

Sept. 14, 2022
Special Called Joint ARC Board & Transportation and Air Quality Committee Meeting

# **ARC Board Approves Adoption of Updated Title VI Plan**

The ARC Board approved the proposed 2022-2025 Title VI Program & Plan that meets the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, updating its 2019 plan. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, or national origin in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance, such as those of ARC.

The new plan, among other things, updates the Limited English Proficiency demographic profile of the area.

# More information:

- Presentation
- Title VI Plan

# First Read of Amendment #6 of the 2020-2025 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP)

The ARC Board was presented with the first read of TIP Amendment #6, which calls for a technical evaluation to reflect changes to the scopes and schedules of certain projects.

The solicitation recommendations are for:

- \$29.3M in new and additional federal funds proposed for 8 projects that require air quality conformity modeling updates, and
- \$236.4M in new and additional federal funds for 75 projects that do not require modeling updates

## More information:

- Issue Summary & Resolution
- Presentation
- <u>TIP Project Solicitation</u>

## **Discussion of IIJA Engagement Plan**

ARC Executive Director Anna Roach said that ARC saw the IIJA as a call to action, an unprecedented opportunity to fund infrastructure projects in our region. The nature of IIJA's competitive programs lends itself to a regional coordination model facilitated by ARC. Deloitte was engaged as a partner in the IIJA engagement strategy.

Local agencies can mitigate some of the application challenges by coordinating on a regional and multijurisdictional basis and leveraging technical support to identify and pursue priority grant opportunities.

Roach asked the Board for their guidance on a path forward in ensuring collective success with IIJA funds.

### More information:

• <u>Presentation</u>

#### **Local Leadership Housing Committee Update**

Nicole Hendrickson, co-chair of the Local Leadership Housing Committee, said a lot of progress has been made on the affordable housing front. The committee has been hearing from housing experts. The committee has been on phase three (of three phases) since July, better understanding the affordability challenges.

# **Upcoming:**

December 14, 2022, ARC Board Meeting