

RURAL TRANSPORTATION PLANNING COMMITTEE TRANSPORTATION PRIORITIZATION PROCESS

The following flow chart depicts the role of the North Central Rural Transportation Planning Committee in prioritizing transportation projects throughout the region for the Twelve Year Program:

During the Twelve Year Program Update Cycle, which occurs ever two years, each county planner in Cameron, Clearfield, Elk, Jefferson, McKean and Potter counties', PennDOT and the regional planning agency develop individual listings of possible transportation projects for inclusion in the Program. The list is compiled and prioritized by each entity and taken to the Transportation Planning Committee for funding consideration.



**North Central Rural Transportation
Planning Committee**

The Planning Committee is made up of a representative from:

- Each county
- PennDOT Districts 2-0, 10-0 and Central Office
- North Central Pennsylvania Regional Planning and Development Commission
- Public Transportation
- Aviation
- Trucking
- Rail
- Recreation
- Local leaders interested in transportation and economic development



The committee is charged with considering projects on a regional scope, while trying to maintain balance and local priority. Highway projects are based on high-priority corridors throughout the region, and documents such as PennDOT's PennPLAN and the regional Long Range Plan are utilized to link projects to a larger perspective.

The regional committee takes the listing of all prioritized projects submitted by PennDOT, the counties and the region, and develops the project-specific, fiscally-constrained program. The Program is negotiated between committee members and developed within the funding obligation established for the north central Pennsylvania Region by PennDOT.

Once the Program is developed, it is sent to the NCPRPDC Executive Board for approval before submitting the Program to PennDOT. Negotiations continue between the region and PennDOT until agreement is reached and the State Transportation Commission approves the final Program.