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Comments:

The new federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides record amounts of new funding for the planning and development of infrastructure related to transportation, energy, water, broadband, and others. To maximize this once-in-a-generation opportunity, we will need to increase our region's project planning capacity. Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) are an essential component of the project planning process required to receive federal funding for infrastructure projects. MPOs receive most of their funding from the federal government, and so a small increase in local matching funds can be used to leverage a large amount additional federal funds. Mahalo for your consideration!