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## *Memorandum*

TO: Policy Advisory Council

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RE: Senate Bill 1 (SB 1) Funding Program Update

Senate Bill 1 (SB1) provided additional money to existing competitive programs, as well as created new competitive programs. Updates and pending program schedules are provided below.

***Local Partnership Program (LPP).*** SB 1 provides \$200 million per year to the LPP. CTC approved the LPP Guidelines on October 18, 2017, which evenly divides the LPP into formula and competitive programs. The first program will cover two years of formula funds (FY 17-18 and FY 18-19) and three years of competitive funds (FY 17-18 through FY 19-20). A 1:1 match is required for LPP projects. Only authorities with a voter-approved tax dedicated solely to transportation are eligible to receive formula funds, and those agencies that have imposed fees for transportation are eligible to compete in the competitive program. Of interest, the revised guidelines create an incentive program for new and renewed voter-approved taxes, tolls, and fees (coming from the competitive program), and any cost savings generated within the formula program will be returned to that jurisdiction for reprogramming. The approved guidelines are at:

[http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/SB\\_1/102017\\_Final\\_LPP\\_Guidelines.pdf](http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/SB_1/102017_Final_LPP_Guidelines.pdf)

Key program dates:

- Applications due for the formula program: December 15, 2017
- Formula program adoption: January 31, 2018
- Applications due for the competitive program: January 30, 2018
- Competitive program adoption: May 16, 2018.

***Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP).*** SB 1 provides \$250 million per year to the TCEP, which will also include federal freight formula funds. CTC approved the TCEP Guidelines on October 18, 2017. The first program will cover three years (FY 17-18 through FY 19-20). The TCEP includes a target for Caltrans (statewide) of \$536 million, and a target for the Bay Area/Central Valley of \$217 million. A 30% match is required for projects not funded through the Caltrans target. Any public agency is eligible to apply; however, MTC must submit the region's nominations to CTC to ensure consistency with regional plans. Of interest, the guidelines provide that any cost savings generated within a corridor will be returned to that corridor for reprogramming. The approved guidelines are at:

[http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/SB\\_1/101817\\_Final\\_TCEP\\_Guidelines\(2\).pdf](http://www.catc.ca.gov/programs/SB_1/101817_Final_TCEP_Guidelines(2).pdf)

Key program dates:

- Nominations due to MTC: December 15, 2017
- MTC Commission concurrence of nominations: January 24, 2018
- Applications due to CTC: January 30, 2018
- Program adoption: May 16, 2018.

***Solutions for Congested Corridors (SCC).*** SB 1 provides \$300 million per year to the SCC, which aims to fund congestion relief projects included in a multimodal comprehensive corridor plan. The first program will cover four years (FY 17-18 through FY 20-21). According to SB 1, only MTC and Caltrans may apply for SCC; however, the implementing/sponsoring agency may be any public agency. Of interest, the draft guidelines do not require a match, but match or leveraged funds will be an evaluation criteria, and no regional targets are included. The draft guidelines are at:

[http://www.catc.ca.gov/meetings/agenda/2017Agenda/2017-12/19\\_4.8.pdf](http://www.catc.ca.gov/meetings/agenda/2017Agenda/2017-12/19_4.8.pdf)

Key program dates:

- CTC Adopts Guidelines: December 6, 2017
- Applications due to CTC: February 16, 2018
- Program adoption: May 16, 2018.

***Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP).*** SB1 includes funds for the TIRCP, aimed at funding projects that will modernize California's intercity, commuter, and urban rail systems, and bus and ferry transit systems. CalSTA administers TIRCP and released a call for projects on October 13 for a 5-year TIRCP program (FY18-19 through FY22-23). The program blends SB1 funds with Cap and Trade auction proceeds. The total amount available for this 5-year program is anticipated to be \$2.4 billion, with an estimated \$1.4 billion coming from SB1 revenues and \$1 billion from Cap and Trade auctions.

Key program dates:

- Project applications due to Caltrans: January 12, 2018
- Anticipated award announcement: April 30, 2018
- Anticipated presentation of project list to CTC: May 2018

Resources:

- Program webpage: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/drmt/sptircp.html>
- Call for Projects: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/drmt/docs/sptircp/2018call4projects.pdf>
- Program guidelines: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/drmt/docs/sptircp/2018finalgl.pdf>

***Sustainable Communities (SC) and Adaptation Planning (AP) Grants.*** SB1 augments the funding for Caltrans Planning Grants, and creates two new subprograms: SC and AP. SC grants are further divided into a competitive program and a formula program for Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs). For the first round of funding, \$12.4 million is available in each of the Sustainable Communities subprograms, and \$7 million is available in the AP grant.

Caltrans received 127 applications seeking \$34 million for the SC grant program, and 30 applications seeking \$10 million for the AP grant program. MTC submitted three SC grant applications, and two AP grant applications:

- The Future of Mobility: Ride Hailing Data Collection and Analysis, \$1 million (not awarded)
- Integrating Disability Voices in Sustainable Communities and Climate Resiliency Initiatives, \$500,000 (not awarded)
- Coordinating Economic Forecasting and Transportation Investment Analysis in the Megaregion, \$276,000 (not awarded)
- Accelerating Implementation of Local and Regional Resilience to Climate Change, \$1 million (awarded \$307,950)
- East Palo Alto and Dumbarton Bridge Resiliency Study, \$200,000 (awarded \$200,000)

Other successful applicants in the region include the Cities of Alameda, Concord, and Santa Clara, San Francisco MTA, Solano TA, Sonoma Co. Regional Parks, West Contra Costa Transit Authority, BART, and the Counties of Marin and San Mateo. The full list of recommended awardees are available at:

- Sustainable Communities: [http://www.catc.ca.gov/meetings/agenda/2017Agenda/2017-12/Yellows/Tab\\_22\\_4.11\\_Attachment.pdf](http://www.catc.ca.gov/meetings/agenda/2017Agenda/2017-12/Yellows/Tab_22_4.11_Attachment.pdf)
- Adaptation Planning: [http://www.catc.ca.gov/meetings/agenda/2017Agenda/2017-12/Yellows/Tab\\_22\\_4.11\\_Attachment2.pdf](http://www.catc.ca.gov/meetings/agenda/2017Agenda/2017-12/Yellows/Tab_22_4.11_Attachment2.pdf)

The next round of Caltrans Planning Grants will begin in early 2018; see below for key dates.

Key program dates:

- Program Guides Released and Call for Projects: January 2, 2018
- Applications Due: February 23, 2018
- Anticipated Grant Award Announcements: May 2018

Resources:

- Program webpage: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/tpp/grants.html>

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