

RURAL TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TRIP) SCCOG 2022 SOLICITATION INFORMATION

Grants will be awarded to municipalities on a competitive basis statewide. The program has been authorized for \$5 million each year for three years. The SCCOG region includes eight eligible rural municipalities. SCCOG may submit up to four applications for CTDOT consideration.

PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

Rural municipalities may apply for **one** grant per solicitation. Eligible projects must have an estimated construction cost of at least \$300,000. In general, TRIP projects must be located on a roadway classified as a rural minor collector or higher on the [Department's Functional Classification database](#). Urban roadways and locally classified town roads are not eligible for TRIP grant improvements.

Bridge improvements, multi-use trails, stand-alone sidewalk projects, and road rehabilitation projects are also eligible. The [2022 CTDOT TRIP Guidelines](#) further define eligibility requirements on page 1 of the manual.

SOLICITATION PROCESS

SCHEDULE

Date	Activity
October 21, 2022	Solicitation Issued by SCCOG
October 28, 2022	SCCOG Information Session (10:00 – 11:00 a.m. - Virtual Meeting, recorded)
December 15, 2022	Draft Application due to SCCOG (4:00 p.m. – email submission only)
January 9, 2023	Request for Revisions
January 27, 2023	Final Applications due to SCCOG (4:00 p.m. – email submission only)
February 7, 2023	Presentation of Project Scoring for Executive Committee Review/Prioritization
February 15, 2023	SCCOG Endorsement of Prioritized Project List
February 28, 2023	Submission of Priority List to CTDOT

Once SCCOG endorses applications, they will be sent to CTDOT for further review and prioritization. DOT is the final decision maker, and SCCOG's applications will be ranked against all other eligible applications.

INFORMATION SESSION

This presentation will provide program information, technical information on application completion and an overview of the project scoring. At least 30 minutes will be devoted to Q&A, please bring your preliminary concepts and questions. Program information is also available on the DOT's website, [Transportation Rural Improvement Program \(TRIP\)](#).

ZOOM Meeting

Topic: SCCOG 2022 TRIP Solicitation

Time: Oct 28, 2022 10:00 AM Eastern Time

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9927249843>

Meeting ID: 992 724 9843

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Throughout the solicitation, COG staff are available for technical consultation. The presentation and solicitation materials will be uploaded onto the website.

DRAFT APPLICATION SUBMITTAL

TRIP applications are to be completed to the best of your ability in the draft phase as there is little time to make corrections. Drafts may be submitted before December 15th, however submitted materials will be reviewed only once by the SCCOG. Application materials should be sent to Kyle Casiglio at kcasiglio@seccog.org.

- **[TRIP Application](#)** – filled out to the best of your ability
 - Plan Set - at a minimum including a location map, property boundaries, and comprehensive concept plan; submissions with Preliminary Engineering Plans will be more competitive.
 - Cost Estimate - DOT form, please include >20% for minor items at this stage
 - **[CTDOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Travel Needs Assessment Form](#)** (do not submit this form directly to CTDOT)

- CTDOT's guidance includes a rubric for prioritizing projects. Please use the [SCCOG fillable rubric](#) to include bullets or narrative for the prioritization factors and associated application page numbers.

SCCOG REVIEW AND FINAL APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT

SCCOG will review each submitted draft application. The SCCOG will select the most competitive applications for full development. Towns will be notified by January 9th whether they are recommended to move forward. Comments will be provided to all applicants. Final applications are due to SCCOG by January 27th. Application completeness will impact the staff recommendation for prioritization. Those projects not advanced for TRIP funding may be eligible for other funds.