Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ)

FY2025-2028

Project Selection Process

(TTAC Meeting February 8th, 2023)



Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality Program Purpose

- ➤ A federally funded reimbursement program that provides funds for projects that reduce traffic congestion & improve air quality.
- Eligible projects & programs include those which would result in an air quality benefit, and,
- Are likely to contribute to the attainment of national ambient air quality standards.



Eligible Activities

- Alternative fuel projects,
- Projects that improve traffic flow,
- ➤ Transportation-focused bicycle transportation & pedestrian improvements that provide a reduction in single-occupant vehicle travel,
- ➤ Transit investments that increase transit capacity, as well as operating assistance for new services.



Current Round of Funding

- Approximately \$30 million total funds available.
- ➤ 45 applications received (statewide)
- Approximately \$45 million requested (statewide)
- ➤ 6 funding proposals in the Nashua region
- Approximately \$7.3 million



Project proposals

Project Sponsor	Scope	Type of project	Cost
Town of Amherst	multimodal sidepath along the north side of Amherst St (NH 122)	Bicycle-Pedestrian	\$1,221,600
City of Nashua 1	Intersection signal coordinatation at 64 locations	Signal Coordination	\$2,200,000
City of Nashua 2	Install four Direct Current Fast Charging (DCFC) stations (two units with 4 total charging ports) & 10 Level 2 EV charging stations in public, municipally-owned	Electric Vehicle Infrastructure	\$484,000
NRPC	Fixed route transit service westward along Route 101 A from Nashua to Milford, NH.	Transit	\$960,000
Revision Energy	(4) Direct Current Fast Charging dispensers allowing charging for 4 vehicles with charge rates up to 350kW.	Electric Vehicle Infrastructure	\$1,552,660
Town of Wilton	Steel-truss pedestrian bridge spanning the Souhegan River	Bicycle-Pedestrian	\$880,000
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NRPC 2025-2028 CMAQ Project Evaluation Timeline					
Date	Description				
September 26, 2022	Application Cycle Announced				
November 4, 2022	Letters of Interest due @ NHDOT				
December, 2022 Mandatory Workshop					
January 6, 2023	Completed applications due @ NHDOT				
	NRPC TTAC meeting to introduce process,				
February 8, 2023	Appoint Evaluation Subcommittee, & host				
	Applicant Presentations				
February 15, 2023 NRPC MPO meeting to introduce process					
Jan 20 Fall 17	NRPC conducts Air Quality Analysis for				
Jan 30 - Feb 17	Submitted Projects				
Fabruary 24, 2022	Evaluation Committee completes intial				
February 24, 2023	scoring				
March 6, 2022	Evaluation Committee meets to Develop an				
March 6, 2023	Initial Prioritization Recommendation				
	NRPC TTAC Considers Evaluation				
March 9, 2022	Subcommittee Recommendation & Reaches				
March 8, 2023	Consensus on CMAQ Priorities for NRPC MPO				
	Consideration				
	NRPC MPO Considers TTAC Recommendation				
March 15, 2023	& Reaches Consensus on CMAQ Priorities to				
	be Submitted to NHDOT				
March 24, 2023	Regional CMAQ Priorities Due to NHDOT				



NHDOT Scoring criteria

Scoring Criteria	Maximum Points
Project Readiness & Support	15
Financial Readiness	15
Stewardship/Sustainability	25
Air Quality Benefits	35
Regional Ranking	10 /
Total:	100



NRPC Scoring criteria

Scoring Criteria	Maximum Points	Responsble for scoring
Project Readiness & Support	15	Subcommittee
Financial Readiness	15	Subcommittee
Stewardship/Sustainability	25	Subcommittee
Air Quality Benefits	35	NRPC
Total:	90	
Regional Ranking - this will be completed by NHDOT		





