Draft Transportation Studies Process
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Current Process

1. The current process lacks structure and is done annually through the Work Program

2. No clear guidelines on what constitutes a study

3. Difficult to predict available funding because it is outside of the TIP Selection Process

Proposed Process

1. Make transportation studies part of the biennial TIP Selection Process

2. Use TIP amendment process if study is warranted outside TIP Selection schedule

3. Review studies along with other projects as part of the Project Idea Process

4. Project Idea Form satisfies study application, no full Concept Report will be required

5. Once approved by the MPO TAC Committee at Project Idea stage, studies will be forwarded to MPO Regional Planning Committee for review and final action

6. Most studies are managed by UDOT, UTA, or the MPO - If managed by the MPO, it will be placed in the Work Program; otherwise it will be placed in the TIP

7. Define what a transportation studies is - must be regional in nature including;
   a. Transportation area plans (not a city master transportation plan);
   b. Trail, pedestrian, and bike plans;
   c. Congestion relief studies;
   d. Interchange or freeway studies;
   e. Major corridor studies;
   f. Regional ITS plans;
   g. Regional traffic model development;
   h. Transit network development;
   i. Air quality planning