

# Full Commission Meeting

June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026



# Opening Agenda Items

1. Welcome/Introductions and Call To Order
  - a) Quorum
  - b) Any Conflict of Interest Declarations on Action Items
2. Minutes from April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026 Meeting
3. Public Comment

# Executive Director's Report

Rich Fitzgerald, Executive Director

## ***Agenda Item: 4***



# Executive Director's Report

- Commissioners' Harrisburg Trip June 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>
  - Every County Represented
  - 17 Commissioners
  - Met with House and Senate Transportation leadership and floor leaders
  - Large SWPA delegation contingent at Legislative Breakfast
  - Meetings with PennDOT Secretary Carroll and DCED Secretary Siger



# Executive Director's Report



- Welcome SPC's Summer Interns!
- NEVI Funding Announcement with Secretary Carroll
  - Virtually all entities are eligible
  - Consider partnering on an application
- IUP DO School Accreditation
- Fayette County Town Hall
- Data Center CBA Work

# Report on the Draft 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Lillian Gabreski – Director of Transportation

## ***Agenda Item: 5***



# 2027- 2030 TIP Timeline

## Fall 2025 (through end of last year)

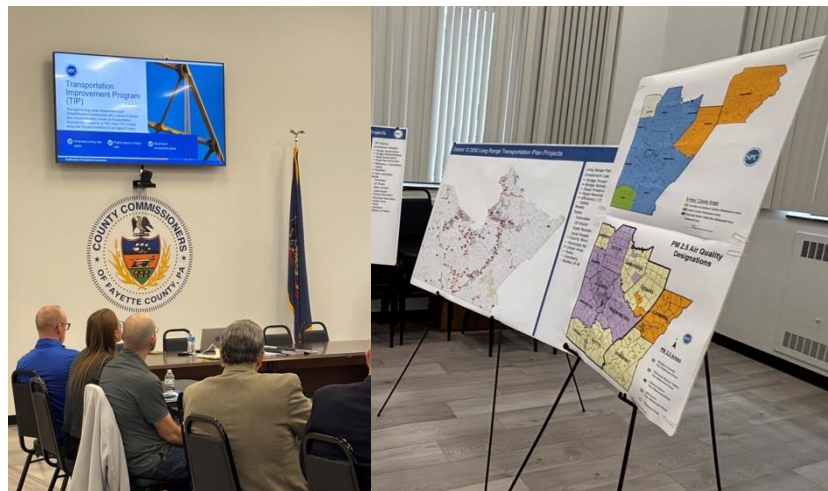
- TIP Workgroup meetings (21) and project selection for Draft 2027-2030 TIP - **Completed**
- TA, CMAQ, and CRP Projects selected via competitive application processes - **Completed**
- First round of 10 PPP/Public Meetings for feedback - **Completed**

## Winter 2025/2026

- Pre-Draft TIP completed/forwarded to PennDOT Central Office for review - **Completed**

## Spring 2026

- PennDOT Central Office review- **Completed**
- AQ Conformity & Demographics Analysis; document preparations - **Completed**
- STLC Program solicitation/selection – **Completed**
- TTC and TOC endorsement of Draft TIP - **Completed**
- 30 Day Public Comment Period-including 10 public meetings (May 7-June 5) and Comment/Response documentation – **Completed**
- TIP Adoption at June Commission meeting - **WE ARE HERE**



# TIP Basics

- Transportation Improvement Program – A requirement to receive federal transportation funding for all regions.
- Covers 4 years and is updated every 2 years.
- Current TIP is Fiscal Years 2025-2028
- Currently in year 2 (FFY 2026)
- Includes both a Transit TIP and a Highway/Bridge TIP
- Modified monthly at the Transit operators Committee (Transit TIP) and at the Transportation Technical Committee (Highway Bridge TIP)

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Current TIP						
Draft TIP						

# Federal Performance Measures

- SPC has Required Federal Performance Measures that the region must meet for:
  - Safety
  - Asset Management (Road/Bridge Condition)
  - Congestion
  - Air Quality
  - Transit
- Air Quality Conformity



Focusing on Performance for Safe, Reliable Journeys

## What is Transportation Performance Management?

Transportation Performance Management is a strategic approach to transportation investments that uses transportation system data to inform investment and policy decisions that meet national performance goals.

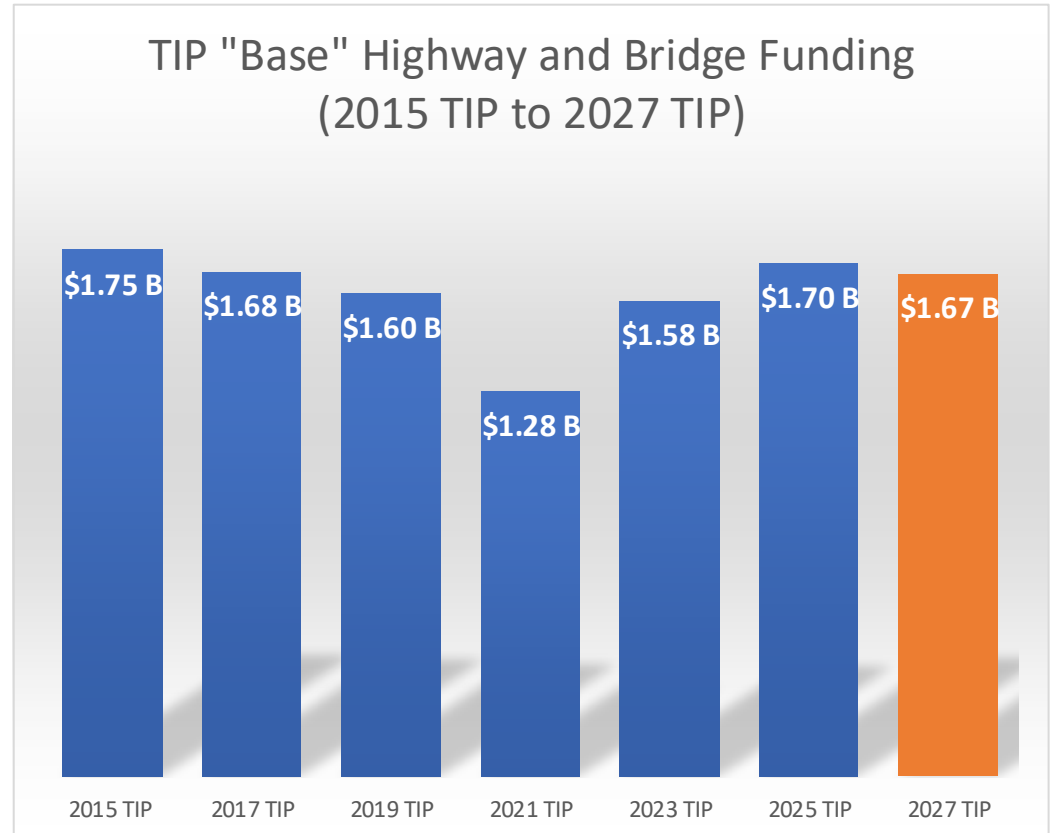
### Federal Transportation Legislation

The "Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act" (MAP-21) and the "Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act" (FAST) established Performance-Based Planning & Programming requirements as part of the statewide and metropolitan transportation planning process. The US Department of Transportation has promulgated transportation performance management regulations for highway and public transportation programs.

State Departments of Transportation (DOTs), Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), and

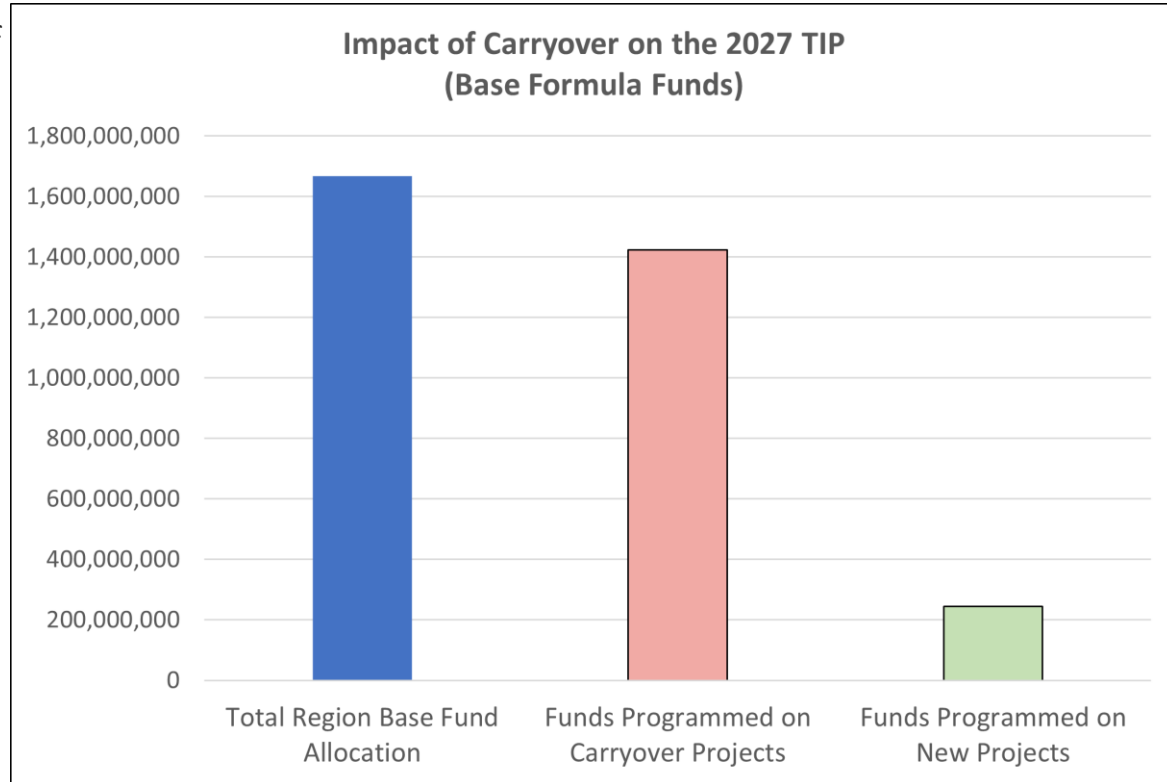
# SPC Highway/Bridge TIP Base Fund Trend

- “Base” funding to SPC’s highway/bridge program decreased 2% over the last TIP (\$1.7B to \$1.67B).
- Figures include federal formula and state highway capital program funding for construction projects available to SPC.
- Figures exclude statewide managed programs, maintenance, and any competitive federal capital grants.
- Current Federal Transportation Act is Expiring in September.

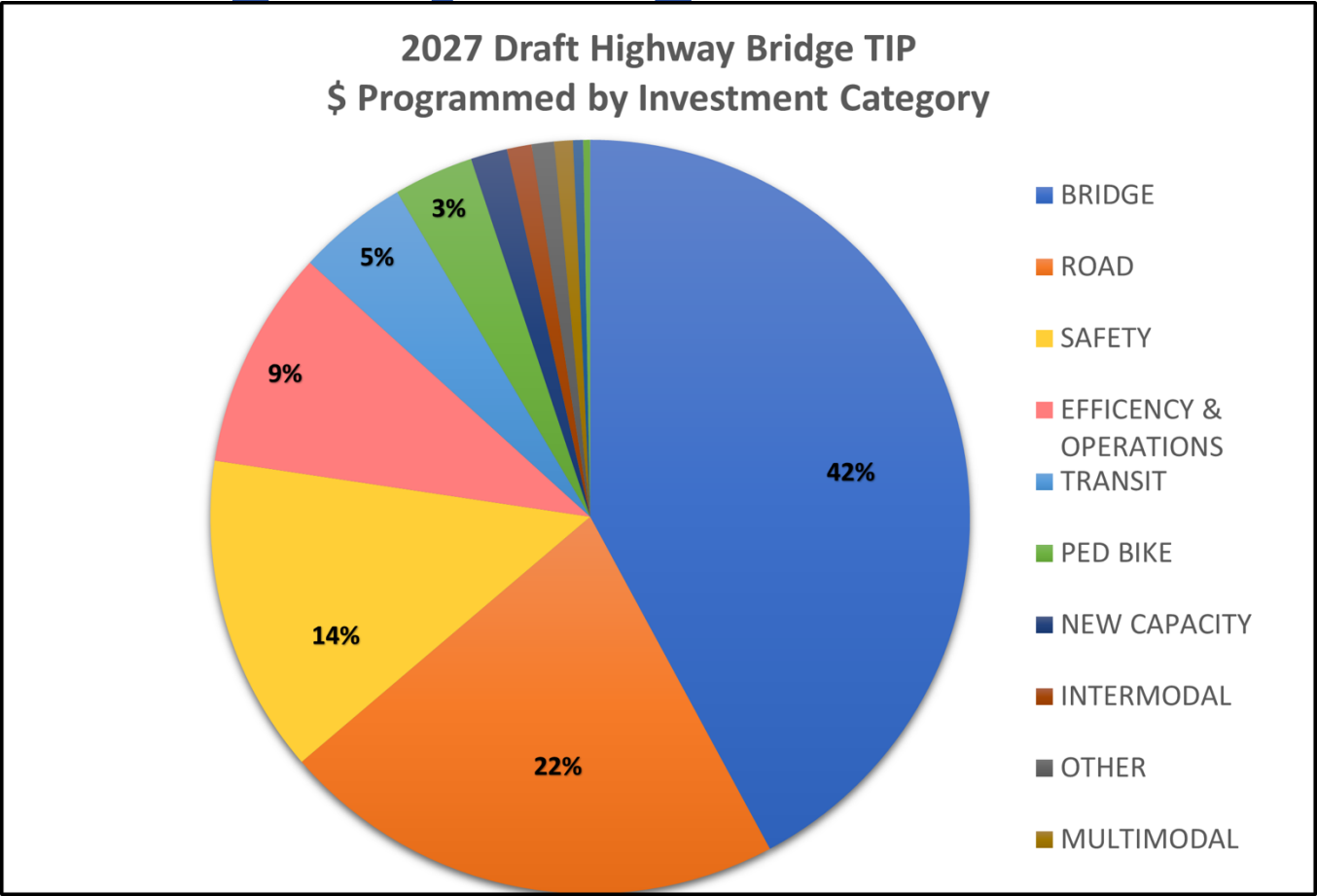


# Carryover Projects

- Inflation impacting all aspects of project design and construction.
- Projects already started on the TIP get priority for funding
- Projects already on the TIP (Carryover) are 85% of the draft TIP.



# 2027 Draft Highway Bridge TIP Investments



Total \$2 billion

# 2027 Draft Highway Bridge TIP Investments

- The Draft H/B TIP invests over \$880 million in projects to address poor bridges and to preserve and extend the life of good bridges. This includes \$373 million on bridges on the non-Interstate National Highway System, critical freight routes.
- The draft TIP addresses 111 poor bridges that have construction within the 4-year TIP period, reducing the poor bridge percentage in the region by over 13%.
- The Draft TIP addresses 141 miles of non-Interstate NHS roadways in poor or fair condition.
- The Draft H/B TIP invests over \$286 million in safety projects in the region.
- The Draft H/B TIP includes 144 roadway and bridge projects (\$900 million) on the highway/bridge program that are located on current public transit routes million in infrastructure improvements on current Transit Routes.
- The Draft H/B TIP includes over \$750 million investment in the region's Freight Network
- The Draft H/B TIP includes \$71.2 million invested in bicycle and pedestrian improvement projects.

## DRAFT TIP Investment

**\$4.7 Billion**

Invested between 2027-2030

**\$2 Billion**

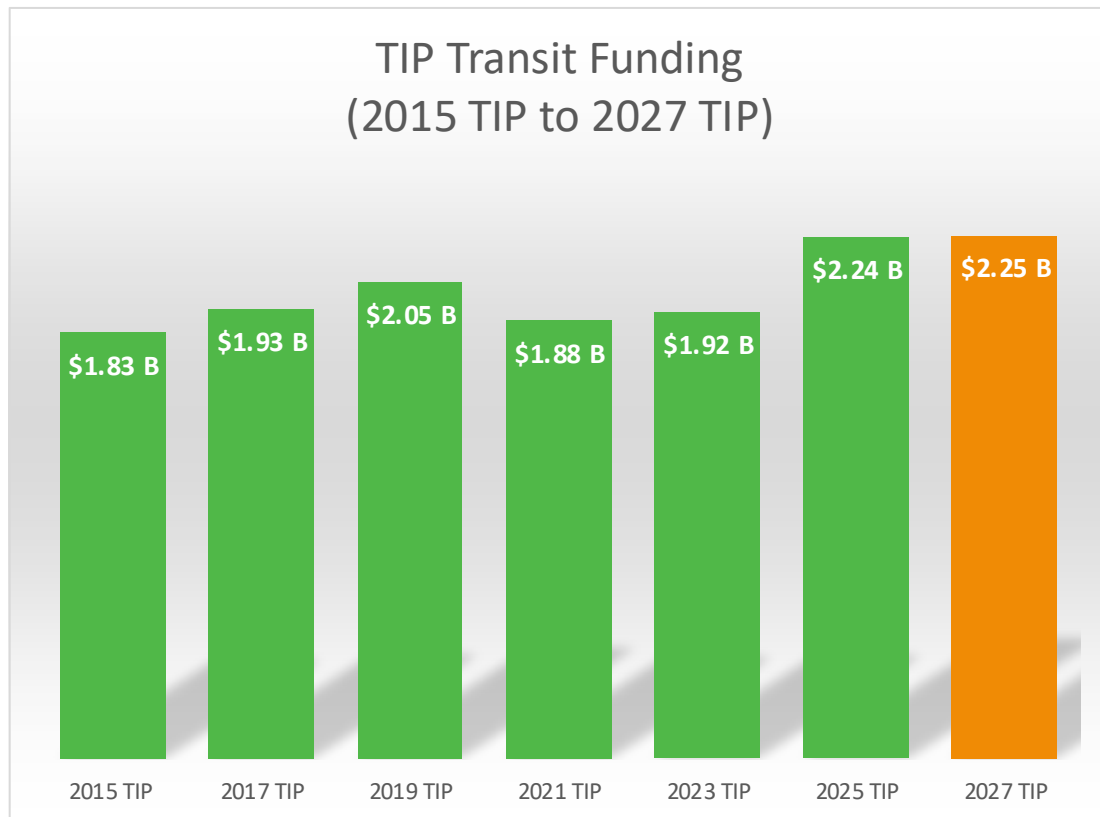
Highway/Bridge TIP

**\$2.7 Billion**

Transit TIP

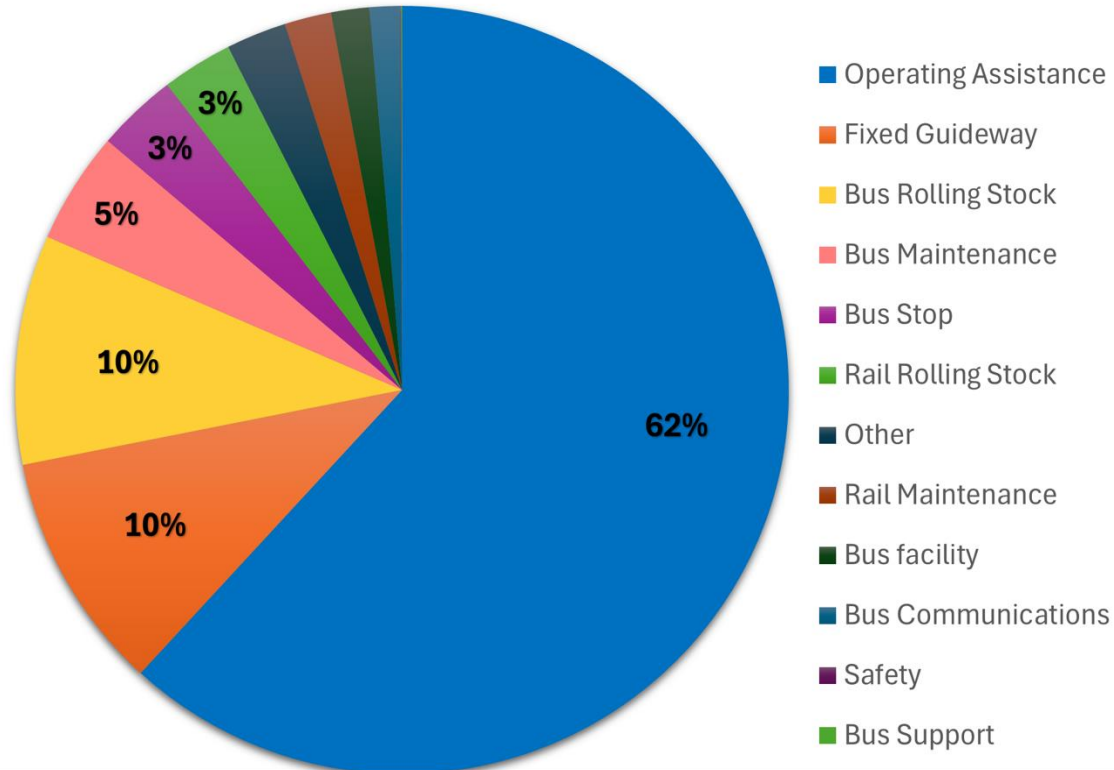
# Transit TIP Base Funding Trends

- Figures include state funds for transit operations and maintenance.
- Figures exclude any competitive federal capital grants SPC might secure moving forward.
- Current Federal and state funding estimated at \$2.25 Billion



# 2027 Transit TIP Investments

2027 Draft Transit TIP  
\$ Programmed by Investment Category



Total \$2.7 billion

# 2027 Draft Transit TIP Investments

- The Draft TIP invests over \$2.7 billion in the region's Transit infrastructure and operations.
- The draft TIP will purchase 318 buses and 141 shared ride vehicles (\$260 million) for public transit service. To further support the reliability and efficiency of these public transit investments the TIP invests an additional \$179 million in bus and rail maintenance and over \$90 million in transit stations, park-n-ride lots, and transit stops.



# Transit TIP Highlights

## \$2.7 billion Transit Investment

- **Pittsburgh Regional Transit**-Replace 170+ clean diesel vehicles; purchase of 50+ LRVs, Fixed guideway improvements
- **Town and Country Transit**-Maintenance and Operations Facility Construction
- **Beaver County Transit**-Ambridge Park and Ride Improvements
- **Butler Transit**-Purchase 4 CNG low-floor buses
- **Fayette County Coordinated Transportation**-Purchase 15 replacement bus shelters
- **Greene County Human Services Transportation**-Replace 6 replacement service vehicles
- **Indiana County Transportation Authority**-Replace 4 vans for shared ride service
- **New Castle Area Transportation Authority**-Replace 10 CNG Buses for fixed route service
- **Washington County (Freedom) Transit**-Construct 5 passenger shelters and information kiosks
- **Mid-Mon Valley Transit Authority**-Replace up to 8 CNG buses
- **Westmoreland County Transit Authority**-Replace up to 6 fixed route buses and up to 35 shared ride vehicles.



# Highway/Bridge TIP; Project Highlights

## \$451 Million Investment in Roadways

P.J. McArdle Roadway Reconstruction (PGH)

Campbell's Run Road (ALCO)

US 422 Dunbar Dip Reconstruction (ARCO)

SR18 Bridge over Beaver River Preservation (BECO)

SR 228 Ekastown West Reconstruction and Resurface (BUCO)

Gallatin Ave Betterment (FACO)

US 22 Preservation (INCO)

SR 18 Resurfacing, Mitchell Rd to Mercer Co. Line (LACO)

US 22 Concrete Reconstruction/Repair (WACO)

LVTIP: Norvelt to Pleasant Unity (WECO)

## \$71.2 Million on Pedestrian/Bike Projects

Rodi Road Streetscape Phase 1 (ALCO)

2027 VRU Signal Pedestrian Improvements (ALCO)

Murray Ave Mobility & Accessibility Enhancements (PGH)

2026 ADA Curb Ramp Project (ALCO/BECO/LACO)

Butler Main St. Student and Ped Safety Project (BUCO)

Sheepskin Trail - City of Uniontown Connection (FACO)

Ligonier Valley HS Pedestrian Safety Project (WECO)

SPC TASA and STLC Programs (Region)

# Highway/Bridge TIP; Project Highlights

## \$882 Million Investment in Bridges

Swindell Bridge (Pgh)

West End Bridge Preservation (ALCO)

Tarentum Bridge and Ramps (ALCO)

1/112th Infantry Bridge/Graff Ramp Rehabilitation (ARCO)

SR18 Bridge over Beaver River Preservation (BECO)

Karn's Crossing Bridge (BUCO)

Layton Bridge Replacement (FACO)

SR 218 over Roberts Run-1 (GRCO)

US 119 Lutz School Road NB/SB Bridges (INCO)

Balph Ave Bridge New Castle, (LACO)

SR 88 over Peters Creek (WACO)

Vandergrift Bridge Preservation (WECO)

## \$482 Million on Traffic Safety and Operations

Allegheny River Blvd. @ Sandy Creek Intersection (ALCO)

SR 4012 (Highland) @ SR 4014 (Gass) Roundabout (ALCO)

I-376/Banksville Interchange (ALCO)

SR 4023, Tarrtown Road Slides (ARCO)

SR 51 @ SR 151 Roundabout (BECO)

Brodhead Rd - Pleasant Dr Intersection Improvement (BECO)

Three Degree Road Intersection (BUCO)

US 119 McClure/Kingview Interchange (FACO)

Landslide Repairs (GRCO)

PA 403/US 22 Park and Ride (INCO)

SR 422 @ SR 388 Roundabout (LACO)

US 19 Corridor Signal Upgrades (WACO)

Georges Station and Donohoe Road Roundabout (WECO)



# STLC Final Recommendation

Name of Project	Sponsor	County (Municipality)	STLC Funding Requested	Eval Weighted Value
SR 1001, Freeport Road Rockfall Fence (11838)	Allegheny Co/PennDOT District 11-0	Allegheny (Ohara)	\$1,000,000	0.656
SR 18, Wilmington Road (100917)	PennDOT District 11-0	Lawrence (Wilmington Neshannock)	\$1,000,000	0.603
Brodhead - Pleasant Drive Intersection Improvement (121651)	Beaver Co/PennDOT District 11-0	Beaver (Center)	\$1,000,000	0.598
Sheepskin Trail - Design - South Union Township to Fairchance Borough	Fayette Co	Fayette (South Union/Georges)	\$173,192	0.568
Indiana Borough - 8th Street Corridor Improvement Project	Indiana Co/PennDOT District 10-0	Indiana (Indiana Boro)	\$200,000	0.541
Three Rivers Heritage Trail – Slope Stabilization & Trail Restoration	City of Pittsburgh	Allegheny (City of Pittsburgh)	\$1,000,000	0.523
Mount Pleasant Road Corridor Planning Study	Westmoreland Co	Westmoreland (Hempfield)	\$250,000	0.51

7 Projects Recommended \$4,623,192

# Interstate Program

**Total Region Interstate Investment \$825.8 Million**



**\$510.8 Million  
Investment**



**\$206 Million  
Investment**



**\$106 Million  
Investment**

# Report on the 30-Day Public Comment Period/Public Meetings about the Draft 2027- 2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

*Ronda Craig, Public Involvement Coordinator*

## ***Agenda Item: 6***



## 2027-2030 Previous Public Engagement

- SPC committees, social media, emails, and public participation panels
- State transportation commission 12-year plan (794+ comments)
- Input from 2026 TIP meetings and the 2023 LRTP formal comment period
- 10 meetings held in the Fall of 2025 to provide a work-in-progress view of TIP
- Comments received through other planning initiatives (corridor studies, road safety audits, etc.)



# Schedule

- Indiana County, May 7
- Fayette County, May 11
- Armstrong County, May 13
- Washington County, May 14
- Lawrence County, Virtual, May 19
- Greene County, May 20
- Allegheny County & City of Pittsburgh, Virtual, May 27
- Westmoreland County, May 26
- Butler County, June 3
- Beaver County, June 4



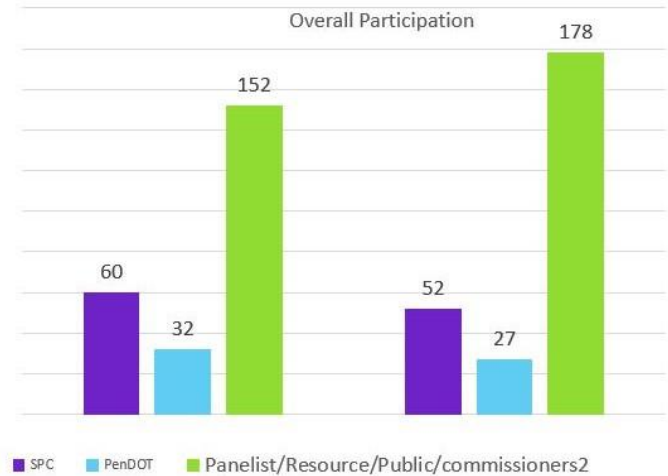
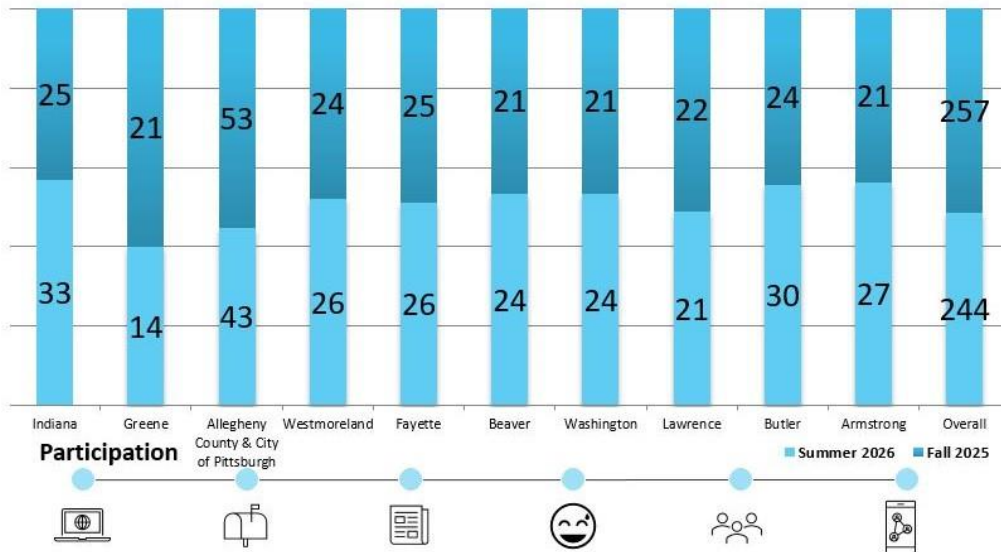
## TIP Public Comment Period

- The Draft TIP and supporting documents were available on the SPC Website for public review from May 7, 2026, through June 5, 2026.
- Public Involvement activities
  - Public Comment Period ended on June 5th
  - 10 public meetings were held within the comment period
  - 60 comment were received
- Meetings were recorded and made available on the SPC website
- SPC staff coordinated with PennDOT, City, County, and transit agency staff to craft a response to all 60 comments
- Transportation Technical Committee (TTC) and Transit Operators Committee (TOC) have both recommended adoption of the draft TIP by the Commission



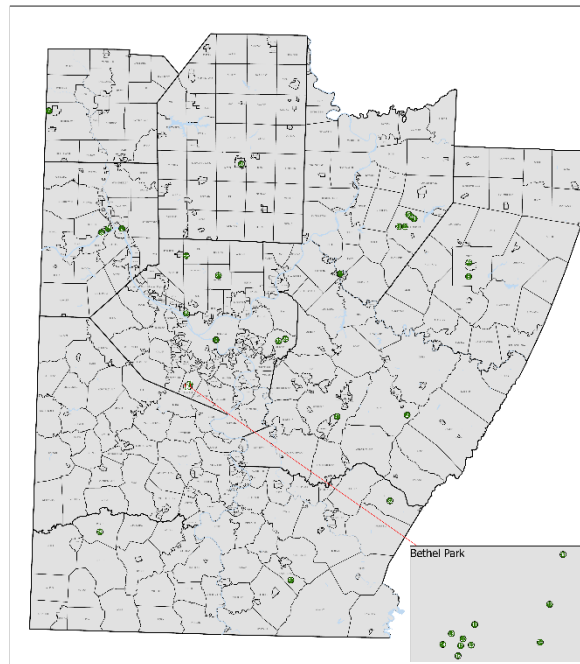
# TIP Public Meeting Statistics

## Public Meeting Statistics Fall 2025/Spring 2026



## Public Comments

- SPC received 60 comments during the 2027-2030 TIP update
- 24 public comments pertaining to active transportation
- 13 public comments pertaining to safety
- 8 public comments pertaining to roadway maintenance
- 4 public comments pertaining to other
- 4 public comments pertaining to ADA/Sidewalk
- 3 public comments pertaining to transit
- 2 comments pertaining to bridge maintenance
- 1 comment pertaining to railroad/freight
- 1 comment pertaining to intersection improvements



# Report on the Air Quality Conformity Determination for the Draft 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) –

Chuck Imbrogno, Manager of Models and Data Analysis

## ***Agenda Item: 7***



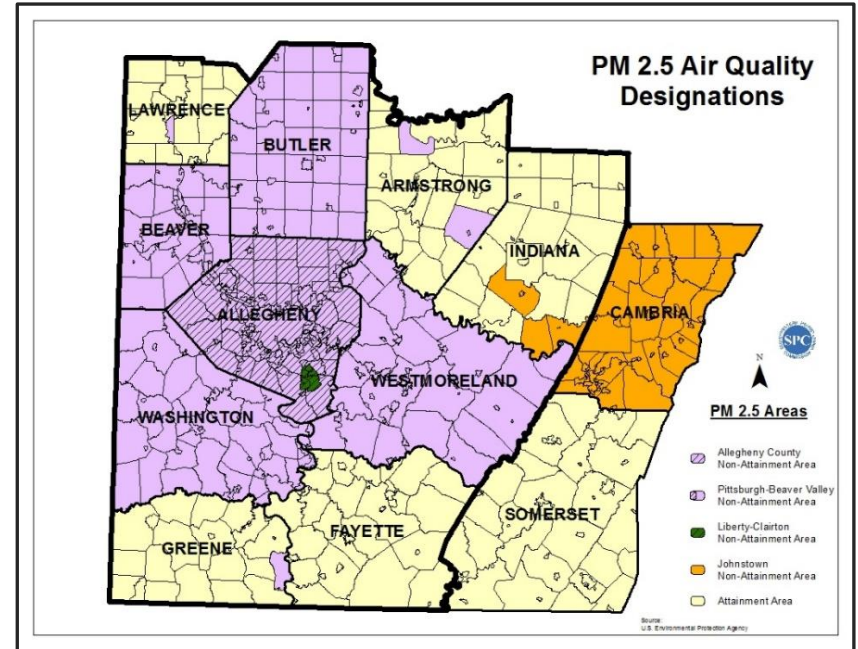
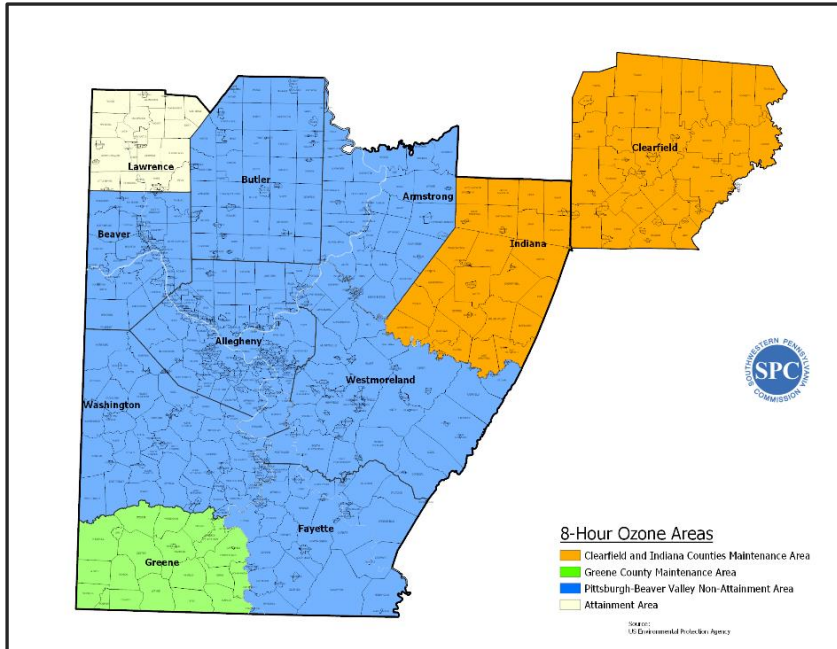
# Air Quality Conformity and Regional Significance

## For Conformity Determination, the TIP/Plan must –

- Include all regionally significant projects expected in the air quality nonattainment or maintenance area.
- Be based on the new Plan / TIP or amended Plan / TIP taken as a whole.
- Be based on most recent emissions estimates, which are based on the MPO's most recent population, employment, travel and congestion estimates.
- Demonstrate that regional emissions from the new/amended TIP/LRP will not exceed EPA-approved Motor Vehicle Emissions Budgets (MVEBs).
- Demonstrate continued fiscal constraint, public review.

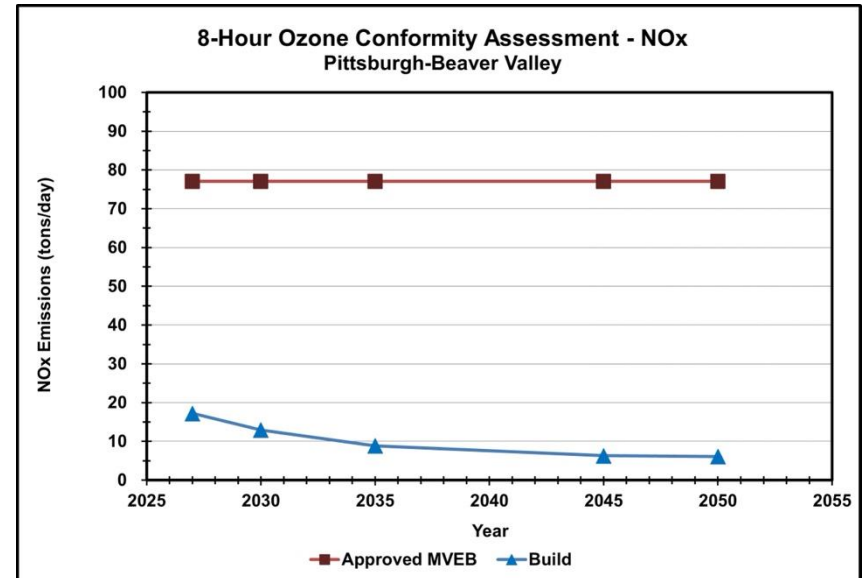
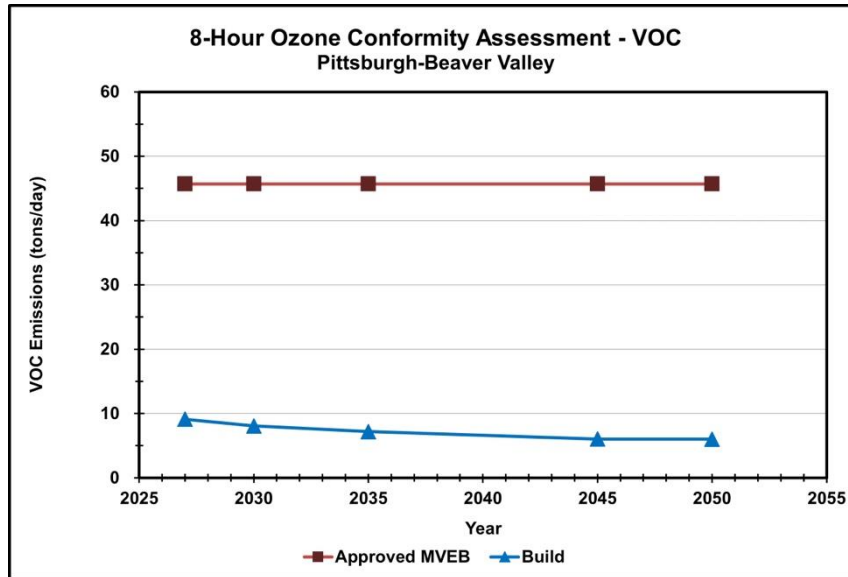
# Air Quality Conformity and Regional Significance

## EPA designated Ozone and PM2.5 Nonattainment Areas in the SPC Region



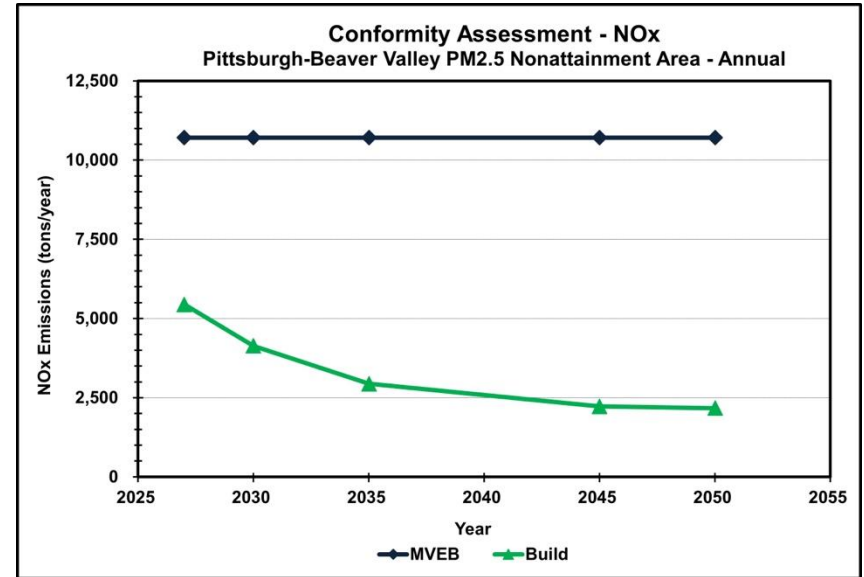
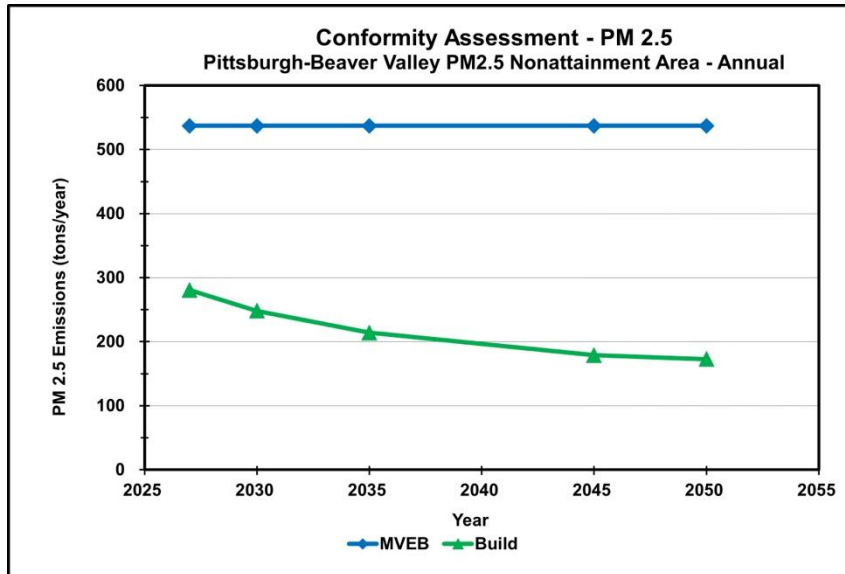
# Air Quality Conformity Results

## Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley Ozone Area



# Air Quality Conformity Results

## Pittsburgh-Beaver Valley PM2.5 (fine particulates) Area



# Commission Resolutions

- **Resolution 01-26 to Adopt the Air Quality Conformity Determination for the Draft 2027-2030 TIP** Section 174 of the federal Clean Air Act designates the MPO (SPC) as responsible for the transportation-related air quality planning within designated nonattainment and maintenance areas. This resolution confirms that the draft TIP and amended LRP are consistent with the requirements of the federal Clean Air Act and the Transportation Conformity Rule.
- **Resolution 03-26 to Adopt the 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
  - Officially adopts the 2027 TIP and amends the current LRP (SmartMoves)
- **Resolution 02-26 to Certify the Transportation Planning Process**
  - Section 134 of Title 23 USC, Section 5303-5304 of Title 49 USC, and 23 CFR Part 450 set forth the national policy that the MPO (SPC) is to carry out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive multimodal transportation planning process, including the development of a LRP and a TIP and establishes policies and procedures for MPOs to conduct the metropolitan planning process. This resolution confirms that the development of the draft TIP and amended LRP followed that process.

# ACTION ITEM on Resolution 01-26 to Adopt the Air Quality Conformity Determination for the Draft 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Lillian Gabreski, Director of Transportation

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# ACTION ITEM on Resolution 03-26 to Adopt the 2027-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Lillian Gabreski, Director of Transportation

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# ACTION ITEM on Resolution 02-26 to Certify the Transportation Planning Process

Lillian Gabreski, Director of Transportation

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# Strategic Initiatives Update

Dj Ryan, Director of Communications and Strategic Initiatives

## ***Agenda Item: 11***



# Strategic Initiatives Update

- Data Center Monitoring Continues
  - Indiana County CBA Discussion
  - If you're considering a CBA, please reach out
- *Built To Thrive*
  - Second Expert Panel Session held in May
  - Final meeting: JULY 17<sup>th</sup>, 10am
    - PLEASE REGISTER
- Keystone Transportation Funding Coalition
- P3 Legislation and Budget
- NEVI Funding Open



# Workforce & Economic Development Update

Jenn Lasser – Director Workforce & Econ Development

## ***Agenda Item: 12***



# Economic Development Team Activities

May-June 2026

Out in the Community:

- Harrisburg – Legislative Visits
- Slippery Rock
- PASSHE Foundation AHN Announcement
- NEC Board Meeting
- Appalachian Leadership Institute – Williamsport PA and Charleston WV
- LDD Meeting Harrisburg, PA
- DHS Secretary Meeting Rural Health- Harrisburg
- New Staff – Export Team Caleb Leechalk
- Year-End Closeout PREP/Engage/ARC/EDA etc.

What's Next:

- CEDS/LRP Work
- Fancy Food Show NYC Export
- Mainstreet Conference Erie – Presenter
- DCED Meeting – PREP/Engage
- ARC
  - ARC ARISE grant applications (2)
  - ARC POWER TA Support
  - ARC Inspire
  - ARC Area Development
- New PREP/Engage FY Year
  - Application & Budgets

# Spotlight: Fayette Data Center Townhall

- Fayette County Data Center Townhall
- June 3<sup>rd</sup> 2026
- 200+ registered
- Presentations from experts
- Panel moderated by Rich Fitzgerald with JLL, W&J and Trades
- Attendees included residents, local legislators, commissioners and regional experts
- Answered questions from audience and heard feedback from residents



# Spotlight: CAVCON Economic Summit

- Cav Con Economic Development Summit
- May 15<sup>th</sup> 2026 in Washington PA
- Rich Fitzgerald moderated panel on economic development, workforce and tourism
- Commissioner McClure provided presentation on economic development needs of Greene and growth opportunities
- Additional speakers on permitting, environmental and importance of not losing opportunities in swpa to other states
- Attendees included economic development professionals, workforce, education, developers, commercial real estate and engineers



# Spotlight: BEAD Roundtable @ SPC

- BEAD Roundtable
- SPC Offices June 16<sup>th</sup> 2026
- Hybrid meeting discussing the projects and permitting of upcoming Southwest/Southern Alleghenies PA BEAD broadband Projects
- Hosted by Pennsylvania Broadband Authority (PBDA)
- Attendees included local government, municipalities, NTIA, ISPs and others
- Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) program aims to help residents and businesses gain access to affordable high-speed internet through investments in broadband planning, deployment, mapping, and adoption activities.
- Appx 70 attendees online and in-person



# Spotlight: PA Creative Industries

- June 17<sup>th</sup> 2026
- SPC hosting the PA Creative Industries/PA Council for a grant seminar
- 50+ attendees – hybrid event
- Presenters included Faith Collins (SPC), Johnna Pro (DCED) and PA Creative Industries.
- Overview of grants available and how SPC and others can assist.



# Build Back Better - Update

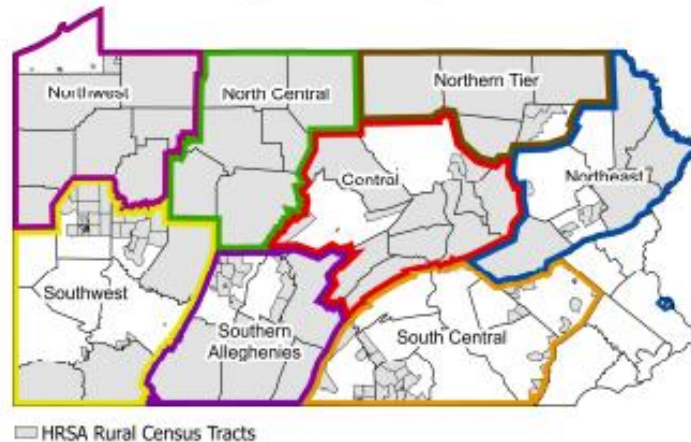
- No-Cost Extension Received from EDA
- PRIORITY: Spending down remaining dollars
- PRIORITY: Finding follow-on funding for partners
- Thousands Trained & Educated
  - Semi-Annual Report submitted
  - Working on impact report of equipment
- Robotics & AI Discovery Day – September 16<sup>th</sup> 2026
  - David L. Lawrence Convention Center
  - 4,500+ attended last year



# Spotlight: Rural Healthcare Transformation

- PA Appx 193M awarded of 200M request
  - 5 year renewable program
- DCED PREP Regions will be the service areas
- Five Goals of RHT via CMS:
  - Rural Health
  - Sustainable Access
  - Workforce
  - Innovative Care
  - Technological Innovation
- SPC Met with Sec. Val Arkoosh in May to get additional information on the program
- **What's Next: (subject to change)**
  - Hiring Regional Coordinator by DHS
  - Creation of Boards/Groups by Coordinator
  - Additional Instructions from DHS
  - SPC will serve in some form of a collaborator role

**Figure 2: PREP Regions**



# **ACTION ITEM on Resolution 04-26 to adopt a meeting schedule for FY 2026- 2027**

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# Other Business

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**Reminder of Next Meeting Date:  
August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026**

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# Adjourn

