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MEMORANDUM

To: CMAQ, CRP & TAP=L Project Selection Committee

From: Douglas Ferguson, Senior Analyst

Date: July 9, 2026

Subject: Inclusive Growth and Disadvantaged Community Criterion

Action Requested: Discussion

CMAQ staff had previously planned to bring potential changes for the Inclusive Growth and Disadvantaged Community criterion to the CMAQ, CRP & TAP-L Project Selection Committee for consideration. For Inclusive Growth, no changes are proposed for the FFY 2028-2032 STP-Shared Fund call for projects. For Disadvantaged Community the underlying evaluation from US DOT is no longer available and staff is recommended that it be drop from the project evaluation. The 10 points assigned to Disadvantaged Community will be moved to the score for Cost-Effectiveness of the Air Emissions Reductions for a total of 60 points.

Project application scoring will look like this:

Cost-Effectiveness of the Air Emissions Reductions	60 points
Transportation Impact Criteria	30 points
Inclusive Growth	10 points
Total Max Score	100 points

CMAQ staff has recently launched an effort to develop a new regional tool that could replace the Inclusive Growth criterion. The completion of this work will inform future discussion of this criterion.