



TRANSIT PLANNING COMMITTEE (SPECIALLY CALLED)

Charlie Sutlive, Chair

April 6, 2023

Regional Transit Planning Committee

Thursday, April 6, 2023

Proposed Agenda

- I. Call to Order – Charlie Sutlive, Chair
- II. Approval of Minutes for January 5, 2023
- III. Approval of Agenda for April 6, 2023
- IV. Standing TAQC Update – Paul Radford
- V. Process Overview for Amending the 2020 ATL Regional Transit Plan – Aileen Daney
- VI. FY 25 Priority Investment List Process Overview – Aileen Daney
- VII. Adjournment



Standing TAQC Update

Paul Radford

April 6, 2023



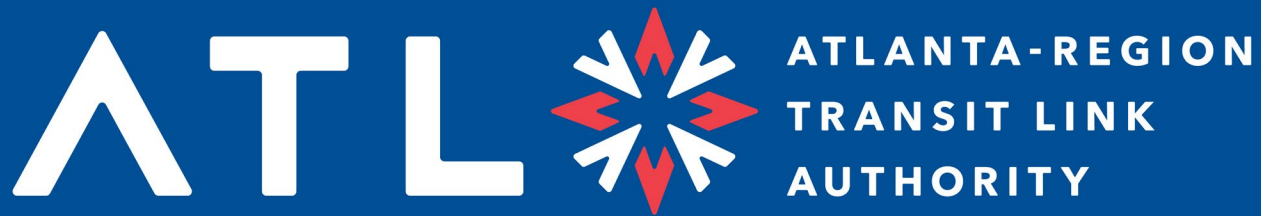
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Process Overview for Amending the 2020 ATL Regional Transit Plan

Aileen M. Daney

April 6th, 2023

WHAT IS THE 2020 ATL REGIONAL TRANSIT PLAN (ARTP)

- ▶ The ATL Board adopted the 2020 ARTP on December 3, 2020
- ▶ Amendment #1 to the ARTP was approved by the ATL Board on April 7, 2022
- ▶ Comprehensive report of planned, proposed, and potential transit projects and services in the 13-county ATL region that would enhance connectivity and provide additional mobility options in the metro area.
- ▶ The state law creating the ATL in 2018 requires the Authority to develop and regularly update a regional transit plan, incorporating existing and future transit services, facilities, and projects in order to provide a coordinated region-wide approach and enhance connectivity for riders.



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- ▶ There is no prescribed cadence for processing an amendment
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**Reasons that apply to
processing Amendment #2**

WHY PROCESS AMENDMENT #2?

► What does Amendment #2 accomplish?

- Reflects more current universe of transit projects in the region and local planning work completed to date
- Reflects local priorities in advance of funding opportunities
- Enables more expansive eligible project list for the FY25 Priority Investment List (PIL)

► How does this relate to Fast Forward?

- Recognizes new projects that were submitted by project sponsors in the Call for Projects last year that have been pending inclusion in *Fast Forward*
- Pushing back Fast Forward adoption date and processing Amendment #2 to the 2020 ARTP grants project sponsor partners additional time to complete local planning work and finalize their Fast Forward project submission while advancing other ready high-performing projects

WHAT IS THE AMENDMENT PROCESS?



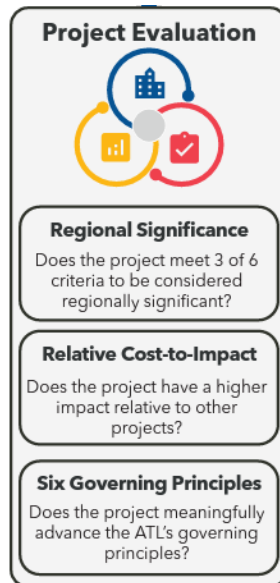
Understand Proposed Project Changes

- Approximately 65 new projects submitted during Call for Projects are pending inclusion in the ARTP:
 - 18 enhancement projects
 - 31 expansion projects
 - 6 state of good repair projects
 - 10 systemwide projects
- Approximately 5 projects removed during Call for Projects
 - 3 projects completed
 - New local planning will supplant 2 outdated projects



Assess Projects in ARTP Project Evaluation Framework

- Leverage the adopted three-step ARTP Project Evaluation Framework
- Applying the existing framework to new/modified projects helps us understand project merits



Refine Project List and Package Amendment #2 Materials

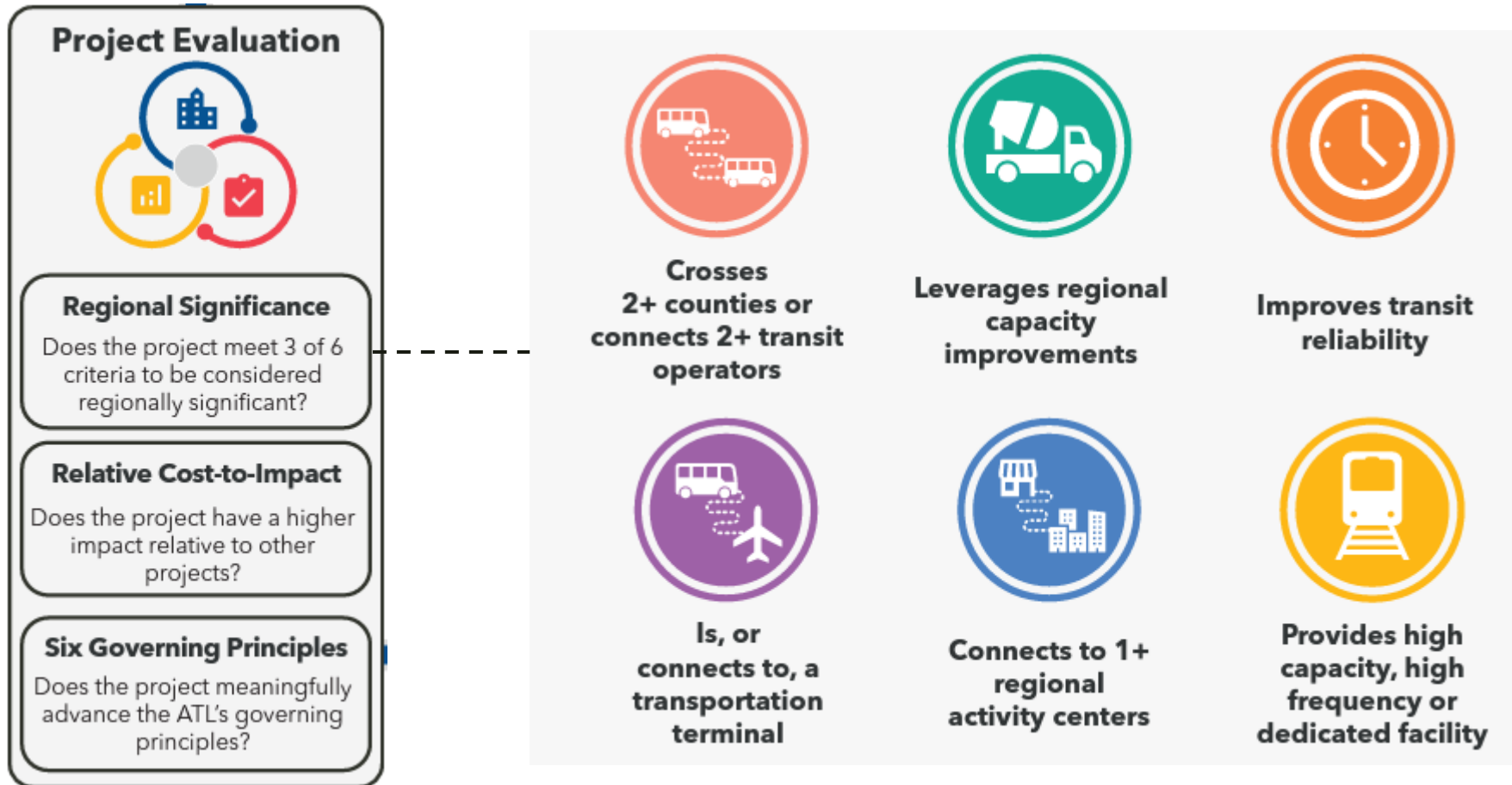
- Develop project factsheets with project information and evaluation results based on existing factsheet template



Proposed ATL Board Action on Amendment #2

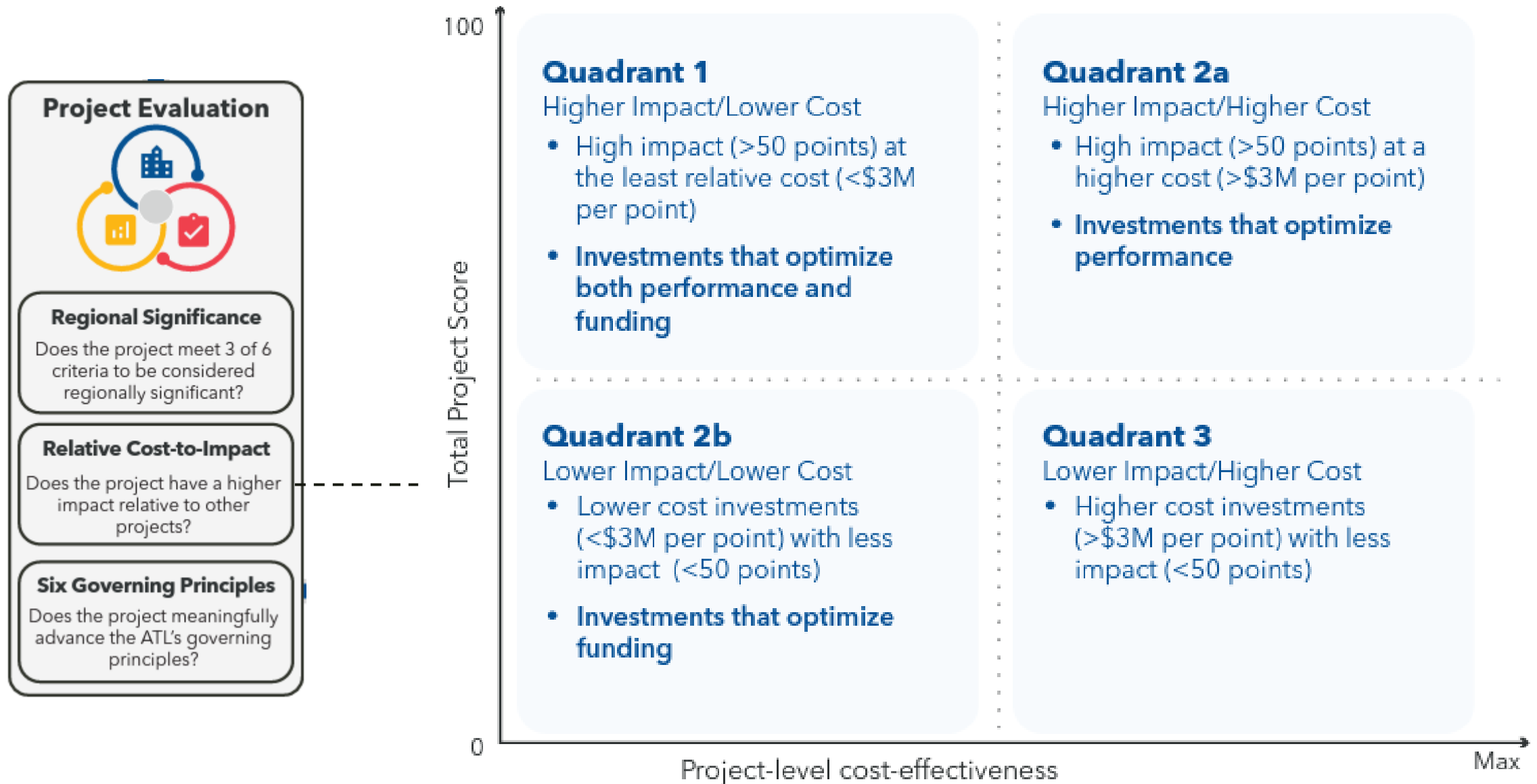


STEP 1: REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE





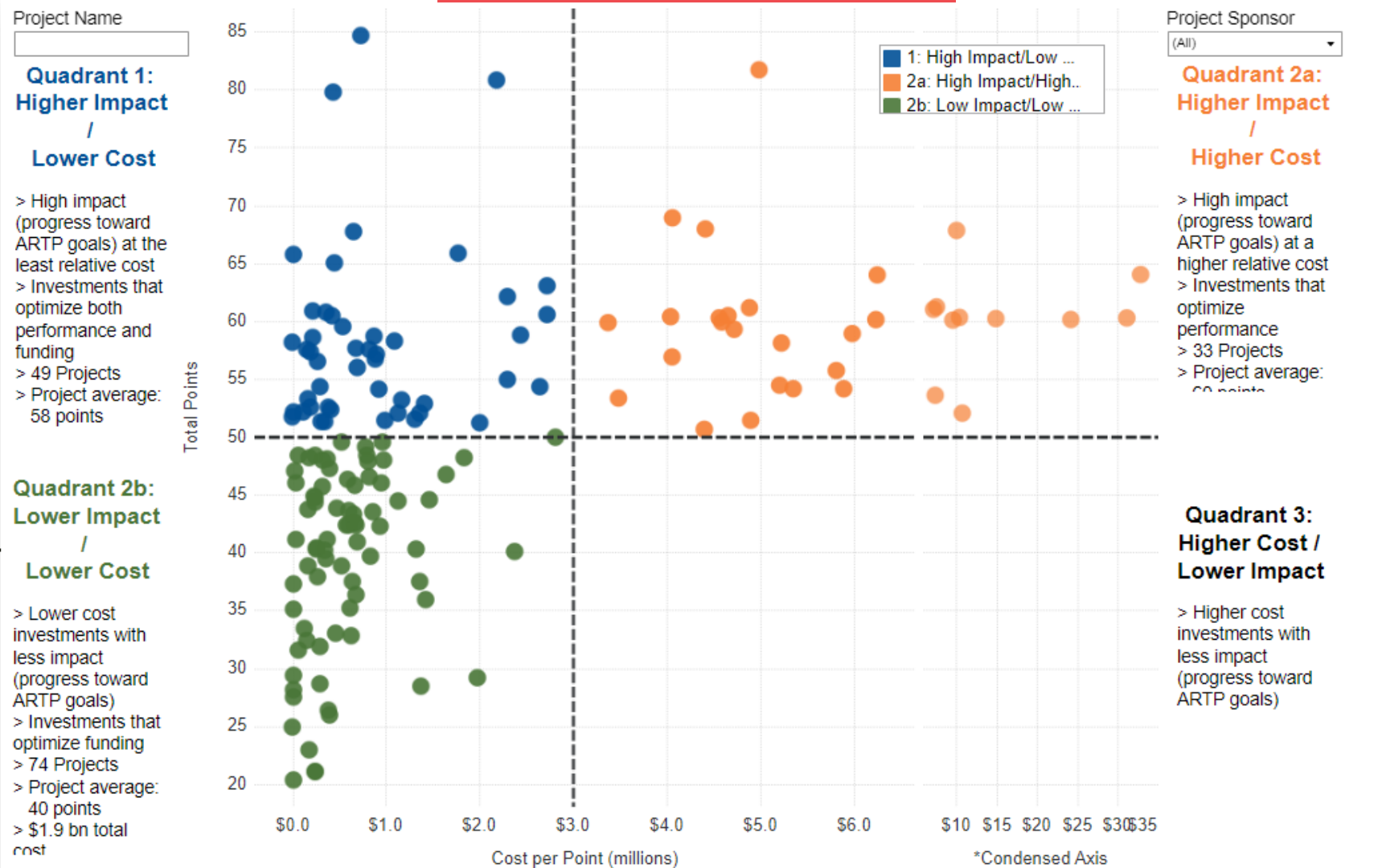
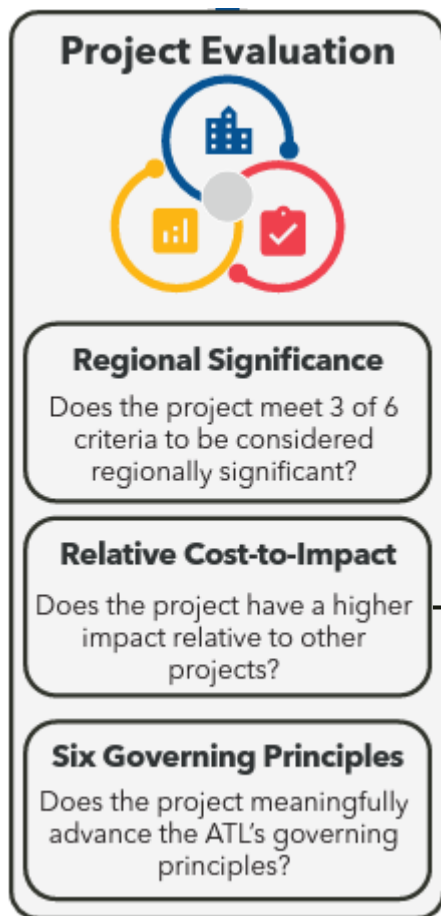
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Example: 2020 ARTP Project Results



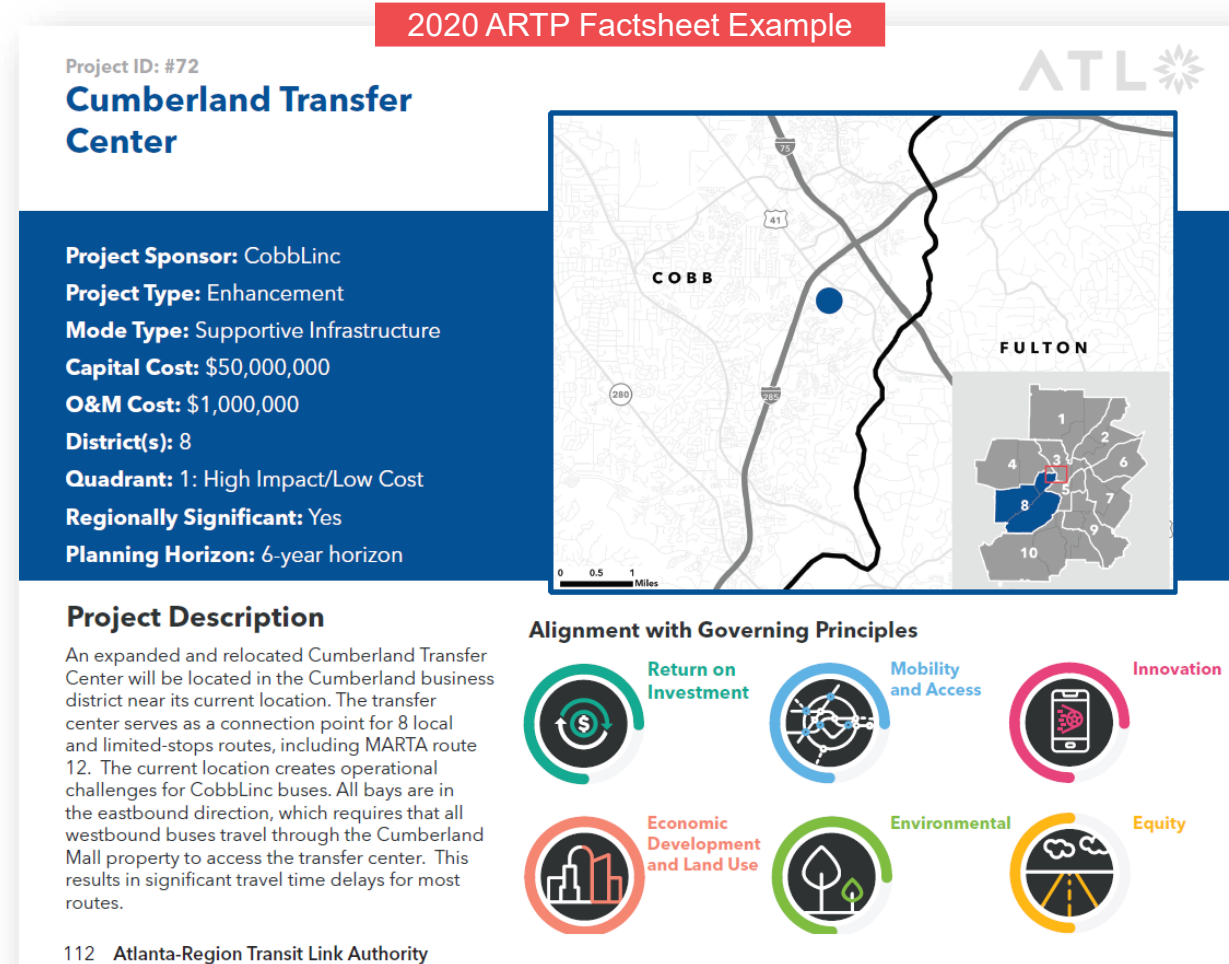


STEP 3: ALIGNMENT WITH ATL SIX GOVERNING PRINCIPLES

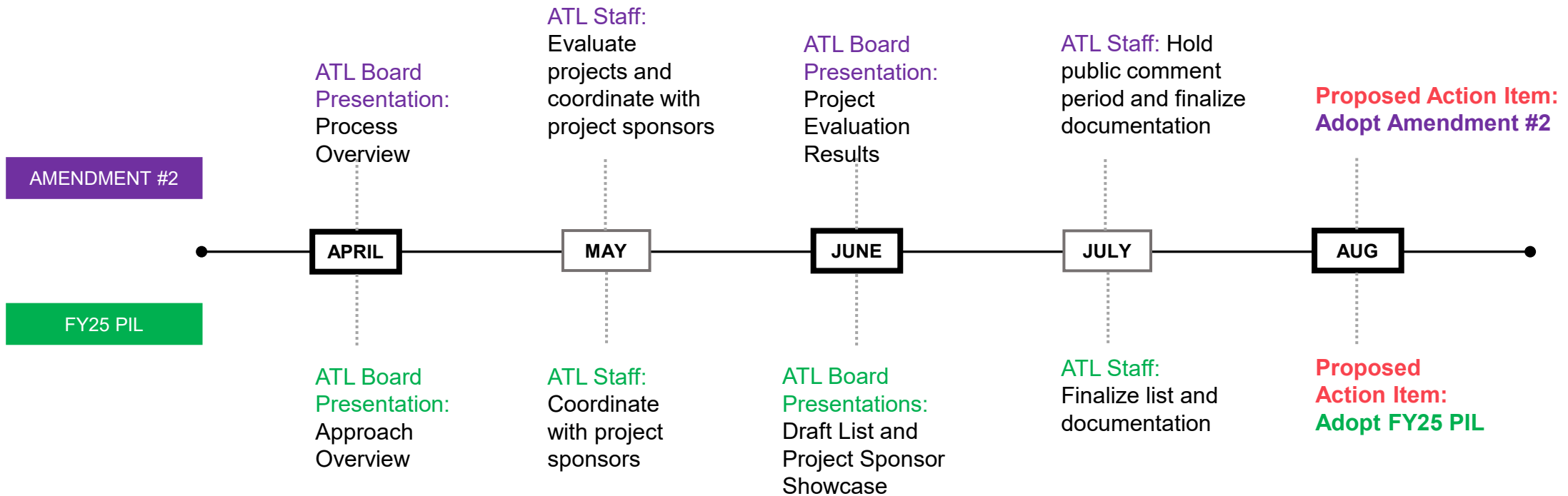


AMENDMENT #2 MATERIAL

- ▶ ATL staff will summarize amendment information by key criteria and provide overview to ATL Board
- ▶ ATL staff will package project information and evaluation results into a project factsheet style template similar to the existing 2020 ARTP project factsheets



AMENDMENT #2 & FY25 PRIORITY INVESTMENT LIST SCHEDULE





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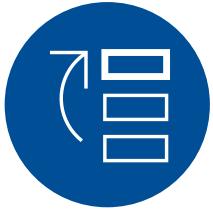
FY25 PRIORITY INVESTMENT LIST – PROCESS OVERVIEW

Aileen M. Daney

April 7, 2023



WHAT IS THE PRIORITY INVESTMENT LIST?



The Priority Investment List provides decision-makers with a simplified list of federal, state, regional, and local transit project priorities to support the strategic use of state resources.

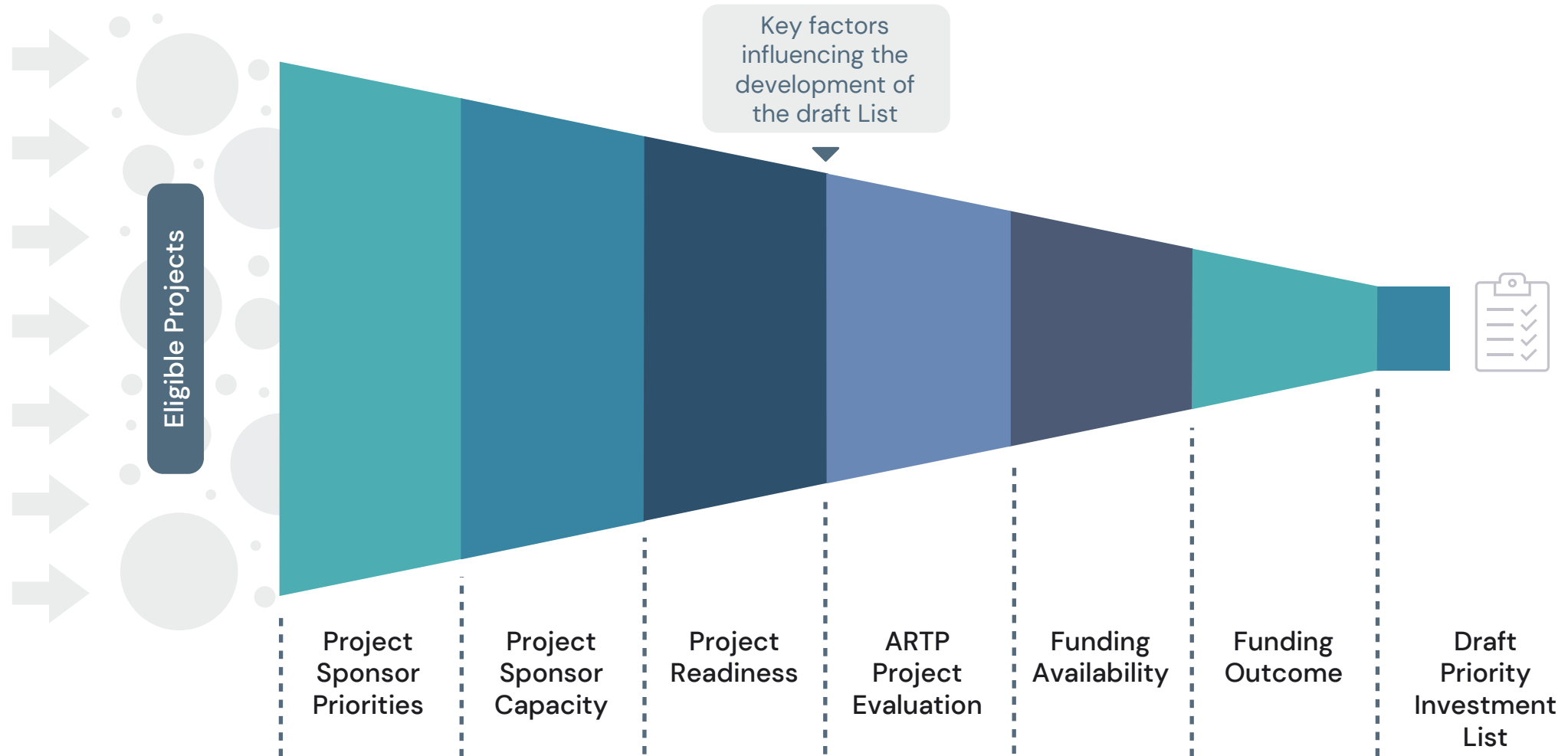
WHAT DOES THE PRIORITY INVESTMENT LIST INCLUDE?

- ▶ **At a minimum, the list includes regionally and state significant projects the ATL is statutorily required to annually submit** to the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget (OPB) and General Assembly for potential inclusion in the state bond package.
- ▶ **The list also includes projects recommended to receive Transit Trust Fund revenues.**



FY25 PRIORITY INVESTMENT LIST

Overarching Approach: How can the ATL, in partnership with project sponsors, advance a high-performing project based on current project status and funding opportunities?



FUNDING OUTCOME



Expedite Project Delivery

- State investment expedites implementation and maximizes non-discretionary dollars



Leverage Federal Funding

- State investment is used as matching funds to secure additional federal dollars



Advance Project Development

- State investment moves projects from the planning stage to preliminary design and engineering

COMMUNICATING THE PRIORITY INVESTMENT LIST

PIL Benefits Analysis

Assess project impacts and benefits for each project, including how a project impacts **customers today, customers tomorrow, and attracts future customers**. Additional quantifiable benefits include but are not limited to data such as:

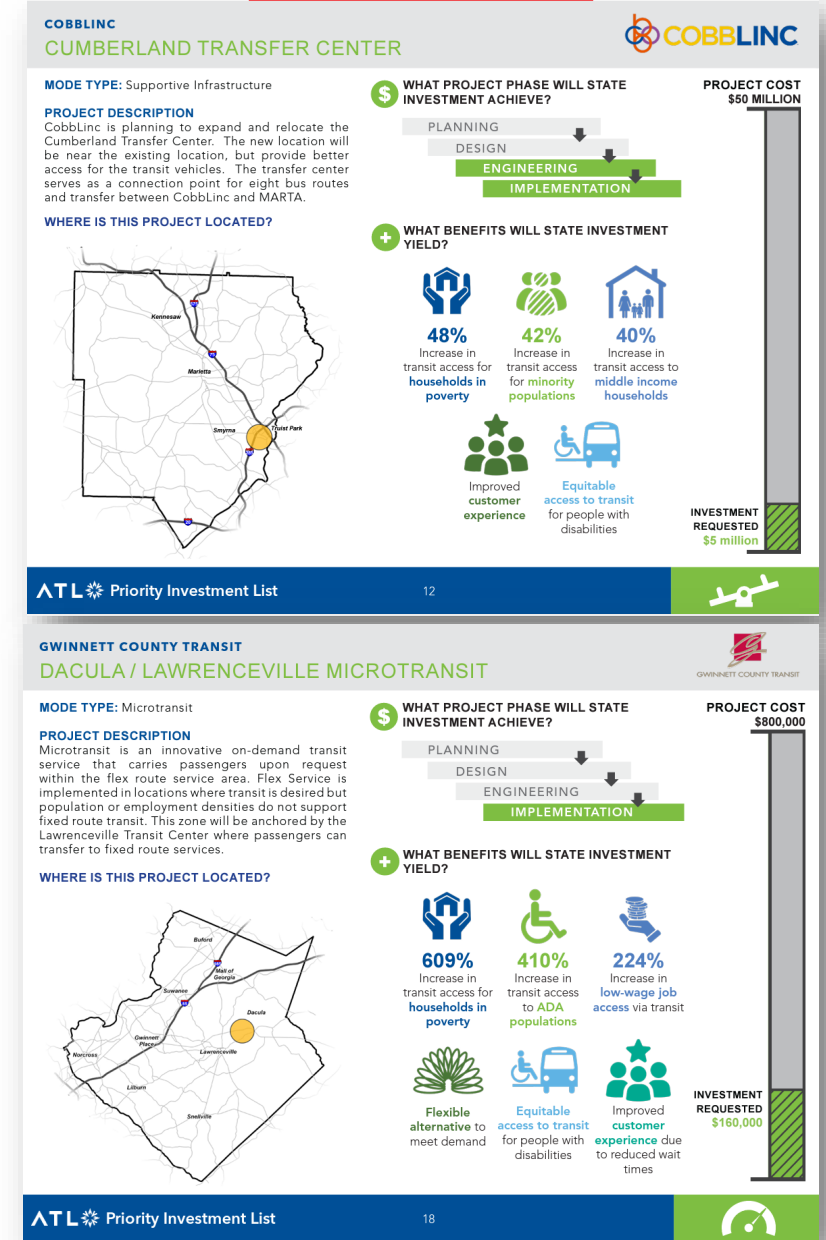
- Number of impacted riders
- Customer experience
- Change in access to key destinations
- Commute time savings
- Economic impact
- Reliability

PIL Benefits Packet

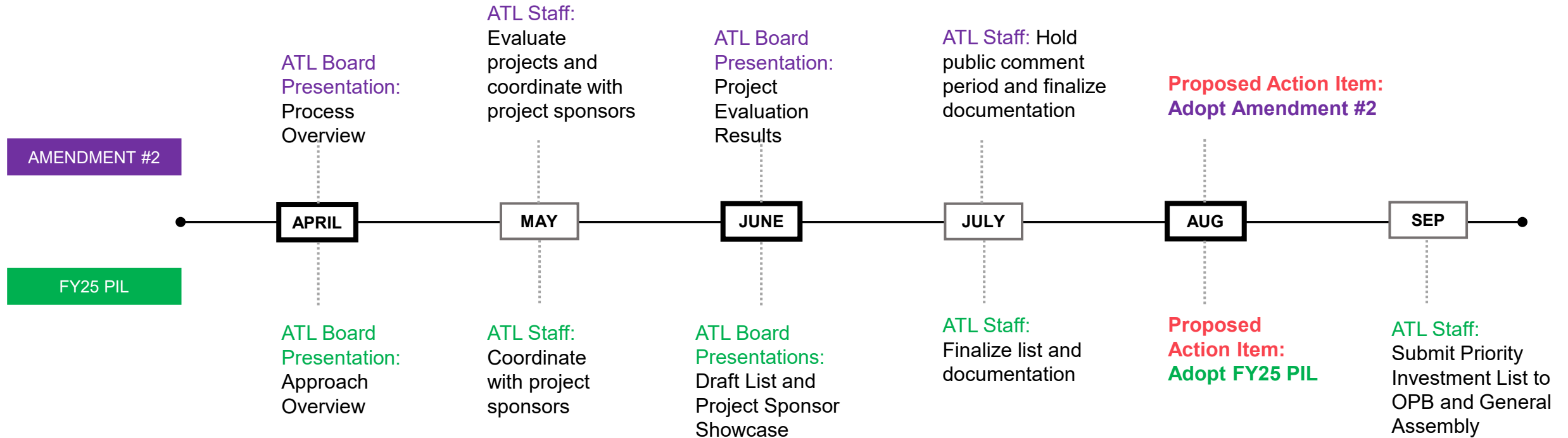
Develop a graphically-rich booklet of project factsheets that communicate project status, investment requested, and benefits.



FY24 PIL Example



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The ATL Board Meeting
Will Begin Momentarily