1. From Calley Mersmann: Hi Jim! Thanks for all the information. A couple of questions:
   Does a larger local match help proposals score more competitively? If so, how would the committed local match amount factor into the scoring for an urban core/disadvantaged/EJ community that is eligible to request a lower local match requirement?
   A: Calley, NOACA no longer takes local match into consideration in scoring TLCI applications, so there should also be no impact on urban core/disadvantaged/EJ communities’ scores based on not providing a local share.
2. Are feasibility planning/preliminary engineering activities eligible for TLCI awards?
   A. Feasibility is sometimes a minor part of a TLCI scope in the implementation section.
   Preliminary Engineering is not an eligible activity for TLCI awards.
3. From Chris: Hi - is a community able to apply for both programs?
   A: yes
4. From Joyce: Since NOACA staff will be paying the invoices for the studies, your asking the local staff how they’ll manage this, is it ok for the local staff to be the main contact and manage the contract?
   A: NOACA hasn’t decided upon the process yet, whether or not we will require an LPA Agreement or not moving forward for TLCI planning studies. NOACA will hold the consultant contract though. Project sponsors will be a partner throughout the process, including the RFP draft and consultant selection.
5. From Andrea: So will NOACA handle the procurement of the consultant?
   A: yes
6. From Joyce: Who will send out RFP, NOACA staff or cities?
   A: NOACA staff will, but in partnership of the locals.
7. From Jim Z: We’re going to apply for implementation money. They’ve gone through public meetings as part of the planning process. Will we need to do public meetings for implementation too?
   A: Recent planning studies should have met the NEPA public engagement requirements, and most likely will not require additional public meetings unless ODOT requires you to do so if something through the environmental review process deems further public engagement.