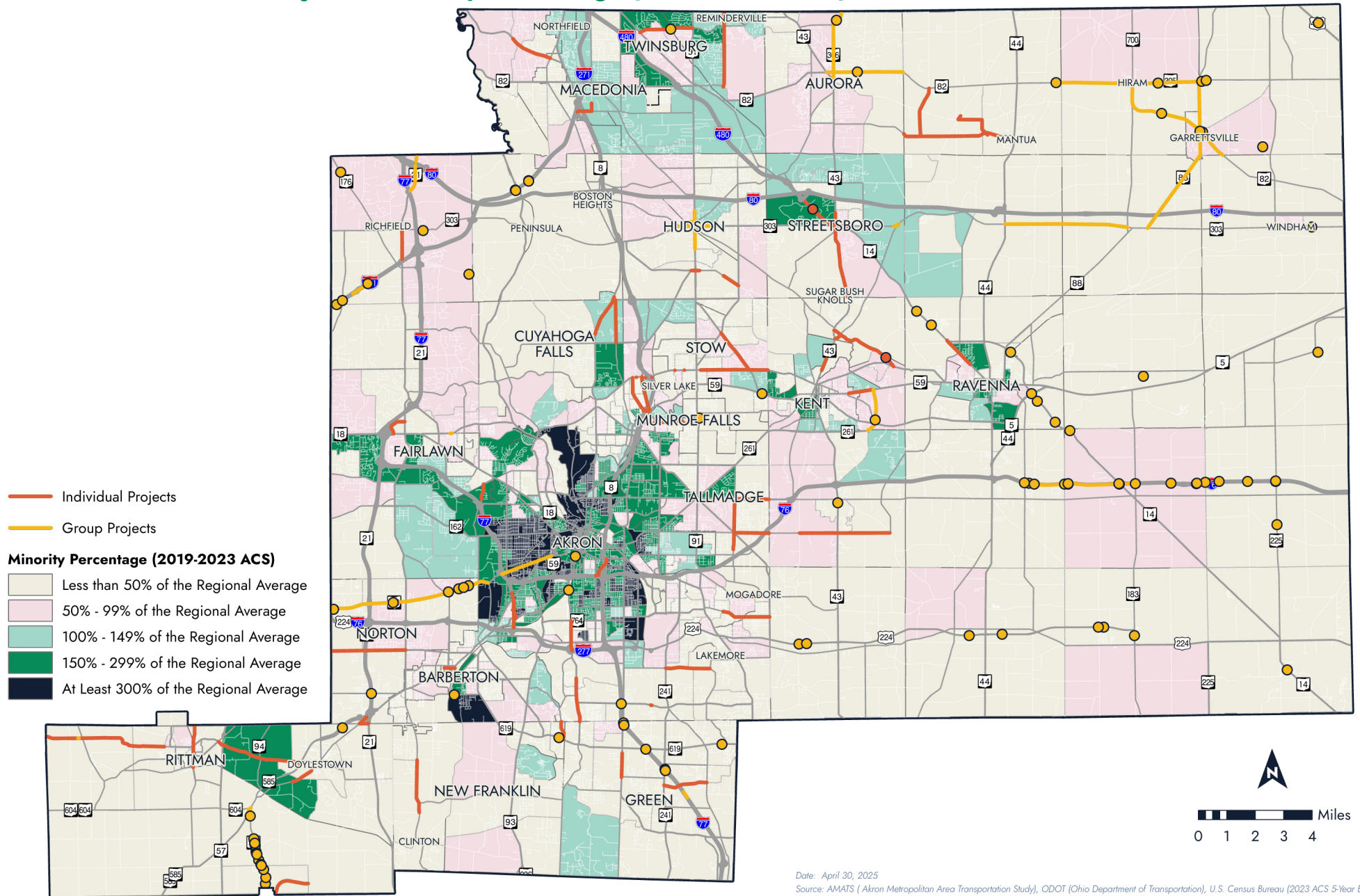
Individuals with Disabilities: Disability data from the American Community Survey (ACS), ask about six disability types: hearing difficulty, vision difficulty, cognitive difficulty, ambulatory difficulty, self-care difficulty, and independent living difficulty. Respondents who report anyone of the six disability types are considered to have a disability.

Adverse effects for this chapter are defined as a singular effect, including only financial expenditures. Previously this section had more numerous definitions of adverse effects. Now, this chapter just examines financial impacts.

Results

Only one analysis was developed to evaluate the potential adverse financial impacts of projects in the FY 2026-2029 TIP based on demographic populations and transportation investments.

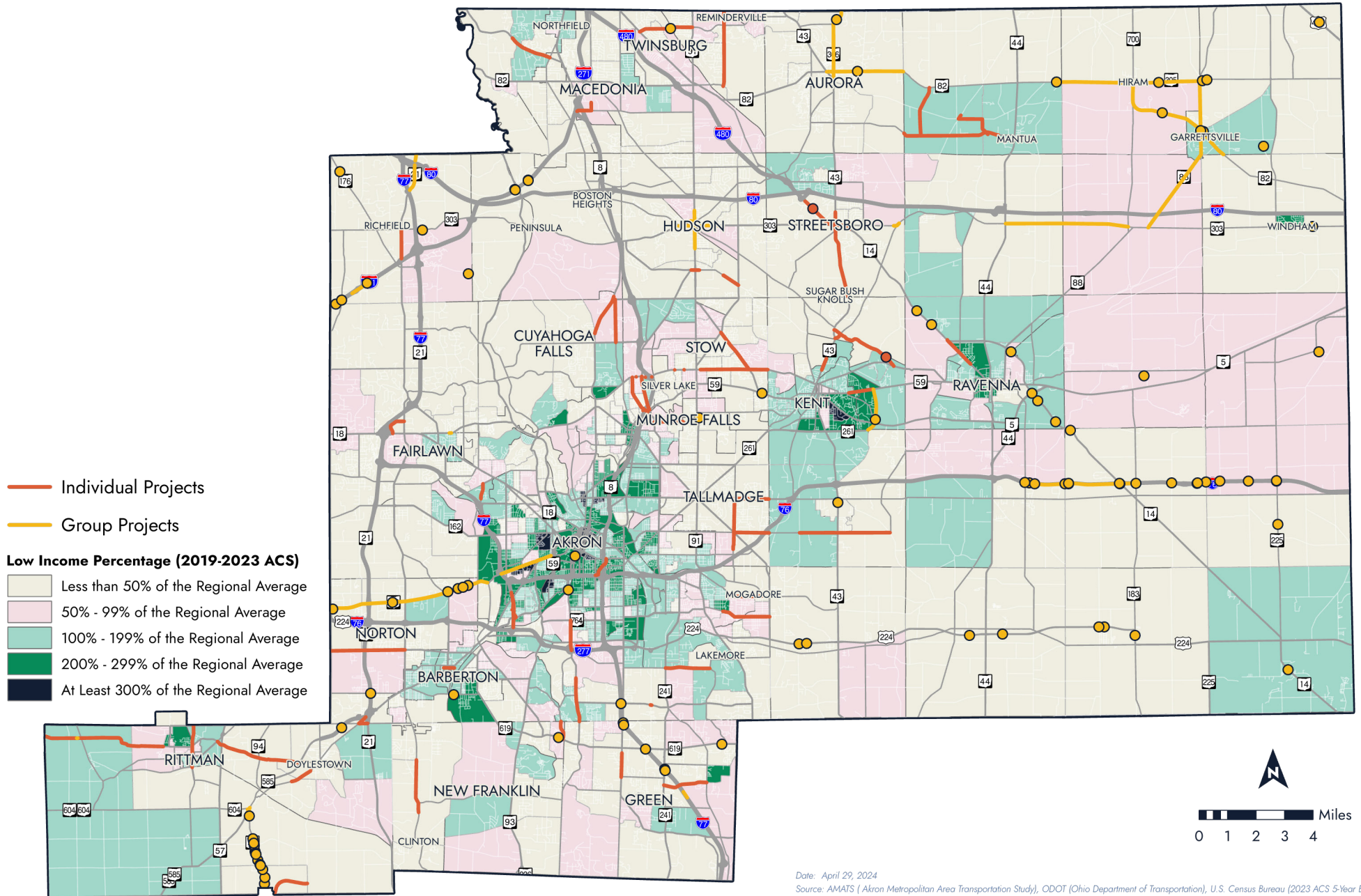
2026-2029 TIP Projects - Minority Percentage (2019-2023 ACS)



Minority Population - Cities and Villages			
Community	Total Population	Minority Population	% Minority Per Community
Akron	189,526	99,203	52.3%
Twinsburg	19,346	6,921	35.8%
Northfield	3,525	1,147	32.5%
Fairlawn	7,689	2,364	30.7%
Reminderville	5,370	1,446	26.9%
Macedonia	12,142	3,245	26.7%
Streetsboro	17,514	4,541	25.9%
Kent	27,190	6,897	25.4%
Richfield	3,711	918	24.7%
Ravenna	11,286	2,746	24.3%
Barberton	24,977	5,442	21.8%
Cuyahoga Falls	50,864	10,921	21.5%
Hiram	1,363	289	21.2%
Garrettsville	2,806	584	20.8%
Windham	1,807	356	19.7%
Stow	34,317	6,186	18.0%
Tallmadge	18,394	3,166	17.2%
Silver Lake	2,514	421	16.7%
Peninsula	601	96	16.0%
Mantua	694	108	15.6%
Aurora	17,386	2,642	15.2%
Lakemore	2,917	433	14.8%
Hudson	23,007	3,331	14.5%
Mogadore	3,737	508	13.6%
Norton	11,576	1,439	12.4%
Munroe Falls	5,019	618	12.3%
New Franklin	13,830	1,556	11.3%
Green	27,381	2,775	10.1%
Doylestown	3,052	261	8.6%
Boston Heights	1,436	98	6.8%
Sugar Bush Knolls	349	22	6.3%
Clinton	1,111	43	3.9%
Total	546,437	170,723	31.2%

Source: American Community Survey - 2023 5-Year Estimates

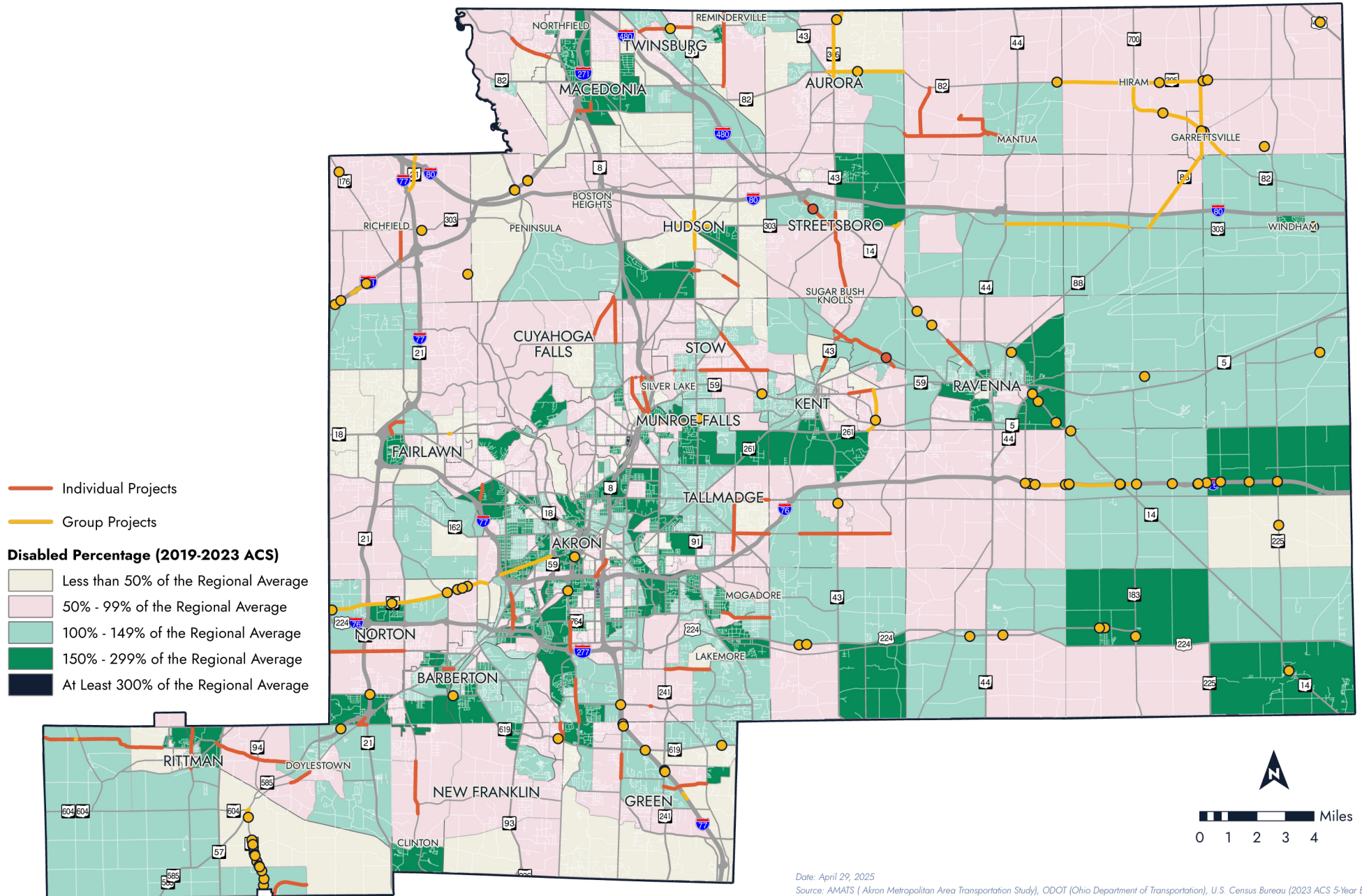
2026-2029 TIP Projects - Low-Income Percentage (2019-2023 ACS)



Low-Income Population - Cities and Villages			
Community	Total Population	Low-Income Population	% Low Income Per Community
Windham	1,807	950	52.6%
Ravenna	11,286	3,882	34.4%
Akron	189,526	64,368	34.0%
Mantua	694	220	31.7%
Barberton	24,977	7,701	30.8%
Kent	27,190	8,193	30.1%
Northfield	3,525	830	23.5%
Cuyahoga Falls	50,864	9,124	17.9%
Garrettsville	2,806	486	17.3%
Peninsula	601	86	14.3%
Streetsboro	17,514	2,426	13.9%
Doylestown	3,052	398	13.0%
Norton	11,576	1,322	11.4%
Mogadore	3,737	410	11.0%
Reminderville	5,370	572	10.7%
Green	27,381	2,813	10.3%
New Franklin	13,830	1,391	10.1%
Stow	34,317	3,422	10.0%
Fairlawn	7,689	765	9.9%
Munroe Falls	5,019	480	9.6%
Lakemore	2,917	261	8.9%
Richfield	3,711	286	7.7%
Tallmadge	18,394	1,397	7.6%
Hiram	1,363	101	7.4%
Twinsburg	19,346	1,425	7.4%
Macedonia	12,142	814	6.7%
Clinton	1,111	72	6.5%
Hudson	23,007	1,276	5.5%
Boston Heights	1,436	78	5.4%
Silver Lake	2,514	93	3.7%
Aurora	17,386	604	3.5%
Sugar Bush Knolls	349	5	1.4%
Total	546,437	116,251	21.3%

Source: American Community Survey - 2023 5-Year Estimates

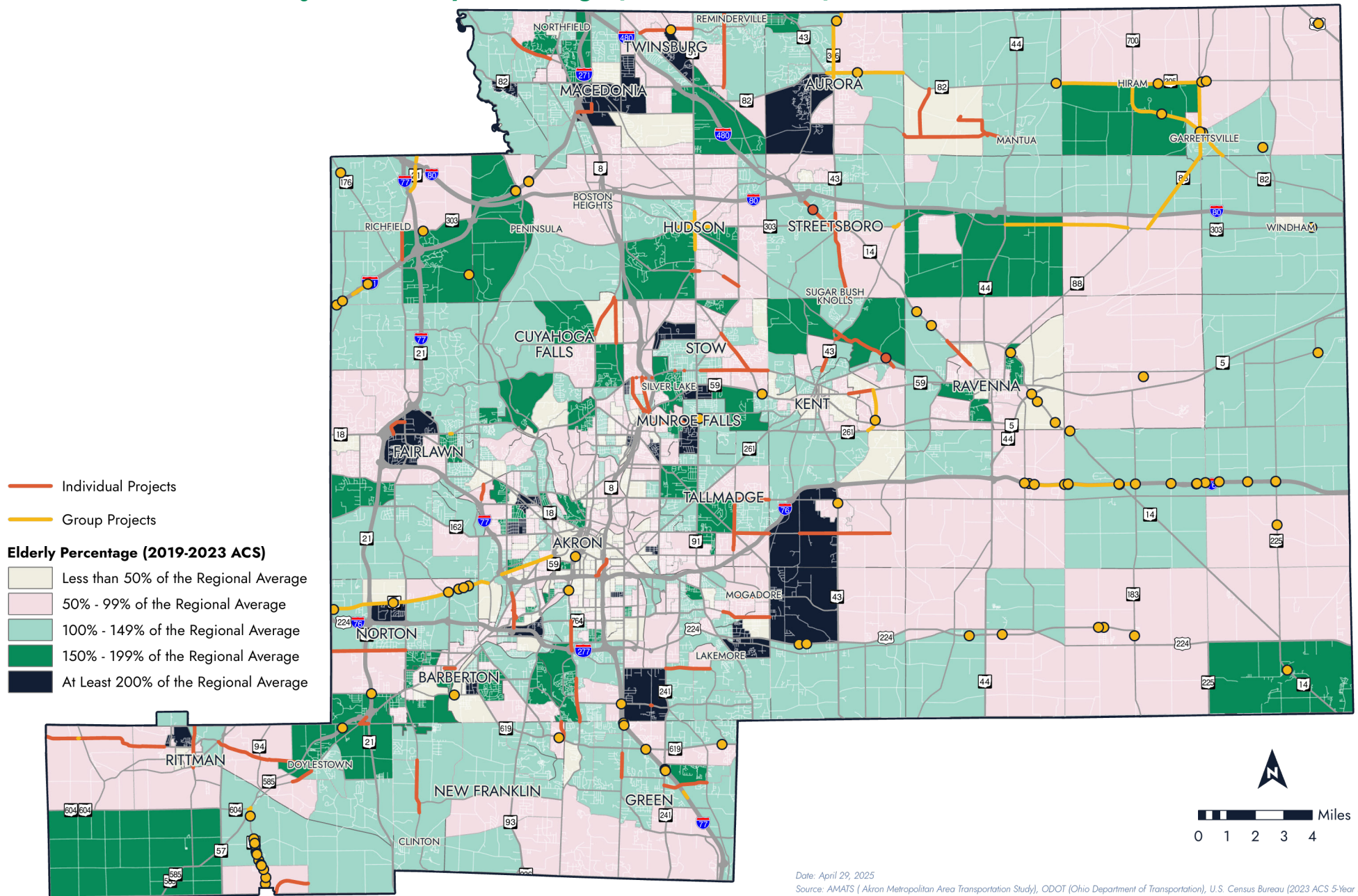
2026-2029 TIP Projects - Disabled Percentage (2019-2023 ACS)



Adults with Disabilities - Cities and Villages			
Community	Total Adult Population	Adults With Disabilities	% Adult Disabled Per Community
Windham	1,241	394	31.7%
Munroe Falls	3,998	968	24.2%
Clinton	936	192	20.5%
Barberton	18,906	3,740	19.8%
Akron	144,816	28,465	19.7%
Ravenna	8,877	1,702	19.2%
Mantua	561	106	18.9%
Mogadore	3,058	542	17.7%
Northfield	2,796	471	16.8%
Macedonia	9,681	1,577	16.3%
Tallmadge	14,752	2,336	15.8%
Doylestown	2,322	365	15.7%
Kent	18,002	2,794	15.5%
Cuyahoga Falls	41,135	6,323	15.4%
Norton	9,449	1,408	14.9%
Streetsboro	14,374	2,022	14.1%
Reminderville	4,133	579	14.0%
Hiram	508	70	13.8%
Stow	26,340	3,574	13.6%
Green	20,653	2,708	13.1%
Twinsburg	14,858	1,932	13.0%
Garrettsville	2,104	272	12.9%
Aurora	12,950	1,625	12.5%
Silver Lake	2,048	255	12.5%
Lakemore	2,356	286	12.1%
New Franklin	11,317	1,347	11.9%
Sugar Bush Knolls	238	24	10.1%
Hudson	16,359	1,638	10.0%
Fairlawn	5,967	552	9.3%
Boston Heights	1,176	103	8.8%
Richfield	3,019	255	8.4%
Peninsula	511	37	7.2%
Total	419,441	68,662	16.4%

Source: American Community Survey - 2023 5-Year Estimates

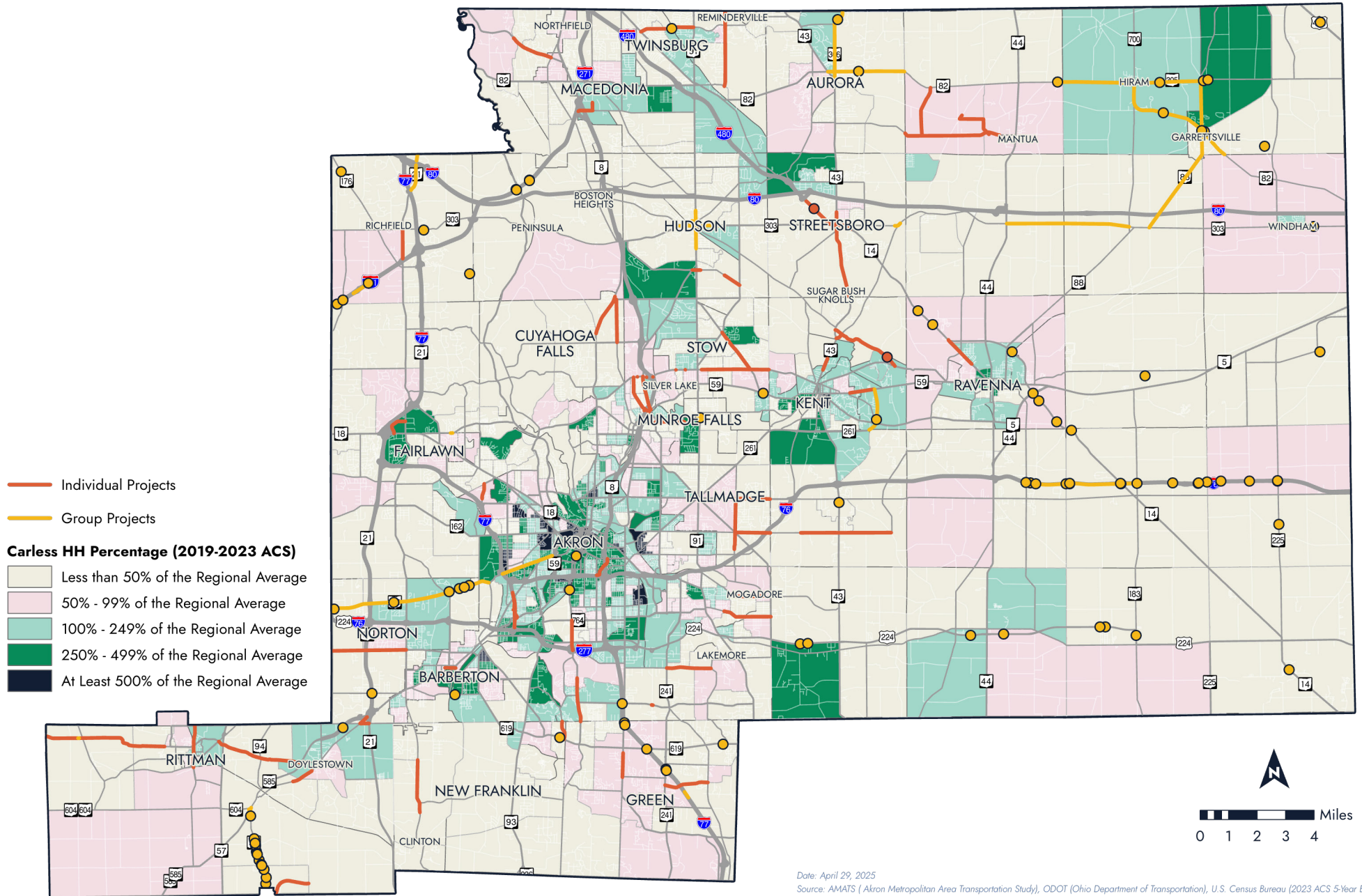
2026-2029 TIP Projects - Elderly Percentage (2019-2023 ACS)



Elderly Population - Cities and Villages			
Community	Total Population	Elderly Population	% Elderly Per Community
Silver Lake	2,514	681	27.1%
Lakemore	2,917	784	26.9%
Fairlawn	7,689	1,991	25.9%
Munroe Falls	5,019	1,252	24.9%
Peninsula	601	148	24.6%
Richfield	3,711	907	24.4%
Aurora	17,386	4,119	23.7%
Mogadore	3,737	877	23.5%
Tallmadge	18,394	4,278	23.3%
Garrettsville	2,806	650	23.2%
Clinton	1,111	252	22.7%
Macedonia	12,142	2,734	22.5%
Norton	11,576	2,588	22.4%
Doylestown	3,052	665	21.8%
New Franklin	13,830	2,926	21.2%
Twinsburg	19,346	3,973	20.5%
Sugar Bush Knolls	349	71	20.3%
Green	27,381	5,482	20.0%
Mantua	694	138	19.9%
Barberton	24,977	4,944	19.8%
Hudson	23,007	4,368	19.0%
Reminderville	5,370	1,003	18.7%
Boston Heights	1,436	267	18.6%
Stow	34,317	6,350	18.5%
Northfield	3,525	634	18.0%
Cuyahoga Falls	50,864	9,052	17.8%
Streetsboro	17,514	2,993	17.1%
Ravenna	11,286	1,928	17.1%
Akron	189,526	29,769	15.7%
Windham	1,807	217	12.0%
Kent	27,190	3,144	11.6%
Hiram	1,363	145	10.6%
Total	546,437	99,330	18.2%

Source: American Community Survey - 2023 5-Year Estimates

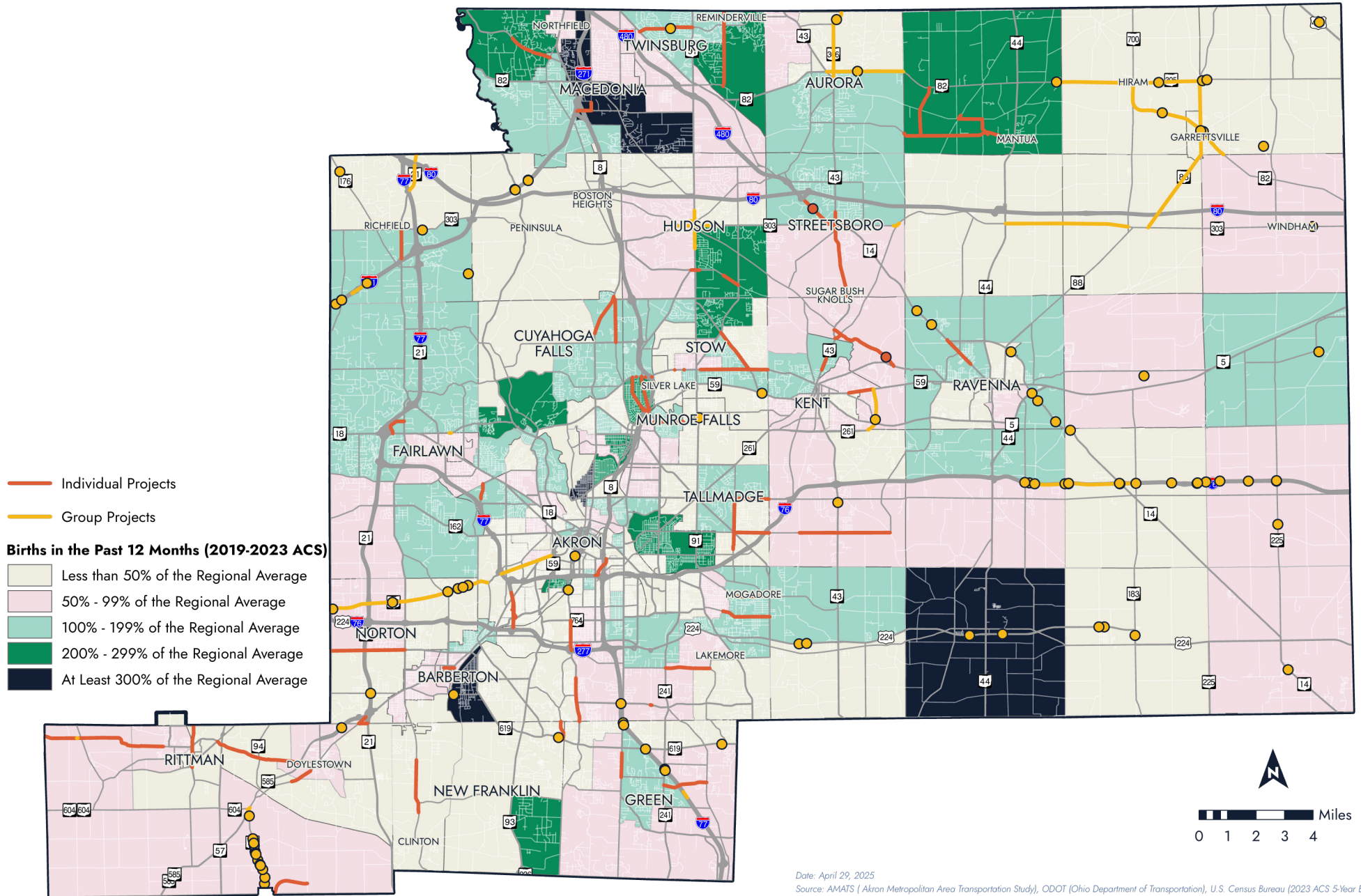
2026-2029 TIP Projects - Carless Household Percentage (2019-2023 ACS)



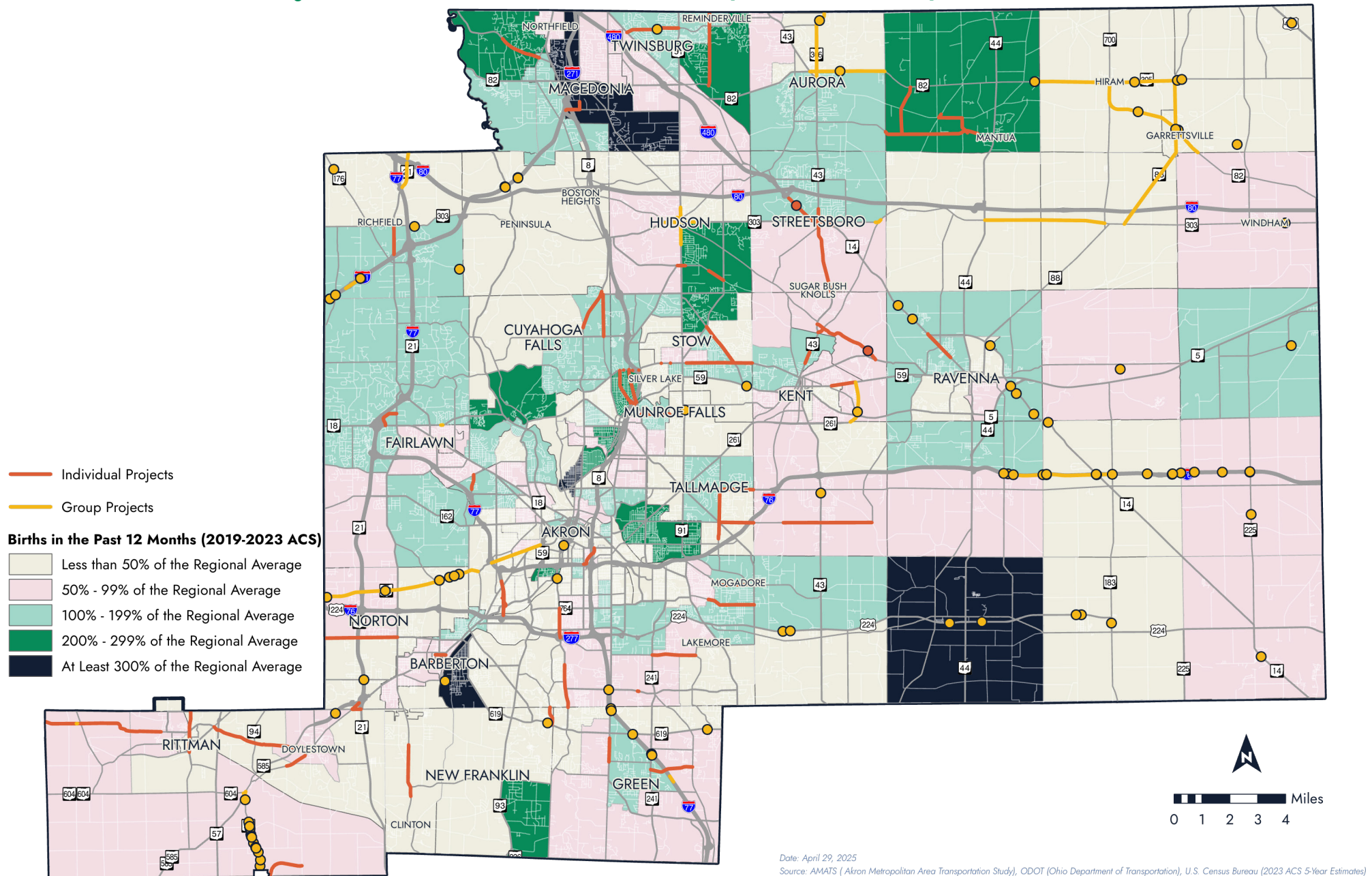
Carless Households - Cities and Villages			
Community	Total Households	Carless Household Population	% Carless Per Community
Kent	10,180	1,559	15.3%
Ravenna	5,048	689	13.6%
Akron	83,854	11,105	13.2%
Barberton	10,945	1,045	9.5%
Munroe Falls	2,147	193	9.0%
Doylestown	1,294	108	8.3%
Aurora	6,907	528	7.6%
Windham	641	47	7.3%
Mantua	321	23	7.2%
Twinsburg	7,903	388	4.9%
Norton	4,891	233	4.8%
Streetsboro	7,366	336	4.6%
Cuyahoga Falls	23,210	1,033	4.5%
Macedonia	4,637	202	4.4%
Stow	14,030	569	4.1%
Green	10,799	372	3.4%
Northfield	1,534	50	3.3%
Mogadore	1,655	49	3.0%
Richfield	1,604	46	2.9%
Garrettsville	1,212	34	2.8%
Hudson	7,969	218	2.7%
Tallmadge	7,470	195	2.6%
Lakemore	1,301	33	2.5%
Fairlawn	3,577	87	2.4%
New Franklin	5,662	130	2.3%
Silver Lake	966	20	2.1%
Boston Heights	571	7	1.2%
Sugar Bush Knolls	108	1	0.9%
Clinton	460	4	0.9%
Peninsula	258	2	0.8%
Reminderville	2,310	15	0.6%
Hiram	251	0	0.0%
Total	231,081	19,321	8.4%

Source: American Community Survey - 2023 5-Year Estimates

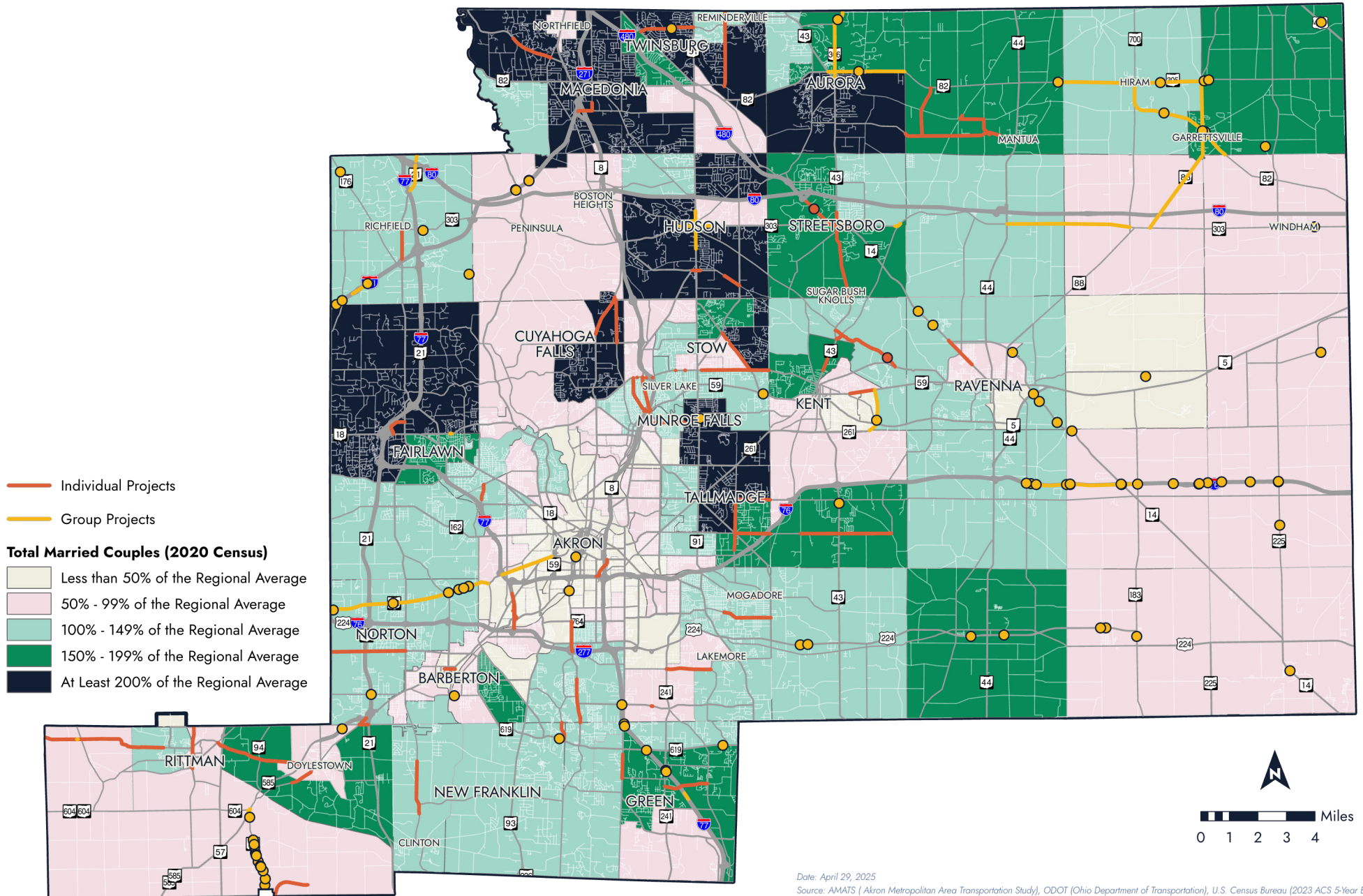
2026-2029 TIP Projects - Estimated Regional Birth Rate (2019-2023 ACS)



2026-2029 TIP Projects - Estimated National Birth Rate (2019-2023 ACS)



2026-2029 TIP Projects - Estimated Regional Marriage Rate (2019-2023 ACS)



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Transportation Investments Based on Demographics										
	Highway Expenditures	% of Highway Projects	Debt Service Expenditures	Public Transportation Expenditures	Transportation Enhancement Expenditures	% of Enhancement Projects	Other Miscellaneous Expenditures	Total Expenditures	Population	Land Area (Sq. Miles)
N/A Demographic			\$65,019,689	\$525,975,460			\$56,651,760		721,114	996.9
Elderly	\$339,719,727	82%			\$4,541,008	54%				
Non-Elderly	\$76,999,135	18%			\$3,893,301	46%				
Carless Individual	\$179,866,965	43%			\$6,151,080	73%				
Individuals' w/ Car	\$236,851,897	57%			\$2,283,229	27%				
High Birth Rates	\$158,699,683	38%			\$5,430,779	64%				
Lower Birth Rates	\$258,019,179	62%			\$3,003,530	36%				
High Marriage Rate	\$232,973,758	56%			\$5,220,189	62%				
Low Marriage Rate	\$183,745,104	44%			\$3,111,928	37%				
Low Income	\$249,623,621	60%			\$6,804,422	81%				
Non-Low Income	\$167,095,241	40%			\$1,629,888	19%				
Minority	\$215,261,063	52%			\$4,641,094	55%				
Non-Minority	\$201,457,799	48%			\$3,793,215	45%				
Total	\$416,718,862		\$65,019,689	\$525,975,460	\$8,434,309		\$56,651,760	\$1,068,766,432	721,114	996.9

The above table shows the overall regional funding breakdown compared with each demographic group. Utilizing census block level data from 2019-2023 ACS 5-year estimates, both individual and group projects are overlaid with each demographic. Next, we examine each project to see if it intersects or touches a census block group of the demographics analyzed. If it does, then we add the total and compare against projects that do not touch that demographic. We compare projects that are considered highway or roadway and transportation enhancement (bicycle and pedestrian improvements) expenditures. This process is to analyze whether any demographic groups are underrepresented in transportation spending throughout the region.

National Average Methodology for Birth and Marriage: The variable used for birth rates is able to go down to the census tract level. However, getting data from all census tracts in the nation is too large of a data set to retrieve. Averaging the births from all the states would produce a number that is way too large to compare to the averages at the AMATS census tract level. Therefore, to get some type of estimate of what the national average would be for census tracts. We divided all the states totals by the number of census tracts in the state. This does infer that all of the census tracts produced the same number of children for the state, which is known to not be true, but the estimate would give a better guess at what the national average will be based on census tracts. When it came to finding the national averages for marriage rates the same method applied. However, there were no differences in the map from regional averages to the estimated national averages implying that the AMATS area regional average is a good representation of the national average.

Investment in Low-Income Areas

The overall level of investment in transportation facilities, by geographic area, was examined to determine whether areas with above average concentrations of low-income share of the benefits from planned transportation improvements. The transportation facilities that have been examined in this analysis include all highway and transportation enhancement projects in the FY 2026-2029 TIP. The results of the analysis of transportation investment in low-income areas are shown in the above table. The expenditures examined show no adverse effects toward low-income populations exhibiting, 60% highway/roadway and 81% of transportation enhancements are planned to go through low-income areas.

Investment in Carless Household Population

The overall level of investment in transportation facilities, by geographic area, was examined to determine whether areas with above average concentrations of individuals that live in a carless household population share the benefits from planned transportation improvements. The transportation facilities that have been examined in this analysis include all highway and transportation enhancement projects in the FY 2026-2029 TIP. The results of the analysis of transportation investment in carless areas are shown in the above table. The expenditures examined show no adverse effects on the carless population, exhibiting 43% of highway/roadway and 73% of transportation enhancements are planned for higher carless household areas.

Investment in Minority Individuals

The overall level of investment in transportation facilities, by geographic area, was examined to determine whether areas with above average concentrations of higher minority areas share of the benefits from planned transportation improvements. The transportation facilities that have been examined in this analysis include all highway and transportation enhancement projects in the FY 2026-2029 TIP. The results of the analysis of transportation investment in minority areas are shown in the above table. The expenditures examined show no

adverse effects on the minority population exhibiting 51% of highway/roadway and 55% of transportation enhancements are planned for higher minority areas.

Investment in the Elderly Population

The overall level of investment in transportation facilities, by geographic area, was examined to determine whether areas with above average concentrations of higher elderly population share of the benefits from planned transportation improvements. The transportation facilities that have been examined in this analysis include all highway and transportation enhancement projects in the FY 2026-2029 TIP. The results of the analysis of transportation investment in elderly areas are shown in the above table. The expenditures examined show no adverse effects on the elderly population, exhibiting 82% of highway/roadway and 54% of transportation enhancements are planned for higher elderly populated areas.

Investment in the Higher Birth Rates than National Average Population

The overall level of investment in transportation facilities, by geographic area, was examined to determine whether areas with above average concentrations of higher birth rate population share of the benefits from planned transportation improvements. The transportation facilities that have been examined in this analysis include all highway and transportation enhancement projects in FY 2026-2029TIP. The results of the analysis of transportation investment in high birth rate areas are shown in the above table. The expenditures examined show no adverse effects on the population, exhibiting 38% of highway/roadway and 64% of transportation enhancements are planned for higher birth rate populated areas. *Information on birth and marriage rates are skewed because National data sets need to improve on a census block level for this data to be statistically relevant to the local area.

Investment in the Higher Marriage Rates than National Average Population

The overall level of investment in transportation facilities, by geographic area, was examined to determine whether areas with above average concentrations of higher marriage rate population share of the benefits from planned transportation improvements. The transportation facilities that have been examined in this analysis include all highway and transportation enhancement projects in the FY 2026-2029 TIP. The results of the analysis of transportation investment in high marriage rate areas are shown in the above table. The expenditures examined show no adverse effects on the population, exhibiting 56% of highway/roadway and 62% of transportation enhancements are planned for higher marriage rate populated areas. *Information on birth and marriage rates are skewed because National data sets need to improve on a census block level for this data to be statistically relevant to the local area.

Investment in individuals with a disability population:

The disabled population is more geographically scattered than the other groups analyzed, therefore AMATS did not examine projects that go through higher density of the disabled community as this level of analysis would not be significant. Some of the areas with the highest percentage of disabled population are within the cities of Akron and Barberton, although both have many areas of below-average disabled populations, often in adjoining BGs. Other areas of above-average disabled populations can be found throughout all portions of the planning area.

Transportation Other Miscellaneous Investment Analysis

Totaling 56,651,760, this amount is uncategorized because it does not fit into a specific geographic block group and can be attributed to an entire region or municipality.

Public Transportation Funding

Public transit funding is expected to total \$526,346,804 and at the time of the report has not been divided up based on multiple demographics.

Conclusion

The FY 2026-2029 TIP has been thoroughly analyzed to ensure that the projects will not have disproportionately high and adverse effects on any demographic groups.

Potential Impacts of Projects

None of the projects in the AMATS *Fiscal Year 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program* appear to have any disproportionate impact.

Chapter 5 | Title VI and ADA Compliance

Title VI

AMATS acknowledges the importance of ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to be involved in the region's transportation planning process, regardless of their background or abilities. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 states that "No person in the United States shall, on the ground of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance." As a recipient of federal funding and as required by Title VI, AMATS has adopted the following non-discrimination policy:

AMATS Nondiscrimination Policy Statement

It is the policy of AMATS to provide an environment of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity in employment as well as in the development of the area's regional transportation policies, plans and programs included in the Regional Transportation Plan (Transportation Outlook 2050) and the Transportation Improvement Program.

Prohibited discrimination may be intentional or unintentional. Seemingly neutral acts that have disparate impacts on individuals of a protected group and lack a substantial legitimate justification are a form of prohibited discrimination. Harassment and retaliation are also prohibited forms of discrimination.

Examples of prohibited types of discrimination based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, or age include: denial to an individual of any service, financial aid, or other benefit; distinctions in the quality, quantity, or manner in which a benefit is provided; segregation or separate treatment; restriction in the enjoyment of any advantages, privileges, or other benefits provided; discrimination in any activities related to highway and infrastructure or facility built or repaired; and discrimination in employment.

Title VI compliance is a condition of the receipt of federal funds. The Title VI Coordinator is authorized to ensure compliance with this policy, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, 42 U.S.C § 2000d and related statutes, and the requirements of 23 Code of Federal Regulation (CFR) pt. 200 and 49 CFR pt. 21.

Annually, AMATS assures that the planning process is carried out in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21. For the latest agency self-certification, please see Resolution Number 2024-12 of the AMATS Metropolitan Transportation Policy Committee, approved May 16, 2024.

Any person who believes that he or she has been excluded from participation in or has been denied the benefits or services of any program administered by AMATS, on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, age, disability or income status may file a complaint of discrimination under Title VI, other non-discrimination statutes, and executive orders. A complaint may be filed directly with AMATS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT), the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) or the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Please contact AMATS Title VI Officer: Jeff Gardner at ph. (330) 375-2436; or jjgardner@akronohio.gov to file a complaint or if you have any questions. You may also refer to the AMATS TITLE VI Civil Rights Program Procedures and Documentation:

[www.amatsplanning.org/sites/default/files/docs/reports/AMATS%20Title%20VI%20Civil%20Rights%20Program%20Final-May%202024.pdf] for additional information and any related forms and procedures.

Throughout the SFY 2026 – 2029 planning process, AMATS engaged in a number of outreach measures to ensure that the various Title VI communities had the opportunity to participate in the transportation planning process. These outreach measures included:

- Launching an entirely new, more user-friendly, AMATS website
- Posting a revised and expanded Title VI notice to the public in English and Spanish on our website
- Posting a revised and expanded Title VI complaint form on our website in English and Spanish
- Adding new local social service agencies to our public participation process
- The continued documentation and retention of public participation activities, such as recording Citizen Involvement Committee (CIC) meetings and correspondence with the public
- Revising our non-discrimination policy statement and posting it on the new website
- Developing a new Public Participation Plan (3P), approved in December 2024
- Continuing to provide annual assurances of Title VI compliance to ODOT with an AMATS Policy Committee resolution
- Continuing to notify recipients of federal funds of the requirement to comply with Title VI, and other non-discrimination regulations, as part of the funding application process
- All AMATS supervisory staff completed extensive on-line and in-person management training with the City of Akron Human Resources Department, including non-discrimination training. Available training opportunities are on-going.
- The AMATS Title VI Coordinator completed several webinars with the FHWA National Highway Institute.
- The AMATS Title VI Coordinator continues to participate in ODOT-led Title VI and DBE-related training courses and webinars.
- The AMATS staff continues to provide annual responses to ODOT’s Title VI compliance questionnaire as part of the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) development process.

AMATS embraces diversity and inclusivity and provides an environment of non-discrimination. The SFY 2026 – 2029 TIP planning process was conducted with these important considerations in mind and is compliant with all Title VI regulations and requirements.

ADA

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) prohibits discrimination based on disability and requires all public agencies to provide safe, equal access to their programs, activities and facilities. AMATS values the input of all the region’s residents into the transportation planning process, and took the following measures to ensure that everyone, regardless of their abilities, could access and engage in the SFY 2026 – 2029 TIP planning process:

AMATS outreach efforts include measures and physical accommodations that ensure meaningful access to those protected by ADA requirements. These efforts include:

- AMATS holding its meetings at ADA-compliant facilities or through internet video conferencing
- Meetings are held at ADA-compliant parking and transit accessible facilities
- The agency maintains accommodations for the visually or hearing impaired
- AMATS funding is contingent on recipients assuring ADA compliance
- People with disabilities are represented on the AMATS Citizen Involvement Committee (CIC) and are encouraged to be involved in the transportation planning process, including the development and



improvement of transportation and paratransit plans and services (such as the area's 2023 Coordinated Public Transit - Human Services Transportation Plan)

AMATS carefully considered the needs of all of our region's residents throughout the FY2026-2029 TIP planning process, meeting or exceeding all ADA requirements.

Chapter 6 | Public Involvement

Because the four-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is the primary near-term project implementation document for the Greater Akron area of Portage and Summit counties and northeastern Wayne County, it is the policy of the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS) that the region's transportation stakeholders shall have the opportunity to engage in and provide their input throughout the TIP development process.

As required by federal regulation (23 CFR 450.316), the agency adopted the *AMATS Public Participation Plan – 3P* in October 2024 as the agency's official public participation plan. The "3P," which was updated in December 2024, details the agency's public involvement process and outlines various public engagement strategies for all the principal duties of AMATS, including the development of the TIP.

This latest iteration of the TIP spanning Fiscal Years 2026 through 2029 was developed in a manner consistent with the AMATS 3P. The 3P may be accessed at the following link - [Approved 3P-Public Participation Plan-December 12-2024.pdf](#).

The public involvement strategies employed by AMATS in developing the FY 2026-2029 TIP are summarized in the sections below by type.

Appendix B presents material utilized by AMATS to promote the public comment period, citizen comments received by AMATS during the period, and examples of area media coverage regarding the Draft TIP.

Public Comment Period

The Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP was developed and available to the public for a 31-day comment period spanning March 11 through April 11. The agency scheduled this period to coincide with the comment period planned by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for its State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) spanning State Fiscal Years 2026 Through 2029.

During this period, the Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP was available for public viewing and comment at amatsplanning.org, the AMATS **X** and **Facebook** pages - @AMATSPanning, and the AMATS office located at 1 Cascade Plaza, Suite 1300 in downtown Akron. Members of the public were able to submit their insights using online and printed comment forms. No public comments were received on the Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP.

Newspaper Advertisements

AMATS routinely purchases newspaper advertisements to promote the virtual meetings of the AMATS Citizens Involvement Committee (CIC). The agency purchased an ad which was published in the *Akron Beacon Journal* on January 30. This ad invited the public to participate in the virtual February 6 meeting of the CIC during which development of the Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP would be discussed.

AMATS purchased advertisements in two of the Greater Akron area's largest newspapers, the *Akron Beacon Journal* and the *Record-Courier*, and in *The Reporter*, a regional newspaper serving the African-American community. The *Beacon Journal* and *Record-Courier* advertisements were published on March 4, one week before the commencement of the public comment period while *The Reporter* advertisement was purchased for

the week of March 8-14. The advertisements described the importance of the TIP to the area's ongoing regional transportation planning process and encouraged the public to share their insights regarding the draft program.

The advertisements included information regarding how to submit public comments in-person and online. The advertisements also invited members of the public to participate in a March 20 virtual meeting of the CIC during which the Draft TIP would be an agenda item for discussion. Information regarding how to register for the virtual committee meeting was included in the advertisements. Meeting registration information was also provided for those populations requiring special accommodation or assistance.

Press Releases

The agency distributed press releases to print and broadcast media, AMATS committee members, and community group liaisons within the Greater Akron area. These releases announced the availability of the Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP for public review and comment. These releases contained concise information regarding the purpose of the TIP, AMATS' role as the area's federally designated metropolitan planning organization, and how the public may engage the agency during the Draft TIP update process.

Below is a list of the various community groups that AMATS distributed releases to:

- Akron Urban League
- Asian Services in Action, Inc.
- Direction Home Akron Canton
- the International Institute of Akron
- the Ohio Latino Affairs Commission
- Socially Good TV
- Torchbearers
- United Disability Services
- VANTAGE Aging (Senior Community Service Employment Program (SCSEP))

The releases stated that the Draft TIP would be available for public comment from March 11 through April 11 at amatsplanning.org, the AMATS **X** and **Facebook** pages – @AMATSPanning – and the AMATS office located at 1 Cascade Plaza, Suite 1300 in downtown Akron. The releases invited the public to participate in the March 20 virtual meeting of the AMATS CIC and included meeting registration information.

Citizens Involvement Committee

The agency's CIC hosted virtual meetings on February 6 and March 20, which included presentations by the AMATS Staff regarding the purpose of the Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP and the various highway, public transit, and active transportation projects contained within the draft program. The meetings included question-and-answer sessions among CIC members, members of the public, and the AMATS Staff. The minutes of the February 6 and March 20 CIC meetings are included in [Appendix B](#).

Social Media

The agency made extensive use of its web site – amatsplanning.org – and its **X** and **Facebook** pages - @AMATSPanning. Along with posting a page on its web site to accept online and printed comments from the public regarding the Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP, AMATS posted announcements and informative features about the



draft program through the web site's *News* pages. The AMATS [X](#) and [Facebook](#) pages were routinely updated to inform the public about developments pertaining to the draft program and opportunities to share feedback.

[Appendix B](#) includes screen shots of Draft TIP information presented on the agency's social media pages.

Chapter 7 | Previous TIP Accomplishments

This chapter will highlight the status of projects from the previous version (FY 2024-2027) of the AMATS TIP for both highway and transit projects.

Completed Highway Projects

The following table illustrates the projects sold or obligated during the FY 2024-2027 TIP cycle. The list includes 34 projects with phases that encumbered in FY 2024 & FY 2025. Obligated highway projects included: 14 resurfacing projects; a few capacity adding projects on freeways (I-76 & I-77) and principal arterial (Arlington Rd); and intersection and corridor improvements including signal timing upgrades and turn lanes. Many projects included active transportation upgrades or are standalone multi-use trails or sidewalks projects.

List of Sold/Obligated Highway Projects in FY 2024 & FY 2025					
PID #	CO-ROUTE SECTION	LOCATION & TERMINI	TYPE OF WORK	PHASE	SOLD OR OBLIGATED FISCAL YEAR
100713	SUM IR 0076 06.72	Akron I-76 (Kenmore Leg) between US 224/I-277 interchange and I-77 interchange (including NW interchange)	Improvements to increase capacity and improve safety including structural rehabilitation and noise walls	PE RW	2024/2025 2025
101439	WAY SR 0021 00.00	Chippewa Township Stark County Line to Summit County Line	Resurfacing, bridge maintenance, drainage / culvert replacement, safety improvements at Clinton Rd, Edwards Rd and Grill Rd	PE CONSTR	2024 2024/2025
102732	SR 59-6.80 resurfacing (curb ramps)	Ravenna 6.80 (W Corp Limit) to 9.05 (E Corp Limit)	Resurfacing with curb ramps	CONST	2024
102744	SUM SR 0018 09.75	Akron Various	Resurfacing with curb ramps	CONST	2024
102745	SUM Darrow Rd (Stow)	Stow South Corp Limit to South of Norton Ave	Reconstruction, curb ramps, sidewalks, storm sewer and signals	RW CONST	2024 2025
102796	SUM Freedom Trail Middlebury Con	Tallmadge/Stow/Kent Portage Bike & Hike to Freedom Trail	Construct multi-use trail	CONST	2024
107930	SUM Freedom Trail Phase 4	Akron Mill St to Rosa Parks Blvd	Construct multi-use trail	CONST	2025
108240	SUM Wooster Road West	Barberton 31st St to Hudson Run Rd to 2nd St NW	Resurfacing and Reconstruction with possible road diet	CONST	2024
110743	SUM SR 0059 07.95	Cuyahoga Falls/Silver Lake/Stow SR 8 to Portage County Line	Resurfacing with curb ramps	CONST	2024
111404	SUM IR 0077 24.12	Bath Township Ghent Rd to Everett Rd	Widen to 6 lanes	CONST	2025
111405	SUM IR 0077 28.75	Richfield Township Everett Rd to Cuyahoga County Line	Widen to 6 lanes	CONST	2024
111429	SUM AMATS FY24 Air Quality	AMATS areawide	Promotion of activities to improve air quality such as biking and walking	OTHER	2024
111433	SUM AMATS FY24 Rideshare Program	AMATS areawide	Promotion of carpooling	OTHER	2024
112735	SUM Hopocan/Norton/Snyder Ave	Barberton Hilldale Ave to 8th St; 17th St NW to Barber Rd; 2nd St SW to 5th St SE	Resurfacing	CONST	2024
112788	SUM Cleve Mass Sidewalk	Bath Township SR 18 to Springside Dr	Sidewalk on west side of roadway	RW CONST	2024 2025
112869	SUM East Ave Ph 1 (Tallmadge)	Tallmadge Community Rd to Portage County Line	Add two way left turn lane, curbs, and sidewalks	RW	2025
113161	SUM CR 111/CR 25 4.33/4.10	Macedonia Highland Rd at Valley View Rd	Intersection Improvements	RW CONST	2024 2025
113165	SUM Ravenna/Shepard/Broadway	Macedonia/Twinsburg Ravenna Rd/Shepard Rd Intersection	Add right turn lanes on Ravenna Rd; add left turn lanes on Shepard Rd; sidewalks; and signal improvements	RW	2024
113175	SUM CR 0012 06.39 (Ravenna Rd)	Twinsburg Township/Hudson Old Mill Rd to Portage County Line	Resurfacing	CONST	2025
114865	SUM IR 77/SR 8 11.65/0.00	Akron I-77 from just north of Lovers Lane to SR 8 SR 8 from I-77 to just north of Perkins St	Corridor improvements on mainline, service roads and ramps	PE	2025
115358	SUM CR 0066 00.00 (Canton Rd)	Springfield Township Pontius Rd to Tisen Rd	Resurfacing	CONST	2024

List of Sold/Obligated Highway Projects in FY 2024 & FY 2025					
PID #	CO-RTE -SECTION	LOCATION & TERMINI	TYPE OF WORK	PHASE	SOLD OR OBLIGATED FISCAL YEAR
115360	POR Chestnut/S Prospect St	Ravenna Main St (SR 59) to SR 14; South Corp Limit to Main St	Resurfacing	CONST	2024
116470	POR TR 0197 00.05 (Frost Rd)	Streetsboro East of SR 43 to Page Rd	Resurfacing	CONST	2024
116479	SUM Highland Rd (Twinsburg)	Twinsburg Hadden Rd to Darrow Rd (SR 91)	Resurfacing	CONST	2024
116539	SUM Miller Rd (Akron)	Akron/Fairlawn Ridgewood Rd to W Market St	Resurfacing	CONST	2024
116742	SUM Wyoga Lake Rd (Cuyahoga F.)	Cuyahoga Falls E Steels Corners Rd to Seasons Rd	Add Two way left turn lane, add right turn lanes where warranted; add new signal at Walsh HS main entrance	RW	2025
116841	WAY Heartland Trail Phase 4A	Chippewa Township North of Market St to Coal Bank Rd	Construct multi-use trail	PE	2024/2025
118654	SUM AMATS FY25 Air Quality	AMATS areawide	Promotion of activities to improve air quality such as biking and walking	OTHER	2025
118657	SUM AMATS FY25 Rideshare Program	AMATS areawide	Promotion of carpooling	OTHER	2025
116917	SUM S Arlington Rd (Green)	Green South of Boettler Rd to north of September Dr	Widening S Arlington Rd from 2 to 4 lanes and includes new roundabouts at Boettler Rd and Southwood Dr and new sidewalks.	RW (CMAQ)	2025
116924	SUM Hudson Signals	Hudson Various locations on SR 91 and SR 303	Replacing/upgrading signals at 14 intersections to adaptive "smart signals"	CONST	2024
116932	SUM Valley View Rd (Hudson)	Hudson Hudson north corp limit to SR 91	Resurfacing	CONST	2024
116990	SUM SR 0059 09.90 (Signals)	Stow Sycamore Dr to Fishcreek Rd	Signal upgrades	CONST	2025
117105	SUM S Main St (Green)	Green South of West Caston Rd to SR 619	Resurfacing	CONST	2024

Carry Forward Projects

The following table summarizes the projects that could be carried forward from the previous 2024-2027 TIP cycle into the current 2026-2029 TIP cycle's project list. These projects are currently scheduled to sell or encumber phase funds in FY 2025; however, they might slip into the FY 2026-2029 TIP due to project delays or high bids. If these projects do move out of FY 2025, they will be added as an amendment to the FY 2026-2029 TIP.

Potential Carry Forward List from FY 2025				
PID #	CO-RTE -SECTION	LOCATION & TERMINI	TYPE OF WORK	PHASE
112026	POR SR 0059 02.14 (E Main St)	Kent Willow St to Horning Rd	Reconstruct to include raised medians, bus pull-offs, new sewers, 2 roundabouts, upgrade lighting and replace sidewalks	CONST
112716	SUM SR 0261 10.90 (N Main St)	Akron Olive St to Riverside Dr	Corridor improvements	CONST
113165	SUM Ravenna/Shepard/Broadway	Macedonia/Twinsburg Ravenna Rd at Shepard Rd Intersection	Add right turn lanes on Ravenna Rd, add left turn lane on Shepard Rd, sidewalks and signal improvements	CONST
115383	SUM CR 0008 09.08 (N Main St)	Akron Over Cuyahoga River	Replace SFN 77336	PE
116464	SUM Rubber City Heritage Tr Ph 2	Akron Huntington Ave to S Arlington St	Construct multi-use trail	CONST
121747	SUM Rubber City Heritage Tr Ph 3	Akron E Exchange St/Huntington Ave intersection to Brown St/ Johnston St intersection	New Multi-modal trail on abandoned railroad	PE
121755	POR Summit/Stow St Ped Imp	Kent Stow/Summit St to Franklin Ave	Replace bridge (SFN 6737498) and connect Portage Hike and Bike Trail	PE

Completed Transit Projects

Summary of FY 2024-2025 Transit Project Activity

The following tables provide status reports for the transit projects that were programmed for the fiscal years 2024 and 2025 of the TIP. Many of these projects were sponsored by METRO RTA and PARTA and utilized funding from the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program for the purchase of replacement buses and the capitalized costs of preventive maintenance.

In addition, METRO and PARTA are supplementing their purchase of replacement buses with funds from the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program. Furthermore, ODOT has awarded funds to METRO and PARTA from the state's share of Surface Transportation Block Program funds, administered through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Recent awards to the area's transit agencies have also included funds through the Ohio Transit Partnership Program (OTP2). ODOT may utilize state general revenue funds (GRF) or state-attributable federal funds to finance OTP2 projects. Much of ODOT's support for transit in FY 2024 came through the use of Carbon Reduction Program funds.

Also shown in the tables are the projects that were awarded through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Program. This program complements the Section 5307 Program and provides additional capital funding to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses and related equipment, and to construct bus-related facilities. Presently, METRO and PARTA are the only transit operators utilizing Section 5339 funds from the Akron Urbanized Area's apportionment.

In 2024, METRO secured a nearly \$38 million competitively awarded grant through the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5339c Program. These funds are being used to construct a new administration and maintenance facility on the current METRO property in Akron. In addition, METRO and PARTA programmed \$5.9 million in air quality-related projects.

In 2025, METRO and PARTA are working on multi-year facility rehabilitations, continuing from FY 2024. In addition, the area received \$5.3 million in highway funds flexed over for public transit use. The largest expenditure is METRO's acquisition of 35 large buses, at a cost of \$25.6 million dollars. METRO and PARTA both acquire buses as part of a regular fleet update process in order to maintain their assets in a state of good repair.

FY 2024 Transit Projects Activity						
PID	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Federal Funding		State Funding	Grant/Project Status
			Amount	Source		
METRO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY						
Capital						
104366	Design - New Admin. & Maint. Facility	\$342,561	\$221,261	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$121,300	Awarded
104366	Construct - New Admin. & Maint. Facility	\$38,712,880	\$37,808,113	Sec. 5339c	\$0	Awarded
104362	13 Large Buses	\$5,485,226	\$4,212,169	Sec. 5307/5339	\$0	Awarded
117675	Computer Software	\$250,000	\$200,000	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
117675	Computer Hardware 1	\$194,000	\$155,200	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
117675	Computer Hardware 2	\$100,000	\$80,000	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
117675	Facility Concrete Rehabilitation	\$60,000	\$48,000	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
117675	CNG Compressor Rehab. Garage 1	\$150,000	\$120,000	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
117675	Portable Lift Garage 2	\$160,000	\$128,000	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
120698	Portable Vehicle Lift	\$168,000	\$134,400	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
120698	Gas Tank Rehab.	\$374,325	\$299,460	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
120698	Communications Equipment	\$225,000	\$180,000	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
120698	Signage Equipment	\$540,000	\$432,000	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
104365	Bus Shelters & Bus Stops	\$373,192	\$173,192	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
117673	2 Large Electric Buses	\$1,908,081	\$1,532,281	Sec. 5307/5339c	\$0	Awarded
113110	6 Large CNG Buses	\$4,200,000	\$1,360,000	Sec. 5307	\$0	Awarded
112245	3 Large CNG Buses	\$1,575,000	\$1,260,000	CMAQ	\$272,190	Awarded
		\$54,818,265	\$48,344,076		\$393,490	
Operating-Related						
104364	Preventive Maintenance	\$1,189,673	\$856,000	CarbRP-S OTP2		Awarded
104364	Preventive Maintenance	\$5,961,613	\$4,744,000	Sec. 5307	\$1,217,613	Awarded
		\$7,151,286	\$5,600,000		\$1,217,613	
Planning						
104368	Operational Planning	\$825,000	\$0		\$0	N/A
		\$825,000	\$0		\$0	
2024 METRO RTA TOTALS		\$62,794,551	\$53,944,076		\$1,611,103	
PORTAGE AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY						
Capital						
111799	4 Large Diesel Transit Buses - 35'	\$1,893,610	\$1,514,888	Sec. 5339b	\$0	Awarded
112244	2 Large CNG Transit Buses - 40'	\$1,120,176	\$896,141	CMAQ-A	\$105,938	Awarded
120676	2 Large CNG Buses (partial)	\$10,133	\$8,106	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
120676	3 Large CNG Buses (partial)	\$399,913	\$319,930	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
120676	Automatic Passenger Counters	\$180,000	\$144,000	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
120676	Facility Paving Project	\$120,000	\$96,000	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
120676	Utility Support Vehicle	\$38,000	\$30,400	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
120676	Maintenance Equipment	\$197,000	\$157,600	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
		\$3,958,832	\$3,167,065		\$105,938	
Operating-Related						
111800	Elderly & Disabled Fare Assistance			-	\$85,814	Awarded
111802	Preventive Maintenance	\$1,375,000	\$1,100,000	Sec. 5307	\$246,049	Awarded
		\$1,375,000	\$1,100,000		\$331,863	
Planning						
111801	Operational Planning	\$65,000	\$52,000	Sec. 5307	\$0	N/A
		\$65,000	\$52,000		\$0	
2024 PARTA TOTALS		\$5,398,832	\$4,319,065		\$437,801	
Coordinated Human Services Transportation Program						
115440	Elderly & Disabled Capital Equipment	\$560,173	\$474,936	Sec. 5310	\$19,205	Awarded
117716	- Social Service Agencies					
2024 Coordinated Human Services Totals		\$560,173	\$474,936		\$19,205	
TOTAL PROJECT COST		\$68,753,556	\$58,738,077		\$2,068,109	

Performance Measures - METRO RTA and PARTA have certified that they have developed and adopted the required performance targets for all rolling stock, equipment, facilities, and infrastructure, through a Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan, as required by federal guidance.



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FY 2025 Transit Projects Activity						
PID	Project Description	Total Project Cost	Federal Funding		State Funding	Grant/Project Status
			Amount	Source		
METRO REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY						
Capital						
121208	12 Small Electric Buses (LTV) < 30'	\$2,700,000	\$2,160,000	CMAQ-DERG	\$0	Awarded
121809	Project Mngt - New Admin. & Maint. Facility	\$72,000	\$57,600	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
104362	35 Large Buses	\$25,596,325	\$19,965,040	Sec. 5307, 5339	\$0	Awarded
121809	Computer Software 1	\$30,093	\$24,074	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
121809	Computer Software 2	\$240,000	\$200,000	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
121809	Computer Software 3	\$140,000	\$112,000	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
121809	Computer Hardware 1	\$150,000	\$120,000	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
121809	Computer Hardware 2	\$18,000	\$14,400	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
121809	Rehab Bus Support Facilities - Yards and Shops	\$1,500,000	\$1,200,000	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
104365	Bus Shelters & Bus Stops: Enhancements	\$448,400	\$370,720	OWMP, OTP2	\$0	Awarded
		\$30,894,818	\$24,223,834		\$0	
Operating-Related						
104364	Preventive Maintenance	\$8,833,600	\$7,066,880	Sec. 5307	\$1,070,000	Awarded
		\$8,833,600	\$7,066,880		\$1,070,000	
Planning						
104368	Operational Planning	\$825,000	\$0		\$0	N/A
		\$825,000	\$0		\$0	
2025 METRO RTA TOTALS		\$40,553,418	\$31,290,714		\$1,070,000	
PORTAGE AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY						
Capital						
118325	5 Large CNG Transit Buses - 35'	\$4,001,588	\$3,201,270	Sec. 5339b	\$0	Awarded
118329	2 Light Transit Buses (LTV) < 30'	\$643,463	\$514,770	Sec. 5339	\$0	Awarded
122928	Computer Hardware	\$186,000	\$148,800	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
122928	Surveillance / Security Equipment	\$67,500	\$54,000	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
111798	Pedestrian Access (Walkways): Enhancements	\$112,500	\$90,000	Sec. 5307	\$0	Awarded
122928	Rehab Admin / Maintenance Facilities	\$100,000	\$80,000	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
122928	Construction - Maintenance Facility	\$195,000	\$156,000	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
121717	Maintenance Roof Restoration	\$300,000	\$240,000	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
121717	Facility Equipment	\$452,068	\$361,654	CarbRP-S OTP2	\$0	Awarded
		\$6,058,119	\$4,846,494		\$0	
Operating-Related						
118319	Preventive Maintenance	\$1,375,000	\$1,100,000	Sec. 5307	\$200,000	Awarded
		\$1,375,000	\$1,100,000		\$200,000	
Planning						
122928	Long-Range System Planning	\$250,000	\$200,000	OWMP OTP2	\$0	Awarded
118314	Operational Planning	\$65,000	\$52,000	Sec. 5307	\$0	N/A
		\$315,000	\$252,000		\$0	
2025 PARTA TOTALS		\$7,748,119	\$6,198,494		\$200,000	
Coordinated Human Services Transportation Program						
115440/121422	Elderly & Disabled Capital Equipment	-	-		-	
& 121428	-Social Service Agencies	\$1,442,016	\$1,113,298	Sec. 5310	\$40,000	Awarded
2025 Coordinated Human Services Totals		\$0	\$0		\$40,000	
TOTAL PROJECT COST		\$48,301,537	\$37,489,208		\$1,310,000	

Performance Measures - METRO RTA and PARTA have certified that they have developed and adopted the required performance targets for all rolling stock, equipment, facilities, and infrastructure, through a Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plan, as required by federal guidance.

Chapter 8 | Projects

This chapter lists highway and transit projects scheduled to use available local, state and federal funds in fiscal years 2026 through 2029. The highway portion of the Transportation Improvement Program presents those roadway, bridge and transportation alternative projects. The transit portion of the Transportation Improvement Program includes projects programmed for the area's transit operators, earmark projects administered through the Federal Transit Administration, and for projects associated with the coordination of public transit and human service agencies utilizing the Specialized Transportation (Enhanced Mobility for the Elderly and Disabled) Program. All projects included in the FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) are consistent with AMATS' Transportation Outlook 2050.

The AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029 incorporates just under \$1.07 billion in funding throughout the AMATS area. The program includes approximately \$416.7 million for highway projects, \$526.0 million for public transit needs, and \$8.4 million for bike and pedestrian projects. The remaining funds are reserved for debt services totaling \$65.0 million and other miscellaneous expenditures totaling \$56.7 million.

Highway Improvements

Highway projects can be added to the TIP in various ways. Projects can be submitted to AMATS by local governments in the Akron metropolitan area, transit operators, the County Engineers and ODOT. Projects submitted and funded by ODOT and the County Engineers Association of Ohio are reviewed for Regional Transportation Plan consistency before being included in the TIP.

AMATS is responsible for scoring highway projects submitted under the Surface Transportation Program (STBG), Transportation Alternatives Set Aside Program (TASA), the AMATS Resurfacing Program (a subset of the STBG funds AMATS receives), and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP). The AMATS Funding Policy Guidelines, listed in Appendix D, define project eligibility for each funding source and outline the scoring criteria used to select projects. These guidelines are approved by AMATS Policy Committee and are updated ahead of each new funding round based upon the consensus of AMATS members and staff.

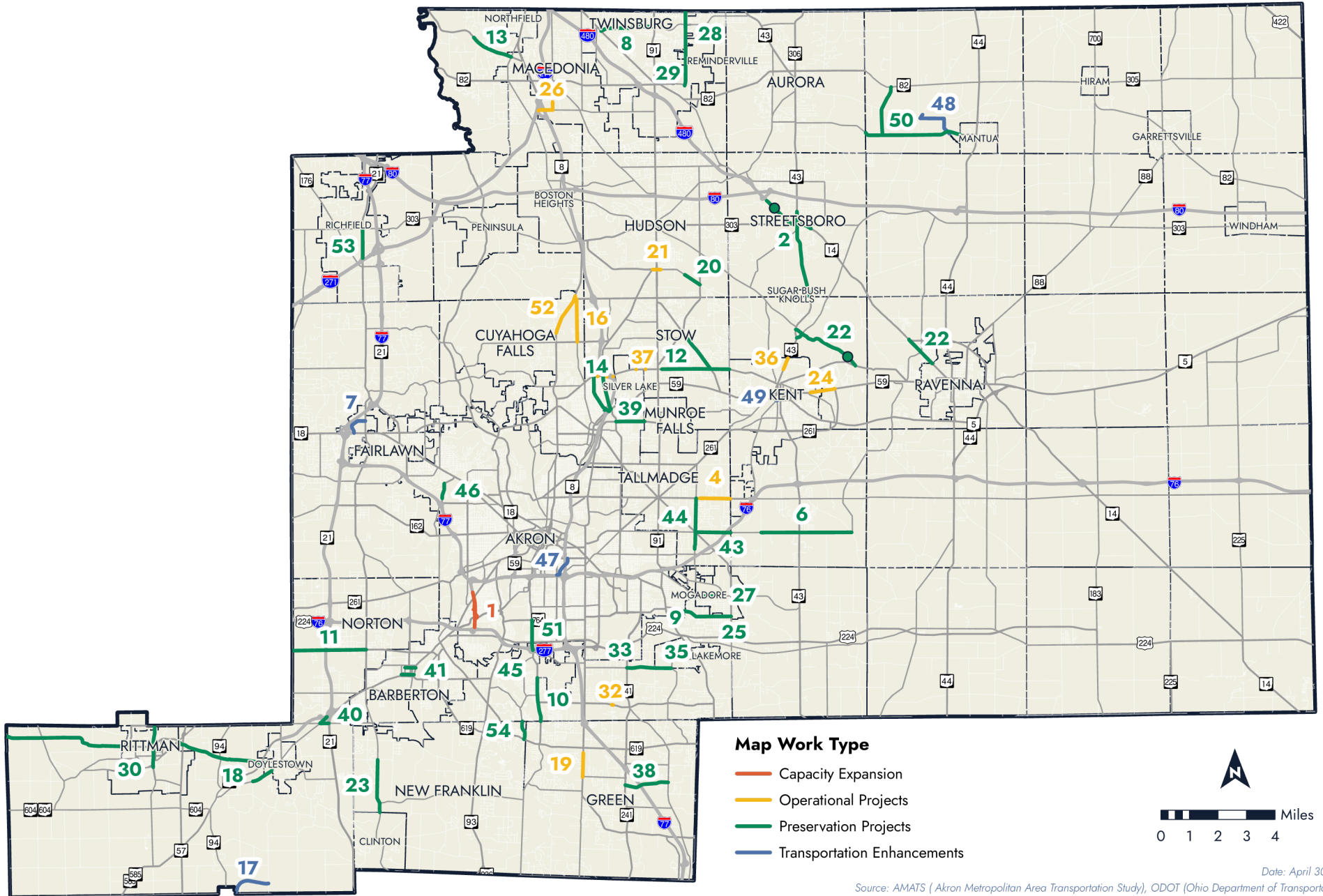
AMATS also accepts applications for Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) funding. Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) funding, which is managed by a statewide committee named Ohio's Statewide Urban CMAQ Committee (OSUCC), also has criteria for evaluating and prioritizing projects. These criteria are used by Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) statewide to select projects in this program.

Once projects are selected for funding through any funding source, projects are added to the TIP. The listing of highway projects is divided into 2 categories: individual and group projects. Individual projects include: any projects with AMATS funding (excluding AMATS Pavement Repair and Sidewalk Ramp Program), projects that require air quality analysis, and any projects that are regionally significant. Group projects include non-regionally significant projects, air quality exempt projects, those that require an environmental document type of CE2 or below, and projects that have a total project cost under \$30 million. Usually, group projects have ODOT as a sponsor and don't require an AMATS amendment when changes occur. Examples of group projects include guardrail repairs, pavement markings, minor bridge/culvert maintenance, sign replacements, lighting, and minor roadway rehabilitation of state and US routes.

All highway projects and studies included in the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program are listed in the tables (individual and group) and are shown graphically in maps on the following pages. Please note some projects, especially group projects, can't be mapped due to the non-location specific nature of the project. The table below includes a glossary of terms to better understand the highway tables.

Term	Description
Map ID	Corresponds with the location on the map
PID No.	The Project Identification Number assigned to a project by ODOT.
Project Name	The official project title assigned by ODOT.
Sponsoring Agency	The unit of government or agency that initiated the project, charged with implementation responsibility and assigned local share.
Work Type	A brief description of the type of work to be performed.
Project Termini	Contains the work limits of the project.
Project Description	A detailed description of the work expected to be completed by the project including locations.
Phase	ENV – Preliminary Engineering/Environmental DBT – Debit Services DD – Detailed Design RW – Right-of-Way CO – Construction OTH – Other SP – Planning
SFY	State Fiscal Year (e.g. SFY 2026 begins on July 1, 2025).
Fund Type	Funding source used for the project.
Fund Estimate	Funding amount for a particular phase/year
Total Project Estimate	Total estimated cost of all project phases in current dollars.
Air Quality Status	Exempt or Non-Exempt (Analyzed). Analyzed projects require amendments automatically when changed.
Performance Measures	Types of performance measures analyzed for a project.

2026-2029 Highway Individual TIP Projects



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Map ID	PID	Project Name	Sponsoring Agency	Work Type	Project Termini	Project Description	Phase	Year (SFY)	Fund Type	Fund Estimate	Total Project Estimate	Air Quality Status	Performance Measures
	76721	SUM SR 0008 07.60	DISTRICT 4-ENGINEERING	Roadway Major Rehab	Summit County SR-8 from Graham Road to just North of SR-303	Total pavement replacement from Graham Road (SLM 7.60) to just North of SR-303 (SLM 13.30), in the cities of Stow and Hudson, Summit County, Ohio. Also includes miscellaneous bridge work, and slide repair. Five unknown abandoned railroads on SR 8- 2 at 12.5, 1 at 10, 1 at 9 and 1 at 8.05	DBT	2026	Garvee / SIB Repayments	\$4,764,214.00	\$67,725,190.19	Exempt	Bridge (NHS), Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
								2027		\$4,764,214.00			
								2028		\$4,764,213.00			
								2029		\$4,764,213.00			
	93501	SUM/MED IR 0076 00.00/11.43 DB	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Major Rehab	Medina County line to Central Ave	Complete pavement replacement from Medina County line to State Route 21. Pavement replacement and widening to six lanes from State Route 21 to approximately Central Ave. Re-Deck of two structures in Medina County. MED-IR76-11.43 (L&R). Replacing the following culverts CFN 770760190 SUM-76-1.37 and CFN 770760450 SUM-76-3.21.	DBT	2026	Garvee / SIB Repayments	\$8,075,717.00	\$89,048,327.61	Non-Exempt (Analyzed)	Bridge (NHS), Pavement (Interstate), PHED, TTRI (Interstate)
								2027		\$2,285,755.00			
								2028		\$2,243,237.00			
	96670	SUM IR 0076 05.53	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Add Through Lane(s)	Central Avenue to 27th Street, SUM SR 619 from 0.00 to 0.66 and 0.82 to 1.79, SUM CR 667 from 0.60 to 0.77	Adding 3rd lane on IR-76 and Reconstruction/Reconfiguration IR 76 Interchange accessing Wooster Road / East Avenue/State St. Includes resurfacing of SUM SR 619 from 0.00 to 0.66 and 0.82 to 1.79. Resurfacing of SUM CR 667 from 0.60 to 0.77. Minor work to 6 structures, removal of 3 structures, replacement of 3 structures and widening of 1 structure. Unknown abandoned railroad on IR 76 at 5.8, CSX railroad on IR 76 at 5.95	DBT	2026	Garvee / SIB Repayments	\$2,280,740.00	\$36,604,861.48	Non-Exempt (Analyzed)	Bridge (NHS), Pavement (Interstate), PHED, TTRI (Interstate)
								2027		\$2,280,740.00			
								2028		\$2,280,741.00			
								2029		\$2,280,741.00			
1	100713	SUM IR 0076 06.72	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Major Rehab	West Side of SUM Akron Beltway including NW Interchange	Improvements to the west side within the Akron "Beltway" freeway system to increase capacity and improve safety including structure rehabilitation and noisewalls within the City of Akron, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2027	National Highway Freight	\$52,000,000.00	\$85,802,153.00	Non-Exempt (Analyzed)	Bridge (NHS), Pavement (Interstate), PHED, TTRI (Interstate)
									State	\$13,000,000.00			
									Labor	\$4,550,000.00			
	102329	SUM IR 76/77/8 8.24/09.74/00.00	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Major Rehab	SUM IR76 from 8.24 to 9.96 and 11.01 to 12.03; SUM IR77 from 9.74 to 12.11 and 15.18 to 15.87; SUM SR 8 from 0.00 to 1.75	Pavement replacement over SUM IR76 from 8.24 to 9.96 and 11.01 to 12.03 and SUM IR77 from 9.74 to 12.11 and 15.18 to 15.87. Covers the "South Leg" and "West Leg", includes work to several structures, in the City of Akron, Summit County, Ohio. Resurfacing of SUM SR 8 from 0.00 to 1.75.	DBT	2026	Garvee / SIB Repayments	\$6,058,791.00	\$173,062,028.45	Non-Exempt (Analyzed)	Bridge (NHS), Pavement (Interstate), Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS), Safety
						Also included with this project is the work on PID 101402 as a Design-Bid-Build portion of the Scope of Services: The Akron Beltway Planning Study (PID 95831) identified the need to replace the left handed exit ramps (Ramps N & R) from both WB and EB I-76 in the Central Interchange. Reconstruction of these ramps will address both the poor bridge condition and the substandard ramp geometrics. Reconfiguring the lane arrangements on both WB and EB I-76 to provide drop lanes for NB and SB exits in each direction as well as two thru lane movements for I-76 addresses both safety and operations. The Central Interchange project (PID 101402) is the first identified project from the Akron Beltway Planning Study and has been advanced prior to the finalization of that study due to the condition of the bridges on Ramps N & R. These improvements do not preclude potential future improvements with the Central Interchange.		2027		\$6,058,791.00			
								2028		\$6,058,791.00			
								2029		\$6,058,791.00			
2	105213	POR SR 14/43 1.74/15.59	Streetsboro	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 14 from 1.74 to 3.65, POR SR 43 from 15.59 to 18.20, New signal at POR SR 303 2.72	Resurfacing portions of POR SR 14 and POR SR 43 in the City of Streetsboro, includes minor work to one structure (Part 1). Replace concrete with full depth asphalt pavement at the intersection of POR SR 14/SR 43 (Part 2). Install new signal at SR 14/SR 303/Ranch Rd intersection and close the westbound slip lane from SR 303 to SR 14 (Part 3).	CO	2026	MPO CMAQ	\$459,517.00	\$6,719,900.00	Exempt	CMAQ, Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS), Safety
									MPO STBG	\$1,089,752.00			
									Preservation	\$2,337,760.00			
									State	\$492,220.00			
									Labor	\$495,800.00			
									Local	\$1,844,851.00			
3	105556	POR CR 145 Ravenna Rd Bridge	Portage County Engineer	Bridge Preservation	Ravenna Rd over Norfolk Southern RR	Replacement of Ravenna Rd structure over Norfolk Southern Railroad. Relocating the Portage Hike and Bike Trail from Ravenna Rd onto a former Railroad bridge.	CO	2026	Local Programs	\$1,459,000.00	\$2,526,099.00	Exempt	
									MPO TA	\$313,600.00			
									Local	\$529,400.00			

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4	112869	SUM East Ave Ph 1 (Tallmadge)	Tallmadge	Roadway Improvement (Safety)	Community Rd (2.37) to Portage County Line (4.56)	Widen East Avenue (CR 630) from Community Road to the Portage County Line (Parliament Dr.) for a center two-way left turn lane, install curb and sidewalks on both sides. Identified as a high priority segment in ODOT's HSIP. The project will be broken into Phase 1 (Recreation Center Dr. to Parliament Dr.) & Phase 2 (Community Road to Recreation Center Dr.) This PID will incorporate design work for both phases and Construction for Phase 1 only. CMAQ funding is anticipated from AMATS as well as additional funding from the City of Tallmadge for the construction phase.	RW	2026	Safety	\$183,995.10	\$14,218,293.75	Exempt	CMAQ, Safety
									State	\$20,443.90			
							CO	2028	MPO CMAQ	\$8,509,995.00			
									Labor	\$744,600.00			
									Local	\$2,127,498.75			
5	114865	SUM IR 77/SR 8 11.65/0.00	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Major Rehab	SUM IR 77 from 11.65 to 11.75 and SUM SR 8 from 0.00 to 1.80	Corridor improvements along SUM IR 77 just north of Lovers Lane to SR 8 and SR 8 from I-77 to just north of Perkins St including ramp and service road reconfigurations to increase safety and reduce congestion.	DD	2026	Major Programs	\$545,137.60	\$73,982,199.00	Exempt	Pavement (Interstate)
									State	\$136,284.40			
							RW	2026	Major Programs	\$800,000.00			
6	115359	POR CR 0082 01.07 (Old Forge Rd)	Portage County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	Old Forge Rd from Sunnybrook Rd to Ranfield Rd	Resurfacing of Old Forge Rd from Sunnybrook Rd to Ranfield Rd, Portage County, Ohio.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$628,362.00	\$785,452.50	Exempt	
									Local	\$157,090.50			
7	116457	SUM CR 0537 00.19 Springside Dr	Summit County Engineer	Pedestrian Facilities	Springside Dr from SR 18 to Cleveland Massillon Rd	Install sidewalks on Springside Dr from SR 18 to Cleveland Massillon Rd in Bath Township, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2027	MPO TA	\$600,000.00	\$1,035,153.71	Exempt	Non-SOV
									Local	\$282,094.71			
8	116505	SUM Glenwood Dr (Twinsburg)	Twinsburg	Roadway Minor Rehab	Ravenna Rd to Darrow Rd (SR 91)	Resurfacing of Glenwood Rd in the City of Twinsburg, includes full and partial depth repairs, manhole and catch basin adjustments and curb repairs.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$787,500.00	\$977,400.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$189,900.00			
9	116556	SUM CR 0044 00.68 (Albrecht Ave)	Summit County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	Albrecht Ave from Springfield Township Line (Stull Ave) to Cleveland Ave	Resurfacing of Albrecht Ave from Springfield Township Line (Stull Ave) to Cleveland Ave in Summit County, Ohio. Includes shoulder restoration and widening, loop detector replacement and guardrail repairs/upgrades.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$787,500.00	\$2,003,462.70	Exempt	
									Local	\$1,215,962.70			
10	116557	SUM CR 0050 05.70 (S Main St)	Summit County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	S Main St from Green North Corp Limit to Warner Rd	Resurfacing of S Main St from Green North Corp Limit to Warner Rd in Summit County, Ohio. Includes loop detector replacement and guardrail repairs/upgrades.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$787,500.00	\$1,663,628.61	Exempt	
									Local	\$855,628.61			
11	116620	SUM Greenwich Rd (Norton)	Norton	Roadway Minor Rehab	S Medina Line Rd to Cleveland-Massillon Rd	Resurfacing of Greenwich Rd from S Medina Line Rd to Cleveland-Massillon Rd in the City of Norton, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$787,500.00	\$1,259,839.55	Exempt	
									Local	\$472,339.55			
12	116623	SUM Graham Rd (Stow)	Stow	Roadway Minor Rehab	Just east of SR 91 to Newcomer Rd	Resurfacing of Graham Rd from just east of SR 91 to Newcomer Rd in the City of Stow, Summit County, Ohio	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$787,500.00	\$994,175.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$190,575.00			
13	116703	SUM CR 0025 07.39 Valley View Rd	Summit County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	Dunham Rd to Olde Eight Rd	Resurfacing of Valley View Road from Dunham Rd to Olde Eight Rd.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$787,500.00	\$1,522,224.63	Exempt	
									Local	\$734,724.63			
14	116740	SUM Bailey Rd (Cuyahoga Falls)	Cuyahoga Falls	Roadway Minor Rehab	Bailey Rd from Front St to Graham Rd	Resurfacing of Bailey Rd from Front St to Graham Rd in the City of Cuyahoga Falls, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$700,000.00	\$890,800.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$175,000.00			
15	116741	SUM Hudson Dr (Cuyahoga Falls)	Cuyahoga Falls	Roadway Minor Rehab	Hudson Dr from Front St to Graham Rd	Resurfacing of Hudson Dr from Front St to Graham Rd in the City of Cuyahoga Falls, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$700,000.00	\$1,026,531.40	Exempt	
									Local	\$310,831.40			
16	116742	SUM Wyoga Lake Rd (Cuyahoga F.)	Cuyahoga Falls	Roadway Improvement (Safety)	Wyoga Lake Rd from E Steels Corners Rd to Seasons Rd	Reconstruction and widening of Wyoga Lake Rd from E Steels Corners Rd to Seasons Rd in the City of Cuyahoga Falls, Summit County, Ohio. Roadway will be widened to add a two way left turn lane section, add drop right turn lanes where warranted, install new signal at the Walsh High School main entrance and extend the existing shared use path to Seasons Rd.	CO	2026	MPO STBG	\$5,639,000.00	\$7,736,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$1,284,750.00			
17	116841			Bike Facility			CO	2026	MPO TA	\$590,583.20	\$819,703.00	Exempt	Non-SOV



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		WAY Heartland Trail Phase 4A	Wayne County Engineer		Existing Trail 1,800 ft north of Market St. to Coal Bank Rd, 1,900 ft. north of Fulton Rd	Construction of multi-use trail beginning at existing trail 1,800 ft. north of Market St. in Marshallville along the abandoned rail bed to the crossing at Coal Bank Rd. 1,900 ft. north of Fulton Rd.			Local	\$147,645.80			
18	116855	WAY-CR 070-018.13 (Doylestown)	Wayne County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	Termini TBD at SOS meeting	Resurfacing of Doylestown Rd from Rittman east corp limit to Doylestown West corp limit as well as Portage St from Whitman Rd to Doylestown west corp limit.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$508,828.80	\$636,036.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$127,207.20			
19	116917	SUM S Arlington Rd (Green)	Green	Add Through Lane(s)	S Arlington Rd just south of Boettler Rd to just north of September Dr	Widening S Arlington Rd from 2 to 4 lanes and includes new roundabouts at Boettler Rd and Southwood Dr in the City of Green, Summit County, Ohio. Includes new sidewalks.	RW	2026	MPO STBG	\$674,602.00	\$18,204,567.98	Non-Exempt (Analyzed)	CMAQ, PHED, Safety
							CO	2026	Discretionary / Earmark	\$2,000,000.00			
									MPO CMAQ	\$3,305,666.00			
									MPO CRP	\$2,000,000.00			
									MPO STBG	\$1,699,040.00			
									Safety	\$3,500,000.00			
									Local	\$3,928,177.48			
20	116925	SUM E Barlow Rd (Hudson)	Hudson	Roadway Minor Rehab	Norfolk Southern RR crossing to Stow Rd	Resurfacing E Barlow Rd in the city of Hudson, Summit County, Ohio. Includes full and partial depth repairs and ADA curb ramps where needed.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$439,744.00	\$497,504.45	Exempt	
									Local	\$48,860.45			
21	116929	SUM SR 91/Terex Rd (Hudson)	Hudson	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	SR 91/Terex Rd	Intersection improvement at SR 91 and Terex Rd in the City of Hudson, Summit County, Ohio. Includes striping modifications to improve left turn lane offsets on Terex Rd as well as extending the eastbound left turn lane on Terex Rd and adding a new westbound left turn lane at the JoAnn Fabrics entrance.	CO	2026	MPO STBG	\$400,142.00	\$570,002.22	Exempt	Safety
									Local	\$154,960.22			
22	116939	POR Cleveland/Diagonal/Ravenna	Portage County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	Cleveland Rd from Ravenna N Corp Limit to SR 14, Ravenna Rd from Brady Lake to SR 43, Diagonal Rd from SR 43 to Ravenna Rd	Resurfacing of Ravenna Rd CR 145, Diagonal Rd CR 155 and Cleveland Rd CR 171 in Portage County, Ohio.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$935,966.00	\$1,151,958.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$215,992.00			
23	117138	SUM Cleve Mass Ph3 (CR17)	New Franklin	Roadway Minor Rehab	Cleveland-Massillon Rd from Serfass Rd to Grill Rd	Resurfacing of Cleveland-Massillon Rd from Serfass Rd to Grill Rd, in the City of New Franklin, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$700,000.00	\$993,236.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$275,336.00			
24	118500	POR SR 0059 02.93	Kent	Roadway Improvement (Safety)	POR SR 59 from 2.925 to 3.797	Roadway improvements to SR 59 in the city of Kent and Franklin Township. Includes reducing lane widths, extending and widening sidewalks, new ADA curb ramps and mid-block pedestrian crossings, new ADA accessible bus stops and shelters and upgrading pedestrian signal heads with audible countdown timers.	DD	2026	Safety	\$79,815.60	\$7,438,234.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS), Safety
									Local	\$8,868.40			
							CO	2027	MPO STBG	\$3,212,000.00			
									State	\$535,000.00			
									Local	\$2,994,000.00			
	118655	SUM AMATS FY26 Air Quality	AMATS	Statewide / Regional Planning	0.00	AMATS FY26 Air Quality Program	OTH	2026	MPO CMAQ	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	Exempt	CMAQ
	118656	SUM AMATS FY27 Air Quality	AMATS	Statewide / Regional Planning	0.00	AMATS FY27 Air Quality Program	OTH	2027	MPO CMAQ	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	Exempt	CMAQ
	118658	SUM AMATS FY26 Rideshare	AMATS	Miscellaneous	0.00	AMATS FY26 Rideshare Program	OTH	2026	MPO CMAQ	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	Exempt	CMAQ, Non-SOV

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	118659	SUM AMATS FY27 Rideshare	AMATS	Miscellaneous	0.00	AMATS FY27 Rideshare Program	OTH	2027	MPO CMAQ	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	Exempt	CMAQ, Non-SOV
25	120949	SUM SR 0532 00.80	Mogadore	Traffic Control (Safety)	SUM SR 532 and Albrecht Ave	Install new signal at SUM SR 532 and Albrecht Ave in the Village of Mogadore.	CO	2028	MPO CMAQ	\$260,890.00	\$358,112.50	Exempt	CMAQ, Safety
									Labor	\$32,000.00			
									Local	\$65,222.50			
26	121067	SUM Highland Rd (Macedonia)	Macedonia	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	Highland Rd between I-271 and S Bedford Rd, and S Bedford Rd between Highland Rd and Blue Jay Trl	Intersection improvement at Highland Rd and SR 8 by installing a new signal and constructing new westbound and eastbound turn lanes along Highland Rd and constructing a new dedicated right turn lane on S Bedford Rd at Highland Rd. Includes new sidewalks on the west side of S Bedford Rd and a new signal at the Highland/S Bedford Rd intersection.	RW	2027	MPO CMAQ	\$213,600.00	\$2,950,600.00	Exempt	CMAQ
									Local	\$53,400.00			
							CO	2029	MPO CMAQ	\$2,006,400.00			
									Labor	\$175,600.00			
									Local	\$501,600.00			
27	121069	SUM Mogadore Rd (Mogadore)	Mogadore	Roadway Minor Rehab	Mogadore West Corp Limit to Gilchrist Rd	Resurfacing Mogadore Rd from the Mogadore West Corp Limit to Gilchrist Rd in the Village of Mogadore.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$632,727.00	\$854,950.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$63,330.00			
									Local	\$158,893.00			
28	121117	SUM Liberty Rd N (Twinsburg)	Twinsburg	Roadway Minor Rehab	100ft S of Post Rd to the Cuyahoga County Line	Resurfacing of Liberty Rd from 100ft S of Post Rd to the Cuyahoga County Line, in the City of Twinsburg and Village of Reminderville, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$615,600.00	\$684,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$68,400.00			
29	121118	SUM Liberty Rd S (Twinsburg)	Twinsburg	Roadway Minor Rehab	Cannon Rd to 100ft S of Post Rd	Resurfacing of Liberty Rd from Cannon Rd to 100ft S of Post Rd, in the City of Twinsburg, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$787,500.00	\$875,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$87,500.00			
30	121203	WAY CR 57 3.51 (Main St)	Rittman	Roadway Minor Rehab	Front Street to Rittman's northern Corp Limit.	Resurface Main Street from just north of Front Street to Rittman's northern Corp Limit.	CO	2028	MPO STBG	\$1,053,855.00	\$1,300,428.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$246,573.00			
31	121204	WAY CR 70 11.81 (Resurfacing)	Wayne County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	Eastern Rd SR94 to Portage St and Gates St from Eastern Rd to Doylestown Corp limit	Resurfacing of Doylestown Road (CR 70) from Jordan Rd to Decourcy St	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$900,000.00	\$1,116,216.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$216,216.00			
32	121287	SUM CR 0135 02.60 (Killian Rd)	Summit County Engineer	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	Intersection of Killian Rd and Pickle Rd	Install roundabout at the intersection of Killian Rd (CR 135) and Pickle Rd (CR 70) in Springfield Township, Summit County, Ohio. Includes reprofiling the eastern approach to improve sight distance, curb ramps, sidewalks, ADA curb ramps, signage, stripping and drainage.	RW	2027	MPO CRP	\$240,000.00	\$2,640,600.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$60,000.00			
							CO	2028	MPO CRP	\$1,750,000.00			
									Local	\$590,600.00			
33	121290	SUM CR 130 01.48 (Krumroy Rd P1)	Summit County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	Krumroy Rd (CR 130) from SR 241 to 200 ft east of Hilbish Ave	Resurfacing Krumroy Rd (CR 130) from SR 241 to 200 ft east of Hilbish Ave in Springfield Township, Summit County, Ohio. Includes pavement repairs, loop detector replacement, pavement markings and shoulder restoration and widening to 4' where possible.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$720,000.00	\$864,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$144,000.00			
34	121291	SUM CR 130 02.00 (Krumroy Rd P2)	Summit County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	Krumroy Rd (CR 130) from 200 ft east of Hilbish Ave to Pressler Rd	Resurfacing Krumroy Rd (CR 130) from 200 ft east of Hilbish Ave to Pressler Rd in Springfield Township, Summit County, Ohio. Includes pavement repairs, pavement markings, shoulder restoration and widening to 4' where possible.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$720,000.00	\$864,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$144,000.00			
35	121292	SUM CR 130 02.47 (Krumroy Rd P3)	Summit County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	Krumroy Rd (CR 130) from Pressler Rd to Flickinger Rd	Resurfacing Krumroy Rd (CR 130) from Pressler Rd to Flickinger Rd in Springfield Township and the Village of Lakemore, Summit County, Ohio. Includes pavement repairs, pavement markings, shoulder restoration and widening to 4' where possible.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$855,000.00	\$1,026,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$171,000.00			

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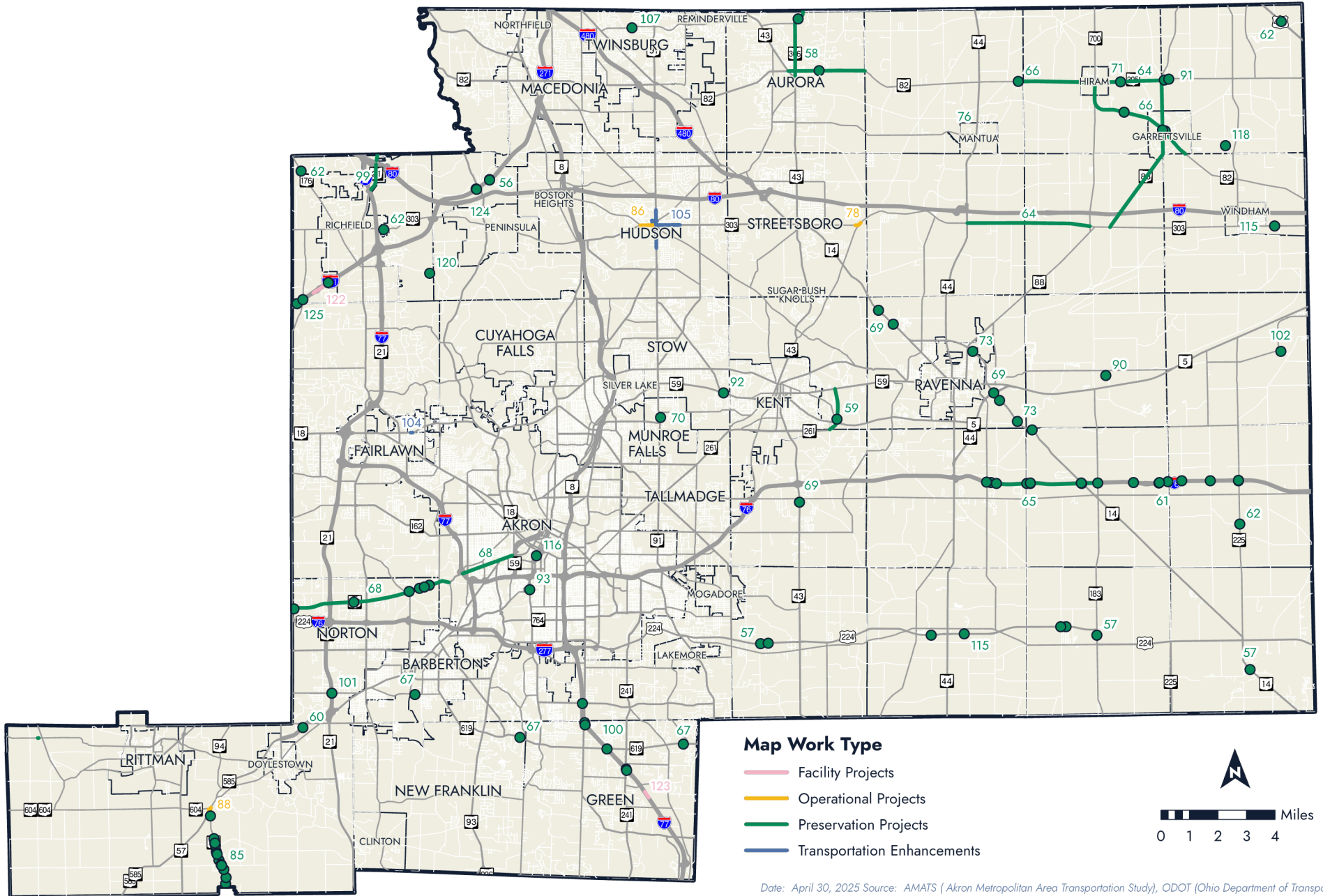
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36	121376	POR SR 0043 12.74 (Kent)	Kent	Roadway Improvement (Safety)	POR SR 43 from Needham Ave to just north of Davey Tree entrance	Roadway improvements on POR SR 43 between Needham Ave and just north of the Davey Tree entrance in the City of Kent. Includes pavement resurfacing/reconstruction, signal upgrade at Roosevelt High School, new sidewalks, lighting, curb ramps, storm sewers, signing and pavement markings. Exact work TBD.	CO	2029	MPO CRP	\$2,000,000.00	\$6,025,000.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									State	\$225,000.00			
									Local	\$3,800,000.00			
37	121457	SUM Graham Rd Signals (Stow)	Stow	Traffic Control (Safety)	Graham Rd from Bailey Rd to Newcomer Rd	Replace and upgrade signals on Graham Rd between Bailey Rd and Newcomer Rd. Includes new poles, mast arms, controllers, signal heads, signs, preemption, and pedestrian signal upgrades.	CO	2027	MPO CMAQ	\$2,860,000.00	\$3,575,000.00	Exempt	CMAQ, Safety
									Local	\$715,000.00			
38	121572	SUM Graybill Rd (Green)	Green	Roadway Minor Rehab	Graybill Rd between Massillon Rd (SR 241) and Mayfair Rd	Resurfacing of Graybill Rd between Massillon Rd (SR 241) and Mayfair Rd in the City of Green.	CO	2028	MPO STBG	\$774,000.00	\$1,134,429.81	Exempt	
									Local	\$360,429.81			
39	121584	SUM Munroe Falls Ave (Cuy Falls)	Cuyahoga Falls	Roadway Minor Rehab	Munroe Falls Ave from Bailey Rd to the Cuyahoga Falls Eastern Corp Limit	Resurfacing Munroe Falls Ave from Bailey Rd to the Cuyahoga Falls Eastern Corp Limit in the City of Cuyahoga Falls.	CO	2028	MPO STBG	\$855,000.00	\$1,017,555.56	Exempt	
									Local	\$162,555.56			
40	121591	SUM Eastern Rd/Portage St (Nort)	Norton	Roadway Minor Rehab	Eastern Rd from Portage St to SR 21 and Portage St from Eastern Rd to the SR 585 interchange	Resurfacing of Eastern Rd from Portage St to SR 21 and Portage St from Eastern Rd to the SR 585 interchange, in the City of Norton, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2028	MPO STBG	\$564,626.80	\$627,363.11	Exempt	
									Local	\$62,736.31			
41	121594	SUM Tuscarawas/Lake (Barberton)	Barberton	Roadway Minor Rehab	Tuscarawas Ave from Wooster Rd to 8th St and Lake Ave from Wooster Rd to 6th St	Resurfacing Tuscarawas Ave from Wooster Rd to 8th St and Lake Ave from Wooster Rd to 6th St in the City of Barberton.	CO	2028	MPO STBG	\$900,000.00	\$1,569,000.82	Exempt	
									Labor	\$116,200.00			
									Local	\$552,800.82			
42	121639	SUM Fishcreek Rd Ph 1 (Stow)	Stow	Roadway Minor Rehab	Just east of SR 91 to Newcomer Rd	Resurfacing of Fishcreek Rd from Graham Rd to Stow Rd in the City of Stow, Summit County, Ohio. Includes full and partial depth repairs and pavement markings.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$900,000.00	\$1,380,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$480,000.00			
43	121687	SUM Eastwood Ave (Tallmadge)	Tallmadge	Roadway Minor Rehab	Eastwood Ave from Munroe Road to Eastern Corp Limit	Resurfacing of Eastwood Ave from Munroe Road to Eastern Corp Limit in the City of Tallmadge, Summit County, Ohio. Includes full and partial depth repairs.	CO	2028	MPO STBG	\$582,120.00	\$698,544.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$51,744.00			
									Local	\$64,680.00			
44	121688	SUM Munroe Rd (Tallmadge)	Tallmadge	Roadway Minor Rehab	Munroe Rd from Perry Rd to East Ave	Resurfacing of Munroe Rd from Perry Rd to East Ave in the City of Tallmadge, Summit County, Ohio. Includes full and partial depth repairs.	CO	2028	MPO STBG	\$889,851.00	\$1,067,823.33	Exempt	
									Labor	\$79,100.00			
									Local	\$98,872.33			
45	121715	SUM CR 0050 06.62 (S Main St)	Summit County Engineer	Roadway Major Rehab	S Main St from Portage Lakes Dr to N Turkeyfoot Rd	Pavement reconstruction on S Main St from Warner Rd to N Turkeyfoot Rd, Summit County, Ohio. Includes new sidewalks on the east side of S Main St from Portage Lakes Dr to Warner Rd and on the west side from Warner Rd to Vaughn Rd, ADA curb ramps, new traffic signal, add pedestrian heads and push buttons, replace bridge at Vaughn Rd.	RW	2029	MPO STBG	\$200,000.00	\$15,592,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$50,000.00			
46	121745	SUM White Pond Drive (Akron)	Akron	Roadway Minor Rehab	White Pond Drive from Parkgate Ave to Frank Blvd	Resurfacing of White Pond Drive from Parkgate Ave to Frank Blvd in the City of Akron.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$400,000.00	\$540,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$140,000.00			

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47	121747	SUM Rubber City Heritage Tr Ph 3	Akron	Shared Use Path	E Exchange/Huntington Ave to Brown St/Johnston St	Construction of a 4,410 ft multi-modal trail along an abandoned railroad between E Exchange St/Huntington Ave intersection and Brown St/Johnston St intersection in the City of Akron, Summit County, Ohio.	DD	2026	MPO TA	\$80,000	\$2,015,000.00	Exempt	Non-SOV
									Local	\$20,000			
							RW	2028	MPO TA	\$45,200.00			
									Local	\$11,300.00			
48	121754	POR Headwaters Trail (Phase 9)	Portage County Park District	Shared Use Path	Mantua Center Rd and Pioneer Trail	Construction of a 1.5 mile bike-pedestrian path within the right of way of Diagonal Rd, Mantua Center Rd and Pioneer Trail as part of the Headwaters Trail in Mantua Township.	CO	2029	MPO TA	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,325,000.00	Exempt	Non-SOV
									Labor	\$75,000.00			
									Local	\$250,000.00			
49	121755	POR Summit/Stow St Ped Imp.	Portage County Engineer	Pedestrian Facilities	Stow (Summit) St to Franklin Ave and the connection to the SR 59 Portage Hike and Bike Trail	Construct a segment of the hike/bike trail along Stow (Summit) St to Franklin Ave and the connection to the SR 59 Portage Hike and Bike Trail. Includes replacing the superstructure on SFN 6737498 to accommodate the 8ft side path on the bridge and narrowing the existing lanes.	CO	2029	Local Programs	\$1,943,035.00	\$2,348,745.83	Exempt	Non-SOV
									Local	\$102,266.00			
50	121813	POR Chamberlain Mennonite Rds	Portage County Engineer	Roadway Minor Rehab	Chamberlain Rd from Mennonite Rd to SR 82 and Mennonite Rd from Aurora East Corp Limit to Mantua West Corp Limit	Resurfacing of Chamberlain Rd from Mennonite Rd to SR 82 and Mennonite Rd from Aurora East Corp Limit to Mantua West Corp Limit.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$900,000.00	\$1,080,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$180,000.00			
51	121824	SUM S Main St (Akron)	Akron	Roadway Minor Rehab	S Main St from US 224 to Wilbeth Rd in the City of Akron.	Resurfacing of S Main St from US 224 to Wilbeth Rd in the City of Akron.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$800,000.00	\$1,564,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$764,000.00			
52	121863	SUM State Rd Ph 2 (Cuy. Falls)	Cuyahoga Falls	Roadway Minor Rehab	Quick Rd to Wyoga Lake Rd	State Rd improvements between Quick Rd and Wyoga Lake Rd. Includes total pavement replacement, adding a center two way left turn lane, installing a round about at the State Rd/Quick Rd intersection and adding sidewalk on the north/west side of State Rd.	RW	2027	MPO STBG	\$69,520.00	\$15,000,000.00	Exempt	
							CO	2028	MPO STBG	\$6,030,480.00			
53	121889	SUM Brecksville Rd (Richfield)	Richfield	Roadway Minor Rehab	Brecksville Rd from IR 271 to SR 303	Resurfacing of Brecksville Rd from IR-271 SB off ramp to just south of SR 303, in the Village of Richfield, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$900,000.00	\$1,080,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$80,000.00			
54	121904	SUM S Turkeyfoot Rd (N Franklin)	New Franklin	Roadway Minor Rehab	S Turkeyfoot Lake Rd between SR 619 and the North Corp Limit in the City of New Franklin	Resurfacing of S Turkeyfoot Lake Rd between SR 619 and the North Corp Limit in the City of New Franklin.	CO	2029	MPO STBG	\$633,390.00	\$760,066.67	Exempt	
									Local	\$126,676.67			
	123136	SUM AMATS FY28 Air Quality	AMATS	Statewide / Regional Planning	0.00	AMATS FY28 Air Quality Program	OTH	2028	MPO CMAQ	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	Exempt	CMAQ
	123137	SUM AMATS FY29 Air Quality	AMATS	Statewide / Regional Planning	0.00	AMATS FY29 Air Quality Program	OTH	2029	MPO CMAQ	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	Exempt	CMAQ
	123138	SUM AMATS FY28 Rideshare	AMATS	Miscellaneous	0.00	AMATS FY28 Rideshare Program	OTH	2028	MPO CMAQ	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	Exempt	CMAQ, Non-SOV
	123139	SUM AMATS FY29 Rideshare	AMATS	Miscellaneous	0.00	AMATS FY29 Rideshare Program	OTH	2029	MPO CMAQ	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	Exempt	CMAQ, Non-SOV

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55	95581	WAY SR 0094 16.73	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Bridge Preservation	WAY-094-16.74	Bridge Replacement WAY-094-16.73 over a unnamed stream- Approximately 1200' south of Warwick Road.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$654,904.80	\$868,593.00	Exempt	
									State	\$163,726.20			
									Labor	\$49,962.00			
56	96518	SUM IR 0271 06.55	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM IR 271 from 6.55 to 8.54	Resurfacing of SUM IR 271 from 06.55 to 8.54. Minor maintenance to 2 structures. Part 2 - Superstructure replacement of SFN# 7709099 and 7709129, SUM IR271 8.25 Left and Right.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$11,149,920.00	\$13,256,000.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS), Pavement (Interstate)
									State	\$1,238,880.00			
									Labor	\$867,200.00			
57	101056	POR US 0224 00.00	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Major Rehab	POR US 224 from 0.00 to 12.99	Resurfacing of POR US 224. Includes minor bridge work to seven structures.	CO	2028	Major Programs	\$6,000,000.00	\$14,470,560.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS), Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									Preservation	\$4,895,200.00			
									State	\$2,723,800.00			
									Labor	\$851,560.00			
58	105212	POR SR 82/306 2.37/0.00	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 82 from 2.37 to 5.06, POR SR 306 from 0.00 to 2.48	Resurfacing of POR SR 82 and POR SR 306, urban paving in the City of Aurora. Includes minor rehabilitation to 2 structures.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$1,760,000.00	\$2,376,001.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$176,000.00			
									Local	\$440,001.00			
59	105237	POR SR 0261 03.51	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 261 from 3.51 to 5.06	Resurfacing of POR SR 261.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$880,000.00	\$1,188,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$200,000.00			
									Labor	\$88,000.00			
									Local	\$20,000.00			
60	109875	WAY BH FY2026	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Bridge Preservation	WAY SR 0003 11.83; WAY US 003014.84; WAY SR 0241 04.36; WAY SR 0301 01.17; WAY SR 0585 18.47	Bridge Repairs-Concrete Inverts - WAY SR 0003 11.83 - WAY US 0030 14.84 - WAY SR 0241 04.36 - WAY SR 0301 01.17 - REMOVED FROM PROJECT, COMPLETED BY COUNTY FORCES - WAY SR 0585 18.47	CO	2026	Preservation	\$400,000.00	\$701,400.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS)
									State	\$100,000.00			
									Labor	\$35,000.00			
	110005	D03 PR FY2026 (B)	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Vegetative Maintenance	Various Locations throughout District Three	Tree Pruning necessary for future construction contracts. Prevailing wage one year contract.	CO	2026	State	\$180,000.00	\$200,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$20,000.00			
61	110712	POR IR 0076 13.55	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR IR 76 from 13.55 to 19.34	Resurfacing of POR IR 76. Minor bridge rehab on 16 structures.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$3,735,000.00	\$4,334,000.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS), Pavement (Interstate)
									State	\$415,000.00			
									Labor	\$184,000.00			
62	112177	POR/SUM Culverts FY2026	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Culvert Preservation	Various routes in POR and SUM counties	POR/SUM FY 2026 culvert repair/replacements.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$720,000.00	\$1,363,038.82	Exempt	
									State	\$320,000.00			
									Labor	\$90,000.00			
63	112182	D04 BP FY2028 (West)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge / Culvert Maintenance	POR, STA and SUM Counties	Bridge painting of various structures in POR, STA and SUM Counties.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$800,000.00	\$1,105,000.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS)
									State	\$200,000.00			
									Labor	\$105,000.00			
64	112183	D04 CHIP FY2026	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Pavement Maintenance	Districtwide	Chip seal various the following routes in District 4.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$1,560,000.00	\$2,028,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$390,000.00			
									Labor	\$78,000.00			

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	112192	D04 PM/RPM FY2026 (West)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Traffic Control (Safety)	POR/STA/SUM Counties	Pavement markings on various routes throughout Portage, Stark and Summit Counties. RPMs will be Part 2, includes Work Order Items.	CO	2026	State	\$2,675,000.00	\$2,917,300.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$222,300.00			
65	112778	POR IR 0076 09.73	DISTRICT 4-ENGINEERING	Roadway Minor Rehab	9.73 to 13.55	Resurfacing IR 76 with rehabilitation and repair work to several bridges in Portage County.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$4,986,000.00	\$5,761,200.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS), Pavement (Interstate)
									State	\$554,000.00			
									Labor	\$221,200.00			
66	112830	POR SR 82/88 10.64/7.95	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 82 from 10.64 to 17.89 and POR SR 88 from 7.95 to 13.70	Resurfacing POR SR 82 and POR SR 88. Minor bridge rehab work to 4 structures.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$3,308,000.00	\$4,300,400.00	Exempt	
									State	\$827,000.00			
									Labor	\$165,400.00			
67	113031	SUM SR 0619 05.20	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM SR 619 from 5.20 to 12.54	Resurfacing of SUM SR 619, urban paving in the City of Green and the City of New Franklin. Minor rehabilitation to 2 bridges.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$2,655,000.00	\$3,508,000.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS)
									State	\$65,000.00			
									Labor	\$208,000.00			
									Local	\$580,000.00			
68	113037	SUM SR 261 0.00/6.25	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM SR 261 from 0.00 to 5.64 and 6.25 to 8.11	Resurfacing of SUM SR 261, urban paving in the cities of Akron and Norton.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$2,400,000.80	\$3,240,002.00	Exempt	
									State	\$0.20			
									Labor	\$240,001.00			
									Local	\$600,000.00			
69	113093	POR SR 14/SR 43 7.15/13.21	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 14 from 25.41 to 28.77.	Resurfacing of POR SR 14 from 25.41 to 28.77. Minor rehabilitation to 3 bridges.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$1,048,800.00	\$1,384,400.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									State	\$262,200.00			
									Labor	\$56,100.00			
70	113201	SUM SR 0091 07.89	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge Preservation	SUM-91-0789	Bridge deck replacement on SFN 7707142 SUM-91-07.89.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$1,274,960.00	\$2,476,519.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS)
									State	\$318,740.00			
									Labor	\$127,500.00			
									Local	\$226,700.00			
	114069	WAY CR VAR GR FY2026	WAYNE COUNTY ENGINEER	Guardrail / Roadside Maintenance	Various	Installation of new guardrail on various Wayne County routes.	CO	2026	Local Programs	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00	Exempt	Safety
71	114219	D04 Culverts FY2027	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Culvert Preservation	Districtwide	D04 FY 2027 culvert repair/replacements.	CO	2027	State	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,284,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$84,000.00			
72	114222	D04 CHIP FY2027	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Pavement Maintenance	Districtwide	Chip seal various the following routes in District 4.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$3,160,000.00	\$4,108,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$790,000.00			
									Labor	\$158,000.00			
	114223	D04 GR FY2027 (Systematic)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Guardrail / Roadside Maintenance	Districtwide	Systematic Guardrail maintenance and repair on various routes throughout District Four.	CO	2027	State	\$750,000.00	\$825,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$75,000.00			
	114227	D04 PM/RPM FY2027 (West)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Traffic Control (Safety)	POR/STA/SUM Counties	Pavement markings and RPM replacements on various routes throughout Portage, Stark and Summit Counties.	CO	2027	State	\$2,700,000.00	\$2,909,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$189,000.00			
	114230	D04 SIGN FY2027 (Systematic)	DISTRICT 4-MAINTENANCE	Traffic Control (Safety)	Districtwide	Systematic 2-lane sign replacements on various routes throughout District 4.	CO	2027	State	\$2,000,000.00	\$2,390,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$140,000.00			
	114785	D04 GR FY2026 (WO)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Guardrail / Roadside Maintenance	Districtwide	Guardrail maintenance and repair on various routes throughout District Four.	CO	2026	State	\$2,000,000.00	\$2,164,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$140,000.00			

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	114786	D04 GR FY2027 (WO)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Guardrail / Roadside Maintenance	Districtwide	Guardrail maintenance and repair on various routes throughout District Four.	CO	2027	State	\$2,000,000.00	\$2,164,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$140,000.00			
73	114925	POR SR 0014 10.20	DISTRICT 4-MAINTENANCE	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 14 from 10.204 to 18.187	Resurfacing of POR SR 14, a portion urban paving in the City of Ravenna.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$2,680,000.00	\$3,596,000.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS), Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									State	\$600,000.00			
									Labor	\$246,000.00			
									Local	\$70,000.00			
74	114943	POR SR 0014/SR 0303 05.40/00.00	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 14 from 5.40 to 6.63 POR SR 303 from 0.00 to 2.24	Resurfacing POR SR 14 and POR SR 303 urban paving in the city of Streetsboro.	CO	2029	Preservation	\$1,120,000.00	\$1,512,000.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									Labor	\$112,000.00			
									Local	\$280,000.00			
75	114952	SUM SR 0018 02.64	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM SR 18 from 2.64 to 4.89	Resurfacing of SUM SR 18, urban paving in the City of Fairlawn.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$1,440,000.00	\$1,966,500.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									Labor	\$144,000.00			
									Local	\$360,000.00			
76	114969	POR SR 0044 19.17/24.19	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 44 from 19.17 to 22.14 and 24.19 to 26.76	Resurfacing of POR SR 44.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$800,000.00	\$1,040,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$200,000.00			
									Labor	\$40,000.00			
77	115187	SUM Valley View Slide	SUMMIT COUNTY ENGINEER	Geologic Maintenance / Slide Repair	SUM CR 25 from 8.93 to 11.07	Landside/slope repairs along Valley View Rd (CR 25) from Dunham Rd to the Cuyahoga County Line.	CO	2026	Local Programs	\$200,000.00	\$2,904,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$90,400.00			
								2027	Local Programs	\$2,000,000.00			
									Local	\$904,000.00			
	115550	D04 LG FY2026 (West)	DISTRICT 4-HMA	Lighting (Safety)	Districtwide	2-Year Lighting Maintenance and Repair contract along various routes in POR, STA and SUM Counties. Includes replacing all wiring inside and outside towers, headrings and control center at SUM 480 & 82/91.	CO	2026	State	\$1,830,500.00	\$1,982,100.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$131,600.00			
	116009	D03 PR FY2027 (B)	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Vegetative Maintenance	Various Locations throughout District Three	Tree Pruning necessary for future construction contracts. Prevailing wage one year contract.	ENV	2027	Labor	\$8,500.00	\$170,500.00	Exempt	
							DD	2027	Labor	\$1,500.00			
							CO	2027	State	\$150,000.00			
									Labor	\$10,500.00			
	116082	D04 CS FY2026	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Pavement Maintenance	Districtwide	Crack sealing various routes throughout District 4.	CO	2026	State	\$1,133,700.00	\$1,231,100.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$79,400.00			
	116083	D04 CS FY2027	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Pavement Maintenance	Districtwide	Crack sealing various routes throughout District 4.	CO	2027	State	\$1,224,400.00	\$1,328,100.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$85,700.00			
	116100	D04 SP FY2026 (West)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	Various routes in POR, STA and SUM Counties.	FY 2026 pavement preventive maintenance on various routes in POR, STA and SUM Counties.	CO	2026	State	\$1,500,000.00	\$1,572,400.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$72,400.00			
	116103	D04 SP FY2027 (West)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	Various routes in POR, STA and SUM Counties.	FY 2027 pavement preventive maintenance on various routes in POR, STA and SUM counties.	CO	2027	State	\$1,360,500.00	\$1,434,900.00	Exempt	Pavement (Interstate)
									Labor	\$54,400.00			
78	116254	POR SR 0303 04.50	Streetsboro, City of	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	4.50 to 4.73	Intersection improvement on POR SR 303 at Diagonal Rd by addition of a west bound left turn lane and an east bound right turn lane on SR 303 in the City of Streetsboro.	CO	2026	Safety	\$330,000.00	\$1,321,276.64	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$73,220.30			
									Local	\$716,004.34			
	116288	D04 FEN FY2027-28	DISTRICT 4-HMA	Fencing	Districtwide	FY 2027-2028 fence installation and repair along various routes throughout District Four.	CO	2027	State	\$750,000.00	\$825,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$75,000.00			

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	116398	D04 CHIP FY2028	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Pavement Maintenance	Districtwide	Chip seal various the following routes in District 4.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$3,160,000.00	\$4,212,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$890,000.00			
									Labor	\$162,000.00			
	116413	D04 CS FY2028	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Pavement Maintenance	Districtwide	Crack sealing various routes throughout District 4.	CO	2028	State	\$1,332,400.00	\$1,443,700.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$93,300.00			
	116434	D04 LG FY2028 (West)	DISTRICT 4-HMA	Lighting (Safety)	Districtwide	2-Year Lighting Maintenance and Repair contract along various routes in POR, STA and SUM Counties. Includes LED upgrades.	CO	2028	State	\$1,020,400.00	\$1,111,800.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$71,400.00			
	116436	D04 SP FY2028 (West)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	Various routes in POR, STA and SUM Counties.	FY 2028 pavement preventive maintenance on various routes in POR, STA and SUM counties.	CO	2028	State	\$1,469,300.00	\$1,548,100.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$58,800.00			
	116437	D04 LG FY2029 (Systematic)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Lighting (Safety)	TBD	Lighting upgrades/replacements on various routes in District 4.	CO	2029	State	\$1,250,000.00	\$1,335,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$85,000.00			
	116440	D04 PM/RPM FY2028 (West)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Traffic Control (Safety)	POR/STA/SUM Counties	Pavement markings and RPM replacements on various routes throughout Portage, Stark and Summit Counties.	CO	2028	State	\$3,200,000.00	\$3,444,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$224,000.00			
	116445	D04 TSG FY2028	DISTRICT 4-HMA	Traffic Control (Safety)	STA SR 43 21.41, SUM US 224 14.49, TRU SR 5 5.41	Signal Upgrade - STA SR 43 at State St, SUM US 224 at Waterloo Rd and TRU SR 5 at SR 82.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$480,000.00	\$660,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									State	\$120,000.00			
									Labor	\$60,000.00			
	116446	D04 SIGN FY2028 (Systematic)	DISTRICT 4-MAINTENANCE	Traffic Control (Safety)	Districtwide	Systematic 2-lane sign replacements on various routes throughout District 4.	CO	2028	State	\$2,000,000.00	\$2,390,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$140,000.00			
	116447	D04 GR FY2028 (Systematic)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Guardrail / Roadside Maintenance	Districtwide	Systematic Guardrail maintenance and repair on various routes throughout District Four.	CO	2028	State	\$750,000.00	\$825,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$75,000.00			
	116449	D04 GR FY2028 (WO)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Guardrail / Roadside Maintenance	Districtwide	Guardrail maintenance and repair on various routes throughout District Four.	CO	2028	State	\$2,000,000.00	\$2,164,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$140,000.00			
	116634	D03 PR FY2028 (B)	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Vegetative Maintenance	Various Locations throughout District Three	Tree Pruning necessary for future construction contracts. Prevailing wage one year contract.	CO	2028	State	\$150,000.00	\$165,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$15,000.00			
	116714	D04 Culverts FY2028	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Culvert Preservation	Districtwide	D04 FY 2028 culvert repair/replacements.	CO	2028	State	\$2,000,000.00	\$2,140,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$140,000.00			
79	116726	POR SR 0005 01.30	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 5 from 1.30 to 5.09	Resurfacing of POR SR 5.	CO	2029	Preservation	\$1,600,000.00	\$2,107,500.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									State	\$400,000.00			
									Labor	\$80,000.00			
80	116747	POR US 224/VAR 12.99/VAR	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR US 224 from 12.989 to 21.218 and POR SR 14 from 25.413 to 28.773, POR SR 225 from 5.24 to 10.81	Resurfacing a portion of POR US 224, POR SR 14 and POR SR 225. Drainage improvement at Deerfield Circle on Southwest corner.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$2,976,000.00	\$3,922,500.00	Exempt	
									State	\$744,000.00			
									Labor	\$202,500.00			
81	116804	SUM SR 0261 11.89	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM SR 261 from 11.89 to 13.72.	Resurfacing SUM SR 261 urban paving in the City of Akron.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,640,600.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									Labor	\$120,000.00			
									Local	\$300,000.00			

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82	116805	SUM SR 0091 07.03/VAR	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM SR 91 from 7.03 to 8.58 and 12.20 to 14.67 and 14.86 to 15.52 and 16.69 to 17.41	Resurfacing SUM SR 91. Urban paving in the cities of Hudson and Munroe Falls.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$2,160,000.00	\$2,915,500.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									State	\$40,000.00			
									Labor	\$215,500.00			
									Local	\$500,000.00			
83	116808	SUM SR 0093 08.02	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM SR 93 from 7.78 to 9.86	Resurfacing SUM SR 93 in the city of Akron.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$744,000.00	\$1,021,000.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									Labor	\$74,400.00			
									Local	\$186,000.00			
84	116810	POR SR 0082 00.00	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 82 from 0.00 to 2.46	Resurfacing of POR SR 82.	CO	2029	Preservation	\$800,000.00	\$1,094,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$80,000.00			
									Local	\$200,000.00			
85	117044	WAY SR 0094 14.17	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Roadway Major Rehab	WAY SR 0094 14.42 to 18.16	Major 2 Funded Project Full Depth Reclamation to create a 2 ft wide paved shoulder WAY SR 0094 14.17 to 18.16 drainage and minor bridge work	DD	2026	Preservation	\$68,616.00	\$10,125,223.03	Exempt	
									State	\$17,154.00			
									Labor				
							RW	2026	Preservation	\$400,000.00			
									State	\$100,000.00			
									Preservation	\$160,000.00			
									State	\$40,000.00			
							CO	2028	Major Programs	\$5,600,000.00			
									State	\$1,400,000.00			
									Labor	\$490,000.00			
86	117269	SUM SR 0303 12.63	Hudson, City of	Roadway Improvement (Safety)	SUM SR 303 from 12.63 to 13.20	Modify lane configurations and access management along the corridor to improve pedestrian & bicycle safety in the City of Hudson. Convert the existing 4-lane section from Boston Mills Rd to Atterbury Blvd to 3-lanes including turn lanes (Safety Study Option 3). Re-stripe existing 3-lane section from Library St to Main St (SR 91) and consolidate driveways/restrict turns to simplify operations through the segment. Upgrade/update curb ramps and ped countdown timers at signalized intersections and sight distance obstructions will be removed.	CO	2026	Safety	\$297,000.00	\$380,719.61	Exempt	Safety
									State	\$33,000.00			
									Local	\$50,719.61			
87	117489	SUM MR 0003 01.60 (Snyder Ave)	SUMMIT COUNTY ENGINEER	Bridge Preservation	SUM-MR 3-1.60	Replacement of Snyder Ave (MR 3) Bridge (SFN 7731019) over Tuscarawas River in the City of Barberton, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2026	Local Programs	\$1,531,250.00	\$2,078,712.13	Exempt	
									Local	\$204,842.11			
	117936	D04 CS FY2029	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Pavement Maintenance	Districtwide	Crack sealing various routes throughout District 4.	CO	2029	State	\$1,439,000.00	\$1,539,700.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$100,700.00			
	117938	D04 SP FY2029 (West)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	Various routes in POR, STA and SUM Counties.	FY 2029 pavement preventive maintenance on various routes in POR, STA and SUM counties.	CO	2029	State	\$1,586,900.00	\$1,682,200.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$63,500.00			
	117941	D04 PM/RPM FY2029 (West)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Traffic Control (Safety)	POR/STA/SUM Counties	Pavement markings and RPM replacements on various routes throughout Portage, Stark and Summit Counties.	CO	2029	State	\$3,200,000.00	\$3,444,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$224,000.00			
	117944	D04 SIGN FY2029 (Systematic)	DISTRICT 4-MAINTENANCE	Traffic Control (Safety)	Districtwide	Systematic 2-lane sign replacements on various routes throughout District 4.	CO	2029	State	\$2,250,000.00	\$2,665,100.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$140,000.00			
	117945	D04 FEN FY2029-30	DISTRICT 4-HMA	Fencing	Districtwide	FY 2029-2030 fence installation and repair along various routes throughout District Four.	CO	2029	State	\$750,000.00	\$825,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$75,000.00			



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	117946	D04 GR FY2029 (Systematic)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Guardrail / Roadside Maintenance	Districtwide	Systematic Guardrail maintenance and repair on various routes throughout District Four.	CO	2029	State	\$1,250,000.00	\$1,325,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$75,000.00			
	117949	D04 GR FY2029 (WO)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Guardrail / Roadside Maintenance	Districtwide	Guardrail maintenance and repair on various routes throughout District Four.	CO	2029	State	\$2,000,000.00	\$2,164,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$140,000.00			
88	118008	WAY SR 0094 18.21	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	WAY-94-18.21 at SR-585/SR-604	Convert two-way stop-controlled intersection into single-lane roundabout at SR-94, SR-585, and SR-604 in Wayne County.	CO	2026	Safety	\$2,856,000.00	\$3,865,284.11	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$203,000.00			
89	118287	SUM CR 0015 00.00 RAB (Green)	Green, City of	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	S Arlington Rd and Mt. Pleasant Rd	Constructing a roundabout at the intersection of S Arlington Rd and Mt. Pleasant Rd in the City of Green.	CO	2028	Safety	\$3,576,735.00	\$4,261,350.00	Exempt	Safety
									Local	\$684,615.00			
90	118361	POR TR 0123 00.45 (Esworthy Rd)	PORTAGE COUNTY ENGINEER	Bridge Preservation	Esworthy Rd (TR 123) bridge over Hinkley Creek	Replacement of Esworthy Rd (TR 123) bridge over Hinkley Creek in Charlestown Township, Portage County, Ohio.	DD	2026	Local Programs	\$18,580.00	\$1,572,461.34	Exempt	
							CO	2026	Local Programs	\$1,297,890.00			
									Local	\$68,310.00			
91	118535	POR SR 305 02.43/2.58	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge Preservation	POR-305-02.43	Superstructure replacement of (SFN 6704573) POR SR 305 2.43 over Camp Creek. Project also includes replacement of (SFN 1848422) POR 305-2.58 culvert with four-sided box culvert.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$1,139,280.00	\$1,893,841.20	Exempt	
									State	\$284,820.00			
									Labor	\$99,700.00			
92	118709	SUM SR 0059 12.41	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge Preservation	SUM-SR 59-12.41 over Fish Creek	Replacing superstructure on SFN 7702019 SUM-SR 59-12.41 over Fish Creek.	CO	2029	Preservation	\$120,000.00	\$2,103,114.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS)
									State	\$300,000.00			
									Labor	\$105,000.00			
93	118732	SUM S Main St (Akron)	Akron, City of	Bridge Preservation	SUM S Main St bridge over Conrail and CSX Railroads	Replacement of SFN 7760027 SUM S Main St bridge over Conrail and CSX Railroads.	CO	2027	Local Programs	\$6,735,500.00	\$7,090,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$354,500.00			
94	118821	D04 CHIP FY2029	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Pavement Maintenance	Districtwide	Chip seal various the following routes in District 4.	CO	2029	Preservation	\$2,720,000.00	\$3,536,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$680,000.00			
									Labor	\$136,000.00			
95	118950	SUM US 0224 12.73/14.25	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM US 224 from 12.728 to 14.071 and 14.246 to 16.058	Resurfacing of SUM US 224.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,560,000.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									State	\$300,000.00			
									Labor	\$60,000.00			
96	119102	POR SR 0303 13.74	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 303 from 4.978 to 13.207 and 13.74 to 17.768	Resurfacing a portion of POR SR 303.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$1,200,000.00	\$1,560,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$300,000.00			
									Labor	\$60,000.00			
97	119108	SUM SR 0008 18.21	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM SR 8 from 18.21 to 21.32	Resurfacing of SUM SR 8.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$1,720,000.00	\$2,349,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$315,000.00			
									Labor	\$174,000.00			
									Local	\$140,000.00			
	119110	D03 PR FY2029 (B)	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Vegetative Maintenance	Various Locations throughout District Three	Tree Pruning necessary for future construction contracts. Prevailing wage one year contract.	CO	2029	State	\$150,000.00	\$165,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$15,000.00			

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98	119125	SUM SR 0162 00.00	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM SR 162 from 0.00 to 2.34	Resurfacing of SUM SR 162.	CO	2029	Preservation	\$480,000.00	\$642,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$120,000.00			
									Labor	\$42,000.00			
	119192	D03 PM FY2029	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Traffic Control (Safety)	Various Routes and Sections throughout District 3	Pavement Marking Various Routes and Sections throughout District 3	CO	2029	State	\$3,500,000.00	\$3,850,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$350,000.00			
	119195	D04 Culverts FY2029	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Culvert Preservation	Districtwide	D04 FY 2029 culvert repair/replacements.	CO	2029	State	\$2,250,000.00	\$2,390,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$140,000.00			
	119206	D03 CULVERT FY2029	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Culvert Preservation	Various culverts throughout District 3	Culvert Replacement/Rehab Locations to be Determined	CO	2029	Preservation	\$1,426,400.00	\$2,050,493.00	Exempt	
									State	\$356,600.00			
									Labor	\$267,493.00			
99	119331	SUM SR 0021 19.57/VAR	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM SR 21 from 19.579 to 20.402, 20.548 to 20.764, and SR 21 I from 0.042 to 0.151.	Resurfacing of SUM SR 21.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$789,360.00	\$1,023,600.00	Exempt	
									State	\$196,840.00			
									Labor	\$39,400.00			
100	119339	SUM IR 0077 04.07	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM IR77 from 4.07 to 7.45	Resurfacing of SUM IR 77.	CO	2028	Preservation	\$3,420,000.00	\$3,966,000.00	Exempt	Pavement (Interstate)
									State	\$380,000.00			
									Labor	\$166,000.00			
101	119349	SUM SR 0021 01.07	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge Preservation	SUM-SR 21-01.07 over Johnson Rd	Replacing superstructure on SFN 7701179 SUM-SR 21-01.07 over Johnson Rd in the city of Norton.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$2,084,000.00	\$3,256,410.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS)
									State	\$521,000.00			
									Labor	\$182,350.00			
	119382	D04 BH/CR FY2027 (West)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Culvert Preservation	Various locations in POR, STA and SUM counties.	Spray lining of various culverts and bridge culverts in POR, STA and SUM counties.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$1,167,500.00	\$1,432,300.00	Exempt	
									State	\$182,500.00			
									Labor	\$82,300.00			
102	119501	POR Newton Falls Bridge (CR177)	PORTAGE COUNTY ENGINEER	Bridge Preservation	Newton Falls Rd bridge over the West Branch of the Mahoning River	Replacement of SFN 6732569 Newton Falls Rd bridge over the West Branch of the Mahoning River.	CO	2026	Local Programs	\$1,377,073.00	\$1,769,799.71	Exempt	
									Local	\$173,977.53			
103	119537	WAY CR 70 01.13 (Doylestown)	WAYNE COUNTY ENGINEER	Bridge Preservation	100 ft on either side of structure.	Bridge replacement of WAY-CR 70-1.13 (SFN 8547149) with minor approach work.	DD	2026	Local Programs	\$73,200.00	\$1,117,479.75	Exempt	
									Local	\$18,300.00			
							CO	2026	Local Programs	\$731,600.00			
									Local	\$182,900.00			
104	120279	SUM Smith Rd Fairlawn SRTS	Fairlawn, City of	Traffic Control (Safety)	Smith Rd from Shiawassee Ave to Corunna Ave	Install 300ft of sidewalk along Smith Road from Shiawassee Ave to Corunna Ave in the City of Fairlawn. Includes upgrades to the pedestrian features of the intersection adjacent to Herberich Primary School which includes countdown pedestrian heads/pedestals, push buttons, ADA curb ramps and high visibility crosswalk markings.	CO	2026	Local Programs	\$220,000.00	\$220,000.00	Exempt	
105	120285	SUM Hudson Ped Improvements Ph 2	Hudson, City of	Pedestrian Facilities	Various streets in the City of Hudson.	Pedestrian improvements along Aurora St, Main St, Streetsboro St, First St and Main St in the City of Hudson. Includes high visibility crosswalks, new curb ramps, sidewalk and countdown pedestrian signal heads.	CO	2026	Safety	\$570,323.70	\$922,680.00	Exempt	Non-SOV, Safety
									Local	\$177,469.30			
	120325	D04 BI FY2024-26 (Underwater/FC)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Asset Inventory / Inspection	Districtwide	FY 2024 - FY 2026 Underwater & Fracture Critical Bridge Inspections.	ENV	2026	State	\$159,067.00	\$1,165,148.00	Exempt	
								2027	State	\$272,300.00			

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	120326	D04 BI FY2027-29 (Underwater/FC)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Asset Inventory / Inspection	Districtwide	FY 2027 - FY 2029 Underwater & Fracture Critical Bridge Inspections.	ENV	2027	State	\$266,000.00	\$917,000.00	Exempt	
								2028	State	\$385,000.00			
								2029	State	\$266,000.00			
106	120675	POR US 0224 16.05	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Intersection Improvement (Safety)	POR US 224 at SR 225 (SLM 16.09)	Construct a roundabout at the intersection of US-224 and SR 225 in Deerfield Township, Portage County, Ohio.	DD	2026	Safety	\$137,200.00	\$4,950,766.00	Exempt	Safety
							RW	2026	Safety	\$97,900.00			
							CO	2028	Safety	\$3,666,100.00			
	120768	SUM UA Rehab Aging Transp Infra.	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	New Building/ Facility	Center for Rehabilitation of Aging Transportation Infrastructure.	Center for Rehabilitation of Aging Transportation Infrastructure.	CO	2026	Discretionary / Earmark	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,070,000.00	Exempt	PHED
									Labor	\$70,000.00			
107	120795	SUM CR 0126 01.14 (Glenwood Dr)	SUMMIT COUNTY ENGINEER	Bridge Preservation	Glenwood Dr over Tinker's Creek	Replacement of (SFN 7755058) Glenwood Dr bridge over Tinker's Creek.	CO	2028	Local Programs	\$2,942,400.00	\$3,678,000.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$735,600.00			
108	120883	WAY-CR 51-3.28 (Canaan Center)	WAYNE COUNTY ENGINEER	Bridge Preservation	250' on either side of structure	Replacement of the structure on Canaan Center Road (SFN 8532028). The project is to be let as a Design/Build	DD	2028	Local Programs	\$95,000.00	\$707,820.00	Exempt	
									Local	\$5,000.00			
							CO	2028	Local Programs	\$577,429.00			
109	121263	POR US 422 0.00	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Major Rehab	POR US 422 from 0.000 to 1.935	Resurfacing of POR US 422.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$1,000,000.00	\$1,300,000.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									State	\$250,000.00			
									Labor	\$50,000.00			
110	121454	POR SR 43/59 10.23/1.82	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Roadway Minor Rehab	POR SR 43 from 10.23 to 11.43 and POR SR 59 from 1.82 to 2.04	Resurfacing of POR SR 43 and POR SR 59 in the City of Kent, Portage County, Ohio.	CO	2029	Preservation	\$960,000.00	\$1,296,000.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate NHS)
									Labor	\$96,000.00			
									Local	\$240,000.00			
112	121479	SUM IR 0277 03.73	DISTRICT 4-BRIDGES	Bridge Preservation	SUM IR 277 03.73 over SUM IR 77	Deck replacement on SFN 7709811 SUM IR 277 over I-77.	DD	2026	Major Programs	\$62,361.90	\$14,500,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$6,929.10			
113	121493	POR SR 0043 13.90	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge Preservation	POR SR 43 13.90	Replace superstructure on SFN 6701213 POR-SR 43-13.90 over abandoned railroad.	ENV	2026	State	\$300,000.00	\$2,222,500.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS)
							DD	2028	State	\$50,000.00			
114	121494	SUM SR 0008 07.41	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge Preservation	SUM SR 8 7.41	Replace SFN 7700679 SUM-SR 8-7.41 pedestrian bridge over SR 8.	ENV	2027	State	\$300,000.00	\$1,850,000.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS)
							DD	2029	State	\$50,000.00			
	121533	D04 BH FY2026	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge Preservation	Districtwide	FY 2026 districtwide bridge maintenance.	CO	2026	Preservation	\$682,500.00	\$894,480.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS)
									State	\$95,100.00			
									Labor	\$77,700.00			
115	121535	POR US 224/SR 303 8.29/19.51	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge Preservation	POR-US 224-08.29 over Branch of Congress Lake Outlet & POR-SR-303-19.509 over Branch of Eagle Creek	Replacing SFN 6703844 POR-US 224-08.29 over Branch of Congress Lake Outlet. Scour repairs along embankment of SFN 6704506 POR-SR-303-19.509	CO	2026	Preservation	\$720,000.00	\$1,051,584.60	Exempt	
									State	\$180,000.00			
									Labor	\$90,000.00			
	121538	D04 TSG FY2029	DISTRICT 4-HMA	Traffic Control (Safety)	TBD	Signal Upgrade - Location(s) to be determined.	CO	2029	Preservation	\$400,000.00	\$550,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									State	\$100,000.00			
									Labor	\$50,000.00			
116	121826	SUM High St Bridge (Akron)	Akron, City of	Bridge Preservation	High St over Rosa Parks Dr	Bridge rehabilitation on SFN 7760019 High St bridge over Rosa Parks Dr in the City of Akron.	CO	2027	Local Programs	\$808,319.00	\$850,862.11	Exempt	
									Local	\$42,543.11			

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117	121920	SUM IR 0077 22.50 Corridor	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Statewide / Regional Planning	SUM IR 77/SR 21/SR 18 Corridor	Corridor Study along SUM IR 77 from the SR 21 interchange to the SR 18 interchange.	SP	2026	Preservation	\$800,000.00	\$2,000,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$200,000.00			
								2027	Preservation	\$800,000.00			
									State	\$200,000.00			
118	122129	POR Hopkins Rd Bridge (TR250)	PORTAGE COUNTY ENGINEER	Bridge Preservation	Hopkins Rd (TR 250) bridge over Branch of Eagle Creek	Replacement of SFN 6732208 Hopkins Rd (TR 250) bridge over Branch of Eagle Creek in Nelson Township, Portage County, Ohio.	CO	2027	Local Programs	\$1,120,240.00	\$1,371,507.29	Exempt	
									Local	\$58,960.00			
119	122138	SUM Barborton SRTS	Barborton, City of	Pedestrian Facilities	City of Barborton	Installation of sidewalks in gap sections along Quincy Ave from S Van Buren to 2nd St SE, Lamberton Ave from 1st St SE to 2nd St SE, 2nd St SE from Snyder Ave to Quincy Ave and on Morgan St near the High School, in the City of Barborton, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2027	Local Programs	\$570,791.52	\$627,891.52	Exempt	Non-SOV
									Labor	\$57,100.00			
	122139	SUM Akron SRTS27	Akron, City of	Pedestrian Facilities	Throughout the Akron Public School District	Install raised crosswalks, signage, pavement markings and new curb ramps around priority schools in the City of Akron, Summit County, Ohio.	CO	2027	Local Programs	\$375,000.00	\$550,000.00	Exempt	Non-SOV, Safety
									Safety	\$125,000.00			
									Local	\$50,000.00			
120	122580	SUM CR 0174 01.73 (Wheatley Rd)	SUMMIT COUNTY ENGINEER	Bridge Preservation	Wheatley Rd (CR 174) bridge over Riding Run	Rehabilitation of SFN 7749023 Wheatley Rd (CR 174) bridge over Riding Run.	CO	2028	Local Programs	\$595,855.92	\$744,819.90	Exempt	
									Local	\$148,963.98			
121	122679	SUM SR 0021 00.15	DISTRICT 4-ENGINEERING	Roadside / Median Improvement (Safety)	SUM SR 21 from SR 585 to IR 77.	Installation of median cable barrier along SUM SR 21 from SR 585 to IR 77 (9 miles).	CO	2027	Safety	\$2,180,000.00	\$2,332,600.00	Exempt	Safety
									Labor	\$152,600.00			
	122748	D12/D3 GES FY2027-2028 Subsurf	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Geotechnical Services	N/A	D12 and D3 -- 2027-2028 GEC contract for pavement and bridge subsurface investigation o This project is programmed to replace PID 120619 upon its completion.	ENV	2027	State	\$200,000.00	\$400,000.00	Exempt	
								2028	State	\$200,000.00			
122	122877	SUM-IR 271 Rest Areas TP	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Other Building / Facility Work	SUM IR 271 WB and EB Rest Areas in Summit County	Construction of trucking parking at SUM-1271 WB and EB rest areas. Development will be completed under PID 122864.	CO	2026	State	\$12,000,000.00	\$12,840,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$840,000.00			
123	122880	SUM IR 77 Vacant Rest Area TP	ODOT SPONSORING AGENCY	Other Building / Facility Work	SUM IR 77 NB vacant Rest Area in Summit County	Construction of trucking parking at SUM-477 NB vacant rest area. Development will be completed under PID 122864.	CO	2026	State	\$5,000,000.00	\$5,350,000.00	Exempt	
									Labor	\$350,000.00			
	123009	D04 TSG FY2027	DISTRICT 4-HMA	Traffic Control (Safety)	TBD	Signal Upgrade - Location to be determined	CO	2027	Preservation	\$520,000.00	\$715,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									State	\$130,000.00			
									Labor	\$65,000.00			
	123011	D04 TSG FY2029	DISTRICT 4-HMA	Traffic Control (Safety)	TBD	Signal Upgrade - Location to be determined	CO	2029	Preservation	\$480,000.00	\$660,000.00	Exempt	Safety
									State	\$120,000.00			
									Labor	\$60,000.00			
124	123060	SUM SR 0303 06.66 (Slide)	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Geologic Maintenance / Slide Repair	SUM SR 303 from 6.66 to 6.70	Slide repair along SUM SR 303 6.66 to 6.70. Located in the Village of Peninsula.	CO	2028	Other	\$640,000.00	\$1,070,000.00	Exempt	
									Preservation	\$160,000.00			
									State	\$200,000.00			
									Labor	\$70,000.00			
125	123324	SUM IR 0271 00.00	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM IR 271 from 0.00 to 2.303.	Resurfacing of SUM IR 271.	CO	2027	Preservation	\$1,845,000.00	\$2,209,000.00	Exempt	Pavement (Interstate)
									State	\$205,000.00			
									Labor	\$159,000.00			



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Map ID	PID	Project Name	Sponsoring Agency	Work Type	Project Termini	Project Description	Phase	Year (SFY)	Fund Type	Fund Estimate	Total Project Estimate	Air Quality Status	Performance Measures
126	123510	SUM SR 241 00.00	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Roadway Minor Rehab	SUM SR 241 from 00.00 to 01.50.	Resurfacing of SUM SR 241, includes Urban Paving in the City of Green.	CO	2029	Preservation	\$800,000.00	\$1,080,000.00	Exempt	Pavement (Non-Interstate)
									Labor	\$80,000.00			
									Local	\$200,000.00			
127	123674	SUM SR 0091 20.08	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge Preservation	SUM-91-2008	Superstructure replacement of SFN 7707444 SUM-91-2008.	ENV	2027	State	\$300,000.00	\$2,222,500.00	Exempt	Bridge (NHS)
							DD	2029	State	\$50,000.00			
	123734	D04 BH FY 2027	DISTRICT 4-PLANNING	Bridge / Culvert Maintenance	Districtwide	Bridge maintenance on structures located on various routes within District 4.	CO	2029	Preservation	\$600,000.00	\$825,000.00	Exempt	
									State	\$150,000.00			
									Labor	\$75,000.00			

Transit Improvements

The transit portion of the AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029 includes projects programmed for the area's transit operators, earmark projects administered through the Federal Transit Administration, and projects associated with the coordination of public transit and human service agencies utilizing the Specialized Transportation (Enhanced Mobility for the Elderly and Disabled) Program. These projects use available federal, state, and local funds to subsidize expenditures for capital items, maintenance, planning, and operations.

As the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the area, AMATS is responsible for programming public transportation projects for the two transit providers, Akron METRO RTA and PARTA. METRO and PARTA submit projects to AMATS for programming in the TIP. These projects are drawn from the AMATS Regional Transportation Plan. The submissions from METRO and PARTA are evaluated and prioritized as described in the AMATS Funding Policy Guidelines. Priorities are based on AMATS Regional Goals and Objectives, as well as both of the METRO and PARTA Transit Asset Management (TAM) Plans. The projects are then programmed by year in the TIP based on the evaluations, timing of the projects, and the availability of funding. Most transit projects submitted to AMATS request funding through the FTA Section 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program. The Akron Urbanized Area receives an annual apportionment from this program. In addition, METRO and PARTA receive, by agreement, a portion of the Cleveland Urbanized Area's Section 5307 funds for the northern part of their service area in each of their respective counties. The bulk of Section 5307 funds that METRO and PARTA utilize are derived from the Akron Urbanized Area's apportionment.

The fiscal constraint analyses for METRO and PARTA contained in this TIP take into consideration the urbanized area allocation of federal funds and the incongruous and variable nature of urbanized areas and consequent MPO boundaries. Further discussions of these issues are contained in the attached AMATS Funding Policy Guidelines. AMATS programs transit projects for providers applying for funds used in the AMATS area.

Federal Transit Grant Programs

Transit Authorities generally use Federal funding programs for capital expenses. Transit agencies can often utilize multiple federal funding sources for one project, administered at the state level by the Ohio Department of Transportation. The primary source of federal funding for capital and maintenance projects is the Federal Transit Authority's **(FTA) Section 5307 Program**. These funds are typically used to purchase new buses, equipment, and for preventative maintenance and planning. To better serve elderly persons and persons with disabilities, the transit agencies are also eligible for **FTA's Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for the Elderly and Disabled Program** funds. Also known as the Specialized Transportation Program, these funds may be used for capital or operating expenses. **FTA's Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities Program** can also fund capital projects. These funds are also used for new buses or for capital facilities. Within the Section 5339 Funding Program is a discretionary source dedicated to funding zero and low-emission buses in order to reduce air pollution. This is known as the Low or No Emissions Grant Program. Funding for implementing or expanding Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) is available through **FTA's Small Starts Program**.

Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) is the most versatile funding option that can be used for a variety of projects including highways, transit and bicycle and pedestrian facilities. **Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program (CMAQ)** can be used for projects that improve air quality, such as CNG buses, traffic signal improvements, and park and ride lots. **Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)** can be used for projects designed to reduce transportation emissions, defined as carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions from

on-road highway sources. Projects eligible for CRP funds include roundabouts, operational projects that improve traffic flow, clean fuel bus purchases, and bicycle and pedestrian projects.

State Grant Programs

The Ohio Transit Partnership Program (OTP2) is a competitive grant program that was established to provide additional capital funding to Ohio's public transit operators for projects emphasizing system preservation. METRO RTA and PARTA have each received OTP2 funds almost every year since 2012. The OTP2 funds have come from ODOT attributable federal funds (CRP, CMAQ or STBG), or from state general revenue funds (GRF). Although the OTP2 program now includes state general revenue funds, the amount of funding is insufficient for the needs of the transit agencies. **The Diesel Emissions Reduction Grant (DERG) Program** is offered by ODOT annually in coordination with the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA) to public and private sector diesel fleets (motor vehicle, marine, locomotive, and highway construction equipment). METRO and PARTA have each been awarded DERG funds regularly on an annual basis for a number of years. **The Urban Transit Program (UTP)** is a statewide source of funding catered to transit service in Ohio's urbanized areas with populations of 50,000 or greater (therefore both METRO and PARTA receive funding). UTP is a flexible funding source available for a wide variety of activities that support the provision of public transportation.

The following table presents the SFY 2026 – 2029 Transit funding program project summary for the AMATS area.

Transit Funding Program Estimates: FY 2026-2029 TIP				
Funding Program	Fiscal Year			
	2026	2027	2028	2029
5307 – Urbanized Area Formula	\$16,072,000	\$10,979,744	\$9,947,744	\$12,727,744
5310 – Specialized	\$453,104	\$924,605	\$924,605	\$924,605
5339 – Bus and Bus Facilities	\$0	\$777,000	\$777,000	\$0
CMAQ – Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality	\$3,054,750	\$0	\$0	\$0
State – General Revenue Match	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000
Local –	\$113,857,463	\$159,638,282	\$91,542,407	\$98,074,407
Total Funding Program Projects	\$134,762,317	\$173,644,631	\$104,516,756	\$113,051,756

The FY 2026-2029 TIP includes capital, maintenance, planning, and operating expenditures for METRO and PARTA. As discussed above, the primary source of federal funding for capital and maintenance projects is the FTA Section 5307 Urbanized Formula Program. Capital projects may also be funded through the FTA Section 5339 Program. Operating expenditures are funded mainly through the respective county-wide sales taxes and farebox returns.

Also included in the TIP are funds for the Specialized Transportation (FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for the Elderly and Disabled) Program, administered by ODOT. These funds are awarded on an annual basis as part of the implementation of the area's Coordinated Public Transit / Human Services Transportation Plan to provide transportation services that meet the special needs of elderly persons and persons with disabilities. These funds may be used for capital or operating expenses. The application process and project selection are administered by ODOT.

The following tables list all of the transit projects that are currently programmed for implementation for the FYs 2026 through 2029. The FY TIP 2026-2029 includes \$53.4 million in federal funds for capital and planning



projects, and \$8.5 million in federal funds for preventive maintenance expenditures. No Section 5339 funds are programmed for planning activities. Total transit funding for the FY 2026-2029 TIP is \$526.0 million.

METRO and PARTA both maintain current Transit Asset Management (TAM) plans. Chapter 2 of the AMATS FY 2026-2029 TIP has a discussion of transit performance measures, including a discussion of transit projects which support the targets of the RTA TAM plans.



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METRO Regional Transit Authority

PID #	FTA ALI Code	Project Name or Description	Vehicle Quantity	Expansion or Replacement	Type	State FY	Federal Funding	Federal Funding Source	State Funding	State Funding Source	Local Funding	Local Funding Source	Total Project Cost
122909	30.09.01	Baseline Operating Costs			Operating	2026					\$69,625,000	Sales Tax	\$69,625,000
122917	44.22.00	Planning			Planning	2026					\$850,000	Sales Tax	\$850,000
122992	11.7A.00	Preventative Maintenance			Operating	2026	\$0		\$1,050,000	UTP	\$5,950,000	Sales Tax	\$7,000,000
122993	11.12.01	Large Buses	14	Replacement	Capital	2026	\$8,320,000	5307			\$2,080,000	Sales Tax	\$10,400,000
123005	11.92.02	Bus Stop Amenities (Shelters, etc)		Replacement	Capital	2026	\$280,000	5307			\$70,000	Sales Tax	\$350,000
122913	11.43.01	Transit Oriented Development Year 1: Planned Future Funding			Capital	2026					\$25,000,000	Sales Tax	\$25,000,000
122991	11.22.01	Bus Rapid Transit Right of Way Year 1: Planned Future Funding			Capital	2026					\$100,000	Sales Tax	\$100,000
122991	11.21.01	Bus Rapid Transit Design Year 1: Planned Future Funding			Capital	2026					\$100,000	Sales Tax	\$100,000
122991	11.23.01	Bus Rapid Transit Construction Year 1: Planned Future Funding			Capital	2026					\$100,000	Sales Tax	\$100,000
119033	11.12.01	Large Buses	13		Capital	2026	\$5,460,000	5307			\$1,365,000	Sales Tax	\$6,825,000
117253	11.12.01	Large Electric Buses	2		Capital	2026	\$1,454,750	CMAQ-A			\$376,187	Sales Tax	\$1,830,937
122909	30.09.01	Baseline Operating Costs			Operating	2027					\$72,061,875	Sales Tax	\$72,061,875
122917	44.22.00	Planning			Planning	2027					\$850,000	Sales Tax	\$850,000
122992	11.7A.00	Preventative Maintenance			Operating	2027	\$3,755,744	5307	\$1,050,000	UTP	\$2,194,256	Sales Tax	\$7,000,000
TBD	11.12.01	6 Large Buses	6	Replacement	Capital	2027	\$5,040,000	5307			\$1,260,000	Sales Tax	\$6,300,000
TBD	11.92.02	Bus Stop Amenities (Shelters, etc)			Capital	2027	\$777,000	5339			\$70,000	Sales Tax	\$847,000
122913	11.43.01	Transit Oriented Development Year 2 *PLANNED FUTURE FUNDING*			Capital	2027					\$75,000,000	Sales Tax	\$75,000,000
122991	11.21.01	Bus Rapid Transit Design Year 2 *PLANNED FUTURE FUNDING*			Capital	2027					\$100,000	Sales Tax	\$100,000
122991	11.23.01	Bus Rapid Transit Construction Year 2 *PLANNED FUTURE FUNDING*			Capital	2027					\$100,000	Sales Tax	\$100,000
122909	30.09.01	Baseline Operating Costs			Operating	2027					\$72,061,875	Sales Tax	\$72,061,875
122917	44.22.00	Planning			Planning	2027					\$850,000	Sales Tax	\$850,000
122992	11.7A.00	Preventative Maintenance			Operating	2027	\$3,755,744	5307	\$1,050,000	UTP	\$2,194,256	Sales Tax	\$7,000,000
123002	11.12.01	Large Buses	6	Replacement	Capital	2027	\$5,040,000	5307			\$1,260,000	Sales Tax	\$6,300,000
123005	11.92.02	Bus Stop Amenities (Shelters, etc)			Capital	2027	\$777,000	5339			\$70,000	Sales Tax	\$847,000
122913	11.43.01	Transit Oriented Development Year 2: Planned Future Funding			Capital	2027					\$75,000,000	Sales Tax	\$75,000,000
122991	11.21.01	Bus Rapid Transit Design Year 2: Planned Future Funding			Capital	2027					\$100,000	Sales Tax	\$100,000
122991	11.23.01	Bus Rapid Transit Construction Year 2: Planned Future Funding			Capital	2027					\$100,000	Sales Tax	\$100,000
122912	30.09.01	Baseline Operating Costs			Operating	2028					\$74,224,000	Sales Tax	\$74,224,000
122917	44.22.00	Planning			Planning	2028					\$850,000	Sales Tax	\$850,000
122995	11.7A.00	Preventative Maintenance			Capital	2028	\$363,744	5307	\$1,050,000	UTP	\$5,586,256	Sales Tax	\$7,000,000
123002	11.12.01	Large Buses	8	Replacement	Capital	2028	\$4,480,000	5307			\$1,120,000	Sales Tax	\$5,600,000
122915	11.12.04	Small Buses	38	Replacement	Capital	2028	\$3,952,000	5307			\$1,748,000	Sales Tax	\$5,700,000
122916	11.92.02	Bus Stop Amenities (Shelters, etc)			Capital	2028	\$777,000	5339			\$70,000	Sales Tax	\$847,000
122991	11.21.01	Bus Rapid Transit Design Year 3: Planned Future Funding			Capital	2028					\$100,000	Sales Tax	\$100,000
122991	11.23.01	Bus Rapid Transit Construction Year 3: Planned Future Funding			Capital	2028					\$100,000	Sales Tax	\$100,000
122912	30.09.01	Baseline Operating Costs			Operating	2029					\$76,451,000	Sales Tax	\$76,451,000
122917	44.22.00	Planning			Planning	2029					\$850,000	Sales Tax	\$850,000
122995	11.7A.00	Preventative Maintenance			Capital	2029	\$0		\$1,050,000	UTP	\$5,950,000	Sales Tax	\$7,000,000
123004	11.12.01	Large Buses	11	Replacement	Capital	2029	\$4,219,744	5307			\$4,360,256	Sales Tax	\$8,580,000
122915	11.12.04	Small Buses	44	Replacement	Capital	2029	\$4,576,000	5307			\$2,024,000	Sales Tax	\$6,600,000
TOTALS							\$43,455,982		\$4,200,000		\$430,685,830		\$478,341,812



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Portage Area Regional Transportation Authority

PID #	FTA ALI Code	Project Description	Qty	Expansion or Replacement	Type	State FY	Federal Funding	Federal Funding Source	State Funding	State Funding Source	Local Funding	Local Funding Source	Total Project Cost
118306	30.09.03	Operating			Operating	2026					\$7,500,000	Dedicated Local Tax	\$7,500,000
118315	44.24.00	Planning			Planning	2026	\$52,000	5307			\$13,000	Operating Revenue	\$65,000
118320	11.7A.00	Preventive Maintenance			Capital	2026	\$1,100,000	5307	\$275,000	UTP (GRF)			\$1,375,000
116416	11.12.02	Large CNG Transit Buses - 35'	3	Replacement	Capital	2026	\$1,600,000	CMAQ-A			\$400,000	Dedicated Local Tax	\$2,000,000
118331	11.12.04	Small Buses (LTVs) - < 30'	5	Replacement	Capital	2026	\$860,000	5307			\$215,000	Dedicated Local Tax	\$1,075,000
118309	30.09.03	Operating			Operating	2027					\$7,500,000	Dedicated Local Tax	\$7,500,000
118316	44.24.00	Planning			Planning	2027	\$52,000	5307			\$13,000	Operating Revenue	\$65,000
118322	11.7A.00	Preventive Maintenance			Capital	2027	\$1,100,000	5307	\$275,000	UTP (GRF)			\$1,375,000
118332	11.12.04	Small Buses (LTVs) - < 30'	6	Replacement	Capital	2027	\$1,032,000	5307			\$258,000	Dedicated Local Tax	\$1,290,000
122666	30.09.03	Operating			Operating	2028					\$7,500,000	Dedicated Local Tax	\$7,500,000
122667	44.24.00	Planning			Planning	2028	\$52,000	5307			\$13,000	Operating Revenue	\$65,000
122668	11.7A.00	Preventive Maintenance			Capital	2028	\$1,100,000	5307	\$275,000	UTP (GRF)			\$1,375,000
122669	30.09.04	Operating			Operating	2029					\$7,500,000	Dedicated Local Tax	\$7,500,000
122670	44.24.00	Planning			Planning	2029	\$52,000	5307			\$13,000	Operating Revenue	\$65,000
122671	11.7A.00	Preventive Maintenance			Capital	2029	\$1,100,000	5307	\$275,000	UTP (GRF)			\$1,375,000
122673	11.12.02	Large Buses STD - 35'	4	Replacement	Capital	2029	\$1,920,000	5307			\$480,000	Dedicated Local Tax	\$2,400,000
122672	11.12.04	Small Buses (LTVs) - < 30'	5	Replacement	Capital	2029	\$860,000	5307			\$215,000	Dedicated Local Tax	\$1,075,000
TOTALS							\$10,880,000		\$1,100,000		\$31,620,000		\$43,600,000

Specialized Transportation Program - FTA 5310 Enhanced Mobility for the Elderly and Disabled

PID #	FTA ALI Code	Project Description	Qty	Expansion or Replacement	Type	State FY	Federal Funding \$	Federal Funding Source	State Funding	State Funding Source	Local Funding	Local Funding Source	Total Project Cost
121428	11.12.04	Vehicle Replacement - Carryover				2026	\$453,104	5310	\$0		\$113,276	Other	\$566,380
118284	11.12.04	Vehicle Replacement				2027	\$924,605	5310	\$0		\$231,151	Other	\$1,155,756
123296	11.12.04	Vehicle Replacement				2028	\$924,605	5310	\$0		\$231,151	Other	\$1,155,756
123302	11.12.04	Vehicle Replacement				2029	\$924,605	5310	\$0		\$231,151	Other	\$1,155,756
TOTALS							\$3,226,919		\$0		\$806,729		\$4,033,648

Federal funding estimates are based on the allocation presented in the March 9, 2024, Federal Register for FFY 2024.

Elderly and Disabled projects are competitively selected annually by the ODOT Office of Transit. The area's RTAs and eligible social service agencies may apply for FTA Enhanced Mobility funds.



TIP Modifications

Once the 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program is approved in July 2025, any changes must be made through amendments or administrative modifications. The guidelines for such changes are outlined in [Appendix E | Ohio STIP Revisions Guidelines](#). These guidelines determine whether the change is an amendment that needs to be submitted to ODOT via a resolution approved by the AMATS Policy Committee or an administrative modification that is agreed to by AMATS and ODOT. Administrative modifications are considered smaller changes such as small cost changes and minor name changes. All amendments and administrative modifications are posted as updates on the AMATS website TIP listings.

Chapter 9 | Fiscal Constraint Analysis

For a project to be included in the TIP, per federal regulations, reasonable fiscal constraint must be maintained. Fiscal constraint is achieved by keeping estimated transportation improvements within reasonably anticipated budgets. ODOT Statewide Planning, in coordination with the ODOT STIP Manager, has developed a fiscal constraint assumption that can be utilized to support up to 15% overprogramming of allocated MPO capital funds in the upcoming 2026-2029 S/TIPs. This assumption is not based on increased revenue, rather the increased availability of existing revenues due to projects coming in under the programmed amounts at the time of bid, projects being delayed, and/or projects being cancelled due to shifting local and regional priorities.

For the TIP, fiscal constraint applies to each program year. Fiscal constraint has been a key component of transportation planning and program development since the passage of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA) in 1991, enhancing the credibility and usefulness of the planning process. AMATS current funding is tied to Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which was signed into law in November 2021 and expires in September 2026. When the horizon year for the TIP period extends beyond the current authorization period for federal program funds, available or anticipated funds may include an extrapolation based on historic authorizations of federal funds that are distributed by formula.

Based on all these assumptions in coordination with ODOT, AMATS affirms that its FY 2026-2019 TIP meets all fiscal constraint requirements for both highway and transit projects. The tables below provide an overview of the estimated revenues and expenditures for the AMATS region for the FY 2026-2029 TIP period for both highway and transit components by year.

Highway Fiscal Analysis

The 2026-2029 AMATS Highway TIP Fiscal Constraints table is displayed below and is taken from the E-STIP directly. This table lists budgets, estimated expenditures, and cumulative balances within the AMATS area. The cumulative balance includes carry forward, which have positive and negative balances, but never exceeds the 15% overprogramming.

2026 – 2029 AMATS Highway TIP Fiscal Constraints

STIP Year	2025	2026			2027			2028			2029		
STIP Fund Type	Carry Forward	Budget	Estimate	Cumulative Balance	Budget	Estimate	Cumulative Balance	Budget	Estimate	Cumulative Balance	Budget	Estimate	Cumulative Balance
Federal Funds													
Discretionary/Earmark	\$0	\$3,000,000	\$3,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Programs	\$0	\$6,808,593	\$6,808,593	\$0	\$11,609,851	\$11,609,851	\$0	\$4,210,685	\$4,210,685	\$0	\$1,943,035	\$1,943,035	\$0
Major Programs	\$0	\$1,407,500	\$1,407,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$11,600,000	\$11,600,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
MPO CMAQ	(\$3,606,770)	\$3,250,371	\$3,945,183	(\$4,301,582)	\$6,315,121	\$3,253,600	(\$1,240,064)	\$6,315,121	\$8,950,885	(\$3,875,825)	\$6,315,121	\$2,186,400	252,896
MPO CRP	\$852,375	\$1,133,973	\$2,000,000	(\$13,652)	\$1,133,973	\$240,000	\$880,231	\$1,133,973	\$1,750,000	\$264,294	\$1,133,973	\$2,000,000	(\$601,733)
MPO CRRSAA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
MPO STBG	(\$404)	\$9,348,765	\$9,502,536	(\$154,175)	\$11,448,765	\$12,619,421	(\$1,324,831)	\$11,448,765	\$11,649,933	(\$1,525,999)	\$11,448,765	\$9,964,217	(\$41,451)
MPO TA	(\$606,429)	\$1,138,532	\$904,263	(\$372,160)	\$1,138,532	\$600,000	\$166,372	\$1,138,532	\$45,200	\$1,259,704	\$1,138,532	\$1,921,200	\$447,036
National Highway Freight	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$52,000,000	\$52,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$640,000	\$640,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Preservation	\$0	\$24,224,477	\$24,224,477	\$0	\$23,647,500	\$23,647,500	\$0	\$35,967,825	\$35,967,825	\$0	\$11,986,400	\$11,986,400	\$0
Safety	\$0	\$8,052,234	\$8,052,234	\$0	\$2,305,000	\$2,305,000	\$0	\$7,242,835	\$7,242,835	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	(\$3,361,228)	\$58,364,444	\$59,844,786	(\$4,841,570)	\$110,238,742	\$106,915,371	(\$1,518,200)	\$79,057,736	\$81,417,363	(\$3,877,827)	\$33,965,826	\$30,001,252	\$86,747
Other Funds													
State	\$0	\$31,450,799	\$31,450,799	\$0	\$31,385,700	\$31,385,700	\$0	\$23,205,706	\$23,205,706	\$0	\$22,293,500	\$22,293,500	\$0
Garvee/ SIB Repayments	\$0	\$21,179,462	\$21,179,462	\$0	\$15,389,500	\$15,389,500	\$0	\$15,346,982	\$15,346,982	\$0	\$13,103,745	\$13,103,745	\$0
Labor	\$0	\$4,225,621	\$4,225,621	\$0	\$7,445,450	\$7,445,450	\$0	\$5,793,466	\$5,793,466	\$0	\$2,910,623	\$2,910,623	\$0
Local	\$0	\$10,946,547	\$10,946,547	\$0	\$11,811,326	\$11,811,326	\$0	\$15,656,459	\$15,656,459	\$0	\$9,274,852	\$9,274,852	\$0
Total	\$0	\$67,802,429	\$67,802,429	\$0	\$66,031,976	\$66,031,976	\$0	\$60,002,613	\$60,002,613	\$0	\$47,582,720	\$47,582,720	\$0
Total	(\$3,361,228)	\$126,166,873	\$127,647,215	(\$4,841,570)	\$176,270,717	\$172,947,347	(\$1,518,200)	\$139,060,349	\$141,419,976	(\$3,877,827)	\$81,548,546	\$77,583,972	\$86,747

AMATS also provides two additional tables below that includes annual STBG, TASA, and CRP funds, which are AMATS attributable funds and the CMAQ program, which is a statewide program. CMAQ funds received for projects within the AMATS planning area are managed and awarded through a statewide committee. An MPO's TIP may be programmed at higher funding amounts of CMAQ than the MPO's four-year CMAQ allocation and still maintain fiscal constraint due to the overall statewide program maintaining fiscal constraint.

AMATS Attributable Funds					
STBG	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Annual STBG Expenditures	\$12,822,077	\$9,502,536	\$12,619,421	\$11,649,933	\$9,964,218
Annual STBG Allocations	\$12,821,671	\$9,348,765	\$11,448,765	\$11,448,765	\$11,448,765
Balance	(\$406)	(\$153,771)	(\$1,170,656)	(\$201,168)	\$1,484,547
TASA	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Annual TASA Expenditures	\$3,072,539	\$912,846	\$600,000	\$45,200	\$1,921,200
Annual TASA Allocations	\$2,466,110	\$1,138,532	\$1,138,532	\$1,138,532	\$1,138,532
Balance	(\$606,429)	\$225,686	\$538,532	\$1,093,332	(\$782,668)
CRP	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Annual CRP Expenditures	\$4,275,892	\$2,000,000	\$240,000	\$1,750,000	\$2,000,000
Annual CRP Allocations	\$5,128,267	\$1,133,973	\$1,133,973	\$1,133,973	\$1,133,973
Balance	\$852,375	(\$866,027)	\$893,973	(\$616,027)	(\$866,027)
Combined Balances	\$245,540	(\$794,112)	\$261,849	\$276,137	(\$164,148)
Cumulative Balance		(\$548,572)	(\$286,723)	(\$10,586)	(\$174,734)
Combined Allocations		\$11,621,270	\$13,721,270	\$13,721,270	\$13,721,270
		(4.72%)	(2.09%)	(0.08%)	(1.27%)

Statewide CMAQ Funding Table					
Year	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Total Large MPO Budget	\$89,826,722	\$72,791,835	\$72,791,835	\$72,791,835	\$72,791,835
Encumbered & Outstanding	\$67,648,542	\$67,485,212	\$115,234,606	\$71,126,719	\$48,464,470
Year Balance	\$22,178,180	\$5,306,623	(\$42,442,418)	\$1,665,116	\$24,327,365
Cumulative Balance	\$23,941,417	\$26,248,040	(\$13,194,378)	(\$11,529,262)	\$12,798,103

Transit Fiscal Analysis

Federal regulations require agencies such as AMATS to program projects as part of a fiscally constrained process. AMATS and the area's RTAs demonstrate fiscal constraint by including sufficient financial information to confirm that projects can be implemented using committed or available revenue sources. Thus, AMATS ensures that the federally supported transportation system is being adequately operated and maintained.

The requirement for fiscal constraint is met through the preparation of financial plans, the requirements for which are contained in the joint Federal Transit Administration (FTA)/Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) regulations for Statewide and Metropolitan Transportation Planning. For the TIP, fiscal constraint applies to each program year. Available transit formula funding for this TIP is based on the latest year of FTA allocation (FY 2024).

The 2026-2029 AMATS Transit TIP Fiscal Constraints table is displayed below. This table lists budgets, estimated expenditures, and cumulative balances within the AMATS area. Please note that the cumulative balance includes carry forward positive balances.

2026 - 2029 AMATS Transit TIP Fiscal Constraints													
STIP Year	2025	2026			2027			2028			2029		
STIP Fund Type	Carry Forward	Budget	Estimate	Cumulative Balance	Budget	Estimate	Cumulative Balance	Budget	Estimate	Cumulative Balance	Budget	Estimate	Cumulative Balance
Non-ODOT Administered Federal Funds													
5309 (Non-ODOT)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5339 (Non-ODOT)	\$0	\$927,852	\$0	\$927,852	\$927,852	\$777,000	\$1,078,704	\$927,852	\$777,000	\$1,229,556	\$927,852	\$0	\$2,157,408
5307	\$5,460,000	\$10,513,087	\$16,072,000	(\$98,913)	\$10,513,087	\$14,339,744	(\$3,925,570)	\$10,513,087	\$9,947,744	(\$3,360,227)	\$10,513,087	\$12,727,744	(\$5,574,884)
5337	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5310 (Non-ODOT)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$5,460,000	\$11,440,939	\$16,072,000	\$828,939	\$11,440,939	\$15,116,744	(\$2,846,866)	\$11,440,939	\$10,724,744	(\$2,130,671)	\$11,440,939	\$12,727,744	(\$3,417,476)
ODOT Administered Federal Funds													
5310 Large Urban (ODOT)	\$0	\$453,104	\$453,104	\$0	\$924,605	\$924,605	\$0	\$924,605	\$924,605	\$0	\$924,605	\$924,605	\$0
Total	\$0	\$453,104	\$453,104	\$0	\$924,605	\$924,605	\$0	\$924,605	\$924,605	\$0	\$924,605	\$924,605	\$0
Flex Fund Transfer													
MPO CMAQ	\$0	\$3,064,750	\$3,064,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
MPO CRP	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
MPO CRRSAA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
MPO STBG	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
MPO TA	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$0	\$3,064,750	\$3,064,750	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Other Funds													
State	\$0	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000	\$0	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000	\$0	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000	\$0	\$1,325,000	\$1,325,000	\$0
Local	\$0	\$222,880,797	\$222,880,797	\$0	\$264,611,615	\$264,611,615	\$0	\$195,675,741	\$195,675,741	\$0	\$98,074,407	\$98,074,407	\$0
Total	\$0	\$224,205,797	\$224,205,797	\$0	\$265,936,615	\$265,936,615	\$0	\$197,000,741	\$197,000,741	\$0	\$99,399,407	\$99,399,407	\$0
Total	\$5,460,000	\$239,164,590	\$243,795,651	\$828,939	\$278,302,159	\$281,977,964	(\$2,846,866)	\$209,366,285	\$208,650,090	(\$2,130,671)	\$111,764,951	\$113,051,756	(\$3,417,476)

Chapter 10 | Approval Resolution

Following the completion of the program update and its commensurate public involvement processes, the Policy Committee of the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS) approved the Transportation Improvement Program for Fiscal Year 2026 Through Fiscal Year 2029 for the Greater Akron area by adopting Resolution 2025-XX during its May 15, 2025 meeting.

A copy of the resolution (expected to be signed May 15, 2025) is located below.

AKRON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

MEMORANDUM

TO: Policy Committee
Technical Advisory Committee
Citizens Involvement Committee

FROM: AMATS Staff

RE: Resolution 2025-05 - Adopting the AMATS Transportation Improvement Program FY 2026-2029

DATE: May 1, 2025

The Transportation Improvement Program Fiscal Years 2026 through 2029 (TIP FY 2026-2029) contains a comprehensive listing of regional transportation improvement projects scheduled for implementation with federal or state funds within the next four years. The *TIP FY 2026-2029* was developed by the AMATS staff in conjunction with all AMATS committees, area transit operators, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and US DOT.

The *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029* incorporates over \$1.07 billion in funding throughout the AMATS area. The program includes approximately \$416.7 million for highway projects, \$526.3 million for public transit needs, and \$8.4 million for bike and pedestrian projects. The remaining funds are reserved for debt services totaling \$65.0 million and other miscellaneous expenditures totaling \$56.7 million.

The AMATS area includes Summit and Portage counties and the Chippewa and Milton townships in Wayne County. The full TIP document follows ODOT's *Ohio TIP Guidance Template* and contains the following chapters and appendices:

Chapters

1. Introduction
2. Performance Based Planning and Programming
3. Air Quality Conformity
4. Demographics
5. Title VI and ADA Compliance
6. Public Involvement
7. Previous TIP Accomplishments
8. Projects
9. Fiscal Constraint Analysis
10. Approval Resolution

Appendices

- A. Air Quality Conformity
- B. Public Outreach
- C. Self Certification Resolution
- D. Funding Policy Guidelines
- E. Ohio STIP Revision Guidelines

In addition to listing projects to be funded, federal regulations derived from the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)* require that the TIP demonstrate financial balance, air quality conformity, performance measures and include opportunities for public comment. A summary of each of these activities follows:

Financial Balance

The *IIJA* requires that a financial plan be included, demonstrating that the TIP can be implemented with the financial resources expected to be available over the next four years. For this purpose, *Chapter 9 - Fiscal Constraint Analysis* is included in the TIP. This chapter summarizes highway and transit revenues and project costs. Highway and transit cost information were drawn from *Chapter 8 - Projects*.

The fiscal constraint analysis indicates that sufficient federal, state and local funds are expected to be available to support the projects included in the TIP for FY 2026-2029.

Air Quality Conformity

The Air Quality Conformity Analysis forecasts the mobile emissions generated by vehicles using the transportation system recommended in the upcoming *Transportation Outlook 2050*, the area's next Regional Transportation Plan. The analysis is required to forecast emissions relating to ozone and PM_{2.5} pollutants. The results of the analysis demonstrate that the emissions of ozone and PM_{2.5} do not exceed the level of emissions established by the Ohio EPA in the State Implementation Plan (SIP).

All of the projects in the TIP that require air quality analysis were included in *Appendix A - Air Quality Analysis*. This analysis confirms that the TIP FY 2026-2029 is in conformity with the SIP.

Performance Measures

Performance measures are central to implementing a performance-based planning process that guides decision making. Federal regulations require agencies such as AMATS to consider safety, infrastructure condition, congestion reduction, system reliability, freight movement and economic vitality to prioritize the programming of transportation projects. AMATS is also required to consider Transit Asset Management (TAM) planning as part of its efforts to maintain the area's transit capital resources in a state of good repair. Performance measures are discussed in greater detail in *Chapter 2 – Performance Based Planning and Programming*.

Public Comment

The public was given the opportunity to review and comment on the second draft of the TIP FY 2026-2029 from March 11 through April 11. A virtual public meeting occurred at the Citizens Involvement Committee meeting on March 20, 2025 at 6:30p.m. A press release, written notices, newspaper advertisements and social media were utilized to notify the public of the TIP public involvement period and meeting. Public Involvement is discussed in *Chapter 6 – Public Involvement* and additional information can be found in *Appendix B – Public Outreach*.

Staff Recommendation

Currently, the final draft *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029* is available on the “Funding” and “Reports & Data” sections of AMATS website located at amatsplanning.org. It is expected that the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration will approve this document by the end of June. On July 1, 2025, the new TIP is expected to become official. With federal approval, the Final *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029* will be available on the same pages of the AMATS website.

The Staff recommends approval of the final draft *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029*.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2025-05

OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE AKRON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

ADOPTING THE AMATS TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM FY 2026-2029

WHEREAS, the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS) is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) by the Governor, acting through the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and in cooperation with locally elected officials in Summit and Portage counties and the Chippewa Township and Milton Township areas of Wayne County; and

WHEREAS, AMATS has, pursuant to 23 United States Code 134, and relevant federal regulations, prepared a Transportation Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2026 through 2029 (TIP FY 2026-2029); and

WHEREAS, AMATS has carried out public involvement activities consistent with the AMATS Public Participation Plan during the period of March 11 through April 11 and conducted a public meeting on March 20, 2025; and

WHEREAS, a fiscal constraint analysis was conducted demonstrating that adequate funding is available to finance the projects programmed in the Transportation Improvement Program; and

WHEREAS, the Clean Air Act Amendments of 1990 require that AMATS make a determination, in cooperation with NOACA, ERPC and ODOT, that Transportation Outlook 2050 is in conformity with respect to Ohio's State Implementation Plan (SIP) for attainment of the 2008 and 2015 8-hour ozone standards and the 2006 and 2012 fine particulate matter standards; and

WHEREAS, a quantitative air quality analysis of the *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029* and *Transportation Outlook 2050*, the area's regional transportation plan, has been completed in accordance with the requirements specified by *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA)*; and

WHEREAS, the projects programmed in the *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029* are consistent with *Transportation Outlook 2050*, the area's regional transportation plan, and were included in the air quality analysis completed for the 2050 Plan and found to be in conformity with the State Implementation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the development of performance measures is required in order to foster transparency and accountability, and help track transportation system improvement at regional, state, and national levels; and

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WHEREAS, the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) has established performance targets for safety, infrastructure condition, congestion reduction and system reliability according to federal guidance and timetables; and


WHEREAS, AMATS supports ODOT efforts and targets for these performance measures as further discussed in Chapter 2 - *Performance Based Planning and Programming* in the *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029*.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That this Committee adopts the *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029* and recommends that its members incorporate these improvements into their transportation improvement programming for their governmental units.
2. That this Committee affirms that the public had adequate opportunity to comment on the *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029*.
3. That this Committee affirms the consistency of the Transportation Improvement Program with available federal, state and local funding sources.
4. That this Committee approves supporting the Ohio Department of Transportation's statewide targets for all applicable transportation performance measures as described in the attached memorandum and *Chapter 2 – Performance Based Planning and Programming* of the TIP: safety, National Highway System (NHS) pavement conditions, interstate bridge conditions, level of travel time reliability and level of truck time reliability.
5. That this Committee agrees to plan and program projects so that they contribute toward the achievement of ODOT's current targets for each performance measure as described in *Chapter 2 – Performance Based Planning and Programming*, of the *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029*.
6. That this Committee agrees to plan and program projects in support of air quality goals in coordination with ODOT, NOACA and ERPC.
7. That this Committee agrees to plan and program projects in support of METRO RTA and PARTA Transit Asset Management (TAM) plans.
8. That this Committee affirms the consistency between the *AMATS TIP FY 2026-2029*, the area's regional transportation plan (*Transportation Outlook 2050*) and the State Implementation Plan for air quality.

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10. That this Committee authorizes the Staff to provide copies of this Resolution to the appropriate agencies as evidence of action by the Metropolitan Transportation Policy Committee.



Larry D. Jenkins, Jr., P.E., P.S., 2025 Chairman
Metropolitan Transportation Policy Committee

5/15/2025

Date

Appendix A | Air Quality Conformity

Introduction

The purpose of this appendix is to document the manner in which transportation conformity is demonstrated for the AMATS Transportation Improvement Program FY 2026-2029.

Summit County and Portage County are part of the U.S. Census-designated eight-county Cleveland-Akron-Lorain Combined Statistical Area (CSA). This area includes the counties of Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Portage, and Summit. Based on air quality readings, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) designated this area as serious nonattainment for the 2015 8-hour ozone standard, excluding Ashtabula County. The USEPA designated the entire eight-county area as a maintenance area for the 2008 8-hour ozone standard.

USEPA also designated six counties as a maintenance area under the 2006 annual PM_{2.5} (particulate matter) standard. These areas include Cuyahoga, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Portage, and Summit counties. In addition, the USEPA designated Cuyahoga and Lorain counties as a maintenance area under the 2012 annual PM_{2.5} standard.

Two Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) serve seven of these counties. The Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA) serves Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina counties. The Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS) serves Summit and Portage counties. The Erie Regional Planning Commission (ERPC) serves the City of Vermilion in Lorain County. Ashtabula County is not part of a Metropolitan Planning Organization.

New United States Department of Transportation (USDOT) conformity determinations are required every time a new Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) or Regional Transportation Plan is completed or updated. New emissions analyses are required to meet the conformity rule requirement of using the latest planning assumptions. AMATS has updated its travel demand model to conduct this analysis considering the latest planning assumptions.

This conformity analysis reflects the aggregate regional mobile emissions generated by vehicles using the transportation system recommended in the Regional Transportation Plan and TIP. Conformity is demonstrated when the forecasted regional emissions are below the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP) budgets that have been established by Ohio EPA.

Before analysis began, an interagency consultation call (IAC) took place on November 13, 2024. The Minutes from the IAC are included on page A-7.

Methodology

In order for the Cleveland-Akron-Lorain area to complete the regional emissions analysis, the overall level of pollution (both ozone and PM_{2.5}) resulting from mobile sources must be forecasted.

The ozone-related portion of this air quality analysis must demonstrate that daily volatile organic compounds (VOC) and nitrogen oxides (NO_x) emissions from mobile sources will not exceed those established in the budget contained in the SIP for ozone, which sets the allowable limits for each pollutant in the Cleveland-Akron-Lorain

area. The budgets for the 2015 8-hour ozone standard are from the 2008 SIP and were set on January 6, 2017. The budgets for the 2008 8-hour ozone standard are based on the 1997 SIP and were set on March 19, 2013. The ozone analyses are shown in Tables 1 and 2.

Similarly, the PM_{2.5}-related portion of the air quality analysis has to demonstrate that annual direct PM_{2.5} and nitrogen oxides (NO_x) emissions from mobile sources will not exceed those found in the budget established by Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (OEPA). The budgets for the 2006 PM_{2.5} standard were set on July 26, 2013. The budgets for the 2012 PM_{2.5} standard are based on the 2012 SIP and were set on December 26, 2018. The PM_{2.5} analyses are shown in Tables 3 and 4.

The AMATS and ODOT are jointly responsible for travel demand modeling and air quality analysis for the Akron area. In December 2024, forecasted variables were approved as inputs to the model. The air quality analyses documented in this appendix involve the use of the travel demand and emissions models to analyze future regional mobile source emissions. Trip tables have been created using the latest planning assumptions and are based on the most recent forecasts of land use and socioeconomic data produced by AMATS.

NOACA and ODOT are jointly responsible for travel demand modeling and air quality analysis for its area. Emissions for Ashtabula County are generated using current ODOT traffic volume data and growth rates.

In order to determine mobile source impacts on regional ozone and PM_{2.5} levels, all non-exempt TIP projects follow the code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 40 CFR Part 93, as related to the EPA's air programs. These projects have been coded into the travel demand model for ozone analysis years of 2027, 2030, 2040, and 2050; and for PM_{2.5} analysis years of 2022, 2027, 2030, 2040, and 2050. The projects coded in each network are listed in Exhibits A-1 through A-4. Once the AMATS travel demand model was run for each of the analysis years described above, the traffic assignment results were post-processed and input into MOVES4. The output from MOVES4 includes VOC and NO_x for ozone; and direct PM_{2.5} and NO_x for PM_{2.5}.

The AMATS area results have been combined with the NOACA and Ashtabula County results to complete the conformity analysis for the entire Cleveland-Akron-Lorain ozone and PM_{2.5} nonattainment area. The conformity analysis results for the entire region are available for public comment at the March 11, 2025, Transportation Improvement Program public meeting.

Results

The analysis for the ozone standards must show that VOC and NO_x emissions from mobile sources will not exceed those established in the budget contained in the SIP, which sets the allowable limits for each pollutant. Table 1 shows the results of the MOVES4 analysis for the 2015 8-hour ozone standard for the Cleveland-Akron-Lorain serious non-attainment area.

The data in Table 1 confirms ozone precursor emissions do not exceed the budgets for either VOC or NOx.

Table 1 2015 8-Hour Ozone Test Cleveland-Akron-Lorain Mobile Source Ozone Precursor Emissions Forecasts					
Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) (tons/day)					
	2027 Emissions	2030 8-Hour Budget	2030 Emissions	2040 Emissions	2050 Emissions
NOACA	12.42		10.18	6.7	5.68
AMATS	4.89		3.7	2.9	2.82
TOTALS	17.31	30.8	13.88	9.6	8.5
Nitrogen oxides (NOx) (tons/day)					
	2027 Emissions	2030 8-Hour Budget	2030 Emissions	2040 Emissions	2050 Emissions
NOACA	14.55		11.12	4.57	3.76
AMATS	5.49		5.47	4.52	4.5
TOTALS	20.03	43.82	16.59	9.08	8.31

Attainment status: 2015 8-Hour Ozone standard – serious nonattainment area (Federal Register / Vol. 89, No. 242 / Tuesday, December 17, 2024)

SIP Status: Federal Register /Vol. 82, No. 4 /Friday, January 6, 2017 – direct final rule adequacy finding for Motor Vehicle Emission Simulator (MOVES) based 2008 ozone standard Motor Vehicle Emission Budget (MVEB). No submittals required under 2008 8-Hour ozone standard until approved budgets are received. The budgets found adequate for 2008 standard will satisfy the 2015 tests, per U.S. EPA.

8-Hour Geography: Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Portage, Summit Counties, OH

Conformity Tests: 2008 Standard 8-Hour budget tests

Analysis Years: 2027 Attainment and 1st Analysis year; 2030 Interim and SIP Budget year; 2040 Interim year; 2050 Plan horizon year

Table 2 shows the results of the MOVES4 analysis for the 2008 8-hour ozone standard for the Cleveland-Akron-Lorain maintenance area. This analysis must show that VOC and NOx emissions from mobile sources will not exceed those established in the budget contained in the SIP, which sets the allowable limits for each pollutant. Table 2 confirms ozone precursor emissions do not exceed the budgets for either VOC or NOx.

Table 2 Cleveland-Akron-Lorain Mobile Source Ozone Precursor Emissions Forecasts 2008 8-Hour Ozone Test					
Volatile Organic Compounds (VOC) (tons/day)					
	2027 Emissions	2030 8-Hour Budget	2030 Emissions	2040 Emissions	2050 Emissions
NOACA	12.42		10.18	6.7	5.68
AMATS	4.89		3.7	2.9	2.82
Ashtabula County	0.64		0.48	0.4	0.39
TOTALS	17.96	30.8	14.36	10	8.89
Nitrogen oxides (NOx) (tons/day)					
	2027 Emissions	2030 8-Hour Budget	2030 Emissions	2040 Emissions	2050 Emissions
NOACA	14.55		11.12	4.57	3.76
AMATS	5.49		5.47	4.51	4.55
Ashtabula County	0.67		0.66	0.56	0.59
TOTALS	20.7	43.82	17.26	9.65	8.9

Attainment status: 2008 8-Hour Ozone standard – maintenance area (Federal Register / Vol. 82, No. 4 /Friday, January 6, 2017)

1997 8-Hour Ozone Standard - maintenance area (Federal Register Notice Final Rule Tuesday, September 15, 2009)

SIP Status: Federal Register /Vol. 78, No. 53 /Tuesday, March 19, 2013 – direct final rule adequacy finding for MOVES based 1997 Ozone standard MVEB. No submittals required under 2008 8-Hour Ozone standard until approved budgets are received. The budgets found adequate for the 1997 standard will satisfy both 1997 and 2008 tests, per U.S. EPA.

8-Hour Geography: Ashtabula, Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Portage, Summit Counties, OH

Conformity Tests: 1997 Standard 8-Hour budget tests

Analysis Years: 2027 1st Analysis year; 2030 Interim and SIP Budget year; 2040 Interim year; 2050 Plan horizon year

Table 3 shows the results of the MOVES4 analysis for the 2006 PM_{2.5} standard for the Cleveland-Akron-Lorain PM_{2.5} maintenance area. This analysis must show that direct PM_{2.5} and NO_x emissions from mobile sources will not exceed those found in the 2022 budget. Table 3 confirms emissions do not exceed the budgets for both direct PM_{2.5} and NO_x.

TABLE 3 Northeast Ohio Mobile Source PM _{2.5} and Precursor Emissions Forecasts 2006 Annual PM _{2.5} Standard Test					
Direct PM _{2.5} Emissions (tons/year)					
	2022 Budget	2027 Emissions	2030 Emissions	2040 Emissions	2050 Emissions
NOACA		194.23	171.48	134.12	128.93
AMATS		99.97	93.26	80.34	81.76
TOTALS	880.89				
Nitrogen oxides (NO _x) Precursor tons/year					
	2022 Budget	2027 Emissions	2030 Emissions	2040 Emissions	2050 Emissions
NOACA		4,648.76	3,573.32	1,454.87	1,179.01
AMATS		2,115.47	1,641.55	778.87	693.94
TOTALS	17,263.65				

Attainment/ 2006 Annual PM_{2.5} Standard — maintenance area (Federal Register / Vol. 78, No. 144 / Friday, July 26, 2013)

SIP Status: Cleveland area to attainment for 1997 and 2006 PM_{2.5} Standards — FR notice included an adequacy finding for the MOVES based MVEBs

Geography: Cuyahoga, Lake, Lorain, Medina, Portage, and Summit Counties, OH

Conformity Tests: Budget tests

Analysis Years: 2022 Budget Year; 2027 1st Analysis year; 2030 Interim year; 2040 Interim year; 2050 Plan horizon year

Table 4 shows the results of the MOVES4 analysis for the 2012 PM_{2.5} standard for the Cuyahoga and Lorain counties, Ohio maintenance area. This analysis must show that direct PM_{2.5} and NO_x emissions from mobile sources will not exceed those found in the 2030 budget. Table 4 confirms emissions do not exceed the budgets for both direct PM_{2.5} and NO_x.

TABLE 4 Northeast Ohio Mobile Source PM_{2.5} and Precursor Emissions Forecasts 2012 Annual PM_{2.5} Standard Test					
	2027 Emissions	2030 Budget	2030 Emissions	2040 Emissions	2050 Emissions
tons/year					
Direct PM _{2.5}	151.47	270.57	133.69	104.42	99.94
NO _x	3,570.73	4,907.54	2,745.76	1,110.56	894.79

Attainment status: 2012 Annual PM_{2.5} Standard – maintenance area (80 FR 2205 / January 14, 2015)

SIP Status: Federal Register /Vol. 83, No. 246 /Wednesday, December 26, 2018 – approval of SIP and finding in support of MOVES based 2012 standard PM_{2.5} MVEB

Geography: Cuyahoga and Lorain County, OH

Conformity Tests: 2012 SIP Maintenance Plan tests

Analysis Years: 2027 1st Analysis year; 2030 Budget year; 2040 Interim year; 2050 Plan horizon year

For additional details on these topics, visit the following USEPA websites:

<https://www.epa.gov/ground-level-ozone-pollution/general-ozone-information>

<https://www.epa.gov/ground-level-ozone-pollution/ozone-national-ambient-air-quality-standards-naaqs>
(technical ozone information)

<https://www.epa.gov/pm-pollution/particulate-matter-pm-basics> (general particulate matter information)

<https://www.epa.gov/pm-pollution/national-ambient-air-quality-standards-naaqs-pm> (technical particulate matter information)

Exhibit A-1

AMATS 2027 NETWORK

The 2027 Network includes the existing transportation system plus the following projects:

PID	PROJECT	LOCATION & TERMINI	TYPE OF WORK
106002	I-77	SPRINGFIELD TWP / AKRON Arlington Rd to I-277	Widen to 8 lanes and interchange modifications
98585	Tallmadge Rd	BRIMFIELD TWP At I-76 Interchange	Reconfigure Interchange
102329	SR 8/I-76/I-77	AKRON SR 8 from US 224 to Perkins St & Central Interchange	Add an additional lane in each direction on I-77/SR 8, reconfigure interchange at Central Interchange, Add two lane exit at Carroll NB exit
111405	I-77	BATH TWP / RICHFIELD / RICHFIELD TWP Everett Rd to Cuyahoga County Line	Widen to 6 lanes

Please note that the following locations were added to all networks due to maintenance of traffic stripping

100713	I-76	AKRON US 224 to I-77 (Kenmore Leg)	6 lanes w/ interchange modifications from MOT
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Exhibit A-2

AMATS 2030 NETWORK

The 2030 Network includes those projects in the 2027 network plus the following projects:

PID	PROJECT	LOCATION & TERMINI	TYPE OF WORK
112026	E Main St	KENT E. Main St/SR 59/Willow St to Horning Rd	Roundabouts, raised median, remove Terrace, Horning realignment, complete streets
111404	I-77	BATH TWP / RICHFIELD / RICHFIELD TWP Ghent Rd to Everett Rd	Widen to 6 lanes
91710	SR 8	AKRON Perkins St to Glenwood Ave	Reconstruct bridge, Improve Perkins St ramp operation
116917	Arlington Rd	GREEN Boettler Rd to September Dr	Widen to 4 lanes with intersection improvements

Exhibit A-3

AMATS 2040 NETWORK

The 2040 Network includes those projects in the 2030 network plus the following projects:

PID	PROJECT	LOCATION & TERMINI	TYPE OF WORK
114865	SR 8 SB Braid	AKRON Central Interchange to Perkins St	Ramp and service road improvements to increase safety and congestion
N/A	Steels Corners Rd	STOW State Rd to Bridgeway Pkwy	Widening to 4 lanes
N/A	SR 91 (Darrow Rd)	TWINSBURG Ravenna Rd to Tinkers Creek bridge	Widening to 4 lanes

Exhibit A-4

AMATS 2050 NETWORK

The 2050 Network includes those projects in the 2040 network plus the following projects:

PID	PROJECT	LOCATION & TERMINI	TYPE OF WORK
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

SFY2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Air Quality Conformity Interagency Consultation Conference Call Minutes

November 13, 2024, 3:00 p.m., Teams Virtual Meeting

SFY2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Air Quality Conformity Interagency Consultation Conference Call Minutes

Present: Erie County Regional Planning Commission (ERPC)
Akron Metropolitan Areawide Transportation Study (AMATS)
Northeast Ohio Areawide Coordinating Agency (NOACA)
Ohio Department of Transportation, Statewide Planning (ODOT)
Ohio Environmental Protection Agency (Ohio EPA)

Logistics: November 13, 2024, 3:00 p.m., Teams Virtual Meeting

I. Purpose

A formal interagency consultation (IAC) process is required in each nonattainment and maintenance area to address technical and procedural issues related to air quality planning. The Cleveland, Akron, and Erie County, Ohio metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs) (NOACA, AMATS and ERPC) are updating their SFY2026-2029 TIPs. The TIPs are part of the MPOs' existing long-range transportation plans (LRTPs).

II. Discussion

- The IAC call began at 3:00 p.m.
- AQ status reviewed for Northeast Ohio review of PM_{2.5} and Ozone
- Parties discussed the current and future attainment status of Northeast Ohio, but it did not need to be reflected in the upcoming conformity analysis
- OEPA expected the bump up to serious nonattainment for ozone this week
- AMATS asked if this needed to be reflected with the conformity analysis for the TIP
- OEPA stated that the status will change from moderate nonattainment to serious nonattainment for ozone
- NOACA stated that the standard for fine particulate matter will not be reflected on the agenda
- OEPA didn't anticipate an official designation until 2026
- All parties agreed on the geographic scope of the analyses, which includes the five NOACA counties (Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina), the two AMATS counties (Portage and Summit) and Ashtabula County
- ODOT recommended removing Geauga County and Ashtabula Township from the 2006 PM_{2.5}
- Parties discussed applicable TIP budgets
- No parties objected to keeping current TIP budgets

- NOACA stated that since the statuses had not changed, the same TIP budget might apply
- Parties discussed analysis years – CY 2024, 2030, 2040, 2045 (AMATS and ERPC), 2050
- Parties discussed whether to retain or remove the 2045 budget
- AMATS did not believe they need to keep analysis year 2045, but that it might be a question for the EPA. AMATS' next plan will be 2050, therefore, unless the budget year includes 2045, it is not needed as an analysis year
- NOACA stated that the future years usually matched with the LRTP
- AMATS stated for the LRTP year we have to have intermediate years no more than 10 years for the air quality calculations for the analysis, but for the budget years they are not sure how they are calculated
- ODOT cited 40 CFR 93.106 for reference
- NOACA will follow up with EPA to determine if 2045 is needed
- AMATS stated that in the last TIP, the budget year for ozone was 2030. For PM2.5 it was 2022
- All parties agreed to concur later regarding the budget years
- Parties agreed to use MOVES 4.0
- Parties confirmed the geographic division for the analysis
- NOACA will complete the conformity analysis for Cuyahoga, Geauga, Lake, Lorain, and Medina Counties
- ODOT and AMATS will work together to run the analysis for Portage and Summit Counties
- ODOT will also do the additional analysis for Ashtabula County
- Parties agreed on county representation for conformity analysis
- NOACA will use Lorain County as its model
- ODOT will use Summit County as its model for AMATS
- NOACA will work with ODOT to complete post processing
- NOACA will complete the conformity documentation after post processing
- NOACA stated that the first draft of TIP will be uploaded for USDOT review January 31. Draft STIP and TIP will include all components for review
- All parties agree on dates for conformity analyses that will be provided for consideration by their Technical Advisory and Policy Committees for approval. NOACA will distribute the conformity analyses
- AMATS by January 16, 2025 for their February 6 Technical Advisory Committee and February 13 Policy Committee
- EPRC by January 16, 2025 for their January 23 Policy Committee
- NOACA agreed to complete the conformity documentation and submit it for approval
- ODOT needs final Board resolutions
- The Public Involvement Period takes place March 11-April 11. NOACA explains that the draft TIP will be completed, but Board approval will not take place until March 14th, 2025
- ODOT agreed to speak to NOACA about their options moving forward outside this meeting
- ODOT agreed to assist NOACA with post processing
- ODOT asked for clarification regarding questions concerning TIP budgets
- OEPA will investigate appropriate TIP budgets
- ODOT stated that Columbus, Cincinnati, and Dayton will also inquire about TIP budgets
- OEPA did not anticipate Columbus and Dayton going into nonattainment for PM2.5

- OEPA stated that Canton will be recommended not to be designated as nonattainment under the new standard. An exceptional events demonstration will be submitted for the wildfire smoke influence days of 2023
- NOACA clarified that this will be sent out to partners who were unable to attend the meeting
- NOACA and OEPA agrees to look into budget years
- The IAC call concluded at 3:41pm

Addendum

After the November 13th IAC call, AMATS and NOACA coordinated with the planning partners to get concurrence on the following outstanding issues:

The appropriate analysis and budget years for ozone and PM_{2.5}; and whether to include 2027 (serious area attainment year for ozone) in this year's TIP and remove 2024.

The planning partners concur that the budget and analysis years as input to the SFY 2026-2029 TIP are as follows:

Ozone	2027 Emissions	2030 8-Hour Budget	2030 Emissions	2040 Emissions	2050 Emissions
PM _{2.5}	2027 Emissions	2030 8-Hour Budget	2030 Emissions	2040 Emissions	2050 Emissions

The budget and analysis years apply to all the ozone and PM_{2.5} standards. These include the following:

OZONE 2015 8-hour ozone standard (serious nonattainment area)

2008 8-hour ozone standard (maintenance area)

PM_{2.5} 2006 Annual Standard (maintenance area)

2012 Annual Standard (maintenance area) - this only includes the areas of Cuyahoga and Lorain Counties, OH

Appendix B | Public Outreach

This ad appeared in the Akron Beacon Journal on 1/30/2025.

Join us virtually Feb. 6

You are invited to join us virtually in a meeting of the Citizens Involvement Committee (CIC) of the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS).



The CIC will present a preliminary look at the Greater Akron area's four-year *Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)* and the long-range regional transportation plan, *Transportation Outlook 2050 (TO2050)*.

The *TIP* is the four-year program of highway, public transit, and active transportation projects scheduled to receive federal funds from Fiscal Year 2026 through Fiscal Year 2029. *TO2050* identifies transportation needs and presents recommendations for projects to meet identified needs over the next 25 years.

The CIC will meet at **6:30 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 6**. Please go to **amatsplanning.org/cic-meeting-registration** to join this meeting or call **330-375-2436**. Meeting materials will be available at **amatsplanning.org**.

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**Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study
Citizens Involvement Committee
Thursday, February 6, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.**

Meeting Summary

Attendees:

Rick Bohan
Ron Brubaker, TASCforce, Inc.
Austen Rau
Bill Sepe

Staff:

Curtis Baker, AMATS Planning Director
Seth Bush, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Coordinator
Jeff Gardner, Transportation Planner
Amelia Hoffmeier, GIS Planner
Matt Mullen, Transportation Planner
Matt Stewart, Planning Administrator

I. Welcome

Matt Stewart welcomed the AMATS Citizens Involvement Committee (CIC) meeting attendees.

II. Discussion Items

- A. Mr. Stewart** presented Attachment 5B – Draft FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program – Project List.

Austen Rau stated that he was pleased that the two Veterans Trail projects were still programmed in Fiscal Year 2027 of the current Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). **Mr. Rau** asked whether AMATS had learned of any new developments to move those projects to an earlier date in the Draft TIP. **Curtis Baker** said that the projects are rescheduled to a later date for fiscal constraint purposes in the draft program, but the Stow portion of the trail would be returned to the program if the project's contract is sold. **Mr. Baker** said that AMATS has not heard of any new developments regarding the Veterans Trail project. **Mr. Baker** noted that the federal funding situation is in a state of transition and should be clearer when the new transportation secretary issues guidance.

Mr. Rau asked if AMATS was seeking a \$1.5 million loan on Transportation Alternative Set-Aside (TASA) Program grants. **Mr. Baker** said yes and noted that the agency was notified by the Ohio

Department of Transportation (ODOT) that the Rubber City Heritage Trail Corridor would miss its fourth quarter funding benchmarks. **Mr. Baker** said that AMATS plans to discuss the issue with ODOT and Akron officials soon.

Mr. Brubaker asked for a clarification regarding the scheduling of the trail projects. **Mr. Baker** explained that AMATS must demonstrate that the TIP is in fiscal constraint and may only “over-program” the TIP by 15 percent above available funding. **Mr. Baker** noted that, as additional funding becomes available, the TIP may be amended to include select over-programmed projects.

Mr. Brubaker said that the Boston Heights Village Council cancelled funding for the Heights-to-Hudson Trail in December. **Mr. Brubaker** asked whether AMATS funding was programmed for this project. **Mr. Baker** said that AMATS, while supportive of the project, did not program funding for the project. **Mr. Brubaker** asked whether the \$500,000 Clean Ohio grant and \$250,000 in additional state funding that were committed to the project could be made available to AMATS for other purposes. **Mr. Baker** said that the grant would be returned to the Clean Ohio Program and that the state funding would likely remain unused before being released by the state.

B. Mr. Stewart introduced AMATS GIS Planner Amelia Hoffmeier as a new member of the agency staff.

C. Mr. Stewart presented Attachment 5C – Draft *Transportation Outlook 2050*.

Mr. Rau said that he was pleased to see the Veterans Trail/Akron Secondary included on the TO2050 list of Bike & Pedestrian Recommendations. **Mr. Rau** said that he would like the trail’s southern terminus link to the Northside Station rather than end at the Freedom Trail. The attendees discussed the Veterans Trail and its potential linkage to the Northside Station. **Mr. Brubaker** described a proposed linkage supported by TASCforce, Inc. **Mr. Stewart** said that he would forward the attendees’ and the TASCforce, Inc.’s stated support for a link to city of Akron officials.

D. Mr. Baker presented Attachment 6B – Resolution 2025-02 – Supporting the Region’s Efforts to Develop Intercity Passenger Rail Service to the Greater Akron Area.

The attendees discussed the potential of intercity passenger rail service in the Greater Akron area and the three rail corridors – the Cleveland-Columbus-Dayton-Cincinnati (3C&D) Corridor, Cleveland-Toledo-Detroit Corridor, and Chicago, Fort Wayne, Columbus, and Pittsburgh – currently being studied.

Rick Bohan asked whether it was the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) that indicated that it would be difficult to add Akron to the Cleveland-Columbus-Dayton-Cincinnati (3C&D) Corridor for a potential rail study. **Mr. Baker** said that former ODOT Director Jack Marchbanks stated so in a letter. **Mr. Baker** described the various proposed rail line corridors and connections. **Mr. Baker** said that there are concerns regarding Akron-Cleveland intercity ridership levels. **Mr. Baker** noted that intercity rail service would require a significant local, state and

federal investment. **Mr. Baker** said that the level of state investment required would not be known until the various rail study corridors are complete.

Mr. Bohan asked about the proposal for a station at the Akron-Canton Airport. **Mr. Baker** said that Ohio Rail Development Commission (ORDC) officials indicated that an airport station is ineligible as it is not considered a viable terminus or a connection for intercity passenger rail service.

E. Mr. Stewart presented a Transportation Funding Update.

Mr. Stewart said that AMATS is sorting through the various executive orders issued by the Trump administration and their potential implications on project funding. AMATS has been corresponding with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and ODOT for guidance. The agency does not anticipate any changes to AMATS' currently funded programs and is moving ahead to sell FY 2025 projects. The agency does anticipate changes in the agency's planning process, with a de-emphasis on environmental justice and environmental-related issues. Transportation Secretary Duffy published a memorandum identifying several emphasis areas.

Mr. Baker said that AMATS does not anticipate any funding issues stemming from policy changes under Trump administration executive orders as the agency's funds are largely from suballocated sources. However, communities that have received discretionary funds from programs like Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE), Safe Streets for All, or Reconnecting Communities program funds might experience changes.

Mr. Bohan asked for a clarification as to how community birth rates may be a consideration in the federal project funding allocations to the Greater Akron area. **Mr. Baker** referred to a USDOT order issued by Transportation Secretary Duffy. The order updates and resets the principles and standards underpinning USDOT policies, programs, and activities to mandate reliance on rigorous economic analysis and positive cost-benefit calculations and ensures that all DOT grants, loans, contracts, and DOT-supported or -assisted state contracts bolster the American economy and benefit the American people. The attendees discussed the implications of this order on area project funding.

Mr. Rau asked if the agency was scheduled to update the *AMATS Funding Policy Guidelines* this year. **Mr. Baker** said yes. **Mr. Rau** asked how changes in federal guidance may affect the guidelines update. **Mr. Baker** said that the agency will likely receive the guidance prior to the agency's update process, which will provide clarity at that time.

III. Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the CIC is scheduled for **6:30 p.m.** on **Thursday, March 20, 2025.**



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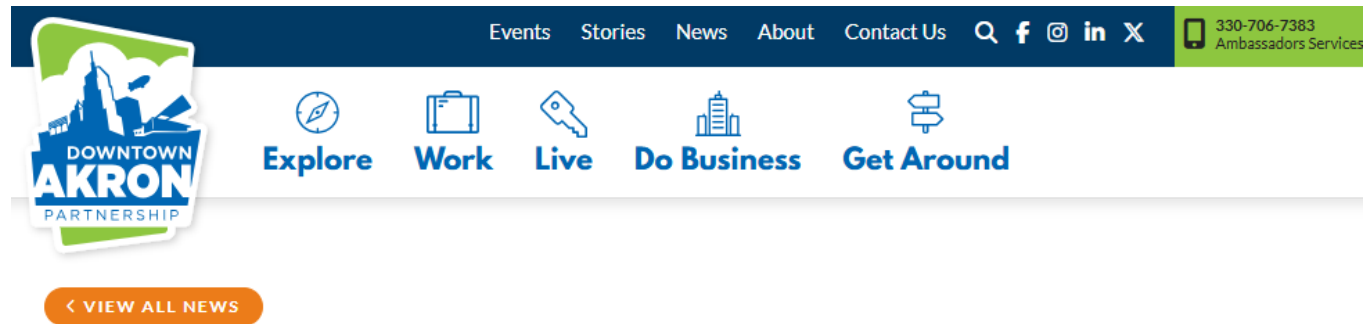
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Public meetings regarding the Draft TO2050 are also scheduled at the following dates, times, and locations:

Wednesday, April 2, 2025: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Akron-Summit County Public Library, Main Library, Meeting Room 1

60 S High St, Akron, OH 44326

Thursday, April 3, 2025: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Kent Free Library, 2nd Floor Meeting Room

312 W Main St, Kent, OH 44240

For more information about the TIP, TO2050 and the regional transportation planning process, please click [here](#).

However, Black Americans are disproportionately affected, accounting for about 35% of those with kidney failure, while making up only 13% of the U.S. population.

and socializing with their peers. GOTM will be hosting a Night Out With the Rubber Ducks at Canal Park on Friday, July 11th, game time at 7:05 p.m. Anyone interested in joining us

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MARCH 15, 2025 THRU MARCH 22, 2025



Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study
Citizens Involvement Committee
Thursday, March 20, 2025 – 6:30 p.m.

Meeting Summary

Attendees:

Pete Mohan
Nick Muffet

Staff:

Curtis Baker, AMATS Planning Director
Seth Bush, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Coordinator
Jeff Gardner, Transportation Planner
Amelia Hoffmeier, GIS Planner
Matt Mullen, Transportation Planner
Matt Stewart, Planning Administrator

I. Welcome

Matt Stewart welcomed the AMATS Citizens Involvement Committee (CIC) meeting attendees.

II. Discussion Items

- A. Mr. Stewart presented Attachment 4A – Draft FY 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program FY 2026-2029.

Nick Muffet asked whether the PowerPoint Presentation slides that Mr. Stewart used for his presentation regarding the Draft Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) could be made available to the public. Mr. Stewart said that the slides could be made available to the public through the agency's website – amatsplanning.org – or he could email them to Mr. Muffet.

- B. Mr. Stewart presented Attachment 4B – Draft Transportation Outlook 2050.

- C. Pete Mohan introduced himself to the meeting attendees as a trail analyst and volunteer for the Portage Parks District. Mr. Mohan added that he has a website – bikeportage.com.

Mr. Mohan asked what the next steps are related to the development of the Rubber City Trail. Mr. Stewart said that Phase II construction of the trail is scheduled for next year. Mr. Stewart noted that several phases of construction must occur before the trail is connected to the Ohio & Erie Towpath Trail. Mr. Stewart said that approximately one mile of the trail is completed, and that Phase II is expected to complete an additional three-quarters of a mile.



Mr. Mohan asked if Phase II would extend south from the current trail segment. Mr. Stewart said no and described the next segment's terminus.

Mr. Mohan asked when the Ravenna Road bridge reconstruction project is scheduled. Mr. Stewart said that the project has been rescheduled to 2026 due to railroad issues.

The attendees discussed the proposed Lake Rockwell Trail Project in Portage County.

D. Nick Muffet said that he was covering the meeting on behalf of Signal Akron.

E. Mr. Stewart invited the attendees to the upcoming April 2 and April 3 public meetings regarding the Draft Transportation Outlook 2050.

III. Adjournment

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting of the CIC is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, May 8, 2025.



The Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP was developed and available to the public for a 31-day comment period spanning March 11 through April 11. The agency scheduled this period to coincide with the comment period planned by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) for its State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) spanning State Fiscal Years 2026 Through 2029. No public comments were received on the Draft FY 2026-2029 TIP.



Appendix C | Self Certification Resolution

Attachment 6C

AKRON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

MEMORANDUM

TO: Policy Committee
Technical Advisory Committee
Citizens Involvement Committee

FROM: AMATS Staff

RE: Resolution 2024-12 - Certification of the Urban Transportation Planning Process

DATE: May 1, 2024

In order to remain a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), AMATS must satisfy various requirements each year. One requirement is for the Policy Committee to certify that the urban transportation planning process is being carried out in compliance with all applicable federal requirements.

Every four years, the US DOT certifies whether AMATS is operating the planning process according to federal guidelines. Two years ago, AMATS underwent its federal certification review. At that time, US DOT certified that AMATS may continue to conduct the planning process for another four years, at which point the US DOT will return for another certification review.

One federal requirement pertaining to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, requires that AMATS shall not, on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or sex, exclude anyone from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance. Consequently, it is the policy of AMATS to provide an environment of nondiscrimination and equal opportunity in employment. The area's regional transportation policies, plans, and programs contained in the Regional Transportation Plan (*Transportation Outlook*) and the Transportation Improvement Program are also compliant with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964.

The Staff recommends that Resolution 2024-12 be approved.

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2024-12

OF THE METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE AKRON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY

CERTIFICATION OF THE URBAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROCESS

WHEREAS, the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS) is designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) by the Governor, acting through the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and in cooperation with locally elected officials in Summit and Portage Counties, and the Chippewa Township and Milton Township areas of Wayne County, as evidenced in the Agreement of Cooperation, Number 32963, between ODOT and the City of Akron finalized on April 5, 2019; and

WHEREAS, the federal regulations pertaining to Urban Transportation Planning, published as 23 CFR 450.334, require the MPO to certify that the cooperative metropolitan transportation planning process is in conformance with these regulations; and

WHEREAS, the federal regulations published as 23 CFR 450 require that the metropolitan transportation planning process shall include activities to support the development and implementation of a regional transportation plan and a transportation improvement program and subsequent transportation planning activities to the degree appropriate for the area; and

WHEREAS, these activities have been acted upon by the MPO by separate Resolution Number 2024-11, signed and dated May 16, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the federal regulations published as 23 CFR 450.334 also require that the planning process be carried out in accordance with:

- a. Title 23 United States Code (U.S.C.) Section 134 and Title 49 U.S.C. 5303 concerning metropolitan planning for Highways and Transit, respectively;
- b. Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)) and Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) part 93 in non-attainment areas;
- c. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
- d. 49 U.S.C 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
- e. Section 1101(b) of the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)* (Pub. L. 117-58) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT-funded projects;
- f. 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on federal and federal-aid highway construction contracts;
- g. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 *et seq.*) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37, and 38;
- h. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance;

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- i. Section 324 of Title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and
- j. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

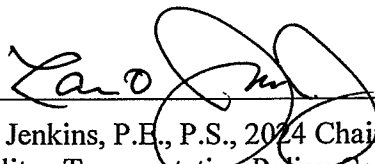
WHEREAS, Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 requires that AMATS shall not, on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin or sex, exclude anyone from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal financial assistance; and

WHEREAS, *Executive Order 12898: Federal Actions to Address Environmental Justice in Minority Populations and Low-Income Populations* requires that recipients of federal funds make a meaningful effort to involve low-income and minority groups in the process to make decisions regarding the use of federal funds; and also requires that they identify and address any disproportionately high and adverse human health and environmental effects on minority and low-income groups, which may result from the implementation of their plans and programs; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with the *Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL)*, formally known as the *Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (P.L. 117-58)*, AMATS, as a Transportation Management Area, is carrying out its planning responsibilities under the applicable provisions of federal law.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That this Committee certifies, in consideration of the requirements listed herein and to the degree appropriate for the size of the area and the complexity of its transportation system, that the urban transportation planning process is being carried out in compliance with all applicable federal requirements.
2. That this Committee authorizes the Staff to implement and provide copies of the AMATS Title VI Civil Rights Program Procedures and Documentation, as amended.
3. That this Committee authorizes the Staff to provide copies of this Resolution to the appropriate agencies as evidence of action by the Metropolitan Transportation Policy Committee.



 Larry Jenkins, P.E., P.S., 2024 Chairman
 Metropolitan Transportation Policy Committee

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 Date



Appendix D | Funding Policy Guidelines

FUNDING POLICY GUIDELINES

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This document was prepared by the Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study (AMATS) in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Ohio Department of Transportation, and the Village, City and County governments of Portage and Summit Counties and a portion of Wayne County.

The contents of this document reflect the views of AMATS, which is responsible for the facts and accuracy of the data presented herein. The contents do not necessarily reflect the official view and policies of the Ohio and/or U.S. Department of Transportation. This document does not constitute a standard, specification or regulation.

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Section 1 | Introduction

Planning, design and construction of major transportation capital investment projects, such as major highway relocations and transit service expansions, are costly and time-consuming. Even relatively minor improvements require a substantial investment of time and resources. To implement transportation projects in a systematic manner, proper planning is essential.

The Akron Metropolitan Area Transportation Study, also referred to as AMATS, is one of the 17 transportation-planning agencies in Ohio. These, and similar agencies throughout the United States, were established as a result of the 1962 Federal Aid Highway Act. This Act requires urban areas of more than 50,000 in population to have a cooperative, continuous and comprehensive (or "3-C") planning process in order to receive federal aid for transportation improvements.

A primary responsibility of AMATS is to prepare and maintain a Transportation Improvement Program (or TIP) that meets the travel needs of people and businesses in Summit and Portage Counties and portions of Wayne County. The TIP is a four-year comprehensive listing of transportation improvements scheduled for implementation with federal or state funds. A project must be included in an area's TIP in order to receive funding assistance from the Federal Highway Administration or the Federal Transit Administration.

As part of preparing the TIP, the AMATS Policy Committee has the lead responsibility for programming transportation projects under the Federal Highway Administration's Surface Transportation Program and Transportation Alternatives Program and the Federal Transit Administration's Urban Formula, Bus and Bus Facilities, and Elderly and Disabled Programs.

The purpose of this report is to document the funding policy guidelines established by the AMATS Policy Committee for these programs and the process to select projects for the TIP. These guidelines reflect the goals outlined in the Regional Transportation Plan that make preserving the existing transportation system the highest priority while continuing to improve safety and reduce congestion. It also includes a procedure to continuously monitor funding programs. It has four main sections.

Section 2 describes the policy guidelines for the programming of federal transportation funds. Section 3 describes the process to select projects for the TIP as well as the process to expedite the implementation of these projects in a timely manner. Section 4 describes the evaluation criteria for each funding program for which the AMATS Policy Committee has the lead responsibility and lastly a map of the federal-aid system and a list of definitions is included.

Section 2 | Policy Guidelines

The AMATS Policy Committee has established a set of Funding Policy Guidelines to be used in selecting projects using federal funding directly attributable to the AMATS area for the TIP. The purpose of this section is to describe these policy guidelines. They are grouped into three categories - Program Administration, General Project Eligibility and Funding Programs.

Program Administration

1. Responsibility – The Technical Advisory Committee is responsible for monitoring the federal funding programs attributable to AMATS and making recommendations to the Policy Committee.
2. Project Review Meetings – Quarterly project review meetings are scheduled to monitor the status of programmed projects. Project sponsors or their representatives are required to attend.
3. Project Lockdown – Sponsors must have their associated project milestone dates finalized by December of each year for projects that are scheduled in the next fiscal year.
4. Reservoir Projects – A project that is scheduled in the fourth quarter (April to June) of a fiscal year may be assigned as a reservoir project. This means that the project may sell in either the current fiscal year or the first quarter (July to September) of the next fiscal year and not incur any adverse penalty. Regardless of which fiscal year the project sells in, the project's Plans, Specifications, and Estimate or PS&E package must still be submitted in the current fiscal year.
5. Funds Management – If a significant funding balance remains at the end of the current fiscal year, one or more of several options will be pursued to avoid a shortfall of funds. These options include but are not limited to moving reservoir projects as needed, applying funds to remaining projects in that year subject to the funding policy cap and a limit of a 15% increase, or trade/transfer funds with ODOT, County Engineers Association of Ohio, or another MPO.
 - a) If a shortfall in funds in one funding program is a concern, the funding source of one or more projects may be switched or split into two funding sources for items that are eligible for those funds.
 - b) AMATS receives suballocated funds at the discretion of ODOT and US DOT. If ODOT's or US DOT's current funding policy changes in regard to amount of funds suballocated or the elimination of a funding program, AMATS assumes no liability in funding projects that have been affected by these changes.
6. Fair Share Distribution – Several AMATS funding programs use equitable distribution of funds as an evaluation criterion. This criterion uses a target budget for each community in the AMATS area. The target budget is based on the community's percent of the population compared to the total funds spent and programmed by AMATS since 1972. The community's percent population for the target budget is calculated using the percent urban population from the 1980 and 1990 Census and total population from the 2000, 2010 and 2020 Census. AMATS' funds programmed for a project in a community is attributed to the community regardless of project sponsor.

General Project Eligibility

1. Regional Transportation Plan – All projects implemented with federal funds must be included in or consistent with the approved AMATS Regional Transportation Plan.
2. Performance Based Planning and Programming – All projects implemented with federal funds must be included in or consistent with the goals of Performance Based Planning and Programming (PBPP). These policies are established to ensure targeted investment of federal transportation funds by increasing accountability and transparency and providing for better investment decisions that focus on key outcomes

related to seven national goals: safety, infrastructure preservation, congestion reduction, system reliability, freight movement and economic vitality, environmental sustainability and reduced project delivery delays. The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has issued three related rules to date. The first rule is for safety performance measures, often referred to as PM1. The second set of rules is those pertaining to pavement and bridge conditions; often referred to as PM2. The third set is the system-wide performance measures, including Freight and CMAQ Measures. These are often referred to as PM3. The transit performance rules are issued by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and concern transit asset management (TAM) planning. For a full discussion of PBPP and the AMATS area performance targets, see AMATS Policy Resolution 2022-14 (approved August 11, 2022)

3. Submitting Projects for Funding – A sponsor that submits a project for funding must be a member of AMATS. Generally, every two years the Policy Committee initiates a new round of project funding (see page 23 for a detailed project selection schedule). It is highly recommended that project sponsors submit requests for funding during this two-year cycle of project funding.
4. If a project sponsor feels that their project cannot wait for the normal two-year cycle of funding, the project must be first presented to the TAC TIP Subcommittee for consideration and then to the TAC and Policy Committee for final consideration.
5. Maximum Projects Awarded per Sponsor – The number of STBG and Resurfacing projects awarded to one sponsor shall be three projects per funding category per funding cycle. There is no limit to the number of TASA projects that may be awarded to a sponsor. There is no limit to the number of project applications that a sponsor may submit.
6. Application Legislation – Local commitment, in the form of specific legislation, is required of sponsors and co-sponsor(s) seeking STBG or TASA funding. This ensures that Councils and Boards recognize that the project is being submitted for federal funding and that a local funding match is required. Legislation must include the following: project name, description and cost, an acknowledgement that the sponsor and co-sponsor(s) have read and understand AMATS Funding Policy Guidelines, and that the sponsor and co-sponsor(s) are aware a local match is required. Sample legislation will be included with project applications when they are given to project sponsors. Failure to submit legislation by the established due date may result in cancellation of project application.
7. Ineligible Items – Preliminary engineering and plan development costs, including the development of right-of-way and construction plans are the responsibility of the project sponsor and are not eligible for AMATS funds (except for TASA projects).
8. Logical Termini and Independent Utility – Projects submitted for federal funds must have logical termini and independent utility. This means a project must have rational end points and stand alone when completed. For example, a project may be one phase in a multi-phase project, but each phase must have immediate benefit and use to the public in case additional phases are never funded.
9. Contiguous Projects – Project sponsors that have contiguous projects, such as a phase one and two, may combine their projects after the original approval for funding by AMATS. Combining of projects is subject to the availability of funds and approval by AMATS. AMATS funding for the combined project is not to exceed the sum of the individual project caps that were originally approved for funding.
10. Project Programming Package – Project sponsors must submit a Programming Package to ODOT within 45 days of notification of Policy Committee’s action to approve funding for the project. Failure to do so may result in cancellation of project.

11. Local Let Projects - AMATS funded projects may be ODOT Let or Local Let with ODOT oversight. Local governments who participate in ODOT's Local Let Process are required to take training to ensure they comply with all federal and state laws, regulations and policies. Local Programs staff provides training in the LPA Qualification Process via ODOT's eLearning system administered through LTAP. Training must be taken every five (5) years. Once the training is complete, the LPA may complete the LPA Participation Requirements Review Form. This form will need updated every four (4) years or in the event of a change in key personnel.
12. Planning Studies – Applications that are submitted for planning studies will be evaluated on a case-by-case scenario.
13. The Project Delivery Incentive Program (PDIP) - The purpose of PDIP is to incentivize project sponsors to deliver their projects in a specified time window. If projects are delivered within that time window their local match will be reduced to 10 percent of the amount of federal funds awarded by AMATS (instead of the traditional 20 percent). The maximum reduction shall be capped at \$100,000. The reduction in the local match will be paid for using Toll Revenue Credits (TRC). Typically AMATS has only used TRC to eliminate the local match for planning studies and air quality funding. Currently AMATS is guaranteed access to its TRC through FY2027. The PDIP program will be completely voluntary for project sponsors. As part of the AMATS application process the community can request to take part in the program by marking a box on the project application. There will be no penalty for failing to meet the project delivery goal other than the sponsor will not receive the additional 10 percent benefit. To meet the project delivery goal, the project sponsor must ensure its PS&E document is submitted to ODOT District 4 by the date outlined in the PDIP. If AMATS is not able to fund the project due funding not being available, the project will still receive the reduction of local share of 10 percent when it can be bid.
 - a) Timeline for the PDIP program is as follows:
 - i) Resurfacing program – 2 years from AMATS Resolution Approval
 - ii) STBG program – 4 years from AMATS Resolution Approval
 - iii) TASA program – 2 years from AMATS Resolution Approval
 - b) Project applicants that select to participate in the PDIP will be notified after project funding approval of the timeline for completing their project in order to receive the incentive.
14. Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan – Applicants must certify that they have developed and maintain an ADA transition plan. Title II of the ADA specifically applies to public entities (state and local governments), and the programs, services, and activities they deliver. Title II Article 8, requires public entities to take several steps designed to achieve compliance with the ADA. ADA transition plans provide a method for a public entity to schedule and implement ADA required improvements to existing streets and sidewalks. The transition plan requires an inventory of the current curb ramps and sidewalks, the identification of barriers, and a system for the removal of these barriers. Transition plans must also include a public involvement component. Applicants will certify the existence of their ADA transition plan in their project application.

Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG)

Description

The Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) provides flexible funding for a wide variety of projects including highways, transit and bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Funding for STBG projects is assigned to MPO areas by Congress and, in addition, ODOT sub allocates a portion of their statewide STBG funding to Ohio MPOs.

Eligibility

STBG funds are the most versatile and may be used for any project that is recommended in or consistent with the AMATS Regional Transportation Plan. STBG funds can be used on any federal-aid roadway classified above a local road or a rural minor collector and bridge projects on any public road.

STBG projects can include highway projects and bridge improvements (construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, resurfacing, restoration, and operational), transportation system management, public transit capital improvement projects, commuter rail, carpool projects, bus terminals and facilities, bikeways, pedestrian facilities and planning studies.

The AMATS TAC TIP Subcommittee, with consultation from the AMATS staff, reserves the right to consider project applications under another funding program that it deems better suited for the application.

Program Policies

1. Federal Participation
 - a) The maximum federal share for projects under the STBG program is 80% of the total eligible project costs (excluding 100% local items). Federal funds are capped at the approved amount shown in the current TIP.
 - b) Federal funding for STBG projects is either the federal participation rate approved for the project or the total federal funds approved for the project, whichever is less.
2. Local Participation
 - a) The minimum local share is 20% of total eligible project costs (excluding 100% local items). If a sponsor takes advantage of the PDIP program the local share is reduced to 10% of the AMATS federal funding with a maximum reduction of \$100,000.
 - b) The local share for STBG projects is required to be in cash from local, state or other non-federal sources. These projects are not eligible for softmatch credit, or 100% Federal funding participation, regardless of Federal or state eligibility. Planning and engineering costs (including the development of right-of-way and construction plans) are not considered as local share.
3. Right-of-Way – the right-of-way funding may be adjusted from the original amount approved as long as the project's total cap is not increased. These projects have a combined right-of-way and construction cap (see 5 below).
4. Construction/Capital Purchases – the construction funding may be adjusted from the original amount approved as long as the project's total cap is not increased. These projects have a combined right-of-way and construction cap (see 5 below).
5. STBG Funding Cap – STBG projects have a combined right-of-way and construction cap of \$6,000,000 in federal funds. Assuming an 80% Federal share, total project cost should not exceed \$7,500,000. Any cost above this amount is the responsibility of the local sponsor.

6. Project Delays – projects that are delayed or cancelled will be re-evaluated based on the following principles:
7. If a project is delayed due to the lack of programmed federal funds, the project will be rescheduled as soon as funds become available.
 - a) If a project is delayed due to the project sponsor, the project may be cancelled or rescheduled at a later time as not to impact or jeopardize other projects that have met their schedules.
 - b) Project Cost Increases – Project phases scheduled in the next fiscal year will be updated in AMATS funding program to reflect the latest estimates. Project sponsors must submit revised project cost estimates for the phase that is scheduled in the next fiscal year.
 - c) If the revised project cost estimate is lower than the original estimate, AMATS federal share, as shown in AMATS Funding Program and Balances Table, will be adjusted accordingly to reflect 80% of the revised estimate. The project cost shown in the TIP will not be changed and the project is still eligible to receive federal funding up to 80% of the original estimate.
8. If the revised project cost estimate, based on the original scope, is higher than the original estimate, AMATS federal share may be increased up to 80% of the revised estimate.
9. AMATS federal share increase is limited to 15% above the original federal share programmed for the project and is not to exceed the funding policy cap for right-of-way and construction. The AMATS Staff has the authority to make funding decisions for project cost increases based on the availability of funds. If a project is already at the AMATS funding policy cap, project cost increase requests must be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee, TAC and Policy Committee, with the Policy Committee having final decision-making authority. Situations not specified herein will be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee.
10. Major Changes to Project Funding – Projects which have already received federal STBG funds through AMATS are not eligible to apply for additional STBG funds through AMATS normal application cycle. If additional funding for a project is necessary a request must be made to the AMATS Staff and will be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee, TAC and Policy Committee, with the Policy Committee having final decision-making authority.
11. Self-Scoring – AMATS strongly recommends communities self-score their applications before submitting them for consideration.

Transportation Alternatives Set Aside (TASA)

Description

The Transportation Alternatives Program (TASA) provides funding for bicycle and pedestrian facilities. Funding for TASA projects is assigned to MPO areas by Congress and, in addition, ODOT sub allocates a portion of their statewide TASA funding to Ohio MPOs.

Eligibility

All TASA projects must relate to surface transportation and must address a transportation need, use, or benefit. Project categories include pedestrian and bicycle facilities including Safe Routes to School infrastructure projects. Preliminary engineering, right-of-way and construction are eligible project costs. Planning is an eligible project phase only for SRTS District-wide Travel Plans and only if the sponsor has first pursued and secured funding from ODOT's SRTS program. TASA applications for shared use paths or sidepaths (i.e. trails) must have a feasibility study for the project completed by the time funding is awarded by Policy Committee resolution. AMATS

recommends using an ODOT prequalified consultant found under the Bicycle Facilities and Enhancement Design area at the following link:

<https://www.transportation.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/odot/working/contracts/prequal-cert/welcome>

The feasibility study must include the following:

- Reasonable assurance that the preferred alignment conforms to AASHTO standards
- Certified cost estimate
- Planning level analysis to identify concerns (i.e. red flags) regarding environment, rights-of-way, slope, soil and historical/cultural impediments

The AMATS TAC TIP Subcommittee, with consultation from the AMATS staff, reserves the right to consider project applications under another funding program that it deems better suited for the application.

FY2024/2025/2026 TASA Supplemental Funding Pilot Program

The purpose of the TASA Supplemental Funding is to develop a reservoir list of projects that could use additional TASA funding to deliver a project in the upcoming fiscal years of 2024, 2025, 2026. To qualify for TASA Supplemental Funding an existing AMATS project must have TASA eligible elements included in the current project. AMATS staff will score projects based on the existing TASA criteria. AMATS staff will develop a rank scoring for supplemental funding and funding will be awarded based on funds availability.

Supplemental funding will only be awarded if AMATS staff determines there will be a balance of TASA funding in that fiscal year. If a balance exists, AMATS staff will award additional TASA funding to the project based on the rank scoring of the funding round by fiscal year.

Any existing federally funded project is eligible for TASA Supplemental Funding (if it contains TASA eligible components) and the additional funding will not count towards the project funding cap of the originally awarded AMATS funds. The maximum supplemental funding award is \$500,000.

Program Policies

1. Ownership — The proposed Alternative project must be publicly owned and on existing publicly owned property (except when property acquisition is part of the proposal).
2. Cost Estimates — Cost estimates for TASA projects must be submitted by a professional engineer or architect.
3. Maintenance — Maintenance-type projects or work items, such as sidewalk replacement and bikeway resurfacing or regrading, are not eligible for TASA funding.
4. Upgrading — Upgrading trails (such as converting a granular-surfaced bikeway to asphalt or concrete) are eligible for funding except if previously funded with federal funds through AMATS. Sidewalks are eligible for upgrading if the project is taking a standard sidewalk and substantially widening it to accommodate multiple uses (ex. upgrading a 4-foot sidewalk to an 8-foot sidewalk to accommodate bicycle traffic)
5. Federal Participation

- a. The maximum federal share for projects under the TASA Program is 80% of total eligible project costs (excluding 100% local items). Federal funds are also capped at the approved amount shown in the current TIP.
 - b. Federal funding participation for TASA projects is either the federal participation rate approved for the project, or the total federal funds approved for the project, whichever is less.
6. Local Participation
 - a. The minimum local share is 20% of total eligible project costs (excluding 100% local items). If a sponsor takes advantage of the PDIP program the local share is reduced to 10% of AMATS federal funding with a maximum reduction of \$100,000 (based on the maximum TASA funding by AMATS of \$1,000,000).
 - b. The local share for TASA projects is required to be in cash from local, state or other non-federal sources. These projects are not eligible for softmatch credit, or 100% Federal funding participation, regardless of Federal or state eligibility. Planning is not considered as local share.
7. Planning – The planning funding approved for a SRTS Plan is that Plan’s funding cap. Any unused funds cannot be transferred to a SRTS Plan’s recommended infrastructure project. Up to 10% of the annual TASA allocation may be set aside to fund SRTS District-wide Plans.
8. Preliminary Engineering – The preliminary engineering funding may be adjusted from the original amount approved as long as the project’s total cap is not increased (see 11 below). Up to 25% of the annual TASA allocation may be set aside to fund preliminary engineering.
9. Right-of-Way
 - a. The right-of-way funding may be adjusted from the original amount approved as long as the project’s total cap is not increased (see 11 below).
 - b. Right-of-way acquisition may be included only as a part of the cost for the entire project, not as a stand-alone project.
10. Construction/Capital Purchases – the construction funding may be adjusted from the original amount approved for funding as long as the project’s total cap is not increased (see 11 below).
11. TASA Funding Cap – TASA projects have a combined preliminary engineering, right-of-way and construction cap of \$1,000,000 in federal funds. Assuming an 80% Federal share, total project cost should not exceed \$1,250,000. Any cost above this amount is the responsibility of the local sponsor.
12. Project Cost Increases – Project phases scheduled in the next fiscal year will be updated in AMATS funding program to reflect the latest estimates. Project sponsors must submit revised project cost estimates for the phase that is scheduled in the next fiscal year.
 - a. If the revised project cost estimate is lower than the original estimate, AMATS federal share, as shown in AMATS Funding Program and Balances Table, will be adjusted accordingly to reflect 80% of the revised estimate. The project cost shown in the TIP will not be changed and the project is still eligible to receive federal funding up to 80% of the original estimate.
 - b. If the revised project cost estimate, based on the original scope, is higher than the original estimate, AMATS federal share may be increased up to 80% of the revised estimate.
 - c. AMATS federal share increase is limited to 15% above the original federal share programmed for the project and is not to exceed the funding policy cap for right-of-way and construction. The AMATS Staff has the authority to make funding decisions for project cost increases based on the availability of funds. If a project is already at the AMATS funding policy cap, project cost increase requests must be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee, TAC and Policy Committee,

- with the Policy Committee having final decision-making authority. Situations not specified herein will be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee.
13. Major Changes to Project Funding – Projects which have already received federal TASA funds through AMATS are not eligible to apply for additional TASA funds through AMATS normal application cycle. If additional funding for a project is necessary a request must be made to the AMATS Staff and will be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee, TAC and Policy Committee, with the Policy Committee having final decision-making authority.
 14. Self-Scoring – AMATS strongly recommends communities self-score their applications before submitting them for consideration.

AMATS Resurfacing Program

Description

Resurfacing projects on non-state routes using AMATS STBG funds.

Eligibility

Eligible routes for resurfacing include principal and minor arterials, urban collectors and major rural collectors that are not on a state route. Minor rural collector and local roadways are not eligible for federal funding. In order to be consistent with the ODOT Urban Paving Program, the eligibility of an item will be as outlined in ODOT's Urban Paving Policy with the exception of full and partial depth pavement repair and ADA sidewalk ramps, which are eligible for AMATS funding. Work items not directly related to the pavement resurfacing are not eligible for funding such as culvert replacement, street trees and guardrail. Roadways with a Pavement Condition Rating (PCR) of greater than 80 are also not eligible for funding.

The AMATS TAC TIP Subcommittee, with consultation from the AMATS staff, reserves the right to consider project applications under another funding program that it deems better suited for the application.

Program Policies

1. Resurfacing – Resurfacing is defined as a thin asphalt type overlay, not to exceed 3 inches, or similar treatment. Geofabric is eligible. Concrete roadways are not eligible unless being overlaid with asphalt.
2. Reconstruction – Pavements in need of reconstruction are not eligible for AMATS Resurfacing Program funds. A project is considered roadway reconstruction and not resurfacing when over 25% of the pavement surface area within the project limits needs repaired or replaced.
3. Structures – Any work on structures beyond the asphalt type overlay as mentioned above is not eligible for funding.
4. Frequency of Resurfacing – Sponsors are responsible for maintaining their roadways so that the pavement does not deteriorate prematurely. AMATS will only provide funding for resurfacing at a minimum of 10-year intervals if the previous resurfacing involved federal funds. The 10-year interval begins on the date the last resurfacing was completed and does not include temporary overlays.
5. Federal Participation
 - a. The maximum federal share for projects under the Resurfacing program is 80% of the total eligible project costs (excluding 100% local items). Federal funds are capped at the approved amount shown in the current TIP.

- b. Federal funding participation for Resurfacing projects is either the federal participation rate approved for the project, or the total federal funds approved for the project, whichever is less.
 - c. A minimum of 20% of the annual STBG allocation will be set aside as a target budget to fund this program.
- 6. Local Participation
 - a. The minimum local share is 20% of total eligible costs (excluding 100% local items). If a sponsor takes advantage of the PDIP program the local share is reduced to 10% of AMATS federal funding with a maximum reduction of \$100,000 (based on the maximum Resurfacing funding by AMATS of \$800,000).
 - b. The local share for Resurfacing projects is required to be in cash from local, state or other non-federal sources. These projects are not eligible for softmatch credit, or 100% Federal funding participation, regardless of Federal or state eligibility. Planning and engineering costs (including the development of right-of-way and construction plans) are not considered as local share.
- 7. Right-of-Way – the right-of-way phase is not eligible for funding.
- 8. Resurfacing Funding Cap – Resurfacing projects have a construction cap of \$800,000 in federal funds. Assuming an 80% Federal share, total project cost should not exceed \$1,000,000. Any cost above this amount is the responsibility of the local sponsor.
- 9. Project Delays – Funding for STBG projects that are delayed or cancelled will be re- evaluated based on the following principles:
 - a. If a project is delayed due to the lack of programmed federal funds, the project will be rescheduled as soon as funds become available.
 - b. If a project is delayed due to the project sponsor, the project may be cancelled or rescheduled at a later time as not to impact or jeopardize other projects that have met their schedules.
- 10. Project Cost Increases – Project phases scheduled in the next fiscal year will be updated in AMATS funding program to reflect the latest estimates. Project sponsors must submit revised project cost estimates for the phase that is scheduled in the next fiscal year.
 - a. If the revised project cost estimate is lower than the original estimate, AMATS federal share, as shown in AMATS Funding Program and Balances Table, will be adjusted accordingly to reflect 80% of the revised estimate. The project cost shown in the TIP will not be changed and the project is still eligible to receive federal funding up to 80% of the original estimate.
 - b. If the revised project cost estimate, based on the original scope, is higher than the original estimate, AMATS federal share may be increased up to 80% of the revised estimate.
 - c. AMATS federal share increase is limited to 15% above the original federal share programmed for the project and is not to exceed the funding policy cap for right-of-way and construction. The AMATS Staff has the authority to make funding decisions for project cost increases based on the availability of funds. If a project is already at the AMATS funding policy cap, project cost increase requests must be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee, TAC and Policy Committee, with the Policy Committee having final decision-making authority. Situations not specified herein will be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee.
- 11. Major Changes to Project Funding – Projects which have already received federal STBG funds through AMATS are not eligible to apply for additional STBG funds through AMATS normal application cycle. If additional funding for a project is necessary a request must be made to the AMATS Staff and will be

reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee, TAC and Policy Committee, with the Policy Committee having final decision making authority.

12. Self-Scoring – AMATS strongly recommends communities self-score their applications before submitting them for consideration.

Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)

Description

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) establishes the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), which provides funds for projects designed to reduce transportation emissions, defined as carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions from on-road highway sources.

Eligibility

Eligible routes for the CRP include principal and minor arterials, urban collectors and major rural collectors that are not on a state route. Minor rural collector and local roadways are not eligible for federal funding.

CRP funds may be used to establish new or expanded transportation projects that reduce carbon emissions. Projects eligible for CRP funds include roundabouts, operational projects that improve traffic flow, clean fuel bus purchases, and bicycle and pedestrian projects.

The AMATS TAC TIP Subcommittee, with consultation from the AMATS staff, reserves the right to consider project applications under another funding program that it deems better suited for the application.

Program Policies

1. Federal Participation
 - a. The maximum federal share for projects under the CRP program is 80% of the total eligible project costs (excluding 100% local items). Federal funds are capped at the approved amount shown in the current TIP.
 - b. Federal funding for CRP projects is either the federal participation rate approved for the project, or the total federal funds approved for the project, whichever is less.
2. Local Participation
 - a. The minimum local share is 20% of total eligible project costs (excluding 100% local items).
 - b. The local share for CRP projects is required to be in cash from local, state or other non-federal sources. These projects are not eligible for softmatch credit, or 100% Federal funding participation, regardless of Federal or state eligibility. Planning and engineering costs (including the development of right-of-way and construction plans) are not considered as local share.
3. Right-of-Way – the right-of-way funding may be adjusted from the original amount approved as long as the project's total cap is not increased. These projects have a combined right-of-way and construction cap (see 5 below).
4. Construction/Capital Purchases – the construction funding may be adjusted from the original amount approved as long as the project's total cap is not increased. These projects have a combined right-of-way and construction cap (see 5 below).

5. CRP Funding Cap – CRP projects have a combined right-of-way and construction cap of \$2,000,000 in federal funds. Assuming an 80% Federal share, total project cost should not exceed \$2,500,000. Any cost above this amount is the responsibility of the local sponsor.
6. Project Delays – projects that are delayed or cancelled will be re-evaluated based on the following principles:
 - a. If a project is delayed due to the lack of programmed federal funds, the project will be rescheduled as soon as funds become available.
 - b. If a project is delayed due to the project sponsor, the project may be cancelled or rescheduled at a later time as not to impact or jeopardize other projects that have met their schedules.
7. Project Cost Increases – Project phases scheduled in the next fiscal year will be updated in AMATS funding program to reflect the latest estimates. Project sponsors must submit revised project cost estimates for the phase that is scheduled in the next fiscal year.
 - a. If the revised project cost estimate is lower than the original estimate, AMATS federal share, as shown in AMATS Funding Program and Balances Table, will be adjusted accordingly to reflect 80% of the revised estimate. The project cost shown in the TIP will not be changed and the project is still eligible to receive federal funding up to 80% of the original estimate.
 - b. If the revised project cost estimate, based on the original scope, is higher than the original estimate, AMATS federal share may be increased up to 80% of the revised estimate.
 - c. AMATS federal share increase is limited to 15% above the original federal share programmed for the project and is not to exceed the funding policy cap for right-of-way and construction. The AMATS Staff has the authority to make funding decisions for project cost increases based on the availability of funds. If a project is already at the AMATS funding policy cap, project cost increase requests must be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee, TAC and Policy Committee, with the Policy Committee having final decision-making authority. Situations not specified herein will be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee.
8. Major Changes to Project Funding – Projects which have already received federal STBG funds through AMATS are not eligible to apply for additional STBG funds through AMATS normal application cycle. If additional funding for a project is necessary a request must be made to the AMATS Staff and will be reviewed by the TAC TIP Subcommittee, TAC and Policy Committee, with the Policy Committee having final decision-making authority.
9. Self-Scoring – AMATS strongly recommends communities self-score their applications before submitting them for consideration.

Pavement Repair & Sidewalk Ramp Program

Description

ODOT's Urban Paving Program includes participation in resurfacing state and US routes within municipalities. In accordance with ODOT's Policy, ODOT District 4 requires that all partial and full depth pavement repairs within the project limits be completed before or in conjunction with a resurfacing project that has been scheduled under its paving program. Municipalities are responsible for funding these pavement repairs.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), ODOT District 4 also requires that all sidewalk ramps within the project limits meet the current standards and be completed before or in conjunction with

a resurfacing project that has been scheduled under the paving program. Municipalities are also responsible for all sidewalk ramps costs.

Title II of the ADA specifically applies to public entities (state and local governments), and the programs, services, and activities they deliver. Title II Article 8, requires public entities to take several steps designed to achieve compliance with the ADA. The first step in this compliance is the development of an ADA transition plan. The ADA transition plan should include:

1. A list of the physical barriers in a public entity's facilities that limit the accessibility of its programs, activities, or services to individuals with disabilities.
2. A detailed outline of the methods to be utilized to remove these barriers and make the facilities accessible.
3. The schedule for taking the necessary steps to achieve compliance with Title II.
4. The name of the official responsible for the plan's implementation.

Transition plans provide a method for a public entity to schedule and implement ADA required improvements to existing streets and sidewalks. The transition plan requires an inventory of the current curb ramps and sidewalks, the identification of barriers, and a system for the removal of these barriers. Transition plans must also include a public involvement component. AMATS requires that all of its members have an ADA Transition Plan, and certify this as part of the project funding application process.

Eligibility

Resurfacing projects on State and US routes within municipalities scheduled under ODOT's Urban Paving Program.

Program Policies

AMATS may participate in funding these partial and full depth pavement repairs and sidewalk ramps with STBG funds at an 80% share. The AMATS staff has the authority to make funding decisions of up to \$150,000 in federal funds per project for a combination of both the pavement repairs and ADA ramps. This action is subject to the availability of funds. The AMATS Policy Committee will make funding decisions for projects that require more than the \$150,000 federal share for these items.

FTA Urbanized Area Formula (Section 5307) Program

Description

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 Program funding is apportioned to each Urbanized Area as a transportation block grant. These funds are flexible and may be used for a variety of transportation projects. However, these funds tend to be used for transit projects such as bus replacements and other transit capital projects. For urbanized areas over 200,000 in population, such as Akron, Section 5307 funds may only be used for capital expenses. The exceptions to this restriction include expenses for preventive maintenance, the capital cost of leasing, planning, and complementary ADA paratransit service. The funding participation rate is generally 80% federal and 20% local. See the FTA circular for program guidance.

Eligibility

Grants under the Urbanized Area Formula Program are available to finance planning and capital projects. Capital projects include acquisition, construction, improvement, and maintenance of facilities and equipment for use in

public transit. Eligible purposes include planning, engineering design and evaluation of transit projects and other technical transportation-related studies; capital investments in bus and bus-related activities such as replacement of buses, overhaul or rebuilding of buses, security equipment and construction of maintenance and passenger facilities; and capital investments in new and existing fixed guideway systems including rolling stock, overhaul and rebuilding of vehicles, track, signals, communications and computer hardware and software. All preventive maintenance costs are considered capital costs.

Program Policies

1. **Designated Recipients** – Currently, the only designated recipients of Section 5307 funds in the AMATS area are METRO RTA in Summit County and PARTA in Portage County. Both METRO and PARTA receive the bulk of their Section 5307 funds from the Akron Urbanized Area’s apportionment and receive smaller suballocations from the apportionment to the Cleveland Urbanized Area. Medina County Public Transit (MCPT) serves a portion of the Akron Urbanized Area, in and adjoining the Wadsworth area. As a result, MCPT will receive a portion of these formula funds as described in the Memorandum of Understanding signed in 2013 (AMATS Policy Resolution 2013-15; September 25, 2013). NOACA serves as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for MCPT.
2. **Evaluation of Projects** – Annually, METRO and PARTA will submit a draft project list to AMATS requesting Section 5307 funds. The staff will ensure that the project lists are consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan, as well as the region’s Transit Asset Management (TAM) planning activities. AMATS, METRO and PARTA will collaborate to ensure the appropriate and efficient use of funds and then make recommendations to the Policy Committee and Technical Advisory Committee based on the priorities of the Regional Transportation Plan. If issues arise with a specific project that the staff cannot resolve, the TAC TIP Subcommittee will be called on to resolve the issue.
3. **Cleveland Urbanized Area Section 5307 Funds** – AMATS is responsible for programming the projects that METRO and PARTA will fund with the Section 5307 funds they receive from the Cleveland Urbanized Area’s apportionment. Annually, AMATS will work with METRO and PARTA to ensure that FTA obligates all the Cleveland Urbanized Area Section 5307 funds prior to obligating any Akron Urbanized Area funds.
4. **Program Funding Cap** – There is no funding cap for the Section 5307 Program.

FTA Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) Program

Description

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities (Section 5310) Program provides funding for the purpose of assisting non-profit human/social services agencies, as well as providers of public transportation, in meeting the special transportation needs of the elderly and those with disabilities. This competitive grant program is administered by the ODOT Office of Transit as the Specialized Transportation Program. See the FTA circular for program guidance.

To receive FTA Section 5310 funding, an area must develop and maintain a locally developed coordinated transportation plan, as mandated by federal guidance. Local projects must be consistent with the AMATS Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan (Coordinated Plan), as well as the region’s Transit

Asset Management (TAM) planning activities. The current Coordinated Plan was approved by the AMATS Policy Committee on May 10, 2018 (see Resolution 2018-11).

Eligible Projects

Grants under the FTA Section 5310 program are available to finance capital and, on a limited basis, operating expenses. Funding may be awarded to qualified public agencies, regional transit authorities and for-profit providers of shared-ride transportation. Eligible projects include (but are not limited to):

- Capital Rolling Stock & Related Equipment – accessible buses, vans and other vehicles, on-board communications equipment, and computer hardware and software to aid in the efficiency and coordination of transportation for the elderly and those with disabilities.
- Capital Projects to Increase Access to Transportation – public transportation projects exceeding ADA requirements, construction of accessible shelters, infrastructure to improve access to transit stops that are not currently accessible, etc.
- Operating Assistance – feeder services to provide access to fixed-route bus stops, new service to meet the needs of seniors and the disabled in areas where existing services are insufficient, inappropriate or unavailable and alternatives to public transportation.

Program Policies

1. Designated Recipients – METRO RTA and PARTA are direct recipients of FTA funds, and are eligible to receive Section 5310 funds. Social service agencies are also eligible to receive Section 5310 funds, and will receive those funds through ODOT acting as the designated recipient of funds. ODOT's Program Management Plan (PMP) describes the designated recipient's policies and procedures for administering FTA Section 5310 funds. The PMP is discussed in the ODOT Coordinated Public Transit – Human Services Transportation Plan. The PMP also describes the competitive selection process.
2. Administrative Expenses Reimbursement – Per the FTA Section 5310 program provisions, the designated recipient (ODOT) may set aside up to 10% of total program funds for the reimbursement of administrative, planning and technical assistance expenses.
3. Evaluation of Projects – All projects must be competitively selected and consistent with the region's Coordinated Plan. ODOT Office of Transit maintains evaluation criteria for the FTA Section 5310 program. All projects must meet minimum scoring requirements. ODOT will evaluate and prioritize all projects in coordination with AMATS, in keeping with the recommendations established within the Coordinated Plan and in consideration of the total funding available. Projects that are not consistent with the Coordinated Plan will not be scored or considered for funding. The AMATS Policy Committee will be responsible for final approval of the projects that receive Section 5310 funding.
4. Program Funding Cap – There is no funding cap for the FTA Section 5310 program.

FTA Bus and Bus Facilities (Section 5339) Program

Description

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Bus and Bus Facilities (Section 5339) Program provides capital funding to replace, rehabilitate and purchase buses and related equipment, and to construct bus-related facilities. Several years ago federal surface transportation legislation created this program to replace the FTA Section 5309 Bus and Bus Facilities Program.

Funds will be formulaically allocated to the Akron urbanized area (UZA), in accordance with the grant requirements established by the FTA Section 5307 program. The designated recipients of program funding are operators of fixed-route bus services, which include METRO RTA and PARTA in the AMATS region. Public agencies or private non-profit organizations engaged in public transportation are eligible subrecipients. The funding participation rate is 80% federal and 20% local.

Eligibility

Grants under the Bus and Bus Facilities program are available to finance capital projects. Eligible activities include the replacement, rehabilitation and purchase of buses, vans, and related equipment, and the construction of bus-related facilities.

Program Policies

1. Designated Recipients – As the AMATS region’s two operators of fixed-route bus service, METRO in Summit County, and PARTA in Portage County are the designated recipients for Section 5339 funding. Both METRO and PARTA receive the bulk of their Section 5339 funding from the Akron Urbanized Area’s apportionment and may receive smaller sub allocations from the apportionment to the Cleveland Urbanized Area.
2. Evaluation of Projects – Annually, METRO and PARTA will submit a draft project list to AMATS requesting Section 5339 funds. The staff will ensure that the project lists are consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan, as well as the region’s Transit Asset Management (TAM) planning activities. AMATS, METRO and PARTA will collaborate to ensure the appropriate and efficient use of funds and then make recommendations to the Policy Committee and Technical Advisory Committee based on the priorities of the Regional Transportation Plan. If issues arise with a specific project that the staff cannot resolve, the TAC TIP Subcommittee will be called on to resolve the issue.
3. Cleveland Urbanized Area Section 5339 Funds – AMATS is responsible for programming the projects that METRO and PARTA will fund with Section 5339 funds they receive from the Cleveland Urbanized Area’s apportionment. Annually, AMATS will work with METRO and PARTA to ensure that FTA obligates all of the Cleveland Urbanized Area Section 5339 funds prior to obligating any Akron Urbanized Area funds.
4. Program Funding Cap – There is no funding cap for the FTA Section 5339 program.

Section 3 | TIP Project Selection and Implementation Process

Final selection of STBG, TASA, Resurfacing, FTA Section 5307 Urban Area Formula, Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities and Section 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities projects is the responsibility of the AMATS Policy Committee. The Policy Committee has assigned specific duties to the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and the TAC TIP Subcommittee. In this section, the assigned duties of the TAC and the TAC TIP Subcommittee are listed. In addition, the steps included in the process to select projects for funding are described.

Duties of the Technical Advisory Committee

The Policy Committee has assigned to the Technical Advisory Committee the following duties in the development and monitoring of the STBG, TASA, Resurfacing and FTA Sections 5307, 5310 and 5339 funding programs:

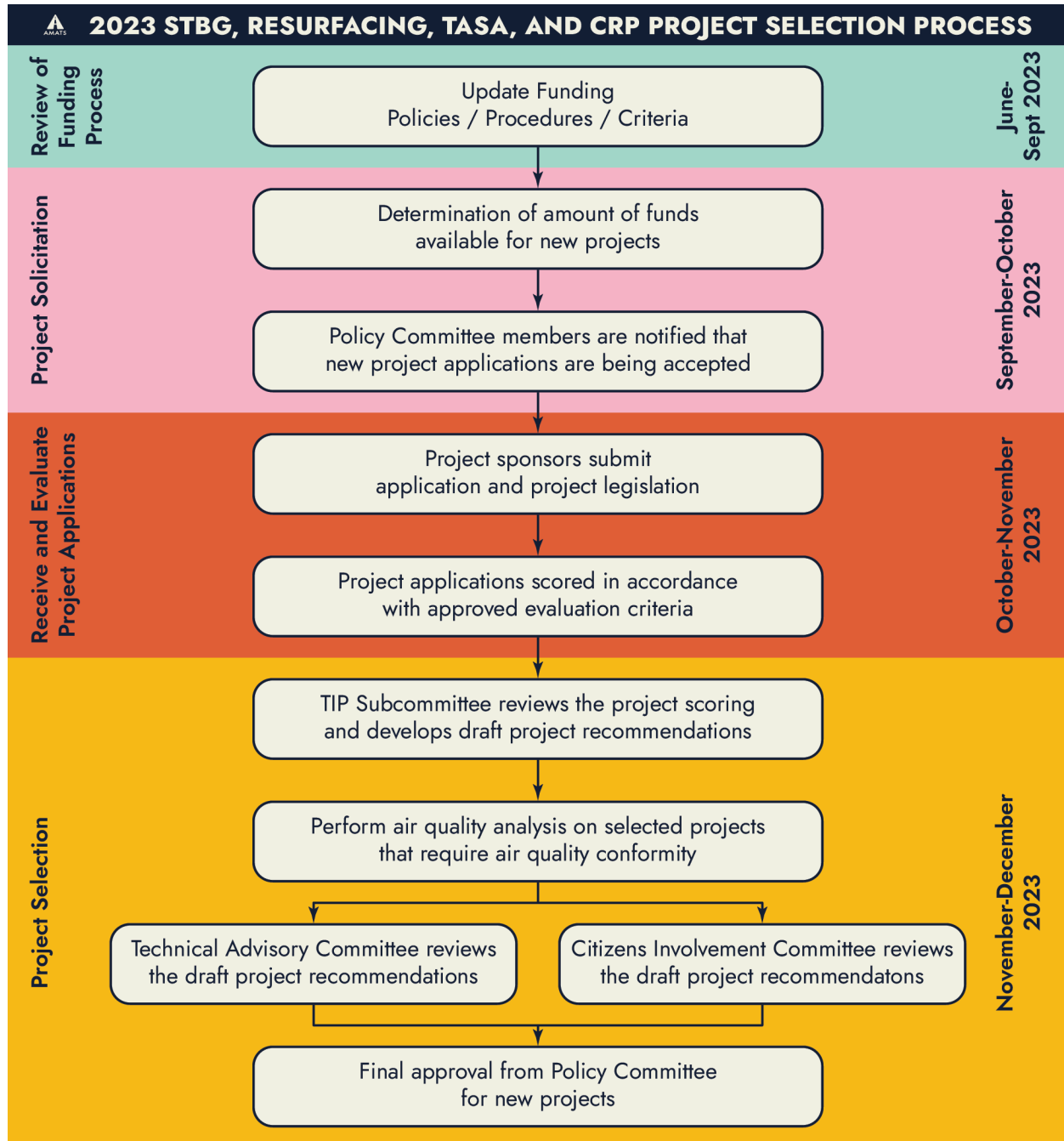
- a. Review project schedules, project costs and funding programs and provide a periodic TIP Status Report to the Policy Committee.
- b. Appoint a TIP Subcommittee to monitor TIP funding and project activity. The TAC Chairman will direct this Subcommittee and its membership shall include the Policy Committee Chairperson, one representative from each city with a population of over 20,000, a representative from a city with a population between 10,000 and 20,000 appointed by the Policy Committee Chairperson, a representative from a city with a population between 5,000 and 10,000 appointed by the Policy Committee Chairperson, a village representative appointed by the Policy Committee Chairperson, the Summit and Portage County Engineers, Portage Area Regional Transportation Authority and METRO Regional Transit Authority. Each member of the Subcommittee has one vote. The chairman can only vote if his or her community is not otherwise represented. Policy Committee Chairperson appointments will be made before a round of AMATS funding begins. The appointees will serve for two years until the next round of funding.
- c. Provide recommendations to the Policy Committee for the purpose of adding, deleting or altering TIP projects. In developing its recommendations, the TAC will consider the results of an evaluation of project applications, TIP Subcommittee project funding recommendations, the goals and objectives of the AMATS Regional Transportation Plan, project development schedules, funding availability through other federal programs, anticipated availability of AMATS attributable federal funds, and an equitable distribution of funding among communities or agencies.

Duties of the TAC TIP Subcommittee

The Policy Committee has assigned the TAC TIP Subcommittee the following funding policies and programming procedures activities. Staff assistance will be provided to the TAC TIP Subcommittee in performing these duties.

- a. Conduct quarterly project review meetings to monitor the status of projects selected for funding.
- b. Provide periodic TIP Status Reports to TAC. The report will include an update of project schedules, project costs and funding availability.
- c. Solicit project applications based on the availability of federal funds.
- d. Conduct a preliminary review of proposed projects.

- e. Review project applications, apply project criteria, and provide to the TAC a listing of project funding recommendations.
- f. Complete air quality conformity evaluations as needed.





Section 4 | Project Evaluation Criteria

Surface Transportation Block Group Program (STBG)		
Roadway Condition (Maximum 30 Points)		Points
<i>PCI Value</i>		
0-50		30
50-60		25
61-70		20
71-80		15
81-100		0
<i>Bridge Condition</i>		
0-4		20
<i>Signal Upgrade</i>		20
Roadway Safety (Maximum 25 Points)		
Project location identified on AMATS SS4A Plan High Injury Network		25
Bridge / Road Closed		25
High crash location listed on AMATS Traffic Crash Report		15
Bridge Load Restricted		15
Documented Landslide Endangering Road		15
Delay Reduction (Maximum 10 Points)		
Recommended Capacity Improvement in the 2020 CMP		10
Weighted Average Daily Traffic (Maximum 15 Points)		
15,000 or more		15
0 to 14,999		ADT / 1000
Project Readiness (Maximum 15 Points)		
Stage 3 Plans complete (Traditional or Non-Traditional LPA)		15
ODOT LPA Project Scope Form submitted to AMATS		5
Complete Streets Components (Maximum of 15 Points)	Partial	Full
<i>Transit</i>		
Bus Signal Priority / Preemption	2	4
Enhanced Bus Shelters	2	4
Dedicated Transit Lane	2	4
Bus Rapid Transit Lanes	2	4
ADA Sidewalk Extensions at Bus Stops	2	4
Other Transit Enhancements	2	4
<i>Bicycle and Pedestrian</i>		
Cycle Track / Shared Use Path	2	4
New Sidewalks	2	4
On Street Bicycle Lane	2	4
Rapid Flashing Beacon, Pedestrian Refuge Island, Crosswalk Visibility	2	4
Enhancements, Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon		4
Connecting Communities Project		
Project recommended in Connecting Communities Planning Grant		5
Equitable Distribution of Funds		
<i>The Ratio of Funds Received (and Programmed) to a Target Budget</i>		
<i>Percentage</i>		
0-50		10
51-60		9
61-70		8
71-80		7
81-90		6
91-100		5
101-110		4
111-120		3
121-130		2
131-150		1
Greater than 150		0
Priority Project Selection		
Priority Project Selected by Sponsor		5

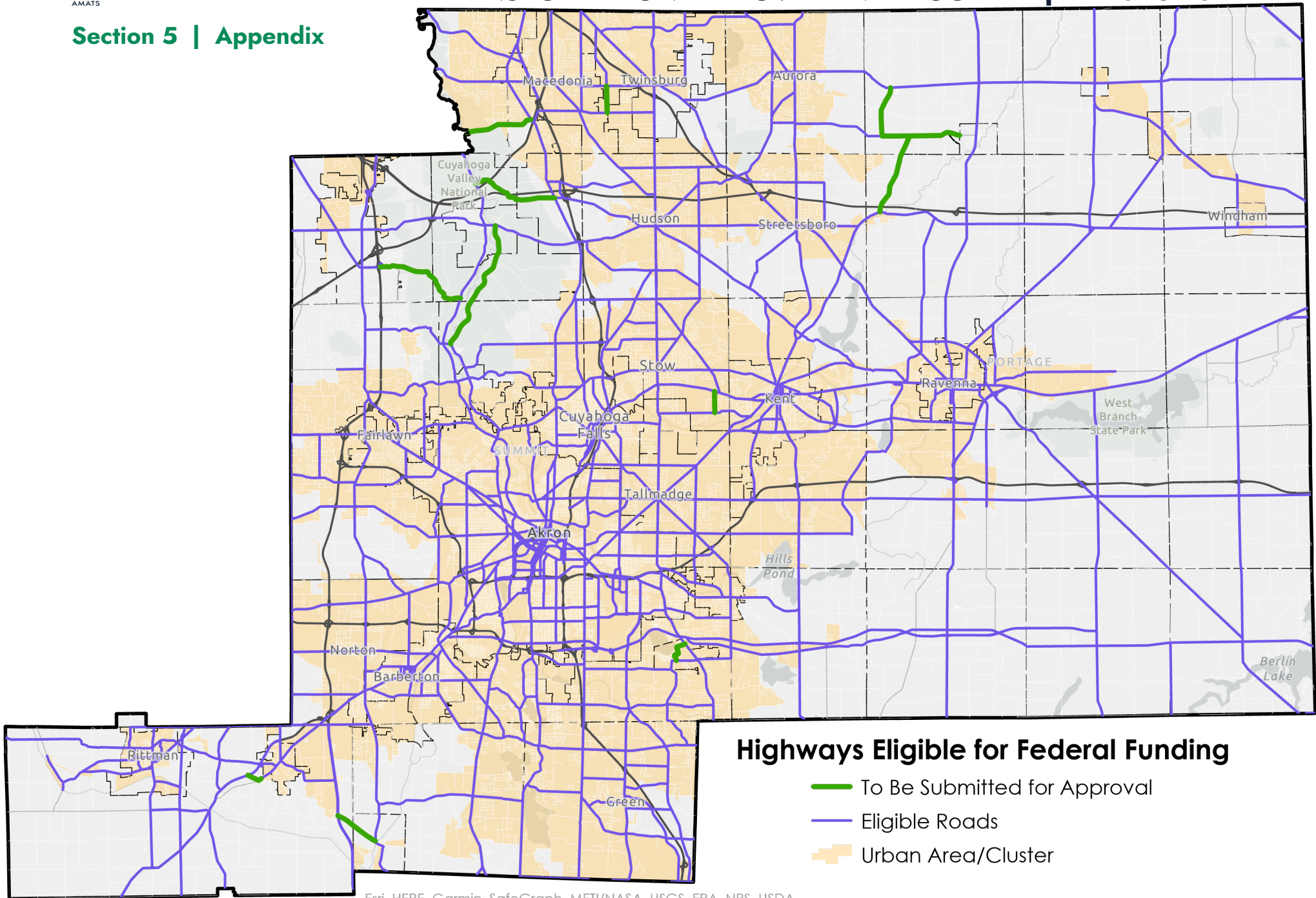
Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program (TASA)		
Facilities (Maximum 25 Points)		Points
Regional Trail (Towpath, Portage, Headwaters, Bike and Hike)		25
Secondary Trail / Sidewalk / Bike Lane		15
Project Type (Maximum 25 Points)		
Project connects two existing bike/ped facilities		25
FY 2024/2025/2026 existing projects supplemental funding		25
Project Connects to one existing bike/ped facility		20
Project is sidewalk replacement or bike/ped safety infrastructure		20
Project is a stand-alone project		15
Project upgrades trail surface from limestone to asphalt		5
Level of Use (Maximum 20 Points)		
How much use is the facility projected to have		0-20
Consistency with Plans (Maximum 35 Points)		
Recommended as part of an Ohio SRTS Travel Plan		10
Recommended in Connecting Communities Planning Grant		5
Recommended in Transportation Outlook 2045		5
Is on an existing transit line		5
History of bike/ped crashes		5
Rapid Flashing Beacon, Pedestrian Refuge Island, Crosswalk Visibility Enhancements, Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon		15
Equitable Distribution of Funds (Maximum 10 Points)		
<i>The Ratio of Funds Received (and Programmed) to a Target Budget</i>		
Percentage		
0-50		10
51-100		7
101-150		3

AMATS Resurfacing Program		
Pavement Condition Index (Maximum 30 Points)		Points
<i>PCI Value</i>		
0-60		30
61-80		90 - PCI
Equitable Distribution of Funds (Maximum 25 Points)		
<i>The Ratio of Funds Received (and Programmed) to a Target Budget</i>		
Percentage		
0-50		25
51-60		24
61-70		23
71-80		22
81-90		21
91-100		20
101-110		19
111-120		18
121-130		17
131-140		16
141-150		15
Greater than 150		0
Weighted Average Daily Traffic (Maximum 15 Points)		
0 to 14,999		ADT / 1000
15,000 and above		15
Maintenance Performed by Sponsor (Maximum 10 Points)		
Chip and Seal		10
Strip Paving		7
Crack Sealing		5
Patching		3
Priority Project Selection (Maximum 15 Points)		
Priority project selected by sponsor		15

Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)		
Project Type (Maximum 15 Points)		Points
Roundabout		15
Other traffic flow improvements (signal improvements, TWLTL)		10
Alternative Fuel Bus Purchase		15
Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements		7
Project Delivery (Maximum 10 Points)		
Project Delivery in FY 26 or sooner		10
Project Delivery after FY 26		5
Safety (Maximum 10 Points)		
Project Identified in SS4A Plan High Injury Network		10
Project includes SS4A Proven Safety Countermeasure or Location Identified on AMATS Annual High Crash Report		5
Equity (Maximum 5 Points)		
Project within a disadvantaged community according to the Equitable Transportation Community Explorer		5
Impact on Emissions (Maximum 15 Points)		
Consistent reduction in idling time/emissions		15
Intermittent reduction in idling time/emissions		5
Limited reduction in idling time/emissions		5
Equitable Distribution of Funds		
<i>The Ratio of Funds Received (and Programmed) to a Target Budget</i>		
Percentage		
0-50		10
51-60		9
61-70		8
71-80		7
81-90		6
91-100		5
101-110		4
111-120		3
121-130		2
131-150		1
Greater than 150		0



Section 5 | Appendix



Esri, HERE, Garmin, SafeGraph, METI/NASA, USGS, EPA, NPS, USDA

Appendix E | Ohio STIP Revisions Guidelines



OHIO STIP REVISIONS GUIDELINES

Introduction

In accordance with the provisions found in Title 23 Code of Federal Regulation Part 450 and Title 49 Code of Federal Regulation Part 613, this document establishes the guidelines for revising the Ohio Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). Ohio STIP revisions will be processed in accordance with the applicable federal provisions, adhere to the approved public involvement procedures, ensure reasonable fiscal constraint is maintained, and adhere to the appropriate conformity determination procedures. The Ohio STIP Revisions Guidelines will be included in the STIP by reference.

Each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) may elect to follow these guidelines without change or implement more restrictive Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) revision procedures. In all cases, MPO procedures for TIP revisions shall be developed under the guidance of 23 CFR 450, 49 CFR 613, and this document. The TIP revision procedures shall be included in the MPO TIP directly or by reference.

Additional information on Ohio's STIP processes may be found in the Ohio S/TIP Development Guidance on the STIP website.

STIP Revisions

A STIP revision is a change that is made between full updates of the STIP. ODOT coordinates project data with MPOs and Regional Transportation Planning Organizations (RTPOs) per an established schedule to assist in identifying needed S/TIP revisions. There are two types of STIP revisions: (1) amendments and (2) administrative modifications.

1. STIP Amendment

A STIP amendment is a major revision that requires federal review and approval, public review and comment, redemonstration of fiscal constraint, and as applicable in nonattainment and maintenance areas conformity determination. Amendments include:

Highway (FHWA Projects)

- **Addition/removal of project/phase from STIP period** - e.g. Add project or phase to individual STIP list, move project or phase funding into or out of current 4-year STIP period, cancel project, etc.;
- **Addition/removal of STIP group** - e.g. New MPO group added, etc.;
- **Phase/group funding revision over threshold** (see [Figure 1](#)) - e.g. \$10M phase or group estimate increases to \$12.1M, etc.;
- **Air Quality change** - i.e. Exempt to/from Analyzed/Non-Exempt
- **Design/scope change** (add/remove transportation feature) - e.g. Bridge work added to resurfacing project; changing from a pavement maintenance to an intersection expansion; etc.;
- **All other major changes to highway projects or STIP document**

Transit (FTA Projects)

- **Addition/removal of project from STIP period** - e.g. Add PID to individual STIP list, move PID funding in/out of the current 4-year STIP period, cancel PID, etc.
- **Addition/removal of STIP group** - e.g. new Transit group added, etc.
- **Project funding revision over threshold** (see [Figure 1](#)) - e.g. \$5M PID estimate increased to \$6.6M, etc.
- **Air Quality change** - i.e. Exempt to/from Analyzed/Non-Exempt
- **Addition/removal of scope** - e.g. scope 111-00 activities removed, scope 114-000 activities added, etc.
- **All other major changes to transit projects, groups, and/or STIP document**

Amendment Procedures

ODOT will revise the STIP by amendment in coordination with MPOs and RTPOs per the established quarterly schedule or as otherwise needed. ODOT will send STIP amendments to the applicable federal agency - Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) or Federal Transit Administration (FTA) - for review and approval. Once federal approval is received, the amendment will be incorporated into Ohio's STIP.

Ohio STIP Revisions Guidelines

- a. **Amendments in MPO Regions:** Inside MPO Regions, ODOT on behalf of the Governor will review and approve MPO TIP revisions for inclusion in the next STIP amendment.
- b. **Amendments Outside MPO Regions:** Outside MPO Regions, ODOT will process STIP amendments for major project changes in coordination with applicable RTPPO agencies.

2. Administrative Modification

A STIP administrative modification is a minor revision that does not require federal review and approval, public review and comment, redemonstration of fiscal constraint, or conformity determination. Administrative modifications include:

Highway (FHWA Projects)

- **Revision to projects in STIP group(s)** – e.g. group project added/removed, funding changed, scope revision, etc.
- **Phase funding revision within threshold** (see [Figure 1](#)) – e.g. \$50,000 phase estimate revised to \$1.55M; etc.
- **Revision to STIP Fund Type or SFY within STIP period** – e.g. Preservation to Safety; State to Safety; funds moved out a year but are still within 4-year STIP period etc.;
- **Minor termini, scope, design, description, project name change** (does not add/remove transportation feature) – e.g. minor revision to log points; etc.
- **Sponsoring Agency revision**– e.g. Local Agency to ODOT District, etc.
- **Combining/Splitting of project/phase** – e.g. combine project/phase with another project/phase; split one project into two or more projects, etc.
- **All other minor changes to projects, groups, and/or STIP document** – e.g. clerical/bookkeeping errors or updates, etc.
- **Project/phase carried forward** – unobligated projects/phases included in STIP carried forward as part of next full STIP update

Transit (FTA Projects)

- **Revision to projects in STIP group(s)** – e.g. group project added/removed, funding changed, scope revision, etc.
- **Project funding revision within threshold** (See [Figure 1](#)) – e.g. PID estimate total from \$1M to \$1.3M, etc.
- **Revision to STIP Fund Type or SFY within STIP period** – e.g. 5310 to 5307, 5307 to local, funds moved out a year but are still within current 4-year STIP period, etc.
- **Addition/removal/revision of Activity Line Items (ALI)** – e.g. ALI 11.12.01 revised to 11.13.03, etc.
- **Quantity revision** – e.g. 8 buses to 10, etc.;
- **Minor revision to project name or description** - (no scope added or removed)
- **All other minor changes to projects, groups, and/or STIP document** – e.g. clerical/bookkeeping errors or updates, etc.
- **Project/phase carried forward** – unobligated projects/phases included in STIP carried forward as part of next full STIP update

Administrative Modification Procedures

ODOT will revise the STIP by administrative modification in coordination with MPOs and RTPPOs on an established monthly schedule or as otherwise needed.

- a. **Administrative Modifications in MPO Regions:** Inside MPO Regions, ODOT will process STIP administrative modifications for minor changes in coordination with the MPOs.
- b. **Administrative Modifications Outside MPO Regions:** Outside MPO Regions, ODOT will process STIP administrative modifications for minor changes in coordination with applicable RTPPOs.

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Figure 1: Threshold Table

Highway

STIP Estimate *(Phase or Group)	Amendment Needed If Estimate Changes More Than:
\$1 to \$3M	\$1.5M
\$3 to \$5M	50%
\$5M to \$10M	30%
\$10M and above	20%

Transit

STIP Estimate (Project or Group)	Amendment Needed If Estimate Changes More Than:
\$1 to \$600,000	\$300,000
\$600,000 to \$1M	50%
\$1M to \$5M	30%
\$5M and above	20%

*Phases are identified as PE Environmental (ENV), PE Detailed Design (DD), Right of Way (RW), Construction (CO), Other (OTH), SPR Planning (SP), SPR Research (SR), and Transit (TRN).

Dispute Resolution

If a question arises on the interpretation of the definition of an amendment or administrative modification, ODOT, the MPO, FHWA, and/or FTA (the parties) will consult with each other to resolve the question. If after consultation, the parties disagree on the definition of what constitutes an amendment or administrative modification, the final decision rests with the FHWA for highway projects and the FTA for transit projects.

Approved by ODOT, FHWA, and FTA

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