

2027-2031 STP-L Call for Projects Workshop

OCTOBER 7, 2025



What We'll Cover

- Brief overview of STP funding and requirements
- Call For Projects Timeline
- Council-specific applications
- Active Program Management
- Project management

Surface Transportation Program

Surface Transportation Program (STP) Local

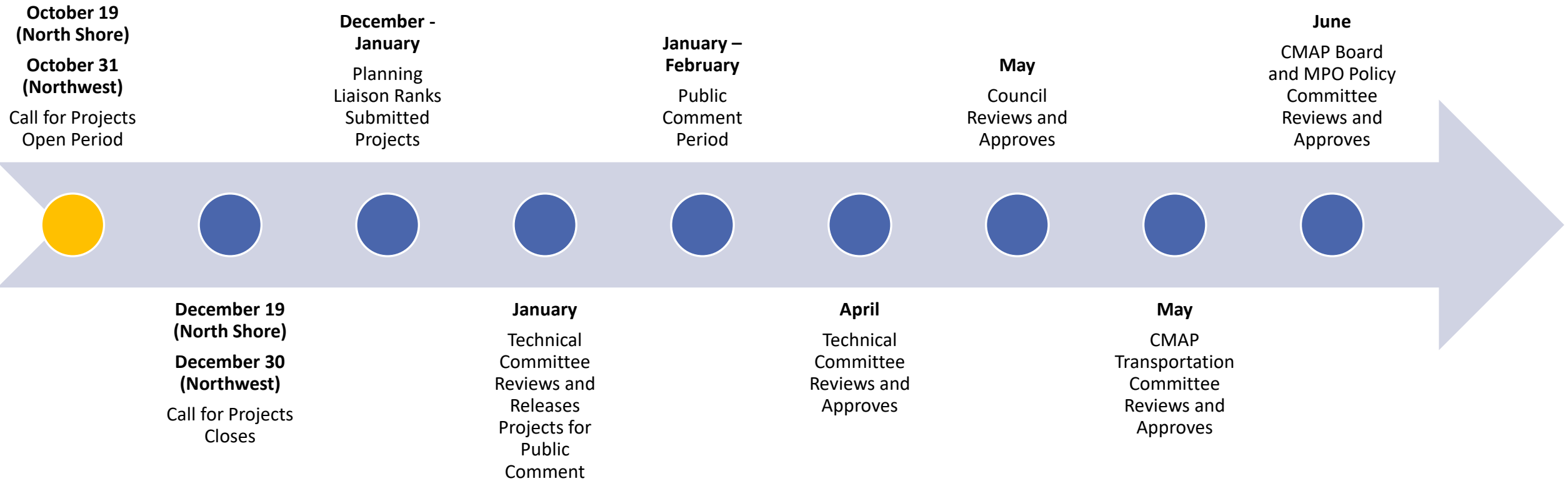
- Each local Council of Mayors and the City of Chicago administer an STP local program according to locally established methodologies.
- Every local methodology includes regional planning factors and must be administered according to the region's Active Program Management policies.

Project Proposals

- Must have local match commitment
- Must be submitted or sponsored by a member of Northwest or North Shore Council of Mayors
- Must be an eligible route and project type
 - See methodologies, www.gettingaroundillinois.com
- Can only be submitted during the Call for Projects

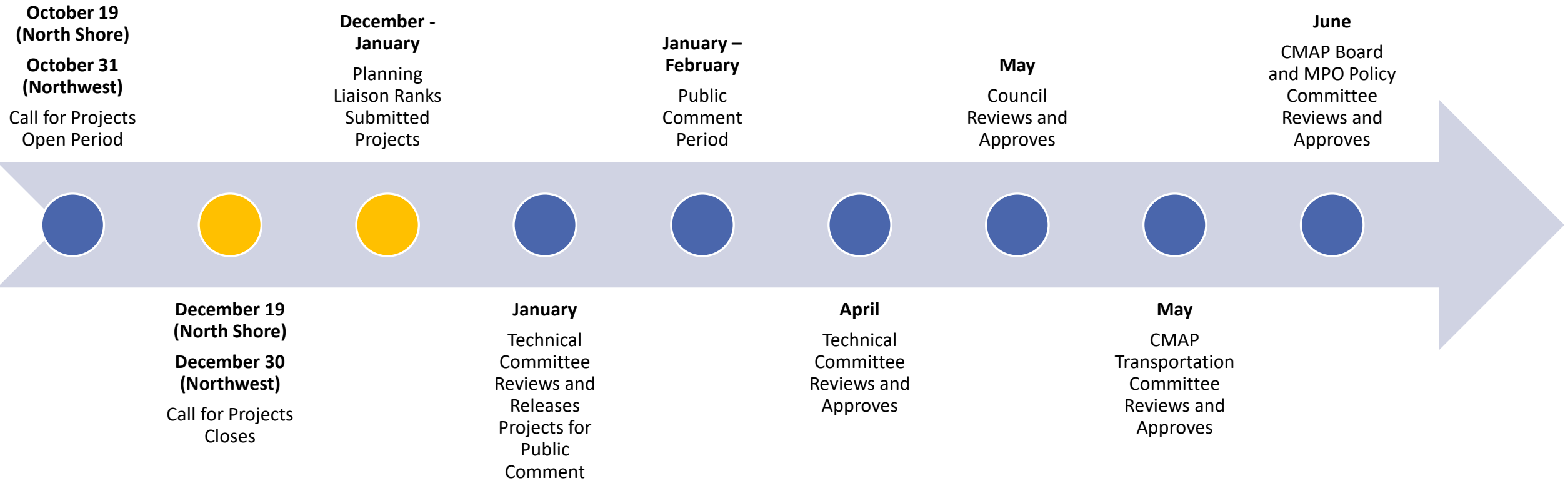
Call for Projects

- Applications open in October
- Successful applications will be part of a 5 year program
 - This year's will cover FFY 2027-2031
- Applications close in December



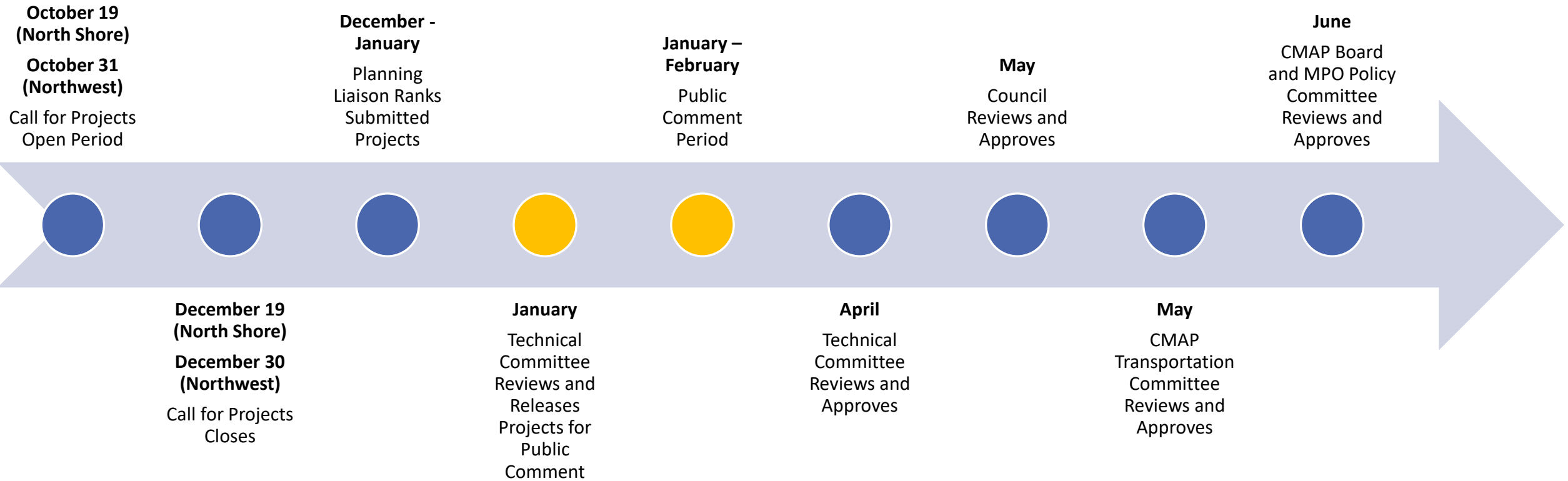
October 2025

- Call for Projects opens
 - North Shore: October 19
 - Northwest: October 31
- New applications will be available for download online
- Electronic submissions via email
- Project sponsors contacted if any missing information/discrepancies
- Contact throughout the process with questions



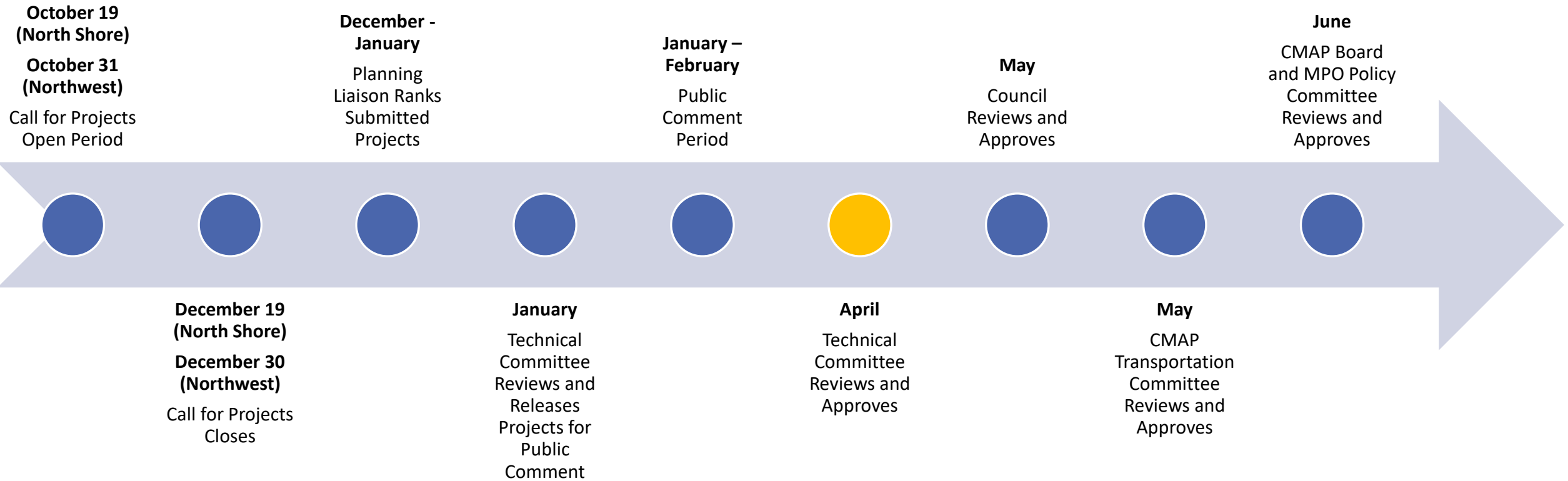
December 19, 2025 (North Shore)
December 30, 2025 (Northwest)

- Call for Projects closes at 5:00 p.m.
- Staff will evaluate and create rankings of projects
- Preliminary programs developed from there
 - Preliminary scoring and ranking will be sent to Technical Committees for review before meeting



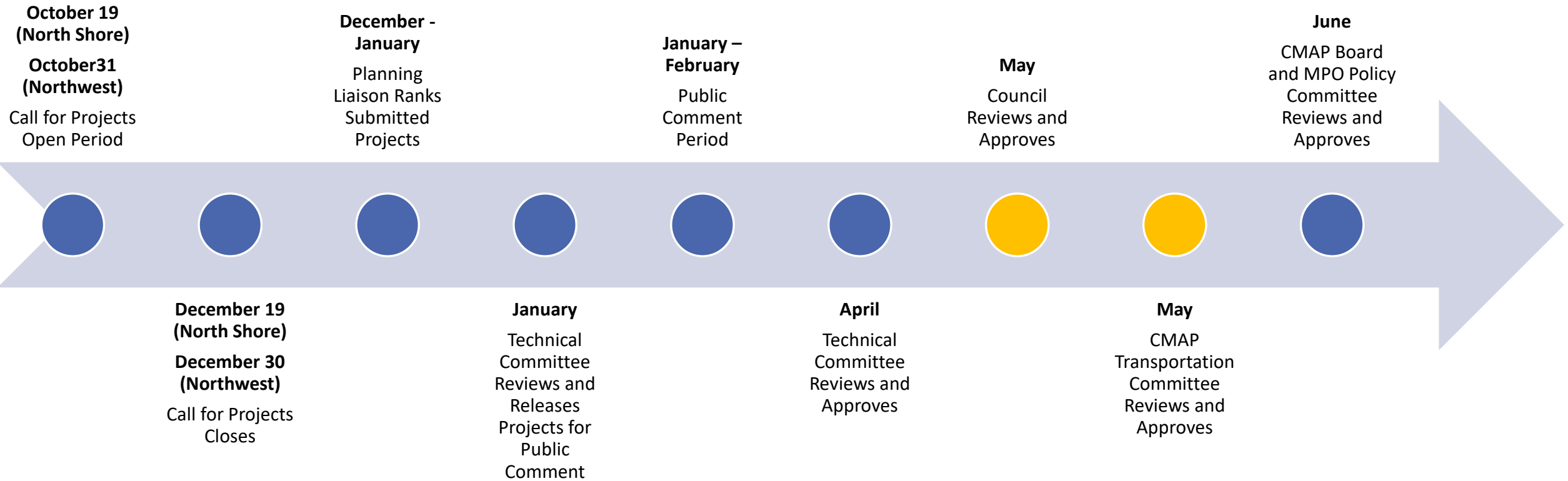
January Technical Committee Meetings

- Recommended programs (active and contingency) are presented
- Sponsors should be prepared to give overview and answer questions
- Project sponsors and Council members will have opportunity to comment on recommended programs
- Committees will vote to release for 35 day public comment



April Technical Committee Meetings

- Staff will present summary of public comments
- Final recommended programs by Technical Committees will go before Councils for approval



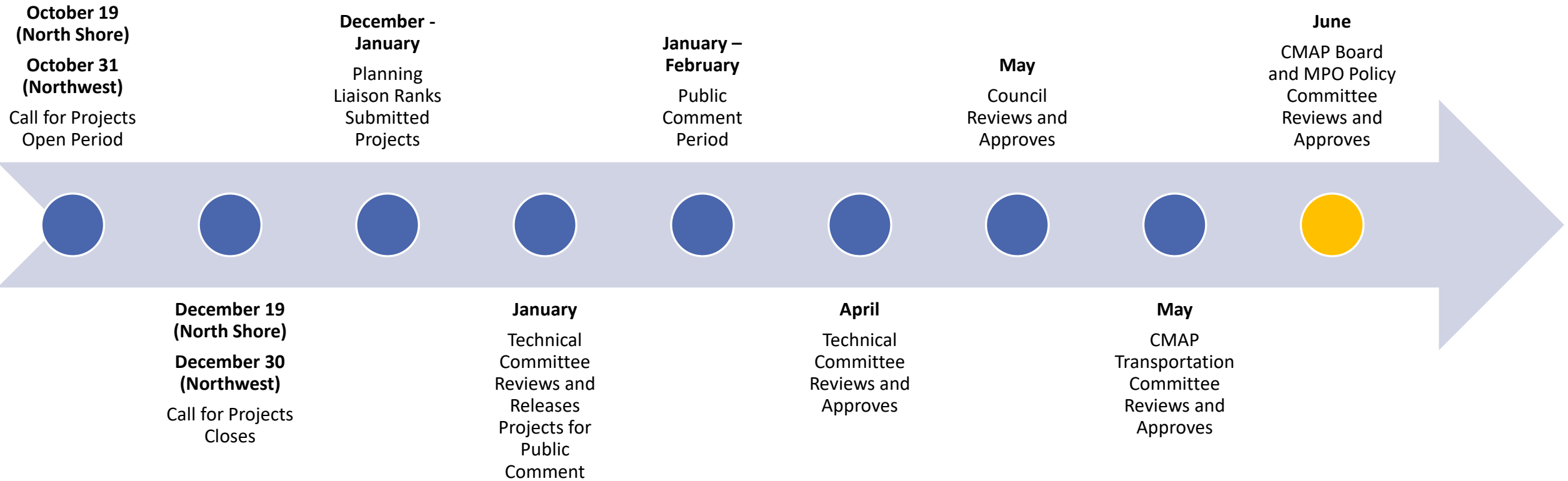
May 2026

■ Council Meeting – May

- Program goes before their respective Northwest or North Shore Council of Mayors for approval

■ CMAP Transportation Committee – May

- All local programs incorporated into TIP amendment considered by CMAP Transportation Committee



June 2026

- MPO Policy Committee/CMAP Board Joint meeting
- Final approval of TIP amendment

Application Elements

General Information

- Submit electronic copies via email to Planning Liaison
- Require variable local match
- Include CRF (Crash Reduction Factors) Safety Sheet for NW applicants

Match Ratios

	Phase I	Phase II	ROW	CON	CE
North Shore					
All project types	X	70/30	X	70/30 *	70/30 *
Northwest					
Roadway/Intersection	X	50/50	50/50	80/20	80/20
Resurfacing/LASO/LAFO	X	X	X	75/25	75/25
*eligible for 80/20 match if no STP funding for Phase II					

Northwest Highlights

- AADT available on gettingaroundillinois.com
- Documentation needed for additional project sponsors
- 2 different methodologies used depending on if the project applying is a Roadway Intersection or Resurfacing project
- Contingency projects reapplying receive small bonus

Northwest Highlights (cont.)

	Roadway/Intersection	Resurfacing/LASO/LAFO
Regional Transportation Significance	40	55
Safety	35	N/A
Prior Agency Funding	Temp Removed	Temp Removed
Complete Streets/Multimodal Improvements	50	50
Congestion Mitigation	30	N/A
Project Readiness	40	40
Inclusion in Contingency Program	5	5
Pavement Condition	N/A	50

Northwest Methodology Revisions

- **Emphasis Roadway & Intersection projects**
- **Regional Transportation Significance**
 - A single AADT divisor of 600 will be used for Reconstruction and Resurfacing projects
 - Max AADT to receive maximum points for reconstruction projects was dropped to 10,000 from 20,000. Resurfacing remains 20,000 to receive maximum points.
 - Maximum points Reconstruction 35 points maximum points resurfacing 55 points

Northwest Methodology Revisions (con't)

- **Complete Streets**

- Additional points added to “community has adopted a complete streets policy” making the category worth 35 points

- **Pavement Data**

- Expanding Pavement Condition Rating from 3 categories to 5 categories

- **Safety**

- Council currently choosing between using CMAP CRFs and updated list of CRFs that the council currently uses

Northwest Council Safety Sheet

- Based on CMAP and CRF Clearinghouse
- Divided into Intersection and Segment Improvements, then subcategories
- New Crash Reduction Factor scoring for some countermeasures has been proposed

Install pedestrian countdown timer	70	5	CMF ID 10364
Install raised median – 2 lane road	39		
Install raised median – multi-lane road	22		
Install new guardrail	47	27	CMF ID 8349
Intelligent Transportation System for Advanced Traffic Management	10		
Median treatment for pedestrian/bike safety (pedestrian island)	9	30	CMF ID 9123
New turn lane (none present)	15		
Pavement re-utilization (road diet)	45	23	CMF ID 5554 and 11128
Positive left turn lane offset	36		
Prohibit on-street parking	22		
Provide flashing beacons at stop controlled intersections	28		
Remove minor approach left turns (use right turn and downstream U-turn)	35		
Shoulder/clear zone improvement	35		
2 to 3-lane roadway conversion (TWLTL)	25		
4 to 5-lane roadway conversion (TWLTL)	55	35	CMF ID 9419 Study ID: 597

STP Safety Sheet

Facility		Check all that apply:	Countermeasure
Intersection	Signal/Stop Control	<input type="checkbox"/>	Convert stop/yield control to signal
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Convert pedestal to mast arm
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Convert span wire to mast arm
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Improve signal visibility
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Install pedestrian countdown timer
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Install adaptive signal control
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Add protected phase to left turn
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Increase all red clearance interval
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Provide flashing beacons at stop controlled intersections
	Turn Lanes	<input type="checkbox"/>	New turn lane (none present)
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Add turn lane (to existing)
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Extend turn lane
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Positive left turn lane offset
	General	<input type="checkbox"/>	Remove minor approach left turns (use right turn and downstream U-turn)
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Convert signal to roundabout
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Convert stop/yield control to roundabout
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Improve intersection lighting
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Convert unsignalized intersection warning beacons from static to dynamic
		<input type="checkbox"/>	Improve skew angle – 3 leg intersection

North Shore Methodology Revisions

■ **Safety Impact**

- Based on [US DOT Safe Systems Approach](#) and user exposure
 - Time, space, vulnerability separation
 - [Training session with McHenry County, October 17 at 10:00 a.m.](#)
- Counts:
 - Vulnerable Road User: local counts or [Strava Metro](#)
 - AADT available on [gettingaroundillinois.com](#)
- Divided into Intersection and Segment Improvements, then subcategories

Risk Factor: Lighting Conditions

Roadway Segments

Along Segment (Place "X" for condition that most closely applies)	Scaling Conditions for the Risk Factors	Scaling Conditions for the Risk Factors Description
X	0	Lighting provided (substantial and meets illuminance standards)
	1.5	Lighting provided but not substantial
	3	No roadway lighting (does not include commercial lighting)
0	N/A	N/A

Risk Factor: Pedestrian/Bike Time

Separation

Roadway Segments

Along Segment (Place "X" for condition that most closely applies)	Scaling Conditions for the Risk Factors	Scaling Conditions for the Risk Factors Description
	0.00	Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon or Midblock Pedestrian Signal
	1.00	Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons
X	2.00	Uncontrolled Marked Crossing
	3.00	No Marked Crossing
2	N/A	N/A

North Shore Methodology Revisions (con't)

- **Local Needs**

- Per capita STP funding over the past 3 years
- Future STP funding
- Project is regionally significant (Minor Arterial or higher route)
- Project furthers a community's ADA Transition Plan

North Shore Highlights

- **Local need**

- Documentation of inclusion in local/regional plan

- **Complete Streets**

- Distinction between connected and isolated facilities

- **Green infrastructure**

- **Transit supportive land use**

- Documentation (link or zoning code document)

CMAP & Active Program Management

Managing STP Projects

- Federal funding process takes longer
 - Review and agreement process, land acquisition, environmental clearance
- Unexpected delays can cause loss of funding
- Many deadlines to keep track of

LETTING SCHEDULE THROUGH CY2027 IDOT - Bureau of Local Roads and Streets Region One

* Pre-Final Plans to Region One (Friday)	TIP Revisions Due (Friday)	CMAP Transportation Committee Meeting (Friday)	**Final PS & E and Draft Agreement(s) (Funding / CE) to Region One Design Approval (Monday)	Program Revisions Due (Friday)	Final CE, RR and Funding Agreements to D-1 BLRS & ***Final ROW Documents to D-1 Bureau of Land Acquisition (Monday)	ROW Certified by Bureau of Land Acquisition (Wednesday)	Federal Authorization Request (Friday)	Service Bulletin (Friday)	Letting (Friday)
February 7, 2025	May 16, 2025	May 30, 2025	April 21, 2025	May 2, 2025	June 9, 2025	June 18, 2025	June 20, 2025	June 27, 2025	August 1, 2025
March 28, 2025	July 18, 2025	August 1, 2025	June 9, 2025	June 20, 2025	July 28, 2025	August 6, 2025	August 8, 2025	August 15, 2025	September 19, 2025
May 16, 2025	August 29, 2025	September 12, 2025	July 28, 2025	August 8, 2025	September 8, 2025	September 10, 2025	September 12, 2025	October 3, 2025	November 7, 2025
July 25, 2025	November 7, 2025	November 21, 2025	September 29, 2025	October 10, 2025	November 24, 2025	November 26, 2025	November 28, 2025	December 5, 2025	January 16, 2026
September 5, 2025	December 5, 2025	December 19, 2025	November 17, 2025	December 1, 2025	January 5, 2026	January 14, 2026	January 16, 2026	January 23, 2026	February 27, 2026
October 31, 2025	2/13/2026 (tentative)	2/27/2026 (tentative)	January 12, 2026	January 23, 2026	March 2, 2026	March 11, 2026	March 13, 2026	March 20, 2026	April 24, 2026
December 19, 2025	4/10/2026 (tentative)	4/24/2026 (tentative)	March 2, 2026	March 13, 2026	April 20, 2026	April 29, 2026	May 1, 2026	May 8, 2026	June 12, 2026
February 6, 2026	5/15/2026 (tentative)	5/29/2026 (tentative)	April 20, 2026	May 1, 2026	June 8, 2026	June 17, 2026	June 19, 2026	June 26, 2026	July 31, 2026
March 27, 2026	7/17/2026 (tentative)	7/31/2026 (tentative)	June 8, 2026	June 19, 2026	July 27, 2026	August 5, 2026	August 7, 2026	August 14, 2026	September 18, 2026
May 15, 2026	8/28/2026 (tentative)	9/11/2026 (tentative)	July 27, 2026	August 7, 2026	September 7, 2026	September 9, 2026	September 11, 2026	October 2, 2026	November 6, 2026
July 24, 2026	TBD	TBD	September 28, 2026	October 9, 2026	November 23, 2026	November 25, 2026	November 27, 2026	December 4, 2026	January 15, 2027
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NOTES:

Cut-off dates that fall on a Holiday will be due the next business day.
Dates are subject to periodic adjustments. Deadlines for CY's 2026 and 2027 Lettings are approximate.

* Pre-Final Plans will be accepted only if:

(1) a current, accurate PPI is on file,

(2) there is concurrence of the target letting from the Planning Liaison, and

(3) there is documentation of a Phase 2 kick-off meeting or prior coordination with IDOT Phase 2 Staff.

** Final Plans and Draft Agreements will only be accepted if the project has Design Approval or, if applicable, an approved re-evaluation.

On this date, projects that are not cleared will move to the next letting (or later, as coordinated).

***Right-of-Way status for a project remaining on the letting will be determined by the Local Land Acquisition Coordinator.

FOR DISTRIBUTION

7/1/2025 Update made
due to moving the
3/8/2026 letting up a week
to 2/27/2026 by IDOT.

Updated: 7/1/2025

Note that not all dates
match day-of-week in
column headers for
2/27/2026 letting row.

Managing STP Projects (cont.)

- Clear and consistent communication can prevent process from going awry
- Section Numbers are received during project kickoff
- Planning liaisons keep information updated and all parties connected
 - CMAP
 - IDOT
 - Councils of Mayors

Contingency Program

- Contingency program allows us to “over program”, respond to changes quickly
- 100% obligation goal
- Expires with next Call for Projects
- Subject to same quarterly status updates as projects in active program

Redistributive Fund

- Fund source that the council can use once all projects in the active program for the fiscal year have received federal authorization
- Funding comes from any unallocated funds a Council of Mayors does not use

Quarterly Status Reports

- Initial submittal will require “initial estimates” for all milestones not yet accomplished
- As project progresses, dates are filled in
 - when accomplished or
 - new estimates provided
- Status reports help us to be nimble with funding options and reprogramming decisions

Project Changes

- Quarterly updates will help, more communication is needed to keep projects on track
- Notify Planning Liaisons of changes ASAP
- Multiple steps to make changes
 - Update our records and Council programs
 - Update in eTIP
 - Update with IDOT through revised PPI form

Agreement Submittal/Review Process

- Federally funded phases must go through IDOT's agreement process
 - Local Agency Agreements (BLR 05310) and (BLR 05310C)
 - Engineering Services Agreements (BLR 05530)
 - Amended agreements for cost increases/other changes
- All IDOT submittals go through planning liaisons
- Earliest letting date for new projects is November 2026
 - January 2027 probably more prudent

Thank You

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Resources

Workshop Recording to be made available

North Shore Council of Mayors STP Methodology, STP Application, and Program:

- <https://nwmc-cog.org/transportation/north-shore-council-of-mayors/current-program-and-methodology>

Northwest Council of Mayors STP Methodology, STP Application, and Program:

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IDOT Road Classification:

- <https://www.gettingaroundillinois.com/MapView/?config=RFCconfig.json>

IDOT Pavement Condition Data (Courtesy of Lake County):

- <https://lakecountyil.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=9e0e25a18680427085a6c2efdad32bf5>