

CMAQ Programming for Transit Projects

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Programming Goals for Transit in the MAG Region

- **Compete** for additional funding on a **Nationwide basis**
 - **Ensure that all federal funding is programmed and in an awarded grant annually.**
 - Have plans and priorities in place, ready to apply.
- Solve funding matters from **schedule delays** and deferrals within each program first
 - Monitor project schedules and costs.
 - **Loan to keep programs whole.**
- Ensure that **planning** has time for evaluation and proper delivery of projects
 - Give adequate time for program and project planning and development to have **the best solutions identified.**
 - **Reduce the fire sale mentality. -Don't get backed up against the deadline of use or lose.**



Process for Flexing Annual Federal Funding

**Until the Federal Authorization occurs,
the funds are at risk.**

Annual
FHWA
Funding App.

Projects
Identified-
Refined

Flex Funding
Request

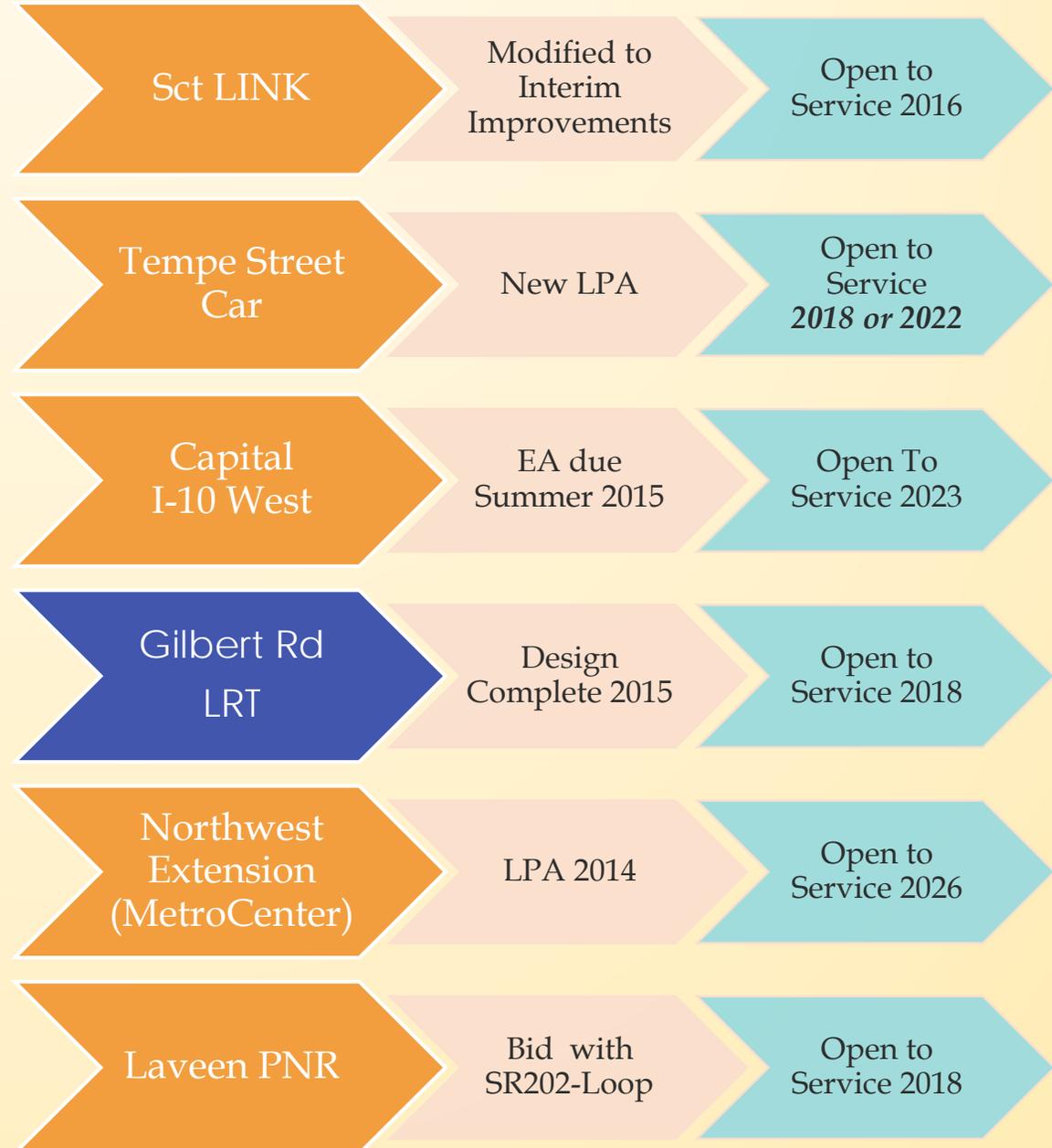
DOT Moves \$
from FHWA
to FTA

DR includes
in a Grant

FTA
Authorizes
Grant

\$39 Million

CMAQ Funded Projects and Related Rail Projects



Summary of Changes

- **Based on Current Project Schedules**
 - Gilbert Road LRT is ready to proceed with **full funding committed**.
 - **Work Schedules with Cash flow** for Scottsdale interim bus project, Capital I-10 West, NW Extension (MetroCenter), and the Laveen PnR have been updated and committed to for the proposed programming in the TIP and RTP as appropriate.
 - Payback of funding to each program and project above meets the cashflow needs of the project for **federal funding**.
 - For Tempe Street Car: FTA Small Starts federal funding will be applied for, if Tempe commits to the identified local shortage.
 - TIP listings will be available for MAG TRC May meeting.
 - \$32.4 million advanced to Gilbert LRT.
 - Savings from Scottsdale LINK, and Laveen PnR will be addressed with the **Short Range Transit Program**, available for programming FY2016-2017.

ACTION:

For information, discussion, and recommend approval of the programming presented, including a \$32.4 Million Loan from the Transit Life Cycle Program to the Gilbert Road Extension Rail Project/Arterial Life Cycle Program, to be repaid in Fiscal Years 2019 through 2024, and approval of amendments to the FY 2014-2018 MAG Transportation Improvement Program, Draft FY2016 Arterial Life Cycle Program, and as appropriate, to the 2035 Regional Transportation Plan.