

**Tri-Cities Area MPO
2035 Candidate Project Ratings**

Three factors will be used to rate each 2035 candidate project. These factors include the 7 base rating criteria listed below, Level of Service and Cost/Benefit.

Project sponsors are requested to identify each candidate project by name, provide a one sentence preliminary scope of work, indicating specifically how the roadway or intersection will be improved, and one or two sentences explaining how the candidate project relates to each of the 7 base criteria listed below. Some projects may not relate to all 7 criteria. Each criterion can produce a maximum of 5 points per candidate project. Per the 12/02/11 meeting discussion, this form needs to be completed for each candidate project and forwarded to the CPDC staff by 12/16/11.

The CPDC staff will assign each candidate project an ID number and add up to 2 points to each candidate project base score for the Level of Service factor and up to 4 points for the Cost/Benefit factor. A candidate project can received a maximum score of 41 points. The total score for each candidate project will be computed by the CPDC staff. The project scores will be listed from highest score to lowest by functional classification. Transit capital projects will also be listed.

Projects with UPC numbers and projects proposed to be funded with private funds will not be rated. Projects with UPC numbers will be listed at the top of the 2035 financially constrained plan list and private funded projects will be listed along with vision projects.

Candidate Project Rating Identification Number: _____

Candidate Project Name: _____

Candidate Project Proposed Preliminary Scope of Work (one sentence description):

1. Support the Economic Vitality of the Metropolitan Area (*project serves a corridor with commercial and/or industrial development growth by adding capacity with improvements such as adding travel lanes to existing streets, new interchanges or bridge replacement/widening*)

2. Increase the Safety and Security of the Transportation System (*project includes provision to help prevent accidents, such as railroad crossings or pedestrian safety/security*)

3. Increase the Accessibility and Mobility Options Available to People and for Freight (*project includes provision for improvements such as transit capital acquisition, intermodal connection, park & ride lots, carpool/vanpool projects, bike lanes or sidewalk modifications to comply with the Americans with Disability Act of 1990 or park & ride lots*)
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4. Protect and Enhance the Environment, Promote Energy Conservation, and Improve Quality of Life (*project includes provision for improvements that involves the reduction of fuel consumption, wetlands mitigation or improves natural wildlife habitats*)
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5. Enhance the Integration and Connectivity of the Transportation System, Across and Between Modes, for People and Freight (*project includes provision improvements such as an intermodal facility, park & ride lot, sidewalk improvement or bicycle facility*)
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6. Promote Efficient System Management and Operation (*project includes provision for improvements such as congestion/management systems, signal coordination, turn lanes and intelligent transportation system applications*)

This project will improve control over traffic flow with signal and turn lane modifications.

7. Emphasize the Preservation of Existing Transportation System (*project includes provision for system preservation, such as resurfacing, rehabilitation of pavement, roadway or bridge replacement*)
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