

Transit Project Tracking Update

Transportation Operators Committee - May 24, 2023



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Today's Presentation

- Overview of currently active projects
- Status of FTA-managed funds
- Delayed projects review and action



PSRC Project Tracking Overview

- PSRC monitors regionally managed FTA and FHWA funds to ensure their timely and predictable use by project sponsors.
- Regular progress reports are used to help monitor how each project is progressing on its scope of work and use of PSRC's federal funds.



Progress Reporting

- PSRC requests updates on active projects until completion as part of monitoring the implementation of the RTP.
- In January 2023, PSRC requested progress reports for 171 active transit agency projects (FTA & FHWA funded).

Capital	90		
Non-Capital	81	Operations	7
		Preservation/Maintenance	57
		Vehicle/Equipment Purchase	17



Project Status Summary

Project Status		Number of Projects
Not yet started		40
Active		82
Behind Schedule		30
Cancelled		3
Complete		16
	<i>Non-capital</i>	9
	<i>Capital</i>	7



Fully Obligated Projects

- There are about 40 projects that have fully obligated their FTA/FHWA funds but are still “active”. Common reasons for this include:
 - All federal funding was obligated and remaining phases underway using other sources.
 - All federal funding was obligated, and sponsor is steadily expending the funds.

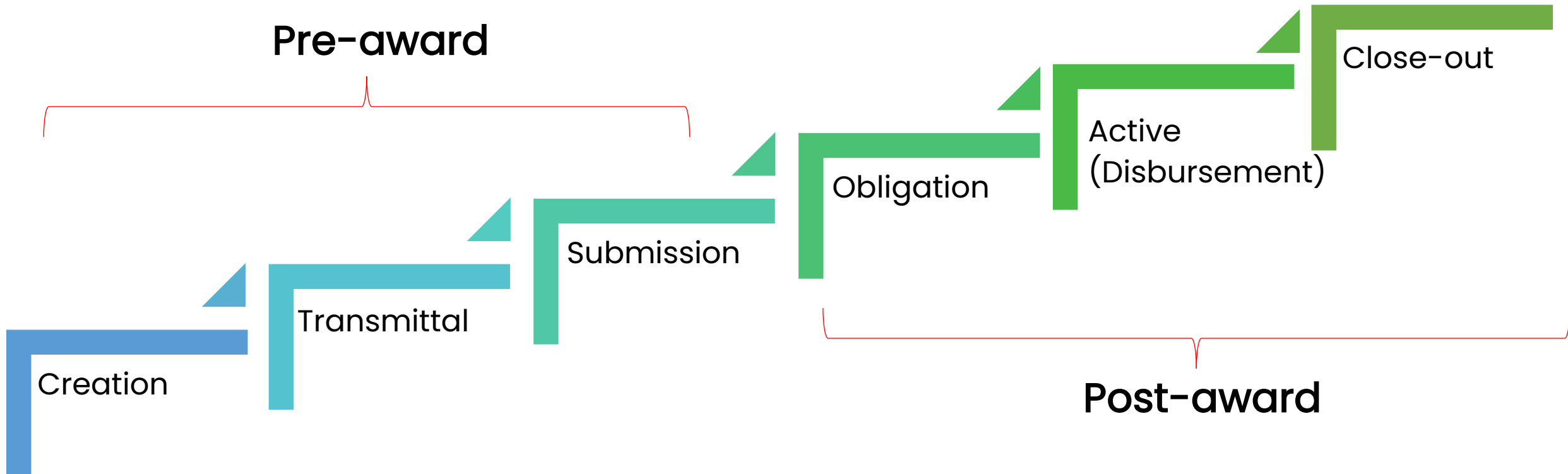


Behind Schedule Projects

- The January 2023 progress reports continued to show a high number of self-reported “behind schedule” projects.
- Many delays were related to the pandemic, including shifting agency priorities due to changes in ridership, supply chain issues and workforce shortages.
- Some were due to other construction-related challenges and unexpected funding shortfalls.



FTA TrAMS Application Timeline



Project Tracking for FTA/Flexed FHWA

- Earned share FTA funds are monitored to ensure they do not lapse based on their FTA-designated obligation deadline.
- Regional FTA funds are allowed a one-year grace period from their estimated obligation date (EOD). Funding is identified as delayed if not transmitted by six months after the EOD.
- Flexed FHWA funds are considered delayed if they have not been submitted by six months after their EOD.

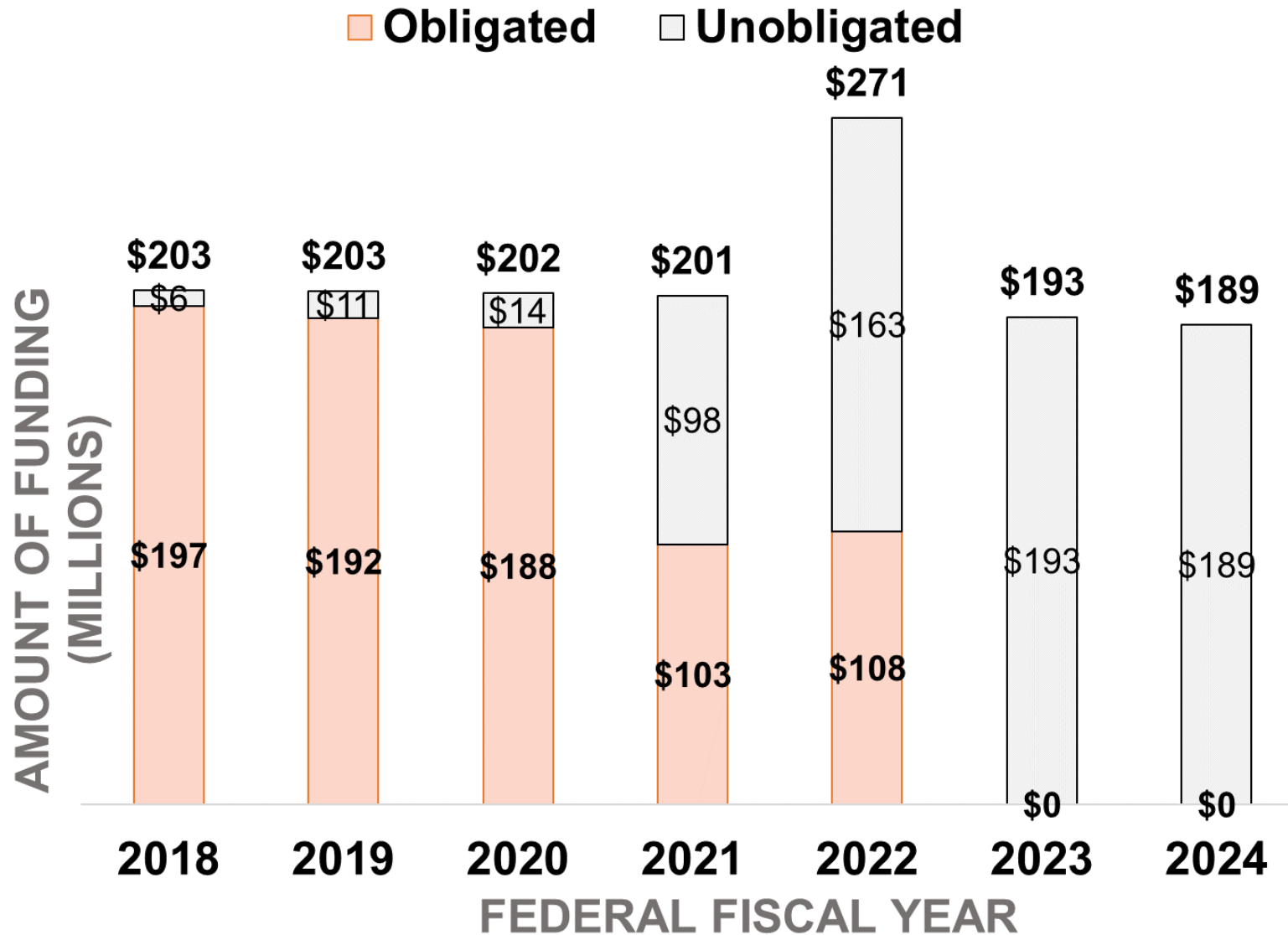


2020/2021 Federal Stimulus FTA Funds

Stimulus Act	Total	Unobligated	Active	Closed out
CARES	\$538,464,177	\$0	\$42,644,477	\$495,819,700
CRRSAA	\$580,184,200	\$0	\$52,617,679	\$527,566,521
ARP	\$901,473,829	\$4,010,548	\$579,269,628	\$318,193,653



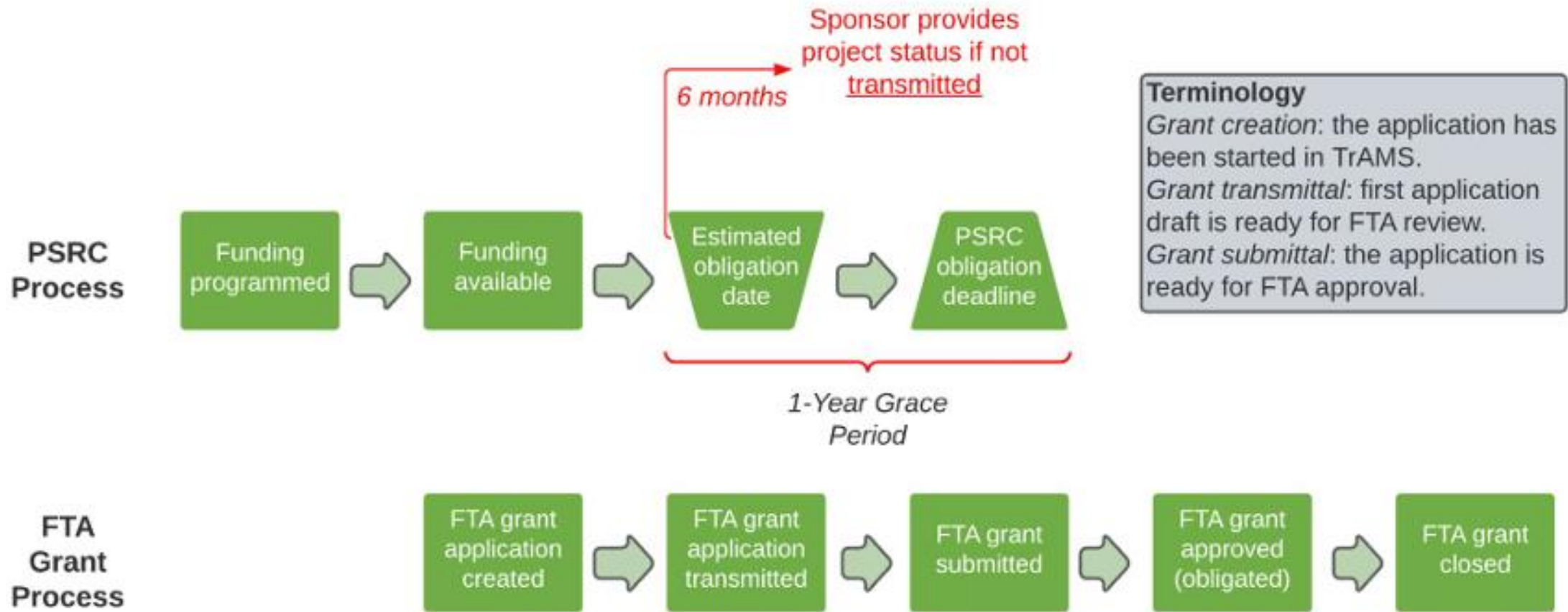
2018-2024 FTA Funding Obligations



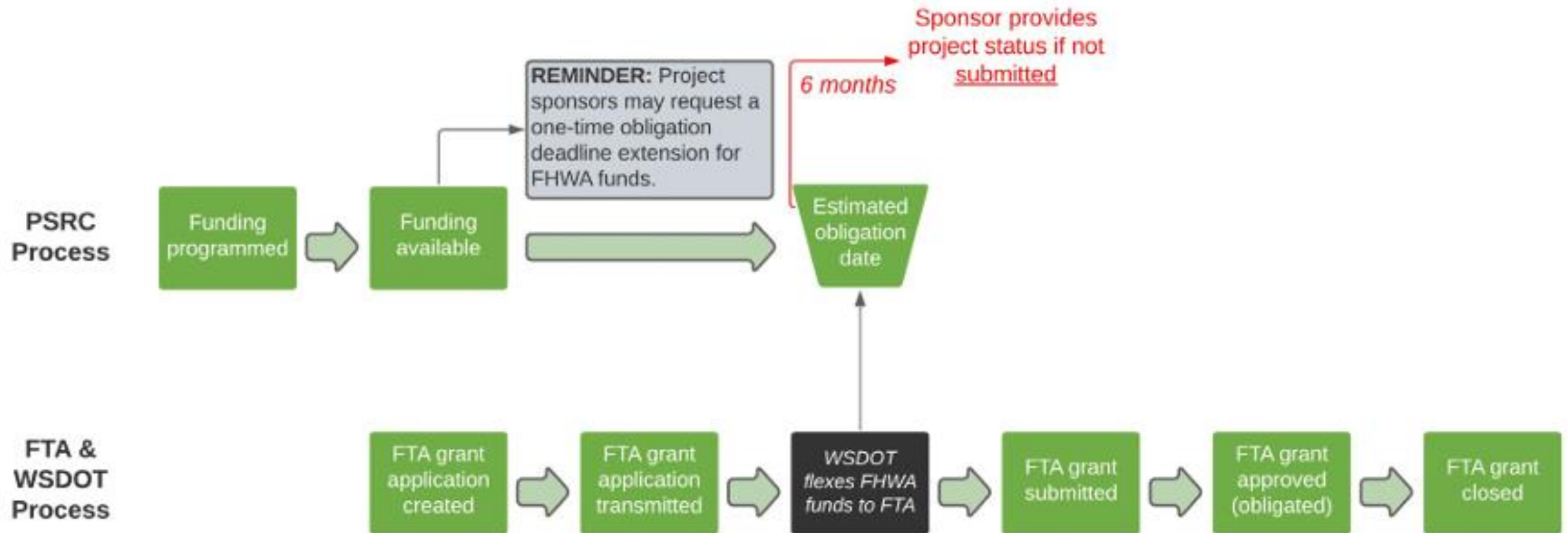
- 2023 and 2024 funds are not yet available for obligation.
- Unobligated 2018 5307 and 2020 5337 and 5339 funds will lapse at the end of FFY2023.



Regional FTA - Project Tracking Procedures

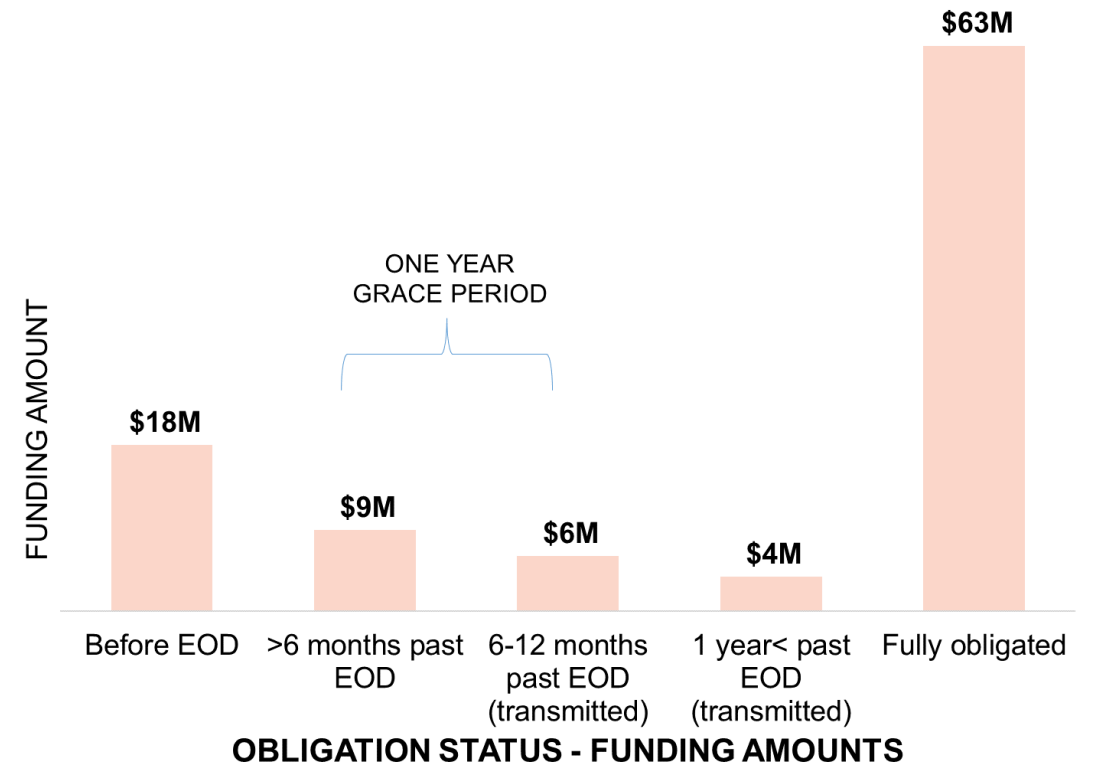
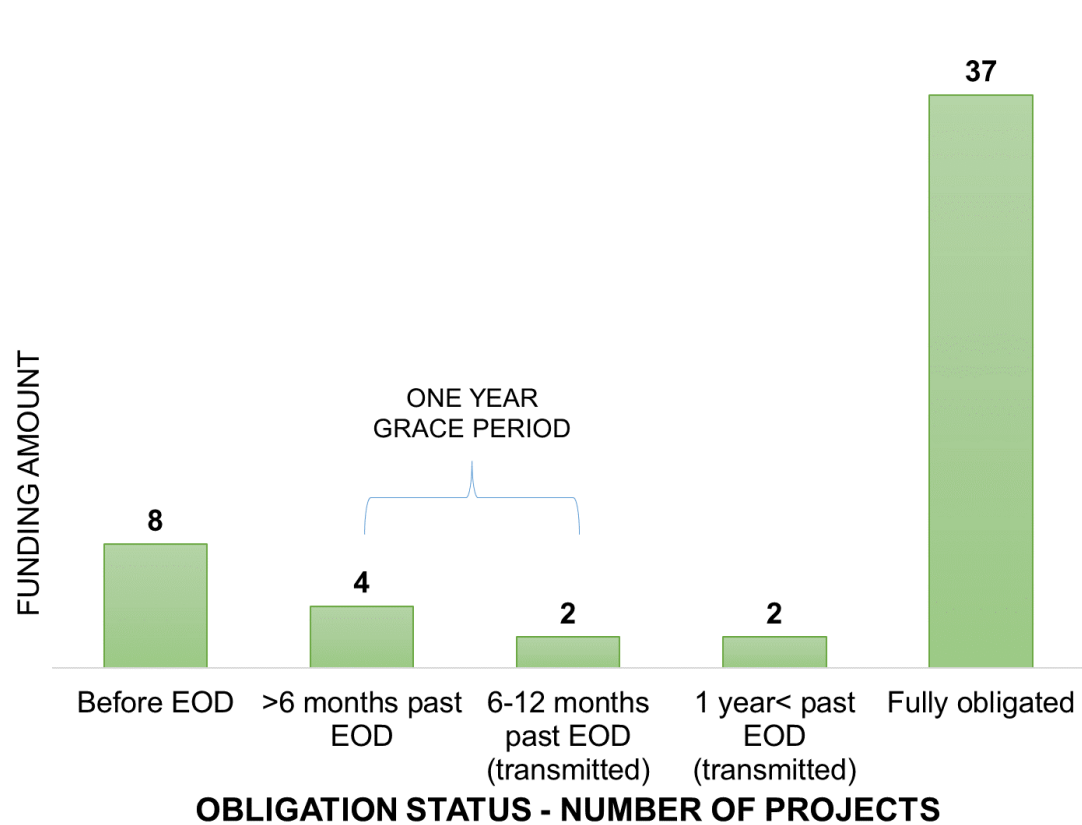


Regional FHWA - Project Tracking Procedures



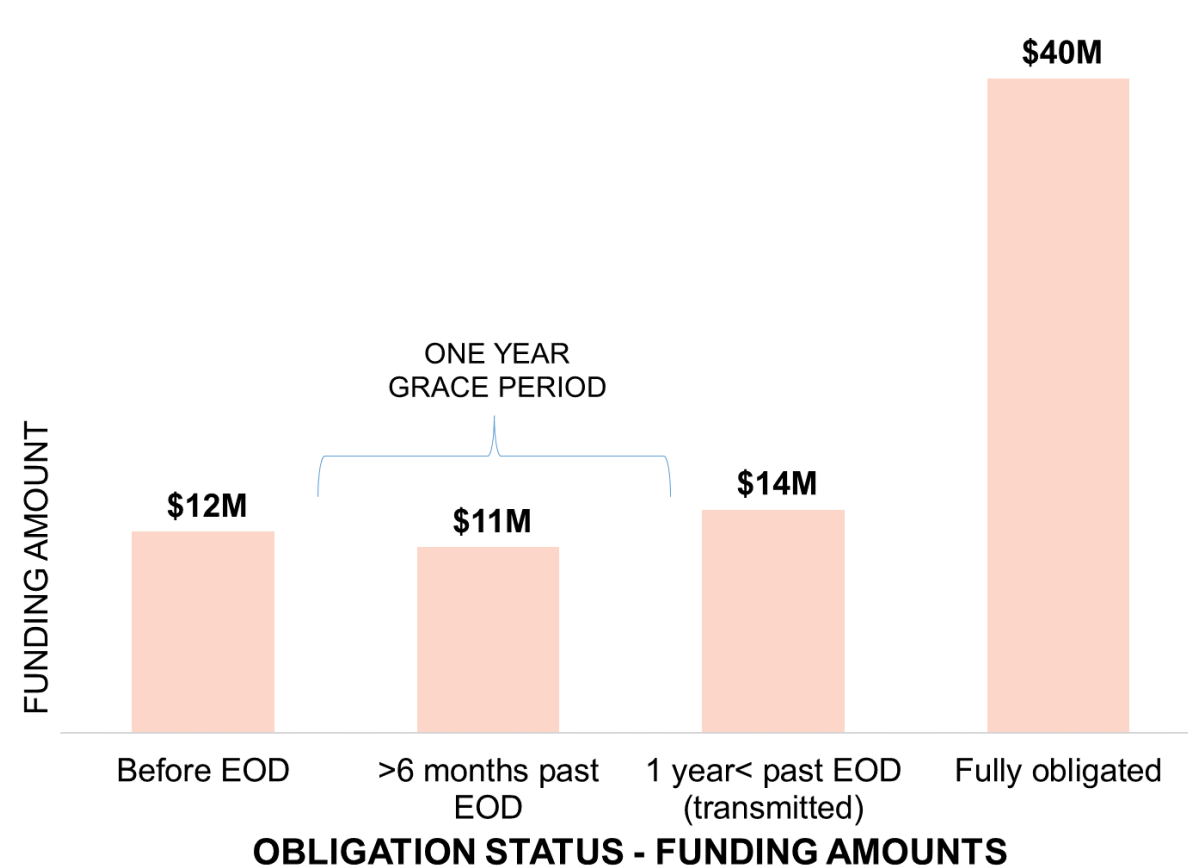
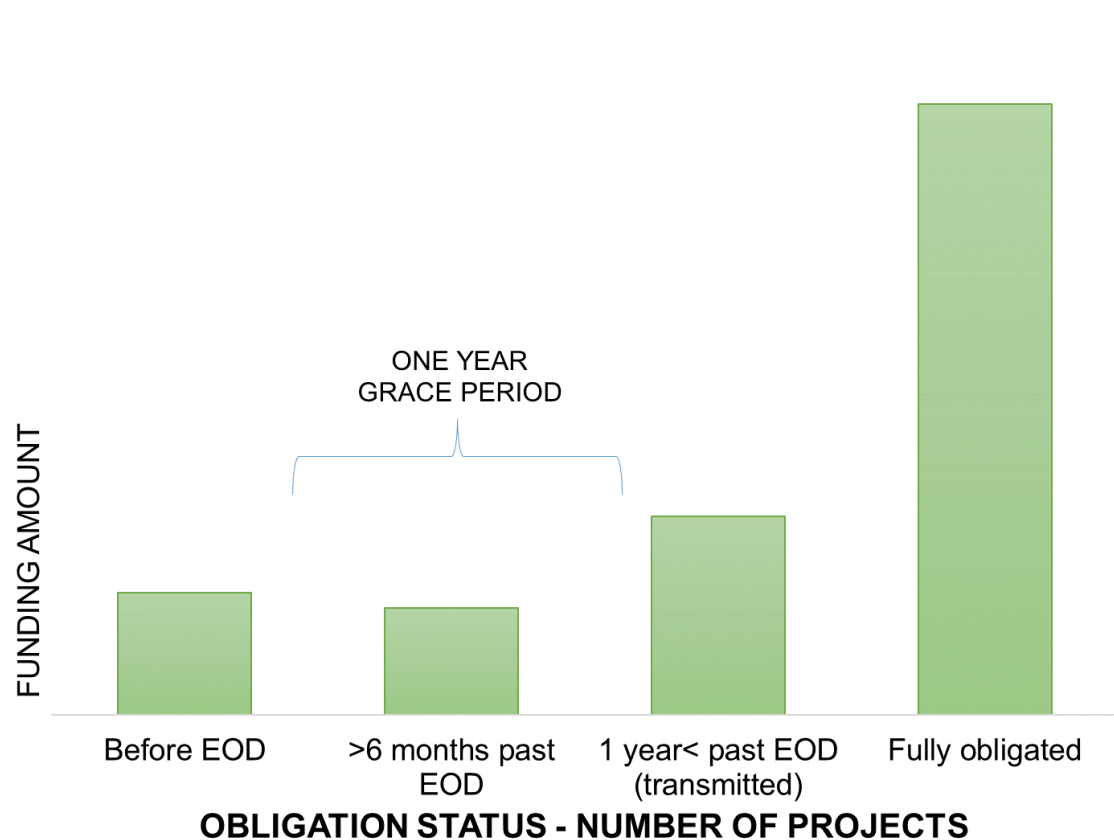
FTA Regional Competitive Obligations

Funding status compared to estimated obligation date for all 2018–2024 funds.



FTA Preservation Set-aside Obligations

Funding status compared to estimated obligation date for all 2018-2024 funds.



Delayed Funding Recommendations

- There are currently nine projects with flexed FHWA funds that meet the delayed projects criteria.
- For reasonable delays, next steps are determined on a case-by-case basis, which could include a one-time obligation date extension.
- For unreasonable delays, funds must be transmitted/ submitted in a grant application by one year after the original estimated obligation date or return the funds.



An aerial photograph of a coastal city, likely Everett, Washington. A large bridge spans across a wide body of water, connecting the city to the mainland. The city is densely packed with buildings, including residential houses and larger commercial or industrial structures. A marina with many boats is visible on the left side of the water. In the background, there are mountains under a clear blue sky.

Thank You!

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