



Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Update Committee

March 6, 2024

Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization



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MEETING

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1. Introductions
2. Public Comments
3. Action Item: Summary of October 25, 2023, meeting
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Today's Agenda

- Follow-up items from last committee meeting
- Action item – Regional Transit Authority (RTA) representation on the board
 - A vote to endorse and bring a recommendation to the board
- Discussion item - Board education
- Looking ahead - Work planning
- Next meetings

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Introductions



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Public Comments



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Action Item: Summary of October 25, 2023, meeting

Approval of this meeting summary



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Follow-Up Items from Previous Meeting

Abby Cutrumbes and Erin Maguire, MPO Staff

Presentation and discussion on topics requested by committee members at previous meetings



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Follow-Up Items from Last Committee Meeting

- 2020 population by subregion
- Funding distribution by region

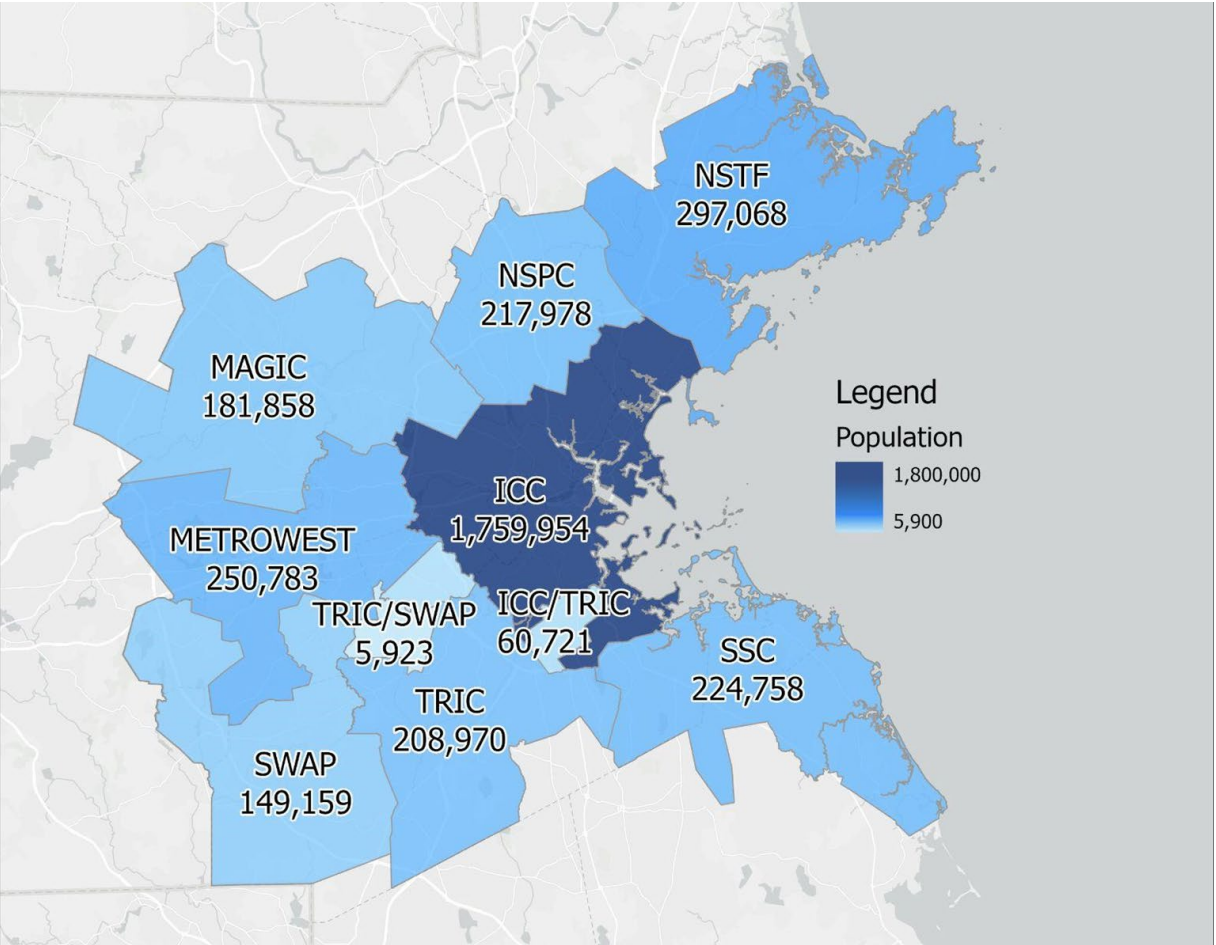


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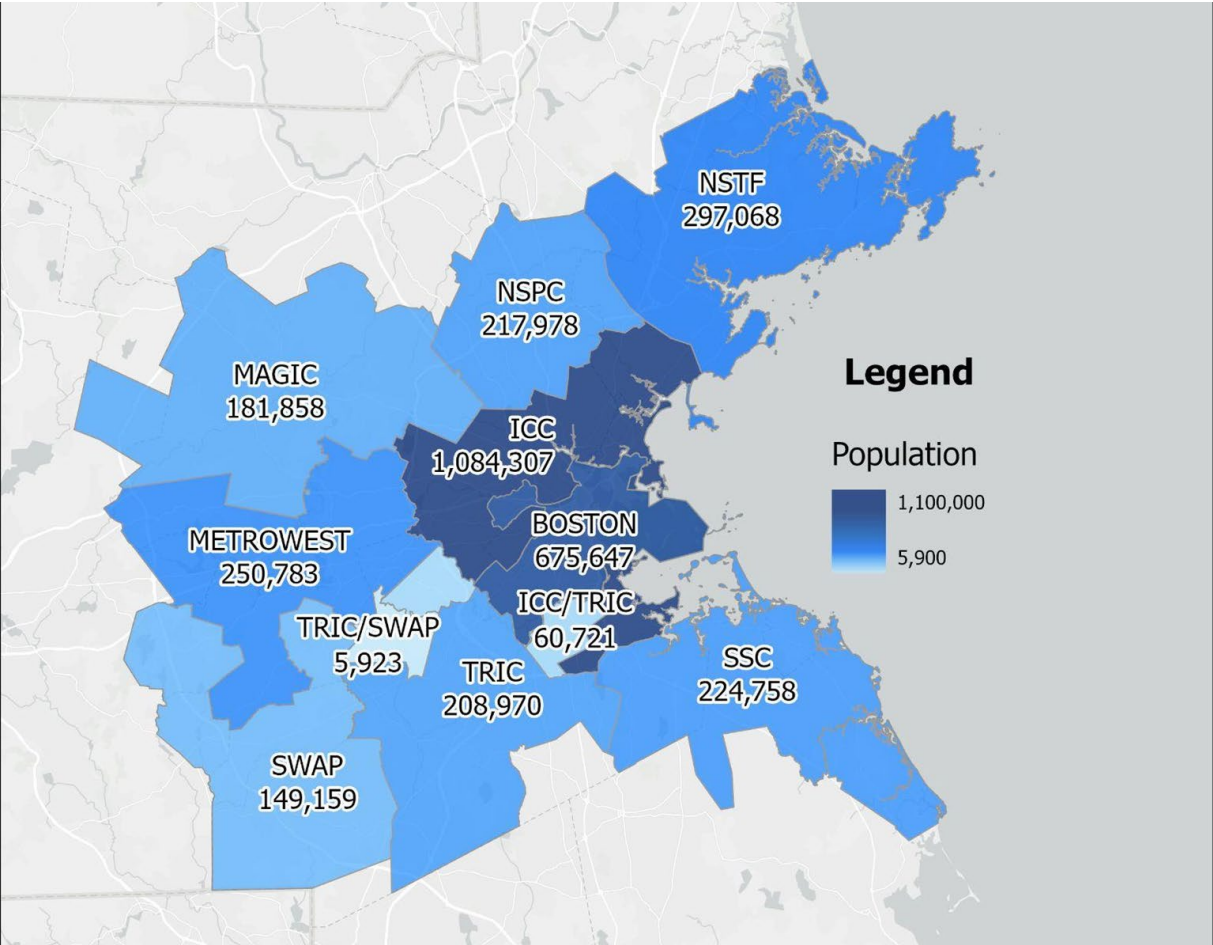
Follow-up: Subregional Allocation and Representation

Population by Subregion

Boston included in ICC



Boston separate from ICC



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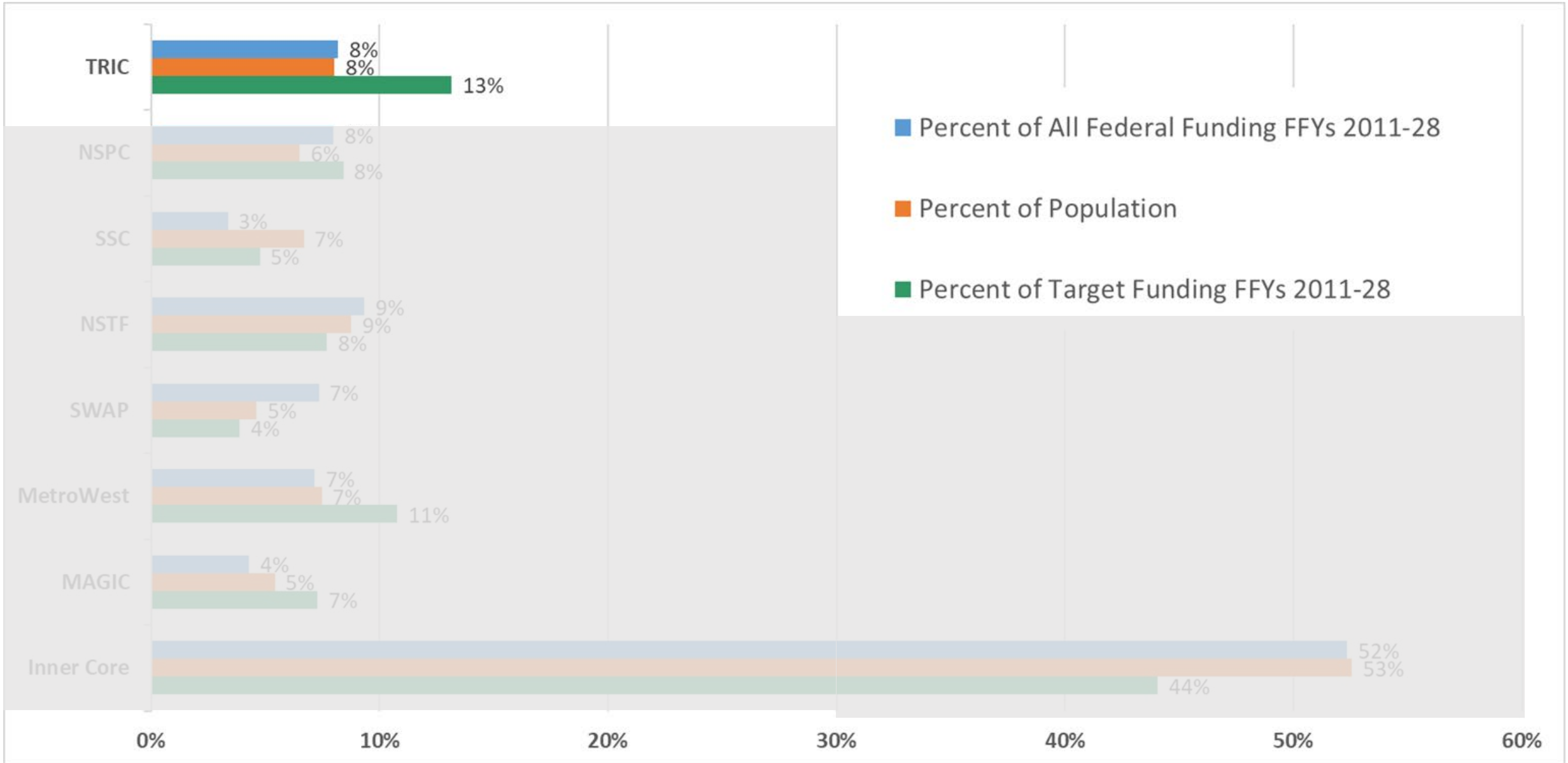
Subregion Allocation vs. Population

- Committee members' questions re: subregion funding
- The following charts shows:
 - Population distribution of each subregion relative to the MPO's total population
 - The percentage of total federal funding each subregion receives
 - The percentage of MPO-allocated funding each subregion receives

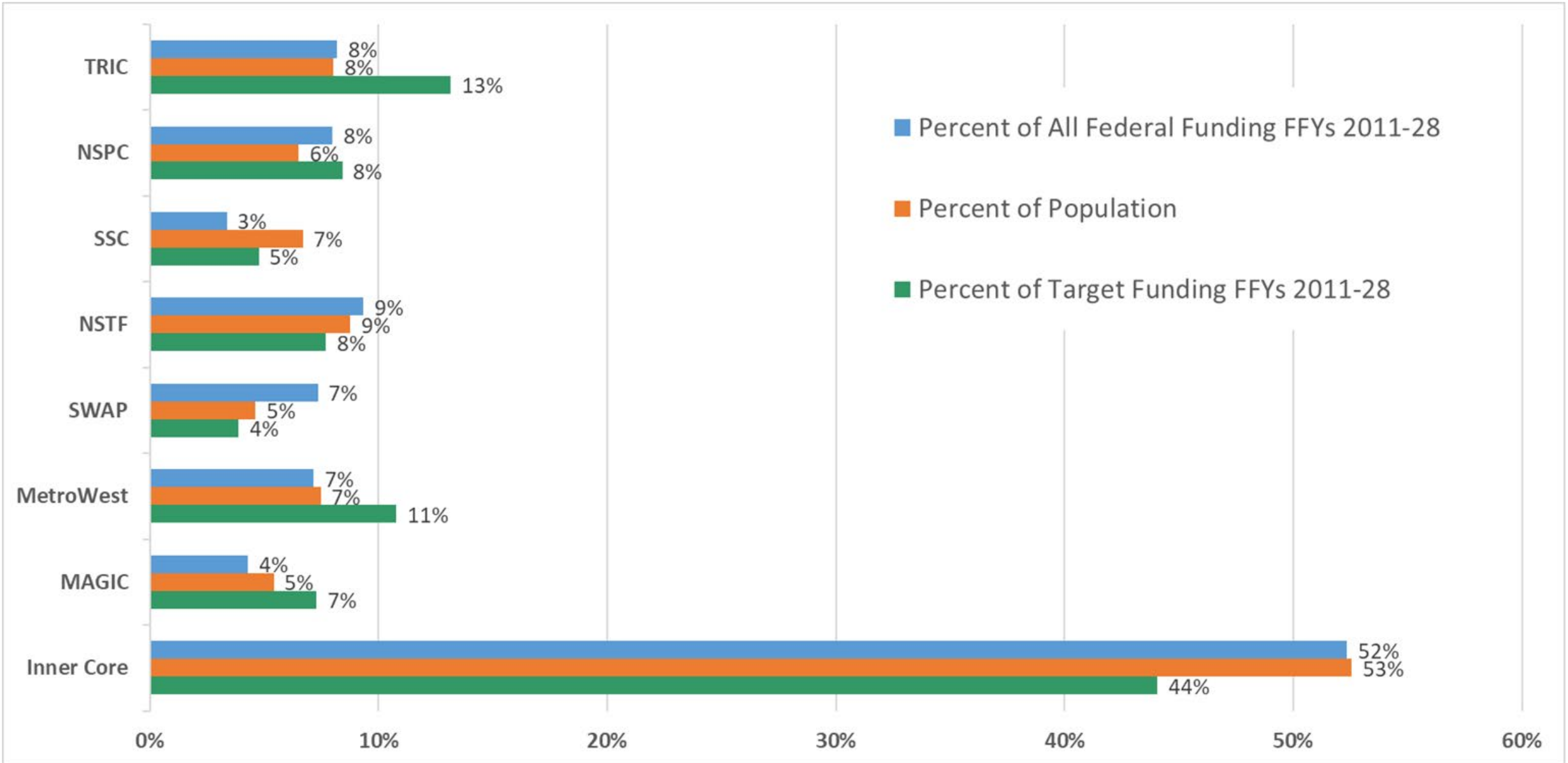
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Federal Funding by Subregion, FFYs 2011-28



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Action Item: Regional Transit Authority (RTA) Representation

Dave Hong, MPO Staff

Presentation, discussion, and expected vote to approve a recommendation for RTA representation to bring to the full MPO board



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Action Item - RTA Representation on the Board

- Are there any remaining questions for the MWRTA and CATA related to MPO representation?
- Committee vote to recommend adding one permanent voting board seat shared by MWRTA and CATA with alternating terms of 2 years with the ability for one entity to serve as the other's alternate
- **Next Step:** The MOU Update Committee brings this recommendation to the March 21, 2024, MPO board meeting
- Any vote passed by the full MPO board would go into effect after the 2024 Annual Meeting in November.

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Discussion: Board Education

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Presentation and discussion on topics of interest to be covered in board member education








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Board Education Discussion

We have seen examples of MPOs investing money and capacity into educating/creating peer exchange opportunities for boards. There are several different avenues to do this:

				
<i>Online</i>	<i>Invite Guest</i>	<i>Attend Event</i>	<i>Peer Exchange</i>	<i>Other</i>
e.g., MPO 101, NHI or AMPO trainings	e.g., subject matter expert on specialized topic	e.g., AMPO, TRB, SNEAPA, MassDOT Innovation	e.g., facilitated online vs. hosting or visiting peers	e.g. coursework, certificate training, or discrete study
Free to \$	\$	\$\$	Free to \$\$\$	Wide spectrum

Looking Ahead - Work Planning

DRAFT 2024 MOU Work Plan - Preview

March 6

Motion to bring the RTA representation recommendations to the board

Committee input on board education

March 7

Committee Chair Report:
Early preview of recommendation on RTA representation

March 20

Discussion on board education with sample training resources from staff

Advisory Council role module initiation

March 21

MPO Board Agenda Item:
RTA representation at the board

April 3

Interim Update on Advisory Council discussions

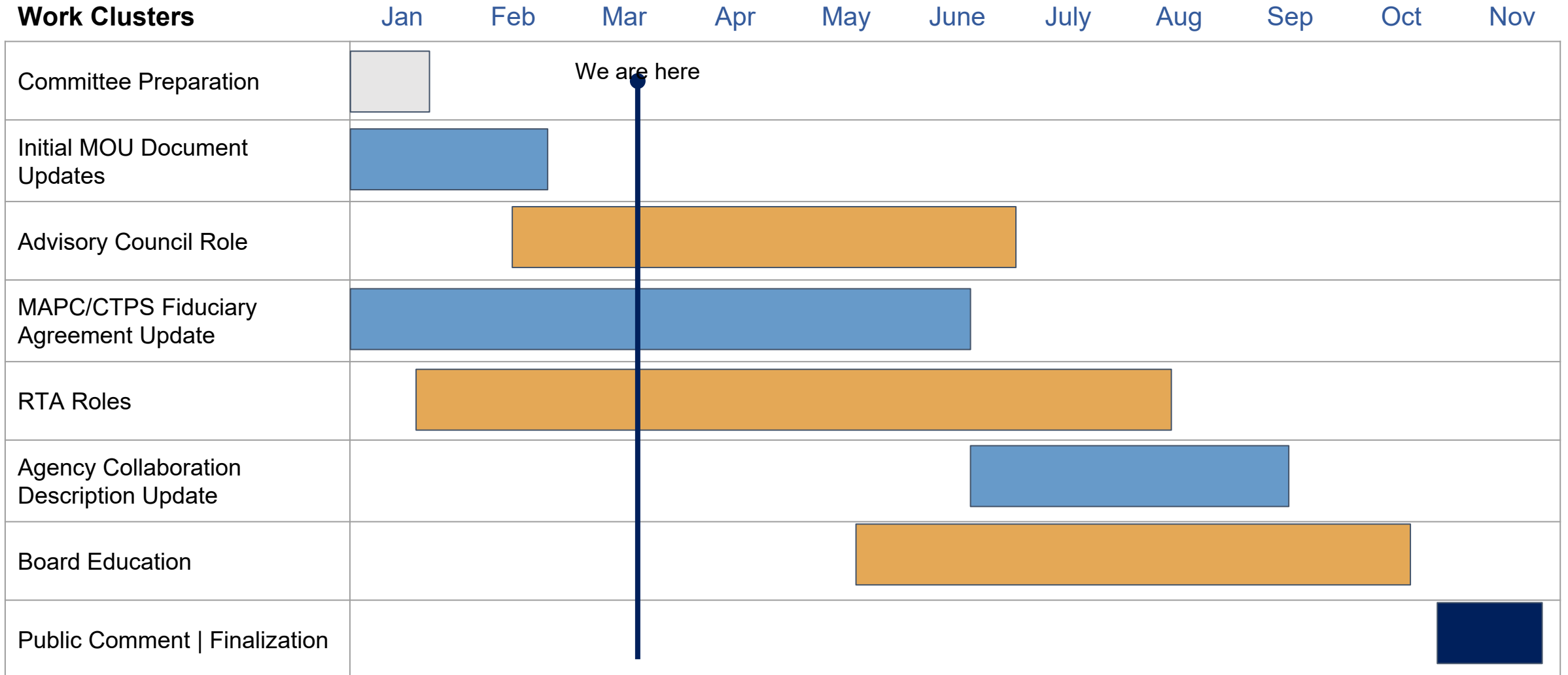
Update on public engagement

Board education discussion

April 4

Committee Chair Report:
TBD

DRAFT 2024 MOU Work Plan



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Members' Items

Reports and notices by MOU members, including regional concerns and local community issues



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Next Meetings

- Wednesday, March 20, 2024
– 1:30–3:00 PM
- Wednesday, April 3, 2024
– 1:30–3:00 PM



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NOVEMBER

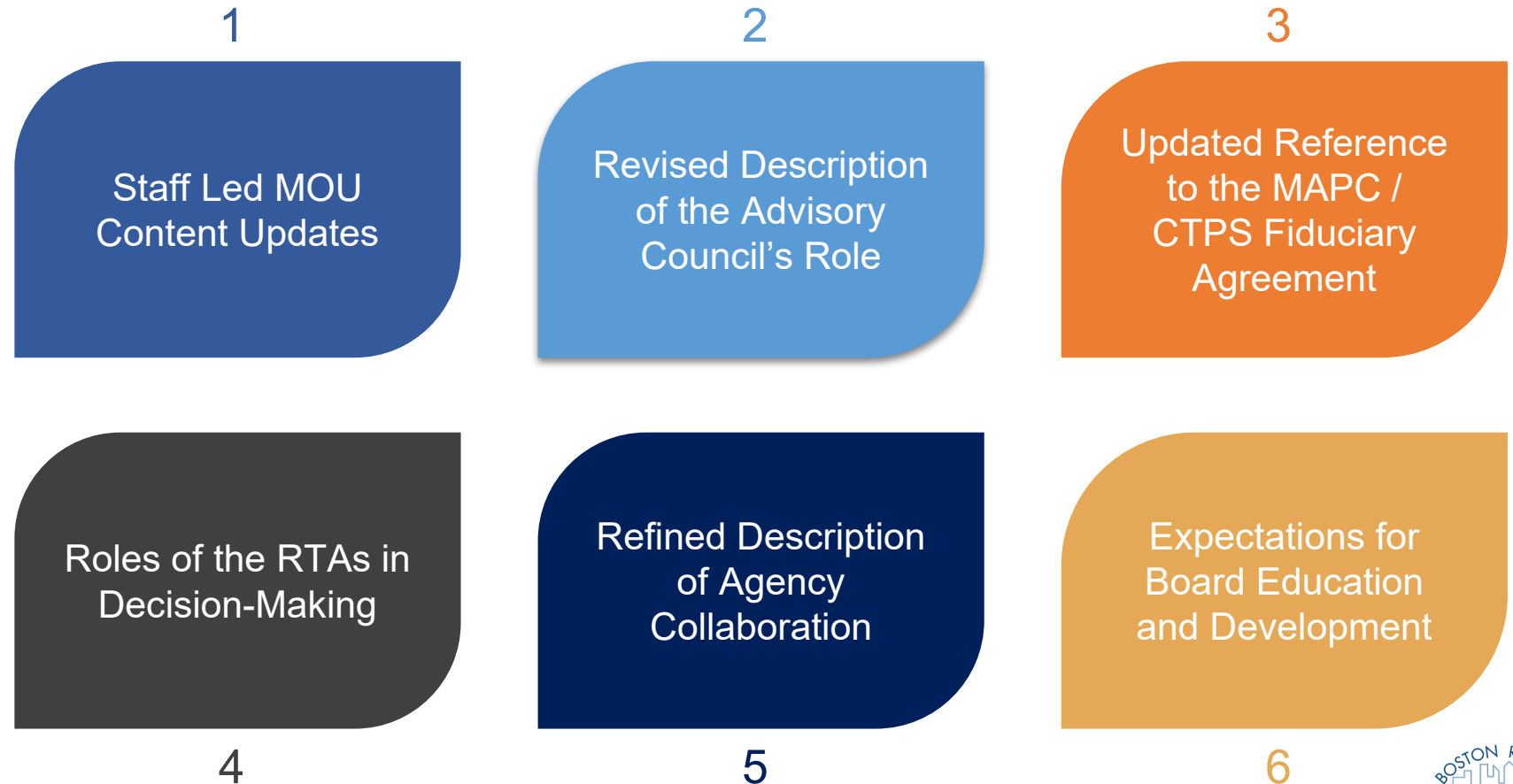
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Reference - MOU Update Topics



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Source: Recommendation on the process to update the Boston Region MPO Memorandum of Understanding Nov 30, 2023.



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Weighted Voting

- Percentage of surveyed MPOs that do weighted voting
 - Table below illustrates the percentage of MPOs **within each population tier** that have weighted voting structures
 - Of all tiers, 13% of surveyed MPOs use weighted voting
 - 279/396 MPOs nationwide responded to survey

Table 2-4 Frequency of Weighted Voting Structures Among MPO Governing Boards

MPO Population Class	Number of MPOs	Percent of Category
Less than 100,000	5	8%
100,000 to less than 200,000	4	5%
200,000 to less than 500,000	12	17%
500,000 to less than 1 million	5	20%
1,000,000+	10	26%
Total	36	13%

