

Memorandum

REPORT TO: Gallatin Valley MPO - Transportation Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Jeff Butts, MPO Manager

SUBJECT: Long Range Transportation Plan Project Scoring, Performance, and Alternatives Review

MEETING DATE: July 8, 2026

AGENDA ITEM TYPE: Plan/Report/Study

RECOMMENDATION: Participate in the Long Range Transportation Plan project scoring, performance, and alternatives review discussion.

STRATEGIC PLAN: 1.3 Public Agencies Collaboration: Foster successful collaboration with other public agencies and build on these successes.

BACKGROUND: The purpose of this item is to continue Technical Transportation Advisory Committee (TTAC) discussion of the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) project selection process as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) works toward a fiscally constrained project list. This work will help inform future programming through the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), with approved TIP projects incorporated into the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This process is not intended to establish a final construction prioritization, and it does not preclude partners from pursuing grant opportunities or advancing projects through applicable local processes.

The original project scoring list is attached for reference. The attached list reflects the initial scoring results and is intended to support TTAC review of the scoring approach, project descriptions, and assumptions. The consultant team will bring an updated project list and scoring materials to the meeting for discussion.

The LRTP consultant team, Nelson\Nygaard, will join the meeting to review project scoring, performance results, and potential alternatives. The discussion will include updates to project descriptions and scoring assumptions, including cases where updated project descriptions may affect scores. For example, clarifying that pedestrian and bicycle facilities are included in a project may be reflected in the applicable scoring criteria. The consultant team will provide an update on modeling and performance results, including recent model runs and ongoing refinements. The presentation will include maps of the existing and committed network, as well as new-connection and existing-roadway capacity alternatives,

informing a final alternative.

The travel demand model is a planning-level tool used to evaluate regional motor vehicle travel, congestion, and roadway system performance. Results will be considered alongside adopted goals, safety needs, multimodal access, local context, public input, and partner feedback. TTAC input will help support the next steps toward developing the fiscally constrained project list for the LRTP.

Attached is the draft LRTP project list for review in preparation of this agenda item. No formal action is requested.

UNRESOLVED ISSUES: None.

ALTERNATIVES: As suggested by the committee.

FISCAL EFFECTS: None.

Attachments:

[20260626_Pre-Revenue_Scored_Projects_v1.xlsx](#)

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