

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

May 13, 2020

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California Transportation Commission (CTC) Update

Subject: Update on the March 25, 2020 and April 29, 2020 California Transportation Commission meetings.

Background: The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is responsible for programming and allocating certain state funds for the construction of highway, passenger rail, non-motorized facilities, and transit improvements throughout California. The CTC consists of eleven voting members and two non-voting ex-officio members. The San Francisco Bay Area has two (2) CTC members residing in its geographic area: Bob Alvarado (Executive Officer, Northern California Carpenters Regional Council) and Carl Guardino (President and CEO, Silicon Valley Leadership Group).

March and April CTC Meetings (March 25 and April 29, Held Online)

The CTC discussed the following issues of significance to the region. The below includes COVID-19 actions taken at the special April 29 CTC meeting.

Statewide Programs. The CTC received updates on the following items:

- 2020 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The CTC approved the 2020 STIP, which provides about \$120 million in new funding for the Bay Area. The approved 2020 STIP includes \$66 million to match planned Senate Bill 1 (SB1) competitive program nominations:
 - Napa's SR-29/221 Soscol Junction project (\$24 million);
 - Santa Clara's US-101 Express Lanes Phase 5 project (\$8 million); and
 - Solano's I-80 Managed Lanes project (\$34 million).MTC approved the 2020 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), which forms part of the STIP, in December 2019.
- 2020 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). Caltrans presented the proposed 2020 SHOPP. The adoption of the 2020 SHOPP is delayed by two months due to Caltrans's late submittal to CTC. On a Caltrans call with regional agencies, MTC staff reiterated support for inclusion of complete streets and resiliency type projects in the SHOPP. CTC is expected to consider the final SHOPP at its May meeting.

Senate Bill 1 Program Updates and Actions. The CTC approved the following:

- Schedule Impact from COVID-19. In the CTC Executive Director's report, the CTC directed staff to re-examine upcoming competitive program application due dates and program adoption timelines in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Affected programs include the Solutions for Congested Corridors Program, Trade Corridor Enhancement Program, Local Partnership Program, and Active Transportation Program. CTC staff held a workshop on April 8 to gather input on an appropriate delay and recommended a revised schedule at the special April 29 CTC meeting. MTC staff supports additional time to prepare applications for these competitive programs, especially given the difficulty sponsors will have in gathering public input and for boards, councils, and commissions to meet under the current shelter-in-place restrictions. CTC approved application due date delays ranging from 17 to 19 calendar days, while keeping December 2020

program adoption date unchanged. CTC also approved schedule delays for the SB1 Local Streets and Roads program by two to three months.

- Final Program Guidelines. CTC adopted the final guidelines for the Local Partnership Program and Trade Corridor Enhancement Program. Applications are currently due by June 12 and July 15, respectively. CTC's current schedule targets competitive program adoption in December 2020. The schedules are subject to change in May given the COVID-19 circumstances discussed earlier.
- Active Transportation Program Final Guidelines. SB1 provides an additional \$100 million annually to the Active Transportation Program (ATP). CTC approved both the statewide and MTC's regional guidelines at the March meeting. Applications for both statewide and regional ATP pots were originally due by June 15; however, CTC approved a three-month delay at its special April 29 meeting. The new due application due date for both programs is September 15.

Allocations, Extensions, and Amendments. The CTC approved the following:

- Funding allocations for two Active Transportation Program (ATP) projects in Alameda County and Richmond (Contra Costa County);
- Funding allocation for one State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) project in Napa County; and
- Funding allocation for one Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) project in Solano County.

For the above allocations, CTC provided a 12 month deadline to award a contract (from the standard 6 months) due to project delivery uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. CTC will also consider a comprehensive approach to timely use of funds deadlines at its May meeting.

Related to COVID-19, the CTC delayed or deferred the following extension actions, which will be re-agendized for a future CTC meeting.

- Project allocation extensions for one STIP project in San Mateo County and one ATP project in Oakland (Alameda County);
- Contract award extension for one BATA-sponsored LPP project;
- Project completion extension for one ATP project in San Mateo County; and
- Project expenditure extension for one ATP project in Oakland (Alameda County).


MTC staff will continue to work with project sponsors of ATP and other CTC-managed programs to meet CTC delivery deadlines and requirements.

The next CTC meeting is will be held online as a one-day meeting on May 13th.

Issues: None.

Recommendation: Information. No action required.

Attachments: None.


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