

Overview of the 2022-2025 Transportation Improvement Program, Air Quality Conformity, and Public Involvement

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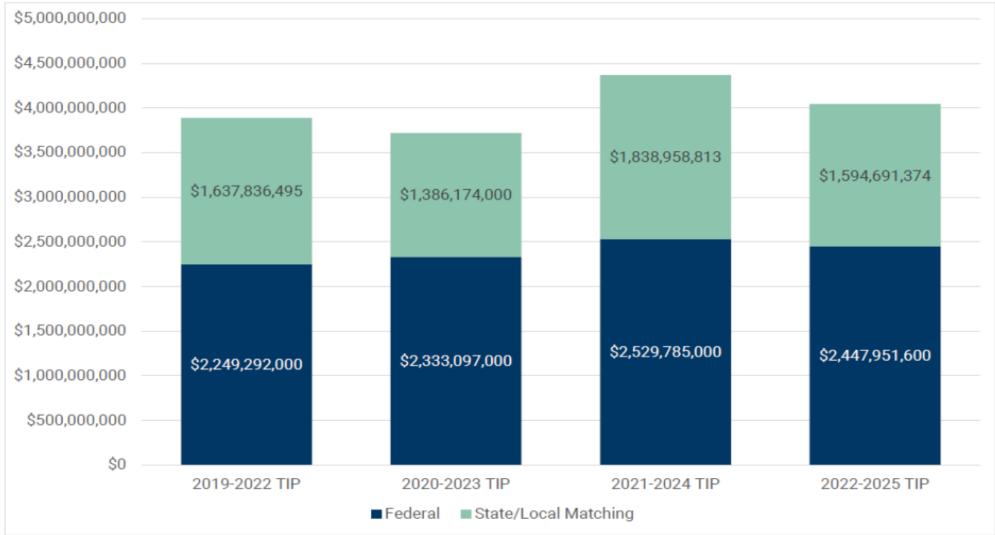
- 129 federally-funded and regionally significant projects
  - 6 are new projects
- \$4.04 billion in proposed federal, state, local, and toll funds
  - \$2.44 billion federal; \$1.6 billion state/local
  - highway, transit, bicycle and pedestrian projects
  - maintaining, operating and expanding the transportation system
- Projects support long-range transportation goals
  - for example: accessibility, safety, and prosperity.
- Funding limited
  - Programmed funds cannot exceed what is reasonably expected to be available from local, state, and federal sources







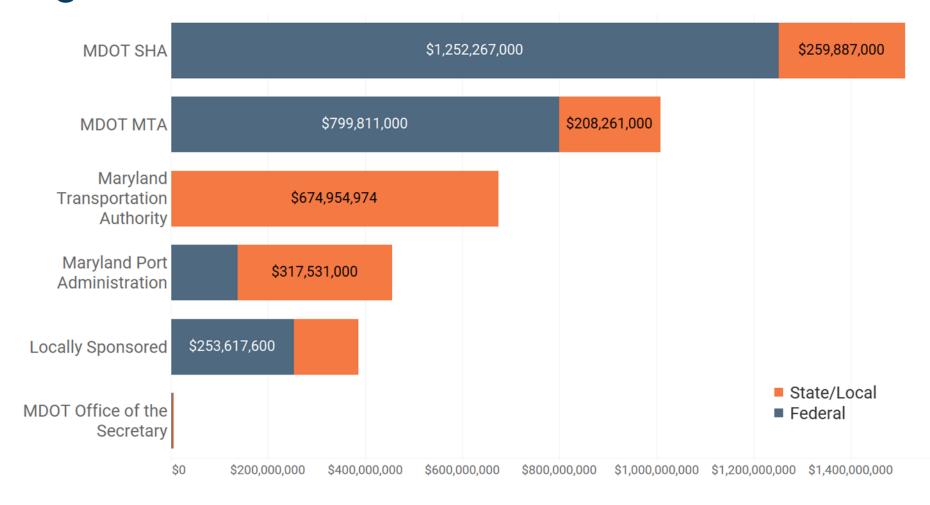
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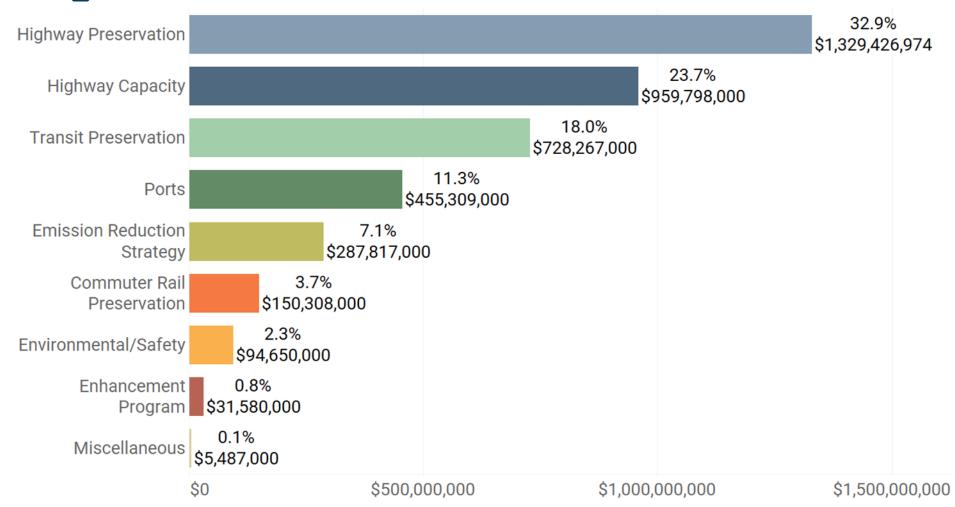
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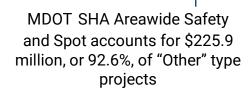


## **Breakdown of Highway Preservation Funds**

Road Reconstruction \$145,466,000 Reconstruction of I-695/I-70 interchange accounts for 99.4%

\$499,983,000 37.6% Bridge repair/deck replacement \$427,139,000 32.1% Road resurfacing/rehabilitation \$244,088,974 18.4% Other

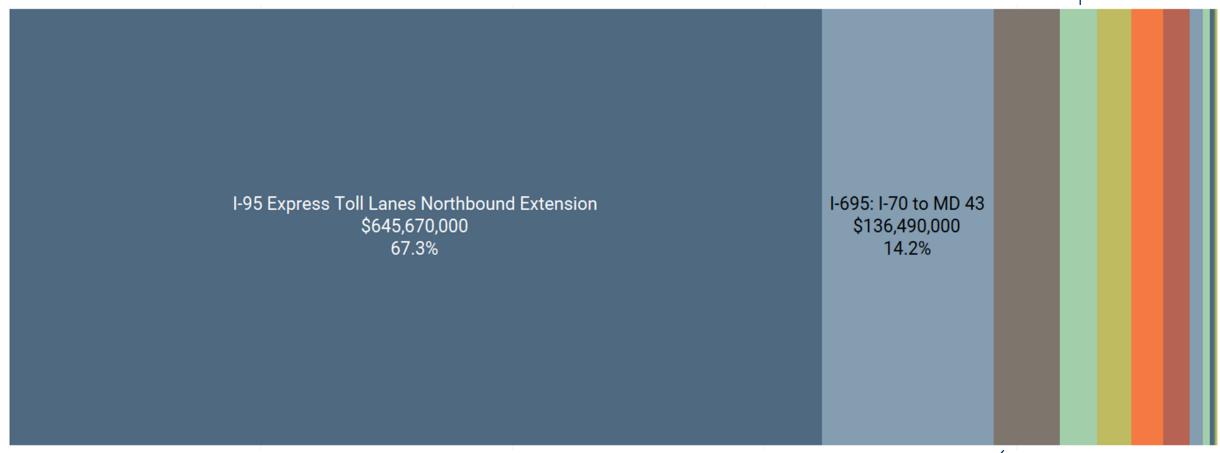






## **Breakdown of Highway Capacity Funds**

MD 32: Linden Church Road to I-70 \$29,395,000 3.1%







### **Breakdown of Transit Preservation Funds**





# 2022-2025 TIP Public Involvement and MDOT MTA Program of Projects

FTA Fund Source	FY2022-FY2025 Federal		
5307C: Capital requests in urbanized areas including bus purchases, replacements, and preventive maintenance	\$377,246,000	\$94,313,000	\$471,559,000
5307F: Flex (STBG Funds flexed to 5307)	\$2,384,000	\$596,000	\$2,980,000
53070: Operating assistance in urbanized areas	\$9,760,000	\$9,760,000	\$19,520,000
5310: Mobility of seniors and individuals with disabilities	\$6,740,000	\$2,620,000	\$9,360,000
53110: Operating assistance in nonurbanized areas	\$952,000	\$952,000	\$1,904,000
5337: State of Good Repair funds including preventive maintenance and MARC improvements	\$202,059,000	\$50,517,000	\$252,576,000
5339F: Bus and Bus Facilities Formula funds	\$24,999,000	\$6,251,000	\$31,250,000
CMAQ: Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality	\$175,671,000	\$43,252,000	\$218,923,000
Totals	\$799,811,000	\$208,261,000	\$1,008,027,000



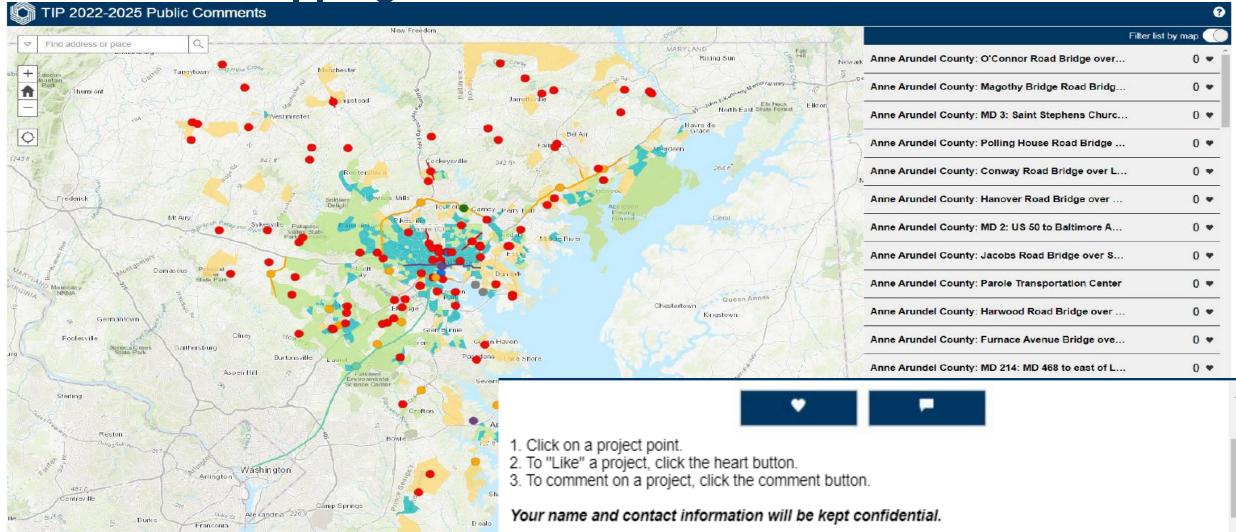


## **Project Highlights**

- Anne Arundel County: Multimodal Transportation Center in Parole
- Baltimore City: East-West Bus Corridor
- Howard County: US 29/Broken Land Parkway Interchange and North South Connector
- MDOT SHA: I-695 from I-70 to MD 43 and Reconstruction of Interchange at I-70
- Maryland Port Administration: Howard Street Tunnel
- MDTA: Baltimore Harbor Tunnel Toll Plaza & Interchange Improvements
- MDTA: I-95 Northbound Expansion



# **Interactive Mapping Features**







## Changes made/to be made to the Draft 2022-2025 TIP

- No TIP Sheet changes
- Minor updates to several chapters
  - Table of Contents
  - II.B Updated public involvement section
  - II.D Updated Chapter to include Senior Ride Program Awardees
- Minor updates to Appendices
  - Appendix A updated staff members
  - Appendix C Self Certification
  - Appendix F Amendment and Administrative Modification log
  - Appendix G Public Participation
  - Appendix H Added Full Resolution





## **Air Quality Conformity**

- Ensures the Plan and TIP do not worsen air quality in the region, or delay the attainment of national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS).
- Requires that transportation emissions do not exceed motor vehicle emission "budgets" in the state air quality implementation plan (SIP).
- Ties together transportation planning and air quality planning.







## **Air Quality Conformity**

- Currently the Baltimore region is in nonattainment for the 2008 and 2015 ozone standards.
- Regional Emissions Analysis: Models transportation emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx) and volatile organic compounds (VOC's) expected from onroad mobile vehicles, ie. cars, trucks, buses, motorcycles, in addition to idling trucks.
- Models emissions in particular "horizon" years assuming existing road and transit network, in addition to TIP and Plan projects.
- All modeled horizon years (2021, 2025, 2035, 2045) show emissions will be below SIP "budgets."



## **Conformity Process ICG Milestones**

- Methodology Letter (Which pollutants, emissions model, model run years) developed by the ICG and sent to federal review agencies.
- Determine conformity status, either exempt/non-exempt/regionally significant (project-by-project)
- BMC and MDE run EPA-developed emissions model. MDE supplies the official results.
- Approve regional emissions analysis results for public review.
- The draft document and results are out for public review.
- Looking to the ICG/TC to recommend approval of conformity document



### **Public Comment Period**

- Comment Period: June 8 through July 9, 2021
- One virtual public meeting <u>publicinput.com/H2050</u>
- Over 50 pages of comments received from 30 individuals and organizations
- Majority of comments supported modification of the TIP to:
  - (a) Reduce highway capacity expenditures
  - (b) Invest more in transit, particularly in transit capacity for transit-reliant populations
  - (c) Support local bicycle and pedestrian improvements
  - (d) Address Climate Change and equity







#### **Public Comments**

#### The Greater Washington Partnership

- Commend the Board for the addition of the East-West Priority Bus Corridor to the TIP,
- Encourages the addition of more short-term Priority Bus Corridors projects from the Central Maryland Regional Transit Plan (ex: North-South corridor from Towson to Downtown Baltimore)
- Coordinate with Amtrak and MDOT for funding for the B&P Tunnel or track enhancements at Baltimore Penn Station.
- Add funding for the Baltimore Greenway Trails Network
- Support a planning process to remove the Highway to Nowhere (US 40) that divides
  West Baltimore
- Identity a next step for the Baltimore Region Transit Governance and Funding Study



## **Public Comments (cont.)**

#### Paul Emmart

- Incorporate health impacts to the modeling & assessment modules health risks should be weighted and included in the prioritization of projects to be funded
- Conduct an alternatives analysis for the TIP and develop planning scenarios which exceed the required air quality thresholds
- Add more funding for Emission Reduction Strategy (ERS) Projects 1 bike path and a new sidewalk is not enough in a \$4b plan
- Need to identify the cumulative impact from all TIP projects on climate change





## **Public Comments (cont.)**

#### Coalition of 17 parties

- There are zero dollars for transit capacity so the region is now spending intinitely more on new highways than it is on new transit.
- Add further funding for projects from the Central Maryland Regional Transit Plan (RTP) such as corridor studies, transit hubs, and ADA compliance.
- Given recent lawsuit against Baltimore City regarding its ongoing lack of ADA compliance recommend directing more resources for ADA accessibility
- Add more dedicated funding for trails and separated bike facilities

#### Transit Choices

 Resubmitted comments from last year: Too much investment in highways; add funding for transit maintenance, increased access to transit, and bike/ped facilities.





Downtown Residents Advocacy Network

Fund for Educational Excellence

Klaus Philipsen, FAIA, ArchPlan Inc.

Maryland Consumer Rights Coalition

Our Revolution Baltimore City/County

Maryland Sierra Club

Rails-to-Trails Conservancy

Union of Concerned Scientists

1199 SEIU United Healthcare Workers East

Baltimore Co. Progressive Democrats Club

Central Maryland Transportation Alliance

Consumers for Accessible Ride Services

Baltimore MARC Riders

Bikemore

**Baltimore Transit Equity Coalition** 

Coalition for Smarter Growth

Disability Rights Maryland

## **Public Comments (cont.)**

#### Baltimore-Washington Transportation Research Group

- Urge the rejection of funding for TIP ID#: 90-1901-99 (SCMAGLEV) project and redirect funding for Express MARC Service
- Raises equity concerns and suggests that investing in MARC would increase access to several low-income and minority communities in the region

#### Social Media and TIP Interactive Map

- Concerns about low number of bike/ped projects, overemphasis on highways
- Against proposed widening of I-695; space should be used to create a rail and/or trail system
- Support for Greenway Middle Branch project
- Request for presentation to Annapolis Planning Commission





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