Transportation Planning Project Proposal Form

Unified Planning Work Program

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| **Part 1: Sponsor contact information** | |
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| **Part 2: Basic project information** | |
| Project title: |  |
| Boundaries/limits:  (please attach map) |  |
| Affected agencies: |  |
| Brief project description: |  |

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| **Part 3: Project justification** |
| **Previous related studies** |
| Please list any previous planning, engineering, transportation, or other relevant studies that have been completed (or are currently underway) for the study area, with the year of completion, including the most recently-adopted comprehensive plan for the municipality(ies) impacted by this proposal. |
| **Study area key issues** |
| What issues have been identified in this study area? Please use quantitative data to the extent possible (accident rates, VMT information, mode share, etc.) and/or reference the studies listed above. |
| ***The next three areas refer to Chapter 2 of the SMTC’s 2050 Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) available at*** <https://smtcmpo.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/2050-LRTP-Update-Full-Doc-2020.10.08.pdf> |
| **Alignment with the community planning goals listed in the 2050 LRTP** |
| The community planning goals described in the 2050 LRTP (see page 27) will be used as a set of initial screening criteria for project proposals. Please describe how your proposed project supports one or more of these goals. Proposed projects that may hinder the ability of communities to achieve these planning goals will be subject to a higher level of scrutiny. |
| **Alignment with regionally-significant projects** |
| The 2050 LRTP identifies four regionally-significant, priority projects for our planning area: the I-81 Viaduct Project, enhanced transit system, expanded regional trail network, and an inland port facility (see page 30 for more details). Please describe how your proposed project will help the region make progress on one (or more) of these regional priorities (if applicable). Proposed projects that may hinder progress on these regional priorities will be subject to a higher level of scrutiny. If your proposed project is unrelated to any of the regionally-significant projects, please indicate this. |
| **Study objectives** |
| List the intended objectives for this study. These should address the key issues identified above and should reflect the transportation system performance goals and objectives detailed in the SMTC’s 2050 LRTP (see Chapter 2, page 29 and/or Chapter 4 of the 2050 LRTP). You are encouraged to adapt system-wide objectives to your specific project (For example, the LRTP objective “increase the percentage of commute trips made by bicycling and walking” may be adapted to a specific study as “increase the percentage of commute trips made by bicycling and walking in neighborhoods adjacent to the Elm Street corridor.”) If you are proposing new study-specific objectives, please specify the LRTP goal that your objective supports. |
| **Part 4: Scoping information** |
| **Preliminary scope of work** |
| What are the tasks that need to be completed? Please indicate how public participation will be incorporated in the study process (or state why public participation is not included in the scope). |
| **End product** |
| What is the desired outcome of the project (study report, technical memorandum, map, etc.)? Who is the intended audience for the end product? |
| **Budget** |
| What budget range do you believe is needed to complete your proposed project?  Small ($10,000 - $49,000)  Medium ($50,000 – $74,000)  Large ($75,000 – $100,000)  Significant ($100,000+) *Note: Projects of this size are likely to require special funding from sources beyond SMTC’s typical planning funds.* |
| Will a financial contribution be provided for this project beyond in-kind services? (not required) |
| **Schedule** |
| Indicate how long you anticipate this project will take to complete AFTER THE COMPLETION OF THE SCOPING PROCESS. Please note that project scoping will begin once the new program year commences (on April 1, 2025), and that the scoping process may take 2 to 6 months. Therefore, **work on the projects proposed now will not begin until the summer or fall of 2025.**  12 months  18 months  24 months  More than 24 months: (indicate) ­­­­­­­­­­­­­­ |
| Are there any scheduling considerations for this project, such as coordination with other projects that may be currently underway? If so, please explain. |
| **In-kind services** |
| Describe the in-kind services that will be provided as part of this project, in addition to attendance at study meetings. Please specify the name and role of staff members that will be providing these services. |
| **Project partners** |
| Have any other community partners, planning agencies, or transportation agencies expressed support for this project, or have you collaborated with any partners on related work leading up to this proposal? If so, please explain. |

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| **Part 5: Additional comments** |
| Please provide any additional information that you feel will be valuable in the project evaluation process. |