



# The Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Planning Process

**MAY-AUGUST  
ODD YEAR**  
(i.e. 2007, 2009, 2011, etc.)

Procedural and Financial Guidance Issued by PennDOT and Planning Partners

County Letters of Solicitation to Municipalities

Municipalities Submit Candidate Projects

- Public Comment
- Comprehensive Plans

• LRTP  
• TYP Public Hearings  
• PennDOT Districts  
• Elected Official Input

Listing of All Candidate Projects

**SEPTEMBER-DECEMBER  
ODD YEAR**

RPO Evaluation & Prioritization of Projects

Existing TIP Reevaluation

RPO Weighs Against Available Revenue by Program

- Roadway
- Bridge
- Safety
- TE
- CMAQ
- RRX

**JANUARY-FEBRUARY  
EVEN YEAR**  
(i.e. 2008, 2010, 2012, etc.)

**Draft TIP**

IM Program  
(Stand alone but included for information and coordination)

Preliminary Fiscal Constraint Agreement  
(RPO and PennDOT District & Central Office)

RPO Endorsement of Draft TIP

Revise TIP Projects

- Cost
- Schedule

Amendments, Modifications, or Administrative Actions

**TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM**

PennDOT Central Office Review for Fiscal Constraint

- Spike Funds

Air Quality Conformity & Public Involvement

RPO Adoption

STC Approval

Added to the STIP

FHWA and FTA Approval