

# Project Delivery

Regional Project Evaluation Committee  
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# Today's Presentation



- Extensions
- Understanding the Delivery Gap
- Annual TIP Rebalancing Process
- Pro Tips
- Next Steps



# 2025 Extension Requests

- 45-day extension
  - Can still deliver this year but need a little more time
  - If approved, moves obligation deadline from June 1 to July 15, 2025, and does not add to current year delivery gap
- One-year extension
  - Cannot deliver by this year's obligation deadline
  - If approved, moves deadline from June 1, 2025, to June 1, 2026
  - If not approved, funds would need to be returned
  - Either way, funds are added to current year delivery gap

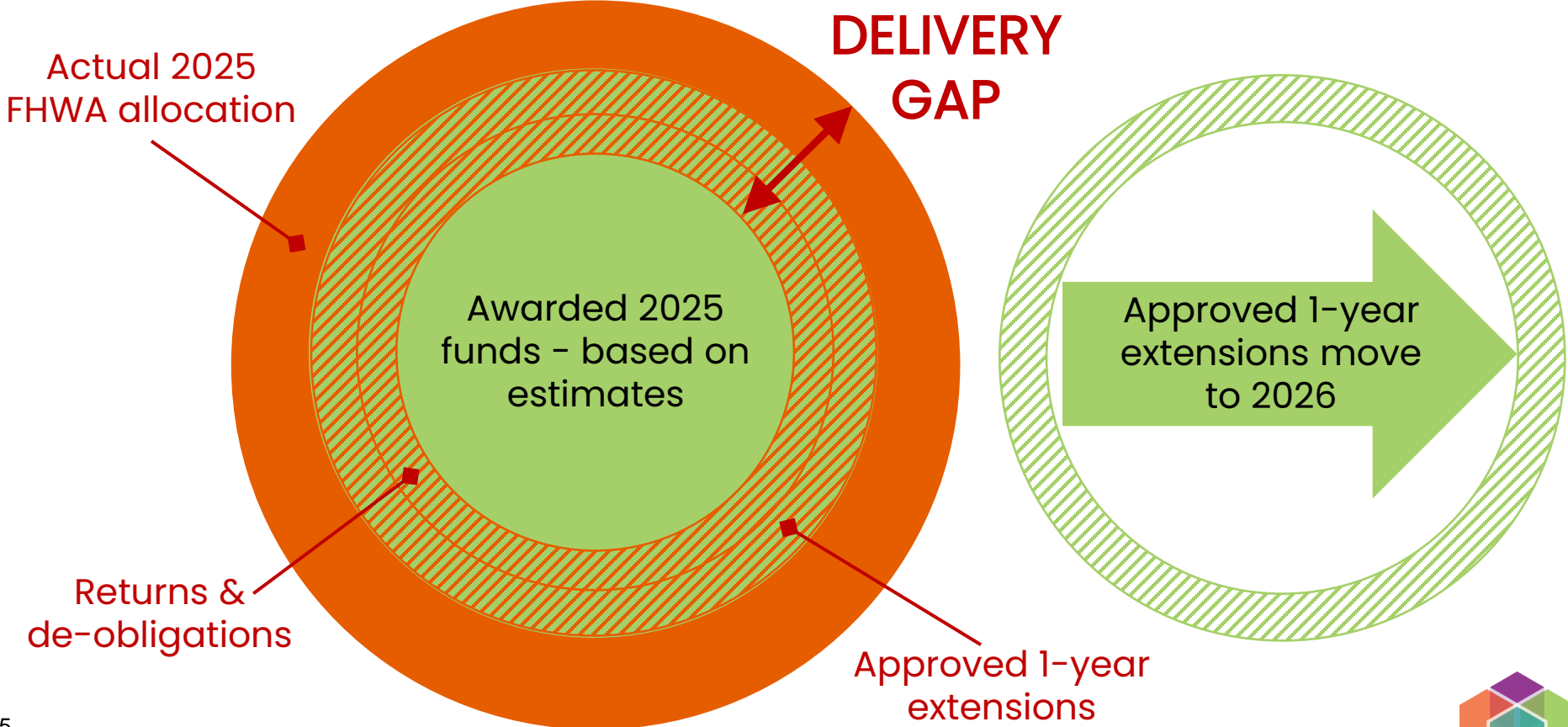


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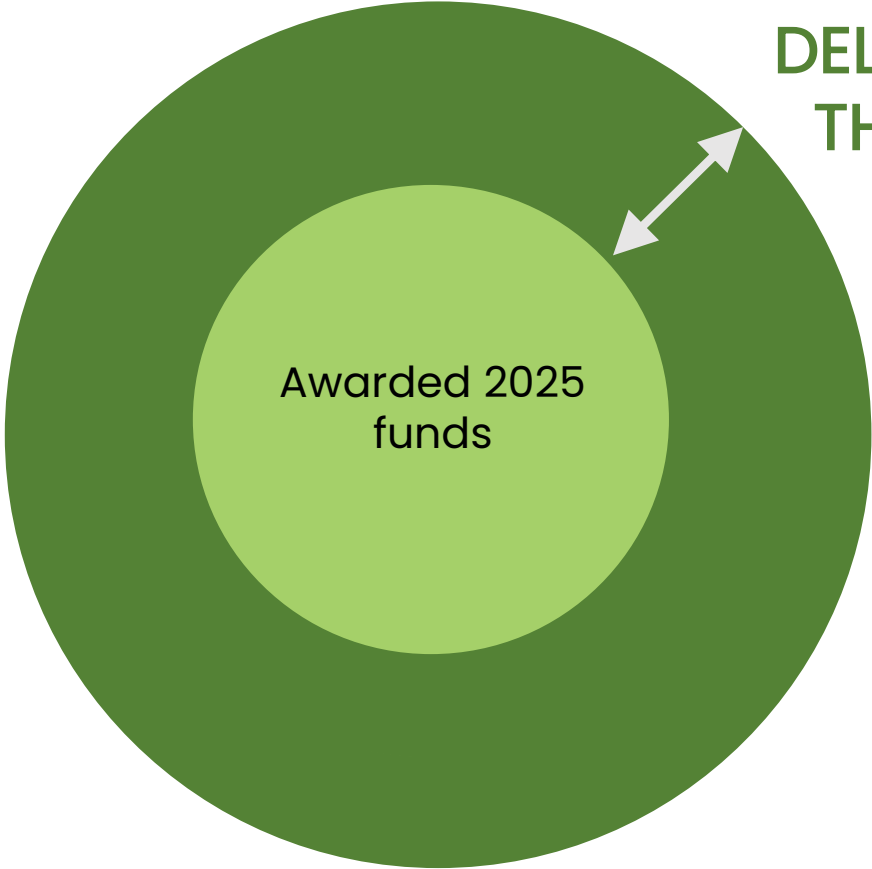
- Extension requests due on **February 15**
- All requests reviewed by PSRC, WSDOT, and RPEC/Countywide Chairs
  - Make determination on 45-day requests
  - Make recommendation to Board on 1-year requests
- Follow-up as needed with sponsors in February and early March
- Report out to RPEC at March meeting
- Extension requests with chairs/staff recommendations brought to April board meetings for final action



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**DELIVERY GAP FILLED  
THROUGH 5-STEP  
REBALANCING  
PROCESS**



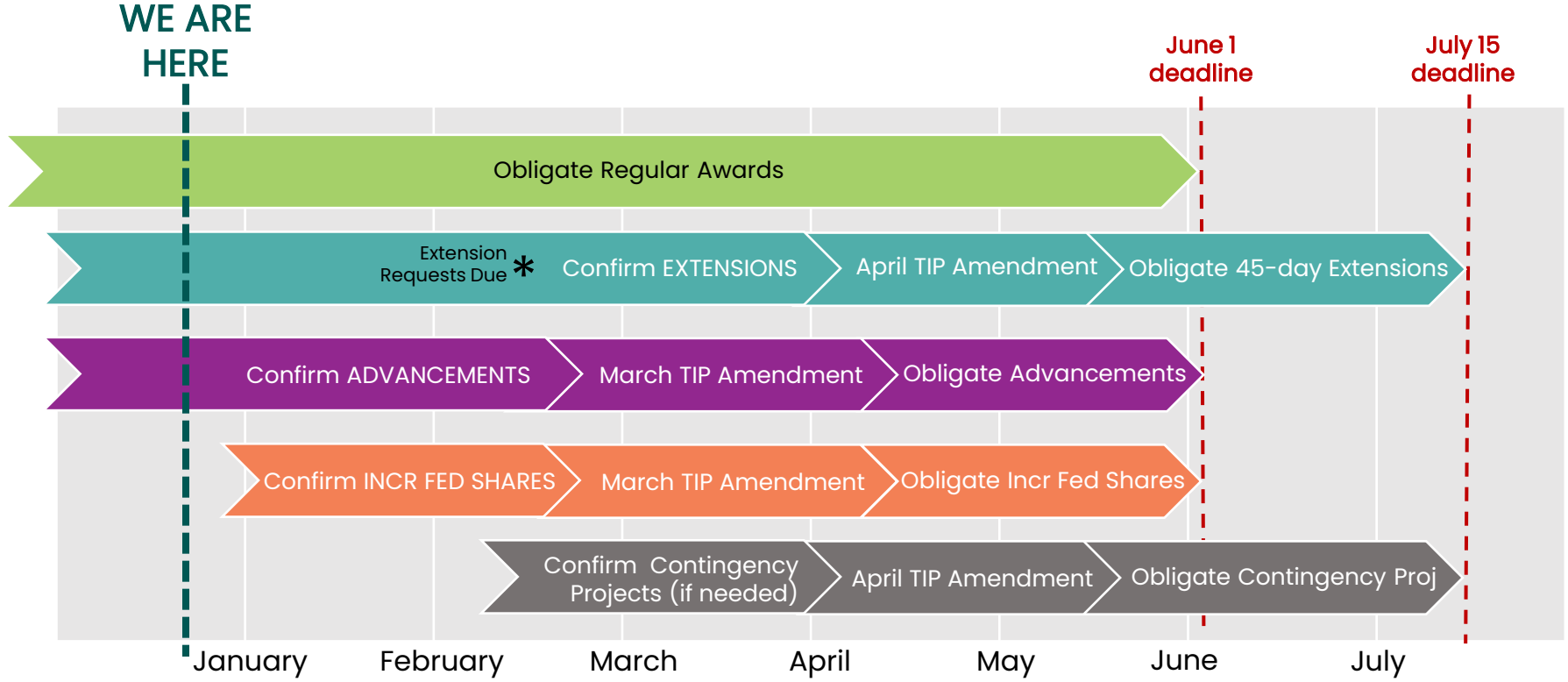
# To Fill the FHWA Delivery Gap...

## 5-Step TIP Rebalancing Process (in order):

1. Advance projects from later years of the TIP
2. Exchange federal funds for local/state funds between phases of a single project, or between projects, within the same agency
3. Increase federal shares of awarded projects
4. Fund immediately-ready-to-go projects from the current adopted contingency lists
5. Award new funds to new projects, outside of the standard PSRC project selection process



# TIP Rebalancing Timeline





# FHWA Obligation Reminders

- PSRC's obligation deadline - date by which a **complete obligation package must submitted** to WSDOT (or FTA flex requested)
- If a project that has already obligated receives an increased federal share, this is addressed by submitting a **supplemental funding package**
- Sponsors are strongly encouraged to assemble paperwork and coordinate with WSDOT **concurrent to the TIP amendment process**, so that the obligation package may be submitted as soon as possible after STIP approval



# Timely FHWA Delivery – Pro Tips!

- Earlier and complete submittals to WSDOT fosters faster review
- Do not underestimate the time needed for NEPA review and approvals
- If the project includes new or replaced pavement, do not underestimate the time needed to confirm if ESA consultation is required – *even if you're confident it is not*
- RPEC reps should stay engaged in monitoring of delivery, and ensure that all staff responsible understand the obligation rules and deadlines



# Timely FHWA Delivery – Pro Tips!

- Be proactive in monitoring WSDOT review status after submittal
- Be proactive communicating to PSRC any potential delivery issues as soon as you are aware of them
- Also be proactive in communicating issue resolutions or anticipated early delivery to PSRC



# Next Steps

- Extension requests happening now – due February 15
- Advancement requests also by February 15
- February to mid-March – PSRC staff confirm advancements, exchanges, and increased federal shares with sponsors
  - Include in March TIP amendment – adopted into STIP by mid-April
  - Will not require submittal of a TIP application – PSRC administers
  - Will have June 1 obligation due date
- February to April – confirm extensions
- March to May – implement any additional rebalancing actions needed to close delivery gap



Thank You!

