

SUBJECT: Ladders of Opportunity Accomplishments Report

Meeting	Meeting Date	Agenda Category	Agenda Item #
Regional Council	May 25, 2017	Consent Information	4g

REQUESTED ACTION/SUGGESTED MOTION

The Regional Council is being presented with PAG’s Ladders of Opportunity Accomplishments Report. The report highlights regional accomplishments consistent with the priority areas of the federal Ladders of Opportunity initiative. This is an information item.

ASSOCIATED OWP WORK ELEMENT/GOAL

Work Element 40, Transportation Planning.

SUMMARY

In spring of 2017, PAG prepared a report to outline regional accomplishments consistent with the U.S. Department of Transportation’s (U.S. DOT) Ladders of Opportunities suggested work tasks. Ladders of Opportunity is an initiative of the U.S. DOT that encourages state DOT’s, MPOs and providers of public transportation, as part of the transportation planning process, to identify transportation connectivity gaps in accessing essential services.

Suggested MPO work tasks include developing and implementing analytical methods to identify gaps in the connectivity of the transportation system and developing infrastructure and operational solutions that provide the public, especially the traditionally underserved populations, with adequate access to essential services. Other effective work tasks could include: evaluating the effectiveness of public participation plans for engaging transportation disadvantaged communities in the transportation decision making process; updating the Section 5310 Coordinated Human Service Public Transportation Plans; assessing the safety and condition of pedestrian and bicycle facilities; and evaluating compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, particularly around schools, concentrations of disadvantaged populations, social services, medical and transit facilities.

The Ladders of Opportunity Accomplishments Report was prepared in preparation of the annual PAG OWP review meeting by federal and state partners.

PRIOR BOARD AND/OR COMMITTEE ACTION

The Management Committee reviewed this item at its May 10, 2017, meeting.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

None.

TECHNICAL, POLICY, LEGAL OR OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

None.

ATTACHED ADDITIONAL BACKUP INFORMATION

Ladders of Opportunity Accomplishments Report.

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