

November 2025 Recommended RM3 Allocations – Project Summaries

Project 4 – San Francisco Bay Trail/Safe Routes to Transit Program

RM3 provides \$150 million in toll funds to RM3 Project 4, the San Francisco Bay Trail/Safe Routes to Transit Program. MTC is listed as the project sponsor for the San Francisco Bay Trail/Safe Routes to Transit Program and adopted the first cycle of programming on February 26, 2025, via MTC Resolution No. 4639, Revised. One allocation under this category is proposed this month:

RM3 #4.7 San Francisco County Transportation Authority: Multimodal Bay Skyway – Yerba Buena Island Multiuse Pathway Project (\$16,250,000)

The San Francisco County Transportation Authority is the implementing agency for RM3 Project 4.7, Multimodal Bay Skyway – Yerba Buena Island Multiuse Pathway Project. This project will complete Segment 4 of the Yerba Buena Island Multi-Use Pathway, extending from the Macalla Road/Treasure Island Road intersection to connect with the West Side Bridges project's Class 1 Multi-Use Pathway. The Segment 4 improvements will close a critical gap in the network, establishing a continuous Class 1 facility along the west side of Yerba Buena Island between Macalla Road and Forest Road. Construction is expected to begin in early 2026.

RM3 Project 5 – Ferry Enhancement Program

RM3 provides \$300 million in toll funds to RM3 Project 5, Ferry Enhancement Program. This RM3 programmatic category funds the purchase of new vessels, upgrading and rehabilitating existing vessels, building facilities and landside improvements, and upgrading existing facilities of the San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA). One allocation under this category is proposed this month:

RM3 #5.6. WETA - Hydrus Vessel Conversion to All Battery Electric Ferry Project (\$8.89 million)

This project provides for the conversion of SF Bay Ferry's M/V Hydrus 400-Passenger diesel vessel to a zero emission, battery electric vessel. The conversion of the Hydrus is

the first planned conversion of SF Bay Ferry's four Hydrus-Class vessels, with subsequent conversion of three additional vessels in the years that follow, for a total of conversion of four vessels once the program is completed.

The Hydrus vessel is currently used to provide service between the East Bay communities of Oakland, Alameda, and Richmond to downtown San Francisco. The conversion of the Hydrus vessel to all-electric operation is a critical component of SF Bay Ferry's Rapid Electric Emission-Free (REEF) Program. The Hydrus vessel conversion, in addition to the other electric vessels being constructed by SF Bay Ferry, will be among the first battery-electric high-speed vessels operating in North America.

Total project costs are estimated to be \$23.46 million and fully funded with RM3 funds and a California's Volkswagen Mitigation Grant. Full project construction is estimated to be completed in 2028.

RM3 Project #26 - North Bay Transit Improvements

RM3 provides \$100 million in toll funds to RM3 Project 26, North Bay Transit Access Improvements. This RM3 programmatic category funds transit improvements in the Counties of Marin, Sonoma, Napa, Solano, and Contra Costa. The project sponsor is the Metropolitan Transportation Commission. In June 2021, MTC programmed the RM3 North Bay Transit Access Improvements program to the five County Transportation Agencies (CTAs) by splitting the funding equally. Each county was programmed \$20 million, and MTC delegated project selection to each CTA for their county's share of the funds. This month, one allocation is proposed, as programmed by SCTA and requested by the City of Santa Rosa:

RM3 #26.14. Santa Rosa - Highway 101 Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing Project (\$10.6 million)

This project constructs a 14.5-foot wide bicycle/pedestrian shared-use overcrossing of U.S. 101 in northern Santa Rosa that will serve as a connector providing a safer and more comfortable alternative for bicyclists and pedestrians over the freeway between two high-traffic interchanges at College Avenue and Steele Lane. Consistent with RM3 statute for this project category, the overcrossing would directly serve the nearby Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit (SMART) station (Santa Rosa North), as well as Santa Rosa Junior

College (with connections to Santa Rosa CityBus and Sonoma County Transit), Santa Rosa High School, Coddington Mall (including connections to Santa Rosa CityBus, Amtrak Thruway buses, and Mendocino Transit Authority buses), and surrounding neighborhoods.

Total project costs are estimated to be \$43.75 million, leveraging multiple funding sources including the Active Transportation Program (ATP). Full project construction is estimated to be completed in 2028. This is Sonoma County's third RM3 allocation under this specific category. SCTA Board took a programming action to distribute their \$20 million in RM3 North Bay Transit Access Improvement funds, and it programmed \$10.6 million for this project at their board meeting on April 8, 2024.