




RRTPO Regional Work Program: Fiscal Year 2023


THE UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM



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OVERVIEW

1. The UPWP addresses federal and state RRTPO planning and programming requirements – a condition for the state and region to remain eligible for federal-aid highway and transit funds.
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FOUR CORE PROGRAM AREAS

- 1. Program Support and Administration** - Policy, management and operations platform that supports the function of the RRTPO and CVTA
- 2. General Development and Comprehensive Planning** – Public engagement, equity analysis, special planning studies
- 3. Long-Range Transportation Planning** – Long range transportation plan, scenario planning, transit, active transportation, resilience
- 4. Short-Range Transportation Planning** – Transportation improvement program, RSTP/CMAQ funding, performance-based planning, freight planning



FY 2023 PRIORITIES

Scenario Planning. Builds on intentions from the ConnectRVA 2045 plan and will include comprehensive data development, public engagement, and public-facing reporting and visualization.

Transportation investments to capitalize on regional commerce, workforce mobility and accessibility. This work effort will include planning activities involving freight, transit, multimodal connectivity, and equity.

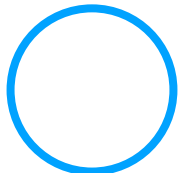

Expanding access to transit. Refinement of regional transit priorities and development of shovel-ready transit projects. The passage of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act has opened many funding opportunities to consider. GRTC and RRTPO partnership.



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Identify strategies for further integrating identified performance measures into project scoring and selection processes. Categories of performance measures include Safety and Security, Congestion Mitigation and System Reliability, Freight Mobility, Multimodal Connectivity and Access to Employment.

Expand data management and sharing capabilities (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area). Fully incorporate data sharing and consideration into the transportation planning process, emphasizing data's value across multiple programs. **Focus** on freight, bike and pedestrian planning, equity analyses, performance management, travel time reliability, connected and autonomous vehicles, mobility services, and safety.



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Improve consideration of equity and justice in public planning processes (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area). Actively advance equity planning and support for underserved and disadvantaged communities, including tribal governments. **Focus** on public involvement in the planning process and that plans and strategies reflect various perspectives, concerns, and priorities from impacted areas.

Tackling the Climate Crisis – Transition to a Clean Energy, Resilient Future (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area). Identify measures to help achieve the national greenhouse gas reduction goals and increase resilience to extreme weather events and other disasters. **Focus** on reducing single-occupancy vehicle trips and increasing access to public transportation, and identifying transportation system vulnerabilities to climate change impacts and evaluating potential solutions.



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Safe Streets (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area). Be a resource to assist partner agencies plan, develop, and operate streets and networks that prioritize safety, comfort, and access to destinations for people who use the street network. **Focus** is to provide an equitable and safe transportation network for travelers of all ages and abilities, including those from marginalized communities facing historic disinvestment.

Public Engagement (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area). Continue developing methods and strategies to improve opportunities for the general public to take a more active role in project planning and development. **Focus** on being a resource to connect impacted communities with decision-makers as plans and projects are considered.

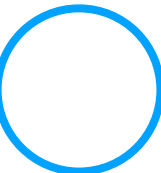
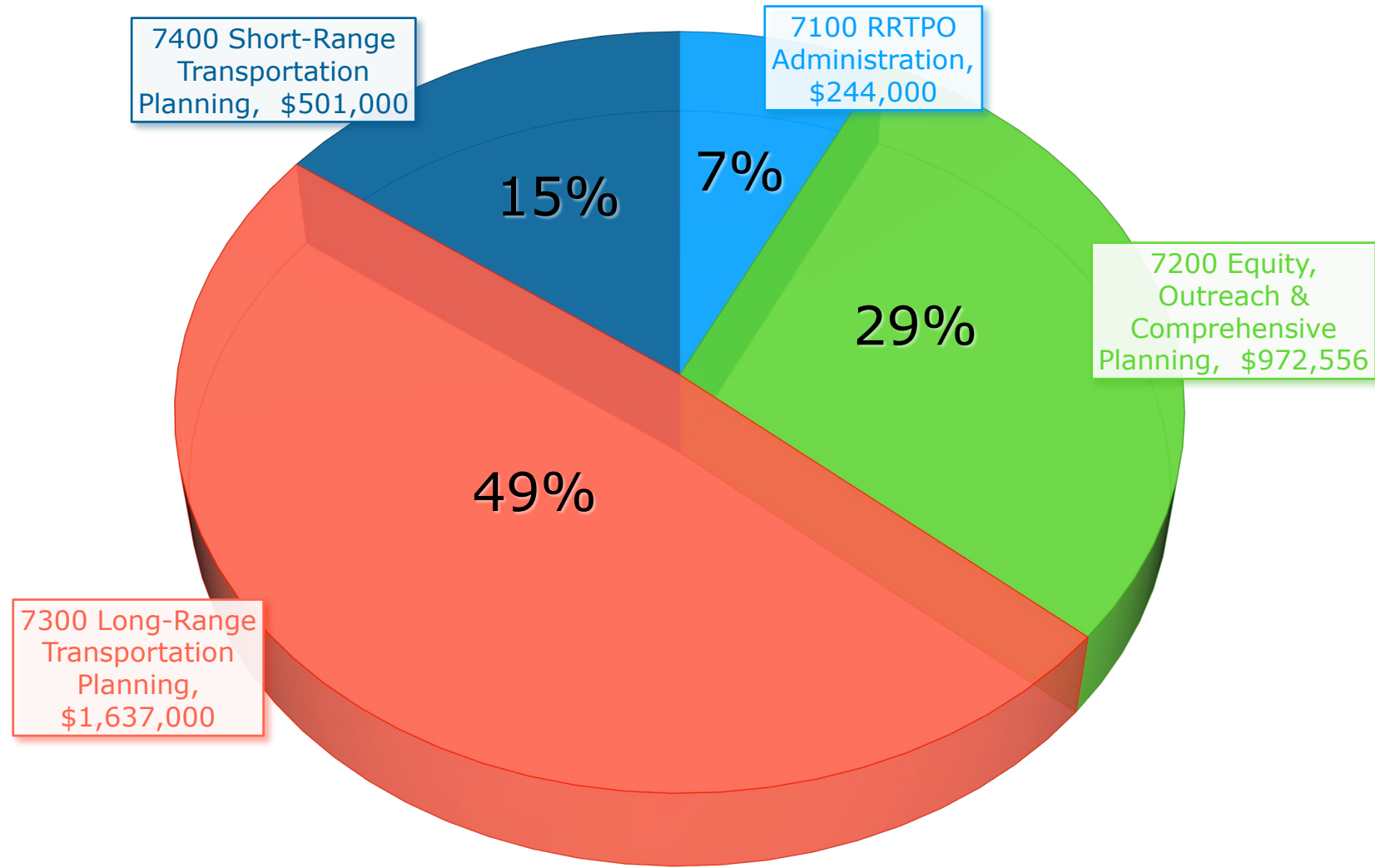


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Planning and Environmental Linkages (FHWA/FTA Planning Emphasis Area).

Streamline transportation decision-making that considers environmental, community, and economic goals early in the transportation planning process, and uses the information to inform the environmental review process. **Focus** on interagency relationship building among planning, resource, and regulatory agencies in the early stages of planning to inform and improve project delivery timeframes, including minimizing duplication and creating one cohesive flow of information.

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ACTION REQUESTED:

RRTPO APPROVAL/ADOPTION OF THE
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