MTP Policies

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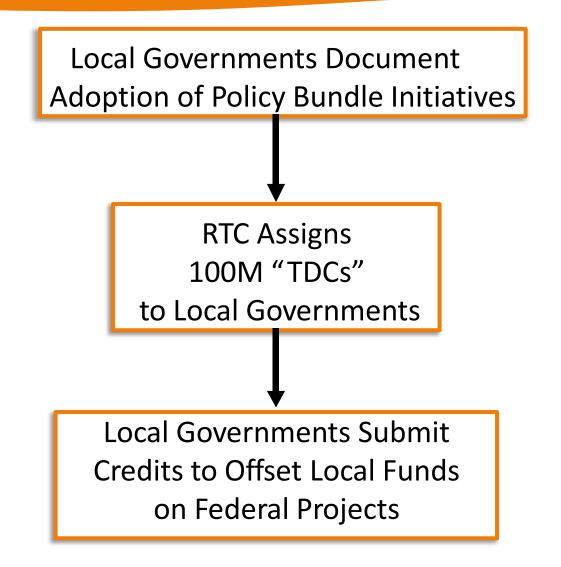
MTP Policy Bundle Overview

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Overview of Policy Bundle

- Mobility 2045 recommendations consist of policies, programs, and projects that reflect regional priorities and support the continued development and implementation of a robust transportation system.

- Mobility 2045 also includes a voluntary list of complementary policies that local governments and transportation agencies can choose to adopt.

- **To encourage adoption of these policies, NCTCOG has developed a program whereby applicants that adopt at least 50% of these complementary policies can receive Transportation Development Credits (TDCs) to help offset local matching funds for specific types of transportation projects.**

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Policy Bundle Concept - Credit Bank

Local Governments Document
Adoption of Policy Bundle Initiatives

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RTC Assigns
100M "TDCs"
to Local Governments

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Local Governments Submit
Credits to Offset Local Funds
on Federal Projects

TDCs – Transportation Development Credits

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Government Entities Decision

- Voluntary
- Decide Preference
- 50 Percent Target

Total Policies and Requirements by Agency Type

- Cities – Total 20 / Require 10
- Counties – Total 17 / Require 8
- TxDOT – Total 12 / Require 6
- NTTA – Total 7 / Require 3
- Transit Agencies – Total 10 / Require 5
- ISDs – Total 7 / Require 3

2017 MTP Policy Bundle Awardees

City of Dallas   City of Fort Worth

City of Arlington   City of Plano

City of Grapevine   City of Lewisville

City of McKinney   City of Mesquite

City of Richardson

Denton County Transportation Authority

Fort Worth Transportation Authority (FWTA)

MTP Policy Bundle TDCs Availability

- Original TDCs Available   100,000,000
- TDCs Awarded in 2017   52,000,000*
- Remaining Balance   48,000,000

* Of the 52,000,000 TDCs awarded in the first round of the MTP Policy Bundle Application only 1,191,916 have been programmed at this time.

Rules applicable to 2017 Awardees:

- Must reapply by the deadline date
- Must submit all required documentation
- Must still meet the minimum requirements for the entity type

If entity meets all of these requirements, funding level will be held at the 2017 awards. No additional TDCs will be awarded but the entity will have an additional year to utilize the 2017 awarded TDCs.

If entity does not meet these requirements, 2017 awarded TDCs will be returned to NCTCOG.

Schedule for FY2018 Implementation

DATE	ACTION
October 27, 2017	Fast Fact at STTC – Notice of Second Round for FY18
November 6, 2017	Application for FY18 Submittals Opens
December 8, 2017	Fast Fact at STTC
January 26, 2018	MTP Policy Bundle Workshop
March 2, 2018	Early Submittal for Staff Review
April 6, 2018	Deadline for Agencies to Complete Survey (with all required documents)
July 1, 2018	TDC Award Notification

MTP Policy Bundle Policies

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Policy Bundle Chart (Handout)

Policy Name	Policy	Program Area	Action Type	Agencies to Adopt or Implement					
				Cities	Counties	TxDOT	NTTA	Transit Authorities	ISDs
Clean Construction	Encourage use of lower-emission construction equipment on transportation projects which are awarded federal funding by the RTC and conduct comparison studies to compare regular contracts.	Air Quality	Governing Body Approval	X	X	X	X	X	X
Clean Fleet	Required for clean fleet funding as contained in RTC Resolution R14-10. Establish a framework for reducing emissions, reducing fuel consumption, partnering with NCTCOG/DFW Clean Cities, and training staff.	Air Quality	Governing Body Approval	X	X	X	X	X	X
Idling Restrictions	Implement and enforce Locally Enforced Motor Vehicle Idling Limitations, consistent with RTC Resolution R08-03, which limits the idling of certain vehicles to five minutes or less and provides for enforcement mechanisms.	Air Quality	Ordinance	X	X				X
Unmanned Aircraft Systems	Implement operational restrictions and other requirements of Unmanned Aircraft Systems around regionally significant aviation facilities.	Aviation	Ordinance	X	X				
Stormwater Management	Implement sustainable stormwater practices for transportation improvements and site development to promote improved water quality, flood control, and reduced run-off effects.	Environmental	Governing Body Approval	X	X	X	X	X	X
Freight-Oriented Development	Enhance freight-oriented land-use sustainability by requiring local governments to adopt compatible zoning requirements to property adjacent to freight-oriented development land uses.	Freight	Ordinance	X					
Railroad Safety	Improve railroad safety through public education, innovation, and partnering with local governments to address railroad crossing safety improvements.	Freight	Joint Staff Coordination	X	X	X		X	X
Copper Theft	Coordinate and share best practices to prevent copper wire theft supporting the operations and illumination of transportation infrastructure.	Operations / Safety	Joint Staff Coordination	X	X	X	X	X	
Integration	Integrate all traffic operations systems between public sector entities, including sharing of data and video.	Operations / Safety	Joint Staff Coordination	X		X	X	X	
Complete Streets	Implement a local Complete Streets Policy including, but not limited to, the following: vision and intent, applicability, design, and implementation strategy.	Roadways	Governing Body Approval	X	X	X			
Urban Thoroughfare Revitalization	Implement land-use and transportation programs and policies to revitalize and redevelop aging infrastructure (at least 20+ years old) to provide context sensitive solutions for urban thoroughfares on the state roadway systems and other important community roadways that have significant development of commercial, retail, and other uses.	Roadways	Governing Body Approval	X	X	X			
Traffic Incident Management	Require a comprehensive, coordinated, interagency approach to traffic incident management in the North Texas region modeled after RTC Resolution R08-10. This includes tracking performance measures based on regional definitions, collecting data, and monitoring progress (applies to local governments that respond to freeway incidents).	Safety	Governing Body Approval	X	X	X	X		
Wrong-Way Driving	Work with NCTCOG Staff and RTC to implement safety strategies to reduce wrong-way driving crashes.	Safety	Joint Staff Coordination	X	X	X	X	X	X
Securing Transportation Infrastructure	Participate in the identification and development of a security plan for the top ten regionally identified transportation infrastructure components.	Security	Joint Staff Coordination	X	X	X	X	X	
Land-Use Strategies	Develop sustainable land-use strategies to support urban, rural, and suburban communities. A) Encourage form-based design, increased density, diversity of land uses, and multi-modal transportation options for areas of infill, redevelopment, historic main streets, and/or those that are transit oriented, B) Develop strategies to protect rural land use and reduce suburban sprawl, or C) Encourage strategies that support areas of conservation, partnered with strategic economic growth and density.	Sustainable Development	Governing Body Approval	X	X				
Parking Management	Work with NCTCOG staff to identify and develop parking management strategies within areas of higher density or trip generation. Strategies would include smart parking management policies to reduce excessive traffic circulation and to set standards for supply ratios that might encourage alternative modes of transportation such as: transit, shared parking, on-street parking provisions, bicycle parking, parking management technologies, parking districts, etc.	Sustainable Development	Joint Staff Coordination	X				X	
Safe Access to Schools	Engage TxDOT, the city, and all Independent School Districts within their jurisdiction to partner, prepare, and implement Safe Routes to School plans for existing and future schools, to address the five Es of engineering, education, enforcement, encouragement, and evaluation. Plans would include topics such as traffic operations, safety, bicycle, and walking access, etc.	Sustainable Development	Joint Staff Coordination	X	X	X			X
School Siting Coordination	Engage TxDOT, the city, and all Independent School Districts within their jurisdiction to collaborate on the ISD's growth plans, the city's Comprehensive Plan, and other general coordination. Discussions should be had regarding school siting, safety, etc.	Sustainable Development	Governing Body Approval	X	X	X			X
Transit Funding: Level 1	Allocate local funds to support public transit (e.g. participate as a member of a transit authority, contract for transit service, build transit-oriented developments).	Transit	Governing Body Approval	X	X			X	
Transit Funding: Level 2	Participate in some form of membership with a transportation authority that results in rail transportation investments and more efficient land-use development.	Transit	Election	X	X			X	
Employer Trip Reduction Program	Request local agency staff and NCTCOG staff to meet with all major employers (defined as employers with 250 or more employees) to discuss and encourage the implementation of voluntary Employer Trip Reduction Programs.	Travel Demand Management	Joint Staff Coordination	X	X				
			Total	20	17	12	7	10	7
			Need 50% of Eligible Policies	10	8	6	3	5	3

Policies by Program Area

Air Quality

- *Clean Construction*: Encourage use of lower-emission equipment.
- *Clean Fleet***:** Establish a framework for reducing emissions, reducing fuel consumption, partnering with NCTCOG/DFW Clean Cities, and training staff.
- *Idling Restrictions*: Implement and enforce Locally Enforced Motor Vehicle Idling Limitations.

Aviation

- *Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS)*: Implement operational restrictions of UAS.

Environmental

- *Stormwater Management*: Implement sustainable stormwater practices.

Freight

- *Freight-Oriented Development*: Enhance freight-oriented land-use sustainability.
- *Railroad Safe*ty: Improve safety at railroad crossings.

Policies by Program Area

Roadways

- *Complete Streets*: Implementation of local complete streets policy
- *Urban Thoroughfare Revitalization*: Encourage context-sensitive revitalization and redevelopment of aging state highway corridors

Security & Operations

- *Copper Theft*: Share best practices to prevent copper theft
- *Integration*: Integrate traffic operations systems

Safety

- *Traffic Incident Management*: Implement comprehensive and coordinated approach to traffic incident management
- *Wrong-Way Driving*: Implement strategies to reduce wrong-way driving crashes

Security

- *Securing Transportation Infrastructure*: Participate in Identification of top ten regional infrastructure components

Policies by Program Area

Sustainable Development

- *Land-Use Strategies*: Encourage strategies to support urban, rural, and suburban communities
- *Parking Management*: Develop parking management strategies
- *Safe Access to Schools*: Coordinate implementation of safe routes to school
- *School Siting Coordination*: Collaborate on ISD growth plans and city plans

Transit

- *Transit Funding (Level 1)*: Allocate local funds for public transit
- *Transit Funding (Level 2)*: Participate in membership with a transportation authority

Travel Demand Management

- *Employer Trip Reduction*: Work with major employers and commuters to promote Employer Trip Reduction Program and alternative commute strategies

Types of Action Required by Agencies to Adopt Policies of Policy Bundle

(Type 1 = Least effort, Type 4 = Most effort)

Joint Staff Coordination (Type 1):
RTC staff and local agency staff work together to implement and encourage the policy action within the region.

Governing Body Approval (Type 2):
The governing body passes a resolution, court order, minute order, or other instrument reflecting approval for the measure.

Ordinance (Type 3):
An ordinance or other locally enforceable rule or law is passed to support the policy.

Election (Type 4):
An election is held to implement the measure.

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How Do I Use TDCs?

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Allocation of TDCS

Once certified, the amount of Policy Bundle TDCs an agency receives will depend on the following:

- If the agency received TDCs last year and is re-certified, it will receive the unused portion of the TDCs it was awarded in the first year.

- The overall number of newly certified agencies and the remaining availability of TDCs and federal funds to award along with TDCs

Requirements and Process for Utilizing TDCS

- TDCs can be used on any phase of a **<u>new</u>** project (i.e., not already in the TIP) that has federal funding.

- TDCs must be assigned to a project (i.e., programmed in the TIP) within one year of being awarded.
  - 3 opportunities to do so: November 2018, February 2019, and May 2019 TIP Modification cycles

- When having discussions with the TIP team about a federal funding request, let them know if Policy Bundle TDCs will be utilized in the event the project is selected.

- TDCs that are not programmed in the TIP will be returned to the regional pool for reuse in the next year.

- Per State law, project agreements must be signed within 2 years of award or assignment to a project.

- Agencies cannot sell or transfer TDCs

Past MTP Policy Bundle TDC Use

- MTP Policy Bundle TDCs utilized to date: 1,191,916
- Examples of TDC Use
  - City of Plano – Legacy Transportation Management Association
  - City of Dallas – Used TDCs as a temporary match for the Southern Gateway Pedestrian Plaza until the City's Bond Program funds were approved
- Current and Upcoming Funding Opportunities:
  - 2017-2018 CMAQ/STBG Funding Effort
    - Safety, Innovative Construction, and Emergency Project Program
    - Sustainable Development Phase 4 Program
    - Strategic Partnerships
    - Assessment Policy Programs/Projects

How Do I Apply?

DJ Hale

Application Explanation

Proposed MTP Policy Application Acknowledgement

I hereby certify that all information provided and contained herein is complete, accurate, and true. I am authorized to provide information on behalf of my agency. (Typing your name in the box below will serve as your electronic signature to this certification.)

Acknowledgement:

Name   _____

Title _____

Agency _____

Date _____

Application Tips

- Application utilizes logic that will skip questions based on answers given to previous questions

- As a question is answered the answer is saved

- Hit "Done" to submit the completed Application

- Attaching supplemental/supporting documentation
  - Must include entity name in each attachment
  - Only one file may be uploaded per browser box
  - Must hit "Submit" to upload all files
  - A confirmation is received saying the file was uploaded

MTP Policy Bundle Website:

www.nctcog.org/policybundle

- Request an Application
- Review/Print: Sample Application, FAQ's, or Attachment Checklist

Helpful Documents

- Sample Application
- Attachment Checklist
- FAQs

Demonstration

- Application Request Form
- Application

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