



MRMPO Project Scoring Form 2022 - New Project Request

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Project Submittal Form for the Project Selection Process (PSP)

The PSP was developed to score and rank member agency submitted projects and programs. This selection process was developed to promote projects that incorporate national transportation goals and regional goals and priorities from the Connections 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP). This form includes 7 pages:

- A. General Project Information
- B. Work Type and Location Information
 - 1. Optimized Mobility Questions and Strategies
 - 2. Active Transportation Questions and Strategies
 - 3. Economic Linkages Questions and Strategies
 - 4. Environmental Resiliency Questions and Strategies
 - 5. Equity Questions and Strategies

While the PSP is an important tool in project selection, it is not the only determining factor. Other considerations, such as the benefit of the project to the local community, and the project's cost and time frame for completion, are also important factors.

The table below shows the connection between national and regional goals. Narrative Questions with an asterisk by them are developed directly from national goals.

National Transportation Goals	2040 MTP Goal(s)
Safety: To achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on all public roads.	Active Transportation, Optimized Mobility
Infrastructure Condition: To maintain the highway infrastructure asset system in a state of good repair.	Optimized Mobility
Congestion Reduction: To achieve a significant reduction in congestion on the National Highway System.	Optimized Mobility, Economic Linkages
System Reliability: To improve the efficiency of the surface transportation system.	Optimized Mobility, Active Transportation, Economic Linkages
Freight Movement and Economic Vitality: To improve the national freight network, strengthen the ability of rural communities to access national and international trade markets, and support regional economic development.	Economic Linkages, Optimized Mobility
Environmental Sustainability: To enhance the performance of the transportation system while protecting and enhancing the natural environment.	Environmental Resiliency
Reduced Project Delivery Delays: To reduce project costs, promote jobs and the economy, and expedite the movement of people and goods by accelerating project completion through eliminating delays in the project development and delivery process, including reducing regulatory burdens and improving agencies' work practices.	Economic Linkages, Project Selection Process (PSP)

A. General Project Information

Lead Agency / Project Information

Project Title ABQ RIDE - Uptown Transit Center Redevelopment

Lead Agency City of Albuquerque - ABQ RIDE

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Project Type

Transit

Scope of Work / Project Description:

Planning, environmental documentation, utilities, ROW, design, construction and other appurtenances as necessary to redevelop the Uptown Transit Center to incorporate transit-oriented development at the transit center.

Is this a new project? If YES, Control Number and MPO ID will be assigned by MPO.

Yes

For all new projects please enter the MPO ID from Appendix A of the Connections 2040 Metropolitan Transportation Plan (use link below):

120.0 ABQ RIDE Park & Ride Facility Development

[Metropolitan Transportation Planning \(MTP\) Appendix A](#)

This Appendix includes projects listed in the MTP and provides the MPO ID

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B. Work Type and Route Information

Work Type

Transit

If you would like to see the previous Form B excel spreadsheet used to calculate costs you can [click here](#). This will download the spreadsheet for you. Please enter final totals and the associated years below.

What is the Total Amount requested for the Work Type?

Scoping / Environmental:

PE & Design:

Utilities:

Right of Way:

Construction / Implementation:

Other: 625,000 (FTA 5307 + 20% local match)

What is the Year for the Work Type? (2024 through 2029)

Scoping / Environmental:

PE & Design:

Utilities:

Right of Way:

Construction / Implementation:

Other: 2024

Route Name

Americas Pkwy (east side of)

Route Beginning (southern/western or Mile Point)

Indian School Rd. (approx.)

Route Ending (northern/eastern or Mile Point)

Uptown Blvd.

Does your project have additional routes? (ie: intersection improvements or work on two parallel facilities). If so, please fill out additional information below.

No

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1. Optimized Mobility

Optimized Mobility focuses on the overall management of our roadways, including the introduction of more advanced technologies, such as smart signals and vehicle to vehicle communication. In addition, in accordance with national guidance, an emphasis is placed on prioritizing cost effective maintenance and operations to preserve existing infrastructure.

Optimized Mobility Narrative Questions

Please be short and sweet, but specific about how your project addresses this goal.

***How does this project or program improve the reliability (consistency and predictability of travel time) of transportation, and for which modes of travel? If this is a Transit project then explain improved hours and/or frequency.**

The primary purpose of this project is to facilitate transit-oriented development in the heart of the Uptown activity center and right at the Uptown Transit Center which is the eastern terminus for the ART Red Line and is served by two other all-day local routes as well as several commuter routes. Bringing development, including commercial uses as well as approximately 400 housing units, right to this transit center will encourage the use of transit and other alternative modes for residents and visitors to the site.

***How does this project or program reduce congestion, and for which modes of travel?**

By attracting development to an existing, well-served transit center in a major activity center of the city, this project will increase the transit and other alternative mode shares and correspondingly reduce congestion.

Does the project or program implement new, or update existing, ITS infrastructure? Does the project or program implement identified services in the ITS Architecture Plan?

This project does not implement new ITS infrastructure.

[ITS Architecture Plan](#)

Optimized Mobility Strategies

Strategies are modeled after the Congestion Management Process priority matrix developed by the CMP committee.

Transit Strategies

Project developed in coordination with transit providers

New bus shelter

Upgraded transit center with parking

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2. Active Transportation

Active Transportation focuses on non-motorized modes of travel such as walking, biking, and other ways to travel in the region like using bike share or scooters. The Active Transportation goal also enhances safety concerns in response to a disproportionately high rate of pedestrian fatalities in our region, and the critical role of transportation investments in activity centers.

Active Transportation Narrative Questions

Please be short and sweet, but specific about how your project addresses this goal.

***How does this project or program reduce fatal and serious injury crashes on the transportation facility? Does it implement a program or project from a regional or local safety plan? If so, indicate which one.**

N/A

Does the project address Complete Streets design as identified in your local entity's guidance, or as identified in the Long Range Transportation Systems Guidelines (LRTS)? Refer to the LRRS classification of the roadway.

N/A

[Long Range Transportation Systems Guidelines](#)

Does this project or program improve overall network connectivity, provide network redundancy, or make a direct connection to an important regional destination? If so, explain and identify which destination.

This project facilitates infill, transit-oriented development in the heart of the Uptown major activity center.

Active Transportation Strategies

Multiple options available. Please adequately describe Other option.

[FHWA Countermeasures](#)

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3. Economic Linkages

Economic Linkages explores the economic impacts benefits of place-making and captures a better sense of the fiscal implications of expanded growth, such as new expanded roadways and transit services, and costs of public services like schools and/or fire stations.

Economic Linkages Narrative Questions

Please be short and sweet, but specific about how your project addresses this goal.

***How does the project or program provide insurance that it is shovel ready? Has the project**

already received federal funds or a soft match? Does it include innovative financing such as Public Private Partnerships?

This project continues ABQ RIDE's commitment to advancing this project by providing additional funding support to a public-private partnership. ABQ RIDE has a contract with a development team and is working with them to finalize a development agreement including financing and development details.

***How does this project or program improve upon existing freight networks or provide access to international trade markets?**

N/A

How will this project spur economic development? Will the project support local businesses and/or permanent job creation?

This project will spur economic development by constructing much-needed housing, including approximately 200 affordable units and 200 market-rate units, in the middle of a major activity center and will provide new commercial spaces on the ground floor of this multi-floor development surrounding and building over a rebuilt transit center.

Economic Linkages Strategies

Multiple options available. Please adequately describe Other option.

Access Strategies

Provides or improves access to an employment center via non single occupancy vehicle mode/s

Provides park and ride service in a high density area

Financial Strategies

Utilizes private funds or resources (public-private partnership)

Helps facilitate development in areas with existing water, sewer, roadway and other infrastructure

Helps facilitate the redevelopment of surface parking lots

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4. Environmental Resiliency

Environmental Resiliency acknowledges the transportation sector's impact on air quality and climate change. Environmental Resiliency also includes urban heat island effects, the benefits of low impact development and tree coverage, and expands on emergency evacuation and critical transportation infrastructure. Critical transportation infrastructure includes assessing the overall connectivity of our transportation networks.

Environmental Resiliency Narrative Questions

Please be short and sweet, but specific about how your project addresses this goal.

***How does this project or program protect the natural regional environment? Does it include any emissions reductions, Green Infrastructure, wildlife crossings, or storm water management?**

By adding a significant number of housing units in the middle of the Uptown activity center, which currently hosts many jobs but few housing units, and by adding those units above a well-served transit

center, this project will reduce emissions by minimizing trip lengths and maximizing the efficiency of transit and other alternative modes for project occupants.

***How does this project or program maintain or improve the existing infrastructure? Does the project or program improve a bridge that is failing, or is the project first and foremost focused on preservation of existing infrastructure that is deteriorating?**

The project will replace the current transit center with a rebuilt and improved facility in an infill location making use of existing infrastructure.

Does the project or program improve critical infrastructure in the region? Please indicate how the project or program is CRITICAL to emergency evacuation or overall network function.

N/A

Environmental Resiliency Strategies

Multiple options available. Please adequately describe Other option.

Air Quality Strategies

Provides alternative travel option/s to single occupant vehicle

Climate Change Strategies - Flooding, Wildfires, and Urban Heat

Additional shaded structures for pedestrians using built structure, including bus shelters

Preservation Strategies

Improvements to existing transit stations

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5. Equity

Equity refers to ensuring all members of a community have similar access to the transportation system and that no groups are disproportionately burdened or benefited by transportation decisions and investments. Addressing equity also means working to prioritize improvements for underserved communities that have been denied the full opportunity to participate in aspects fo economic, social, and civic life. MRMPO has developed a Vulnerability Index (MVI) to assess areas of concern.

How does this project address Equity and ensure no negative consequences for underserved communities?

This project is located in an area of persistent poverty. It would provide affordable housing in an area with many jobs but few housing options and directly above a well-served transit center providing access to opportunities across the city for vulnerable populations.

Equity / Vulnerable Communities Strategies

Improves multimodal access to an identified local activity center (in a land use plan)

Provides or improves an alternative travel option to the single occupancy vehicle

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