

## EVALUATION CRITERIA DEFINED

Each nomination must exemplify at least two of the below criteria:

### **Innovation**

MPOs, transportation agencies, staff, and elected officials are at the center of innovations to enhance and shape their communities. This category not only evaluates “new” ideas that have impacted the transportation planning process, but also examines “creative” approaches to implementing specific projects or a bigger vision.

### **Impact of Profession**

MPOs, transportation agencies, staff, and elected officials can greatly influence the cities, counties, and regions that they serve. This category looks at the potential application of the nominated effort to other MPOs and how the plan or project (components and methodology) would further the cause of good planning.

### **Implementation**

MPOs, transportation agencies, staff, and elected officials are the engines for pushing ideas into actions. This category looks at the implementation strategy of the nominated effort, what it includes, and the steps that have been/were taken to help build momentum and public support for following and implementing the effort.

### **Coordination**

MPOs, transportation agencies, staff, and elected officials are encouraged and required to work with a host of agencies. This category looks at strategic partnerships or alliances that were developed to help meet the goals and objectives of the nominated effort. It also considers the steps that were taken to engage community leaders, local officials, and other agencies to support and assist in the nominated effort.

### **Additional Criteria**

- The project or work being submitted must have taken place within the last four years.
- Self-nominations are permissible.
- It is suggested that award winners attend the annual membership meeting, however, this year we are looking at a hosting a virtual conference. Updates coming!
- An award recipient may not be selected for each category. Recipients will be selected based on the nominations.

## **HOW TO SUBMIT**

Click the Awards Submission button on the AMPO website. You will need to be prepared with the following information:

- Organization or Individual Being Nominated
- Award Category
- Nominating Individual and Affiliate Organization
- Point of Contact Name, Email, and Phone
- Two Supporting Documents

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