



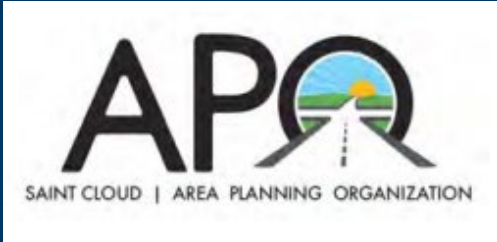
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**METROPOLITAN
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Greater Minnesota's Metropolitan Planning Organizations

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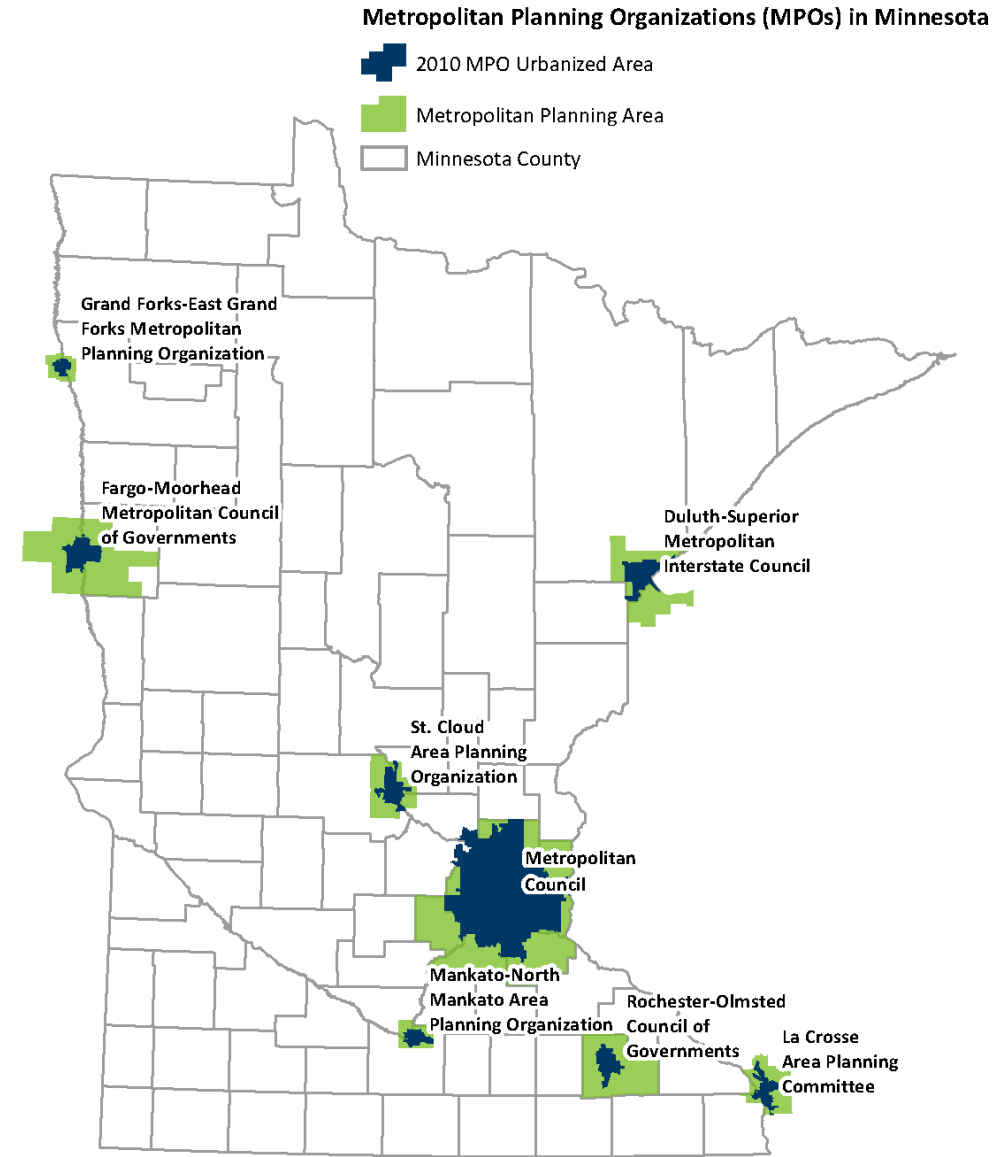
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Metropolitan Planning Organizations

In urbanized areas of more than 50,000 people, transportation planning is a coordinated, comprehensive and continuous process led by a metropolitan planning organization (MPO)

- Develop a Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP)
- Develop a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Maintain an annual planning program of studies, etc. (UPWP)



Transportation Management Areas

- Urbanized areas of more than **200,000** people are designated as Transportation Management Areas (TMA) and the MPO has additional responsibilities:
 - Maintain a congestion management process
 - Receive a direct appropriation of federal funds
 - Board must include public agencies that administer or operate major modes of transportation including providers of public transportation

Transportation Management Areas

- Until recently, the Metropolitan Council was the only TMA in Minnesota
- Fargo-Moorhead Council of Governments was designated as a TMA after 2020 census.

Table 17: Summary of Federal Funding Allocated through the TAB'S Regional Solicitation for Projects in State Fiscal Years 2024-2027 (In millions; Federal Amount only)

Program Category	2024	2025	2026	2027	Total
Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ)	\$29.8	37.7	43.8	4.4	115.7
Transportation Alternatives (TA)	\$22.5	6.2	2.9	0	31.6
PROTECT	\$5.0	0	0	0	5.0
Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)	\$8.2	8.5	0	0	16.7
Surface Transportation Program (STP)	\$76.6	94.2	87.1	143.9	401.8
Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)	\$16.5	16.1	19.6	24.3	76.5
TOTALS	\$158.6	162.7	153.4	172.6	647.3

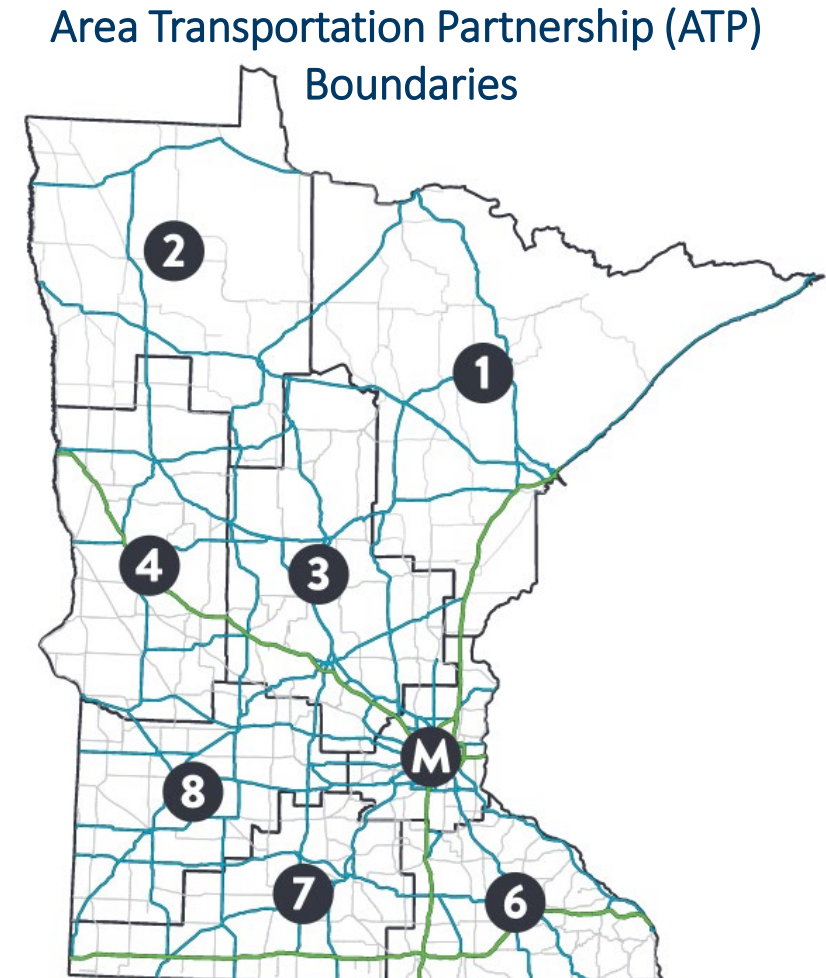
Example of Metropolitan Council's direct appropriation of federal funds through the Regional Solicitation Process.
Source: Metropolitan Council 2024-2027 TIP

Primary responsibilities of an MPO

- Maintain a Long-Range Transportation Plan
- Develop a Transportation Improvement Program
- Develop a Unified Planning Work Program
- Nondiscrimination requirements
- Establish performance targets & integrate into planning process
- Public participation plan

Project Selection

- Greater MN MPOs play a coordinating role in selecting projects
 - They do not receive direct appropriations like the Met Council or Metro COG
- Projects within MPO planning boundaries must be included in the TIP and consistent the Metropolitan Transportation Plan
- The Greater MN MPOs are members of the Area Transportation Partnerships



Greater MN MPOs

MPO Name	Population Estimate	Type of Organization	Bi-State?
Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments	216,214	Council of Governments	Yes – ND lead state
Rochester-Olmstead Council of Governments	121,587	Council of Governments	No
St. Cloud Area Planning Organization	117,638	Area Planning Organization	No
La Crosse Area Planning Committee	98,872	Metropolitan Planning Organization	Yes – WI lead state
Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council	119,411	Joint agreement between two Regional Development Commissions	Yes – MN lead state
Grand Forks/E. Grand Forks Metropolitan Planning Organization	68,160	Metropolitan Planning Organization	Yes – ND lead state
Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization	60,206	Metropolitan Planning Organization	No

Greater MN MPOs

MPO Name	Board Composition	Board Appointment
Fargo-Moorhead Metropolitan Council of Governments	16 voting members (at least 11 elected officials)	Appointed by the mayor of the jurisdiction or county administrator
Rochester-Olmstead Council of Governments	16 voting members (13 elected officials)	Appointed by jurisdiction or by virtue of position
St. Cloud Area Planning Organization	12 voting members (11 elected officials)	Appointed by jurisdiction or by virtue of position
La Crosse Area Planning Committee	10 voting members (all elected officials)	Specific positions are listed as the members (e.g. mayor)
Duluth-Superior Metropolitan Interstate Council	18 voting members (14 elected officials)	Appointed by jurisdiction
Grand Forks/E. Grand Forks Metropolitan Planning Organization	8 voting members (all elected officials)	Appointed by jurisdiction
Mankato/North Mankato Area Planning Organization	6 voting members (all elected officials)	Appointed by jurisdiction

CY 2023 Funding Situation / CPG allocation

MPO	Available FHWA Appropriations	Available FTA Appropriations		Consolidated Planning Grant Total	State Planning Grant Total
	2022 FHWA Appropriations	2022 FTA Appropriations	2021 FTA Appropriations Carry Forward		
APO	\$ 507,869	\$ 186,440	\$ 1,567	\$ 695,876	\$62,815
MIC	\$ 442,231	\$ 167,076	\$ 31,184	\$ 640,491	\$60,524
ROCOG	\$ 496,691	\$ 187,142	-	\$ 683,833	\$61,143
MAPO	\$ 270,855	\$ 78,408*	\$ 58,968	\$ 329,823	\$32,698
LAPC	\$ 34,988	\$ 10,153	-	\$ 45,141	\$11,000
Met Council	\$ 4,021,234	\$ 1,470,287	-	\$ 5,109,512	N/A
GFEGF	\$ 64,029	\$ 12,612	-	\$	\$11,000
FMCOG	\$ 176,108	\$ 64,029	-	\$	\$26,820

CY 2024 Funding Situation / CPG allocation

MPO	Available FHWA Appropriations	Available FTA Appropriations		Consolidated Planning Grant Total	State Planning Grant Total
	2023 FHWA Appropriations	2023 FTA Appropriations	2022 FTA Appropriations Carry Forward		
APO	\$ 491,414	\$ 181,941	\$ 4	\$ 673,359	\$61,520
MIC	\$ 416,882	\$ 182,920	\$ 29,283	\$ 629,085	\$50,600
ROCOG	\$ 502,993	\$ 186,545	-	\$ 689,538	\$63,210
MAPO	\$ 323,010	\$ 95,074	\$ 114,055	\$ 532,137	\$36,850
LAPC	\$ 52,631	\$ 17,322	-	\$ 69,953	\$11,000
Met Council	\$ 4,101,659	\$ 1,498,938	\$ 382,009	\$ 5,982,606	N/A
GFEGF	\$ 63,181	\$ 18,821	-	\$ 82,002	\$11,000
FMCOG	\$ 200,717	\$ 66,846	-	\$ 267,563	\$31,820



Questions

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