STAFF REPORT
Board Meeting of February 21, 2024

AGENDA ITEM: 4-C

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SUBJECT:

Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP)

Enclosure: No

Action: Information and Discussion Only

SUMMARY:

The Active Transportation Infrastructure Investment Program (ATIIP) is a new competitive grant program created by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law enacted as the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act to construct projects to provide safe and connected active transportation facilities in active transportation networks and active transportation spines.

ATIIP will award two types of grants: Planning and Design grants and Construction grants. FHWA will award Planning and Design grants for eligible applicants to develop plans for active transportation networks and active transportation spines. Projects seeking Planning and Design grants must have planning and design costs of at least $100,000 to be eligible.

FHWA will award Construction grants to eligible applicants to construct projects to provide safe and connected active transportation facilities in an active transportation network or active transportation spine. Projects seeking Construction grants must have total costs of at least $15 million to be eligible.

Both types of grants can go towards planning, designing, and constructing active transportation networks and active transportation spines. Active transportation networks are active transportation facilities that connect between destinations within a community or metropolitan region, including schools, workplaces, residences, businesses, recreation areas, medical facilities, and other community areas. Active transportation spines are active transportation facilities that connect between communities, metropolitan regions, or States.

A goal of both types of ATIIP grants is to integrate active transportation facilities with transit services, where available, to improve access to public transportation.

In 2023, FHWA received $45 million in funding for ATIIP from the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023, the first funds appropriated for this program. FHWA will set aside

at least $3 million of available ATIIP funding for Planning and Design grants. FHWA will provide at least 30% of ATIIP funding to projects that construct active transportation networks, and at least 30% of ATIIP funding to projects that construct active transportation spines.

The Federal share of the cost of an eligible project carried out using an ATIIP grant shall not exceed 80 percent of the total project cost.

The Notice of Funding Opportunity is anticipated to be released Winter 2024.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact to the approved 2023-24 Overall Work Program and Budget.