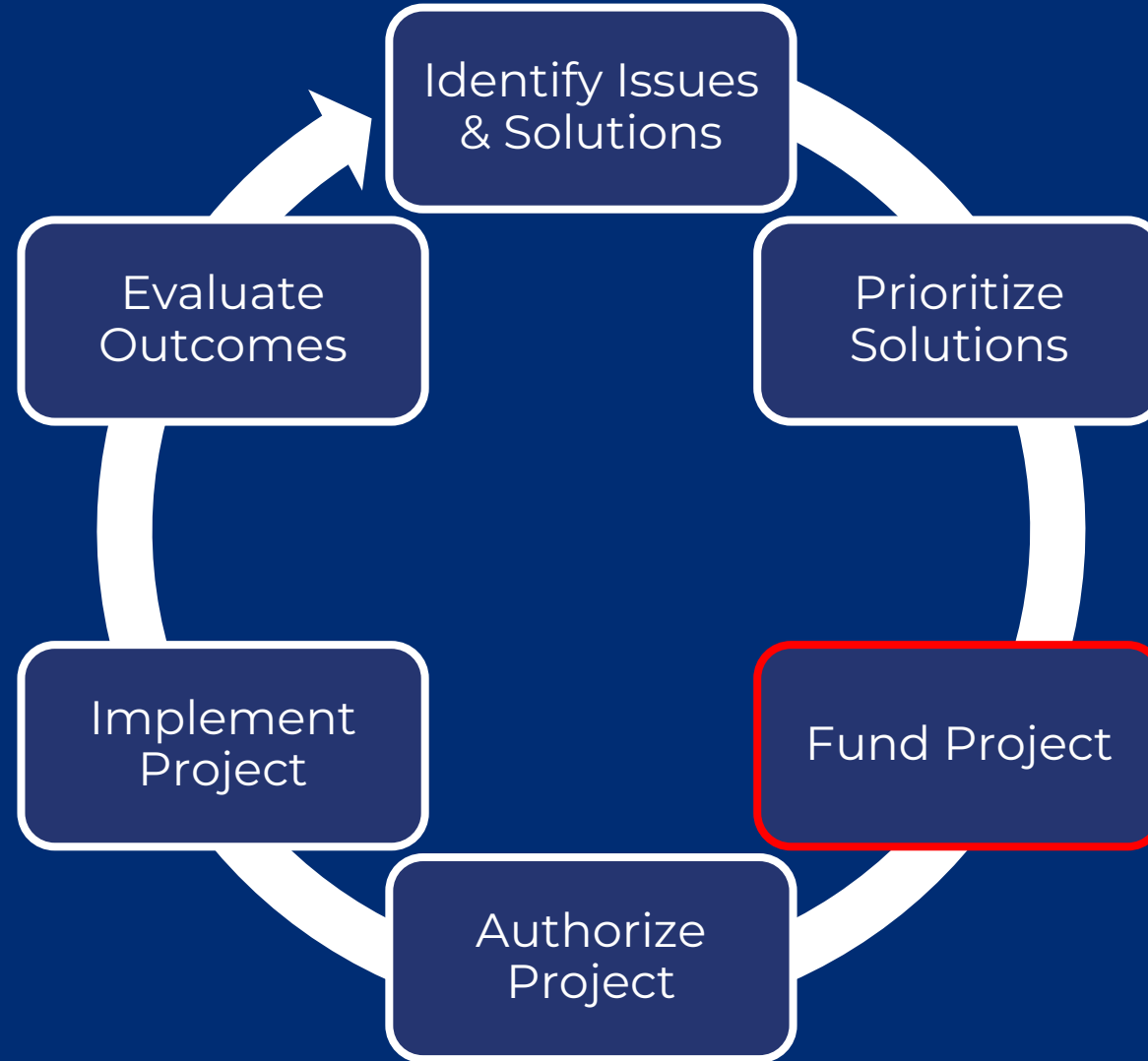


SMART SCALE Round 7 Endorsements

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Transportation Planning Process



Background

- SMART SCALE is competitive process for awarding state and federal funds
- 2 competitions, 1 call for projects
- Projects within the MPO region should be consistent with regional plans

Endorsement

- SMART SCALE requires a resolution of endorsement for projects not in the CLRP
- RRTPO endorses all pre-applications to allow local flexibility
- Commitment to revising the LRTP as needed

Revision to Resolution

- 3 projects have updated names for the final app to reflect the refined scope:

| Project ID | Sponsor | Project Name (Updated) |
|------------|---------|---|
| 13760-Pre | GRTC | Phase 1B and 1C (GRTC N-S BRT Phase 1B and 1C: North 8th Street to Stonebridge) |
| 13786-Pre | PlanRVA | Rt 10 (Jessup Rd-Country Manor Ln) Safety & Op Impr |
| 13929-Pre | PlanRVA | Rt 10 (Country Manor Ln - Addison Gate Dr) Safety & Op Impr |

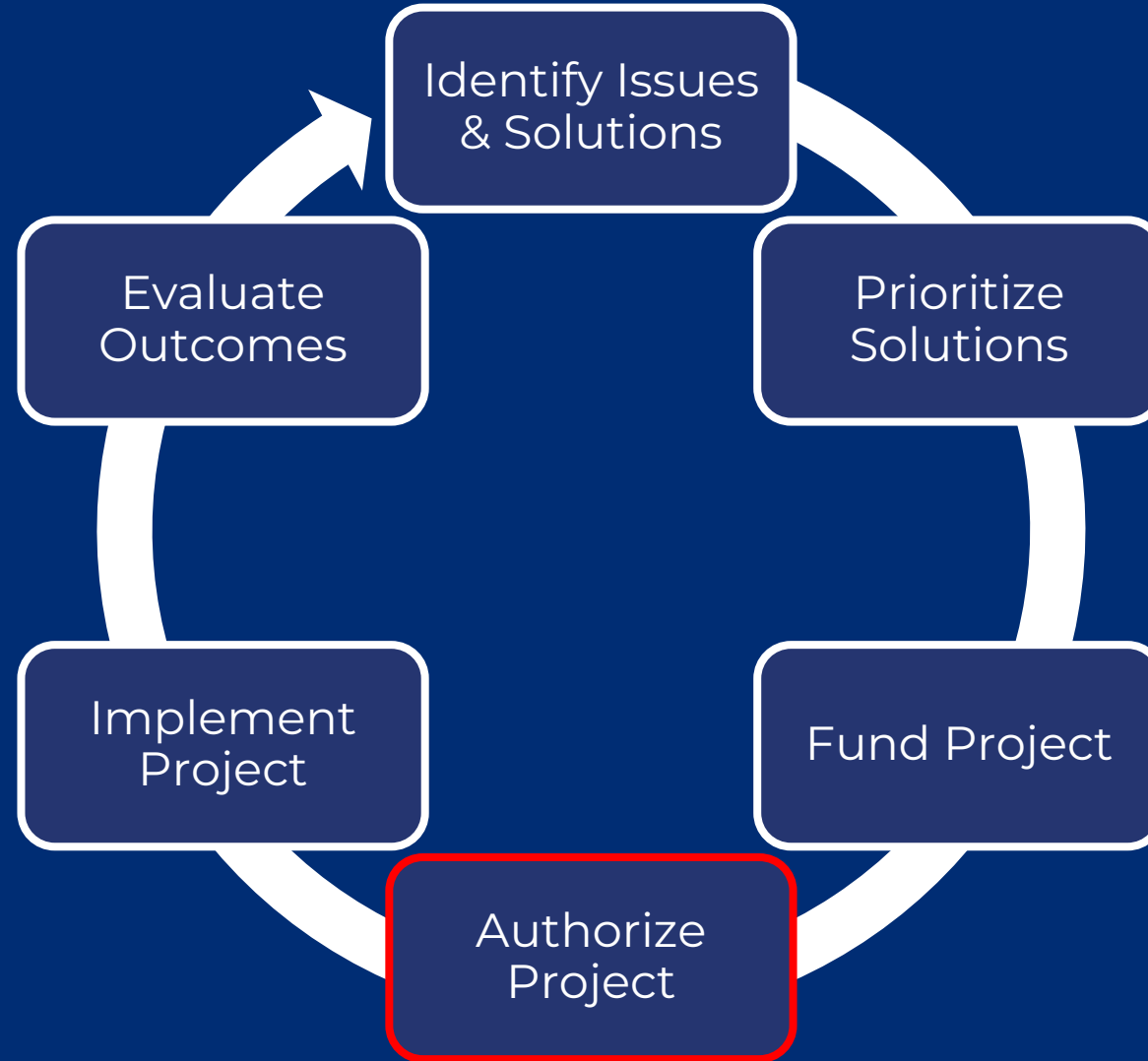
Requested Action

- TAC recommends endorsement of the pre-applications across the region
- The resolution of endorsement also includes authorization to submit the RRTPO projects as full applications
- A draft resolution is included for consideration on **pages 25-27** of the agenda packet; project names will be updated for submission

Upper Magnolia West Area Arterial Collector (UPC 129759) – Conformity Initiation

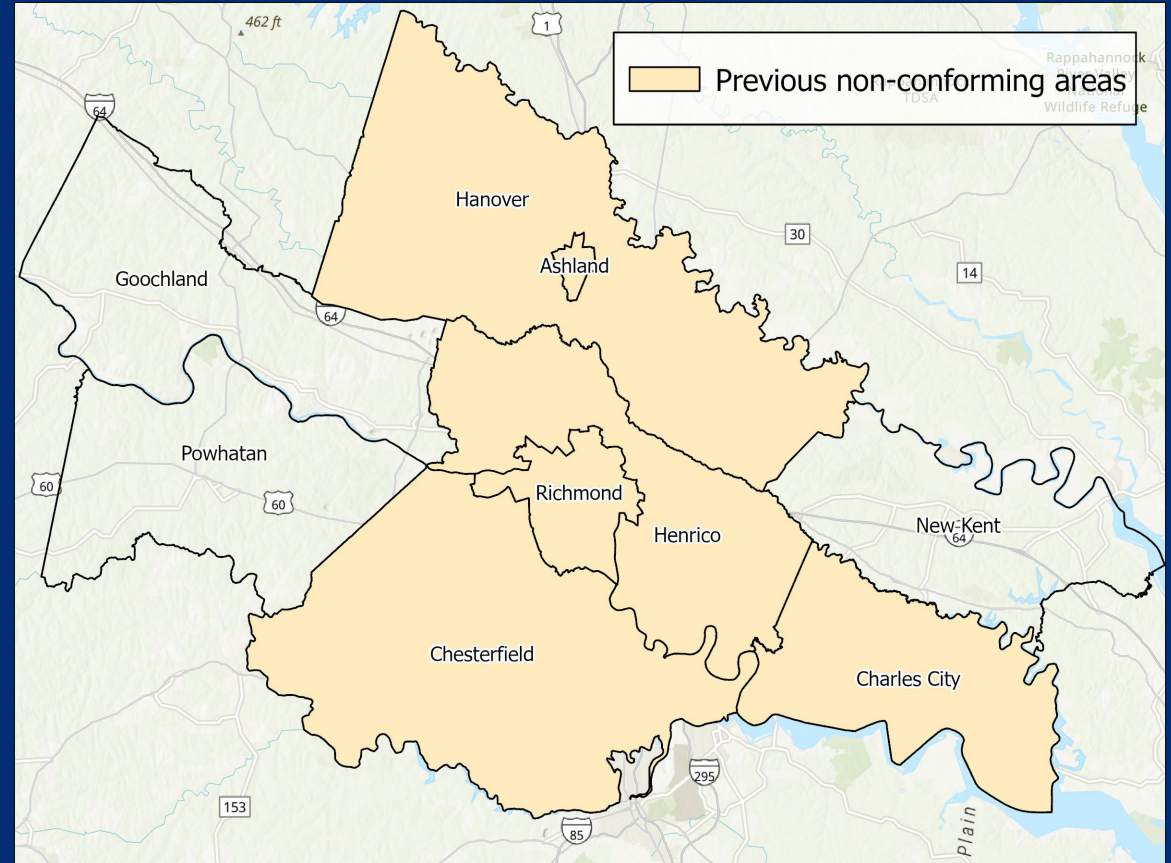
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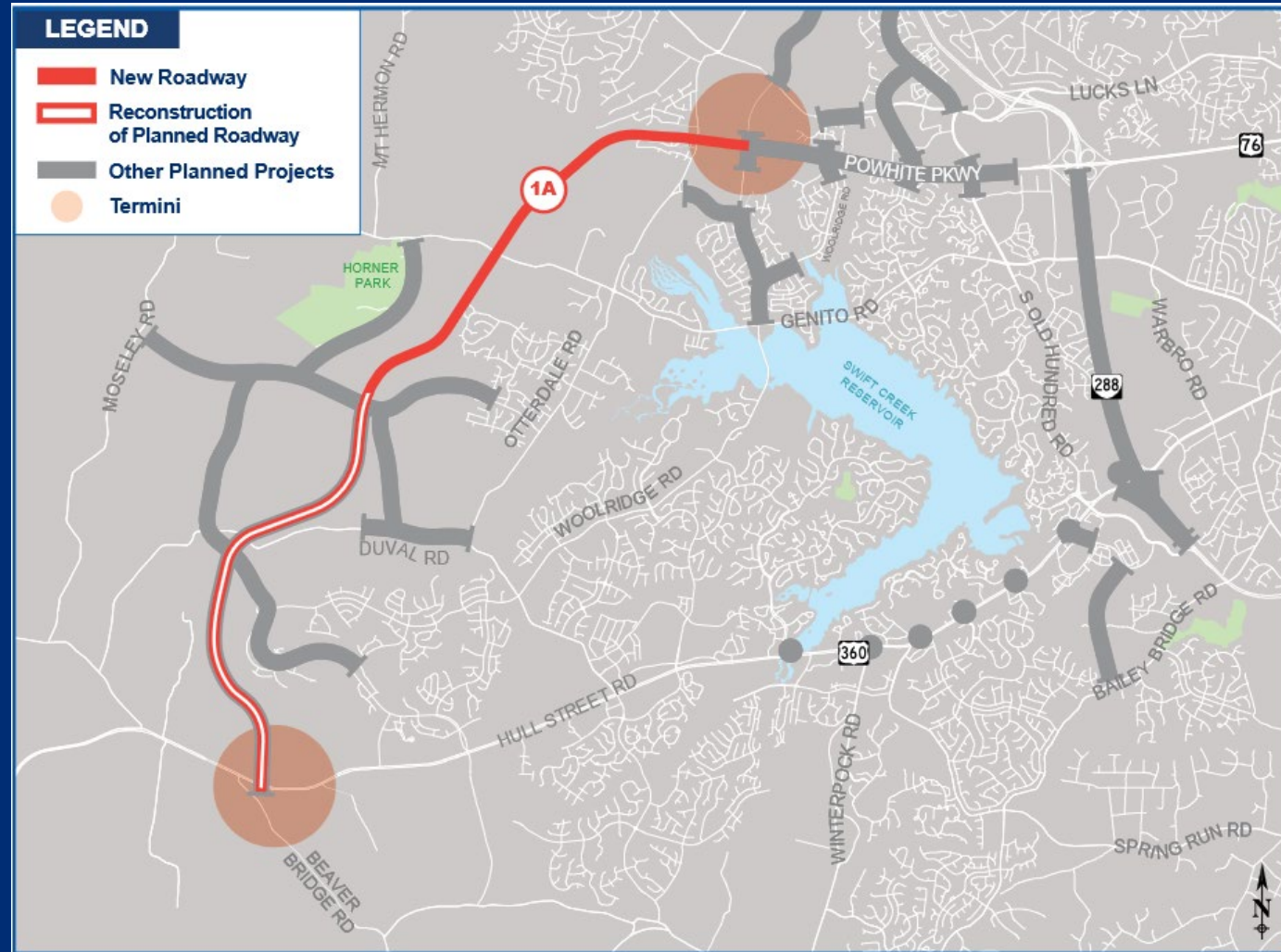
Background

- In the past, the Richmond Region did not meet national air quality standards for ozone
- Conformity review for the previous non-conforming area whenever adopting or revising the LRTPs and TIPs



Project Overview

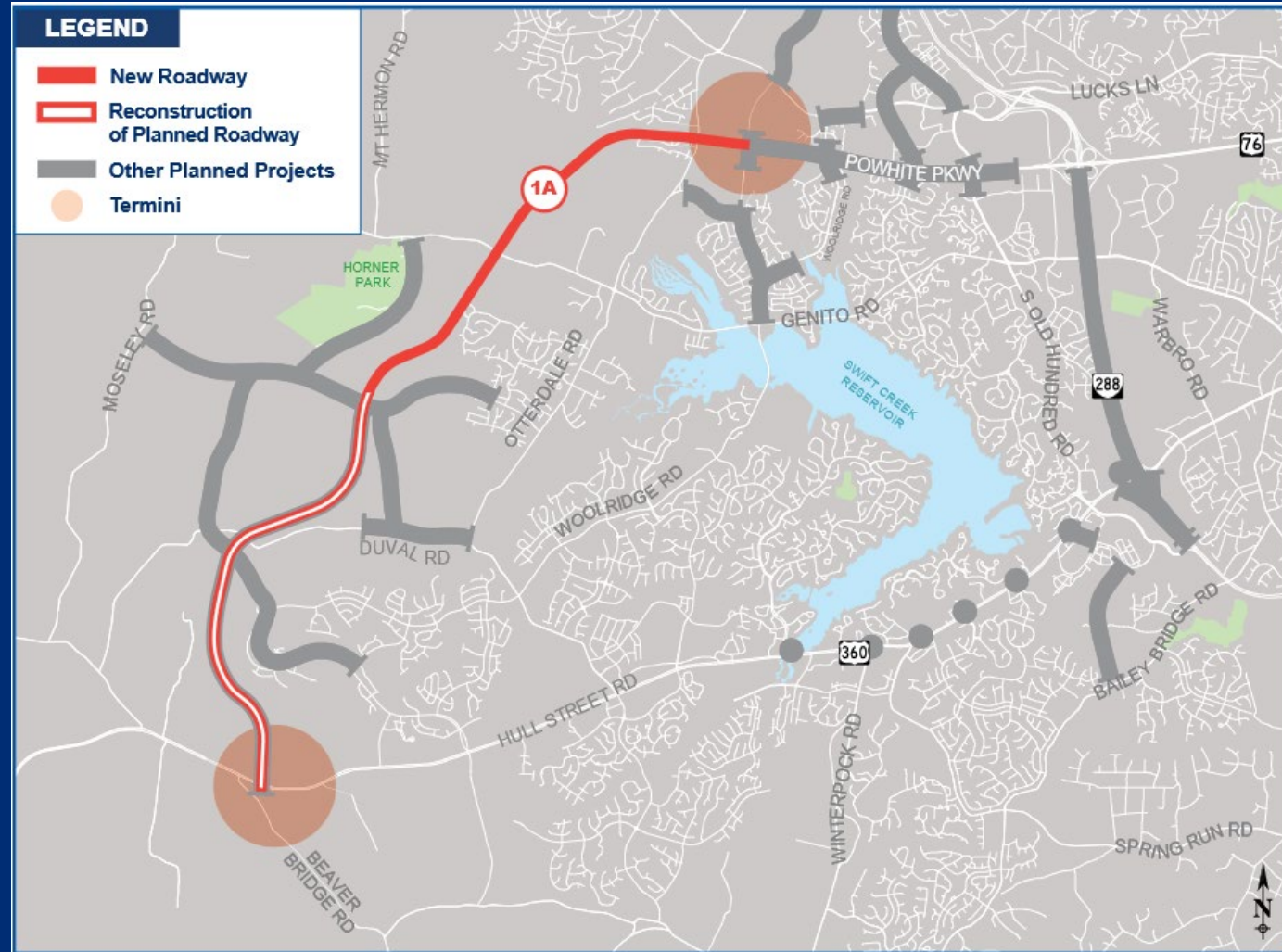
- VDOT Requested TIP Amendment to add Upper Magnolia West Area Arterial Collector
- A new 2-lane roadway between U.S. 360 and Westerleigh Parkway within future Powwhite right-of-way



Project Funding

- Transportation Partnership Opportunity Funds
- Virginia Business Ready Sites Program funds
- Chesterfield County funds

TOTAL: \$101.5M



Conformity Schedule

- New conformity review kicking off in August for Tri-Cities LRTP
- Powhite Ext already included
- Out of abundance of caution, adding this project separately
- Public review between August 17, 2026, and September 16, 2026

Regional Conformity Assessment

Richmond Area

*FY 2027-2030
Transportation Improvement
Program*

and

*2050 Long-Range
Transportation Plan*

Draft Report

May 2026

Requested Action

The Policy Board is requested to:

- approve the addition of the Upper Magnolia West Area Arterial Collector (UPC 129759) to the conformity project list; and,
- authorize the TAC to review and authorize the public review of the revised draft Regional Conformity Assessment report.

Draft resolution of approval included on **page 34**