

# North Central's Project Prioritization Process

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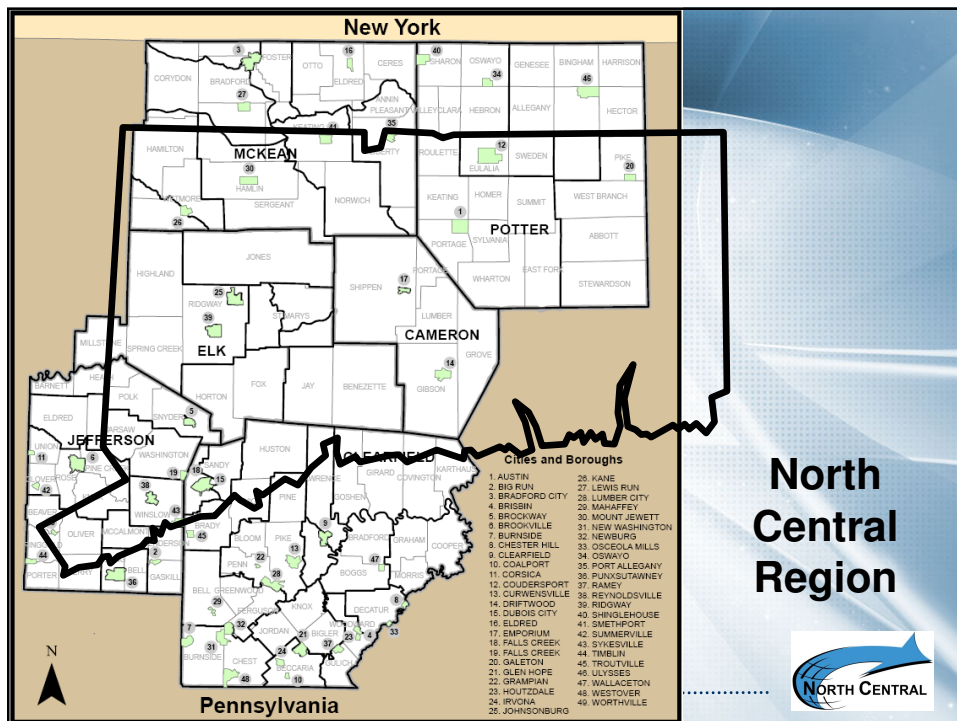


## Background

- Operationalizes the Regional Action Strategy (RAS) and LRTP
- Optimizes allocation of finite resources
- Incorporates all project types: transportation, economic development, recreation and others (regional broadband, etc.)
- Identifies “Projects of Regional Significance” for State and Federal funding



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## 2011 TIP Update Process

- **No formal project solicitation this year**
  - SAFETEA-LU Federal Legislation expired Sept 2009
  - Uncertainty with State Funding (budget impasse, Act 44) - decline in resources
  - Manage Expectations of what can be done
- **Draw from existing LRTP projects**
  - Reevaluate existing backlog of projects
  - Project scoring & ranking



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## Approach

- Summarize regional directions (RAS, LRTP, County comp plans, etc.)
- Benchmarking
- Workshops with RPO and CEDS committees
- Preliminary screening process
- Outreach to county and local officials
- MS Access Database to track and monitor all proposed projects



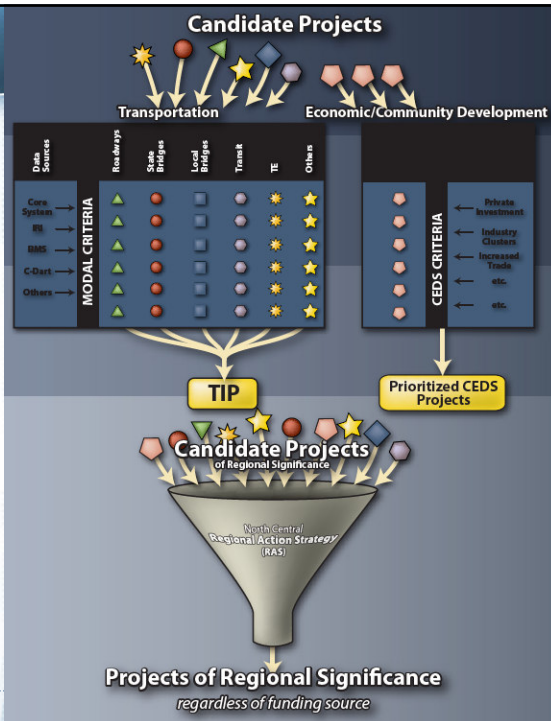
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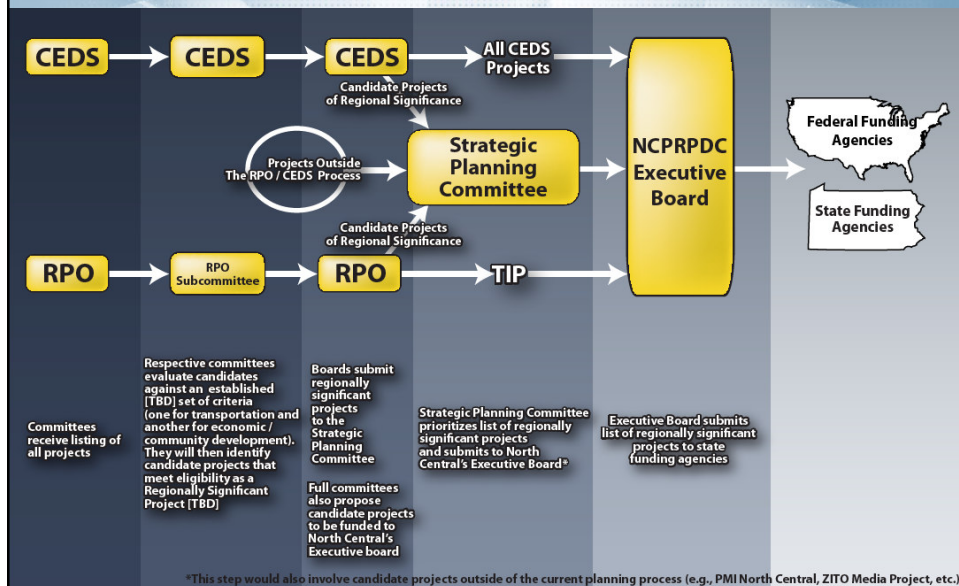


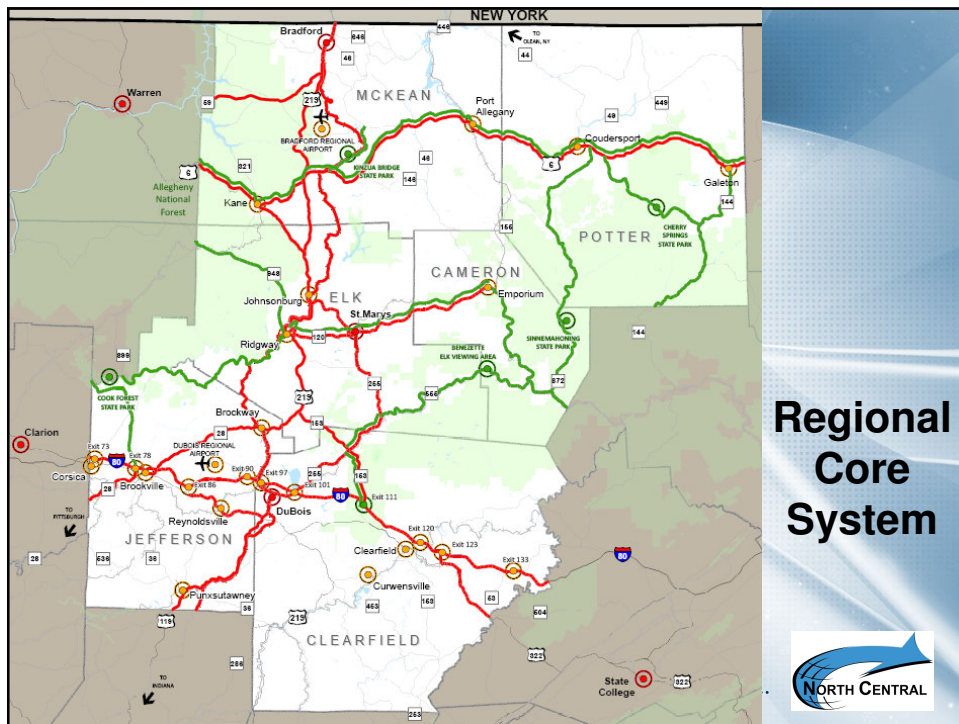
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## Integrating Planning & Prioritization





## Developing Selection Criteria

- CEDS/ARC
- Transportation
  - Highway Restoration
  - Highway New Capacity
  - State Bridge
  - Local Bridge
  - Safety
  - Transportation Enhancements
- Projects of Regional Significance



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## Highway Restoration

- Networks
- AADT
- IRI
- Percentage Trucks
- Resurfacing Date



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## Highway / New Capacity

- Networks
- Project Effectiveness
- Supporting Business Growth
- Percentage Trucks
- Cost Factors



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## Local Bridges > 20 feet

- Local Match?
- Critical to Commerce or Emergency Access
- AADT
- Bridge Deficiency
- Posted or Closed



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## Transportation Enhancements

- Design Standards
- Matching Funds
- Project Readiness
- Potential Impacts/Benefits
- Other Beneficial Values



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## Overall Transportation Criteria

- Supported by LRTP/County Comp Plan
- Intermodal Benefit
- Promotion of Multiple Modes
- Potential Land Use Impacts/Benefits
- Maximizes Existing Infrastructure




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Project Location Description:	<input type="text"/>
Project was discussed at public planning meeting:	<input type="checkbox"/> (LRTP / Comprehensive / Other County or Municipal Plan)
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