

Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program: Framework Update and Endorsement Recommendations

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TIRCP Funding Landscape

Program funded through SB1 and Cap and Trade Auctions, plus any additional allocated state funds

- Current TIRCP Call for Projects (Cycle 5):
 - \$500-600 million in new programming capacity statewide
- Governor's Budget Proposal:
 - Additional \$2 billion to TIRCP in FY23 State Budget
 - Chance to align with federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law transit funding influx
- Regular TIRCP cycles: every two years; likely totaling \$2-3 billion over 10 years



MTCTIRCP Framework

- Developed starting in 2013, with focus on Core Capacity
 Challenge Grant Program and major rail expansion
- \$3 billion framework, with named core capacity projects for BART, SFMTA, and AC Transit; BART to San Jose; Caltrain Electrification; and smaller transit expansion projects
- Through four rounds, \$1.7 billion funded in the region



Current MTC TIRCP Framework

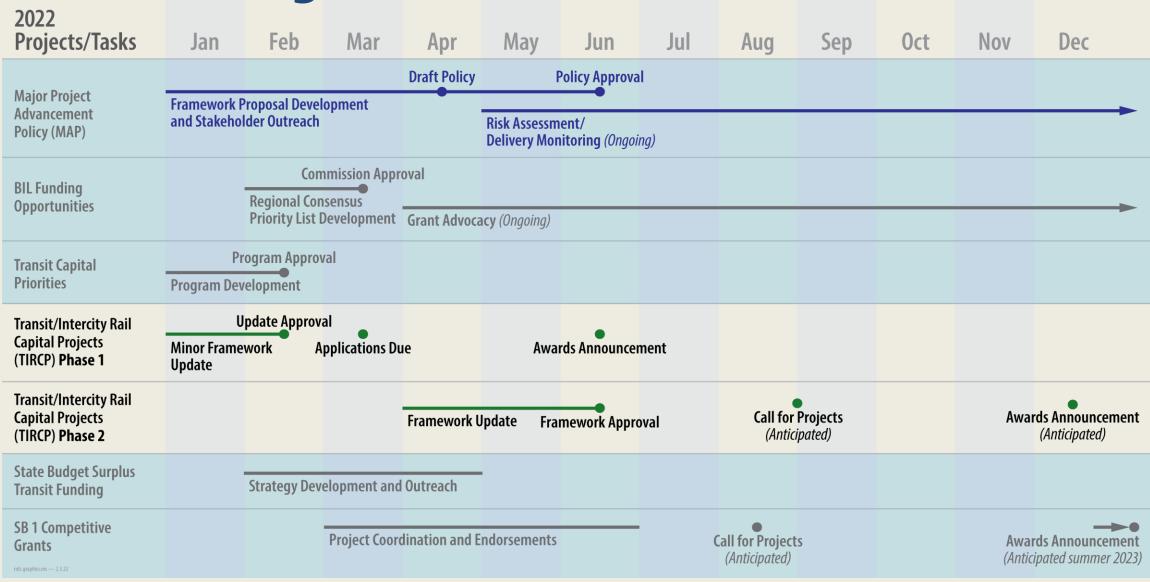
	MTC Res. 4130 Framework 2015-2040	Rounds 1-4 Award Total	Remainder
Priority TIRCP Projects			
BART Core Capacity Projects	500	426	74
SFMTA Core Capacity Projects	785	155	630
AC Transit Core Capacity Projects	340	14	326
Caltrain Electrification/EMUs	225	185	40
VTA BART to San Jose	<i>750</i>	<i>750</i>	0
Priority TIRCP Projects subtotal	2,600	1,529	1,071
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Other TIRCP Projects subtotal	400	206	194
Full Framework Total	3,000	1,735	1,265

TIRCP Strategy In Larger Context

- TIRCP an important component of delivering full funding plans on major transit projects
- Anticipated to be part of Major
 Project Advancement Policy
- Leverage new federal funding opportunities through focused regional advocacy



Funding Program Timeline



Three-Step Strategy

ONE

This Month Endorse
based on current corecapacity focused framework,
with minor updates

TWO

For potential TIRCP program augmentation from general fund: advocate for additional funding to complete ongoing TIRCP-funded projects and consider new projects

THREE

For augmentation and future rounds, consider larger framework refresh focused on next generation of projects listed in Plan Bay

Area 2050

Coming Months

1. Proposed February Framework Update

- Stay focused on ready-to-go projects with full funding plans that align with original performance/core capacity framework
- React to changed priorities/direction by state and partners specifically, zero-emission replacement buses and infrastructure in addition to expansion
- Increase endorsement limit for non-named projects from \$15M to \$25M

2. Potential TIRCP Augmentation

- Unique opportunity for less restrictive TIRCP funding
- Advocate for additional funding to complete TIRCP framework projects with funding gaps:
 - BART Transbay Corridor Core Capacity program
 - Caltrain Electrification
 - BART to Silicon Valley Phase II
- Also consider adding major new projects as part of framework refresh (next slide)



3. TIRCP Framework Refresh

- Consider focus on next generation of transit expansion projects listed in Tier 1 of *Plan Bay Area 2050*
- Coordinated with development of strategy for federal funding opportunities
- Developed with partner agencies with focus on full project funding plans
- Projects may include those requesting funds this cycle, such as Caltrain Downtown Extension, Valley Link, and I-680 Express Bus



Recommendation

- Minor revision to framework
- Endorse framework-consistent applications from SFMTA, AC Transit, and Caltrain, totaling \$170M
- Endorse other Plan Bay Area 2050-consistent projects up to \$25M (thirteen projects totaling \$225M); including major projects that may be part of larger framework update
- Return in coming months with larger update to TIRCP framework in anticipation of further calls for projects

