

Regional Network Management Council

June 23, 2025

Agenda Item 3c

Draft Regional Network Management Council FY 2025-26 & 2026-27 Work Plan Update

Subject:

Update on the proposed Work Plan for the RNM Council for fiscal years (FY) 2025-26 and 2026-27.

Background:

In December 2023, the RNM Council adopted its current Work Plan to guide activities in FY 2023-24 & 2024-25 (Attachment A). The RNM Council's Work Plan was developed through a collaborative process with transit operator staff, and is anchored by the Transit Transformation Action Plan (TAP) "desired outcomes" and the Mission and Vision of the RNM. Items included in the current Work Plan aim to balance initiatives that are underway and funded and new priorities that would benefit from systematic, consistent regional implementation support. Work Plan items share a common focus on delivering tangible customer benefits.

Draft FY 2025-26 & 2026-27 Work Plan:

Staff developed the draft RNM Council Work Plan for FY 2025-26 and 2026-27 by reviewing progress on the current Work Plan, as summarized in quarterly progress reports and most recently included in the April 2025 RNM Council meeting packet. Similar to the process for developing the current Work Plan, MTC staff met with transit agency partners to review draft materials to ensure the draft Work Plan captures anticipated activities through June 2027.

Attachment B includes a summary of activities and key outcomes achieved to date for each project or program, as well as proposed activities and timeframes for FYs 2025-26 and 2026-27. Attachment C provides a summary of funding identified to date to support activities identified in the TAP and RNM Council Work Plan.

The majority of activities included in the draft FY 2025-26 and 2026-27 Work Plan are a continuation of projects or programs that are underway, including implementation of the Transit Fare Policy Vision Statement that the RNM Council now provides oversight of with the sunseting of the Fare Integration Task Force in April 2025. In addition, the draft Work Plan

carries over several activities from the FY 2023-24 & 2024-25 Work Plan that have not been substantively advanced, and select new activities are included that help to advance priority TAP & RNM initiatives. Key highlights in the draft FY 2025-26 and 2026-27 Work Plan include:

- **Fares & Payment:** Launch free/discounted transfer pilot, continue to grow Clipper START and Clipper BayPass programs, and evaluate the impacts of regional fare programs.
- **Customer Information:** Refine and issue Version 1 Regional Wayfinding Standards and launch pilots at transit hubs throughout the region.
- **Transit Priority:** Develop and approve Bay Area Transit Priority Policy for Roadways and conduct a regional transit assessment to help inform transit priority investments throughout the region.
- **Accessibility:** Improve the paratransit rider experience by implementing the Americans with Disabilities Act paratransit eligibility recommendations and one-seat paratransit pilots.
- **Governance:** Consider recommendations from a two-year review of the RNM framework and develop an approach for updating the TAP. Develop consistent reporting for transit RNM performance measures.

In addition to the projects and programs included in the RNM Council's Work Plan, staff will continue to coordinate with agency partners to bring updates on related activities that would benefit from the discussion at a regional forum, including subregional and state transit coordination activities.

Next Steps:

The RNM Council's Draft FY 2025-26 & 2026-27 Work Plan will be presented to the RNM Committee at its July meeting for additional discussion and feedback. Staff will return at the RNM Council's July meeting with a revised Work Plan for adoption.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

This item is informational.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Current (FY 2023-24 & 2024-25) RNM Council Work Plan
- Attachment B: Draft FY 2025-26 & 2026-27 RNM Council Work Plan
- Attachment C: Transit Transformation Action Plan & RNM Funding Summary
- Attachment D: Presentation