## Metropolitan Transportation Commission **Programming and Allocations Committee**

May 13, 2020 Agenda Item 2g - 20-0693

Resolution No. 4403, Revised

**Subject:** Revision of MTC's 2021 Regional Active Transportation Program (ATP)

Guidelines: Application Deadline & Program Schedule

**Background:** The State established the Active Transportation Program (ATP) in September 2013. Forty percent of the ATP funding is distributed to the large urbanized area competitive program, with funding distributed by population

and managed by the Metropolitan Planning Organization ("Regional ATP").

MTC is responsible for developing the guidelines for the Regional ATP, and for recommending proposed projects to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for adoption. In February, MTC adopted Resolution No. 4403, establishing MTC's policies, procedures, and project selection criteria for the Cycle 5 Regional ATP. Roughly \$37 million in new funding is available for MTC to program as part of the regional ATP over four years, FY 2021-22 through FY 2024-25.

#### MTC Guidelines - Proposed Schedule Changes

MTC's Regional ATP Guidelines are based on the CTC's Statewide ATP Guidelines. In response to Executive Order N-33-20, the COVID-19 State of Emergency, the CTC delayed the ATP Cycle 5 statewide component application due date and subsequent programming milestones at its special meeting on April 29. The CTC approved an approximate three-month delay to all phases of the 2021 ATP, including application deadline, evaluation, staff recommendation posting, and program adoption.

MTC staff recommends revising MTC's 2021 Regional ATP Guidelines to align the regional component schedule with the Statewide program. The additional time should ease various hardships agencies are facing during the State of Emergency, and allow agencies to complete their applications.

The revised schedule for the Cycle 5 ATP is listed below, with original dates in strikeout and new dates in bold:

| Milestone             | Statewide ATP             | MTC Regional ATP            |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Quick-Build Pilot     | June 15, 2020             | N/A                         |
| Program Due Date      | July 15, 2020             |                             |
| Application Due Date  | <del>June 15, 2020</del>  | <del>June 15, 2020</del>    |
| (All others)          | <b>September 15, 2020</b> | <b>September 15, 2020</b>   |
| Quick-Build Pilot     | November 16, 2020         | N/A                         |
| Recommendations       | <b>September 15, 2020</b> |                             |
| Staff Recommendations | November 16, 2020         | <del>January 6, 2021</del>  |
|                       | February 15, 2021         | March 31, 2021              |
| MTC Adoption          | N/A                       | <del>January 27, 2021</del> |
|                       |                           | April 28, 2021              |
| CTC Approval          | December 2, 2020          | March 15, 2021              |
|                       | March 15, 2021            | June 2021                   |

#### **Schedule**

Staff will notify potential applicants of the revised application deadline and the CTC of MTC's revised Regional ATP Guidelines. After applications are received on September 15, 2020, staff will complete the evaluation process and will recommend programming of projects from the Regional ATP in April 2021, via an amendment to MTC Resolution No. 4403, Revised.

**Issues:** None.

**Recommendation:** 1) Refer MTC Resolution No. 4403, Revised to the Commission for

approval; and 2) direct staff to notify the California Transportation

Commission of MTC's revised Regional ATP Guidelines.

**Attachments:** MTC Resolution No. 4403, Revised – Attachment A

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#### **ABSTRACT**

#### Resolution No. 4403, Revised

This resolution adopts the Active Transportation Program (ATP) Regional Program Cycle 5 Guidelines for the San Francisco Bay Area, for submission to the California Transportation Commission (CTC), consistent with the provisions of Senate Bill 99 and Assembly Bill 101.

This resolution includes the following attachments:

Attachment A – Guidelines: Policies, Procedures, and Project Selection Criteria

Attachment B – 2021 Regional ATP Program of Projects

This resolution was revised by Commission action on May 27, 2020, to update Attachment A with the revised application deadline and programming milestones in response to Executive Order N-33-20, the COVID-19 State of Emergency.

Further discussion of these actions is contained in the Summary Sheet to the MTC Programming and Allocations Committee dated February 12, 2020 and May 13, 2020.

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RE: Adoption of Regional Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 5 Guidelines and Program of Projects

## METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 4403

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, MTC has adopted and periodically revises, pursuant to Government Code Sections 66508 and 65080, a Regional Transportation Plan (RTP); and

WHEREAS, MTC is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area region and is required to prepare and endorse a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which includes federal funds; and

WHEREAS, MTC is the designated recipient for federal funding administered by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) assigned to the MPO/Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) of the San Francisco Bay Area for the programming of projects (regional federal funds); and

WHEREAS, the California State Legislature passed and the Governor signed into law Senate Bill 99 (Chapter 359, Statutes 2013) and Assembly Bill 101 (Chapter 354, Statutes 2013), establishing the Active Transportation Program (ATP); and

WHEREAS, MTC adopts, pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 2381(a)(1), an Active Transportation Program of Projects using a competitive process consistent with guidelines adopted by the California Transportation Commission (CTC) pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 2382(a), that is submitted to the CTC and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans); and

WHEREAS, MTC has developed, in cooperation with CTC, Caltrans, operators of publicly owned mass transportation services, congestion management agencies, countywide

WHEREAS, MTC has developed, in cooperation with CTC, Caltrans, operators of publicly owned mass transportation services, congestion management agencies, countywide transportation planning agencies, and local governments, guidelines to be used in the development of the ATP; and

WHEREAS, a multi-disciplinary advisory group evaluates and recommends candidate ATP projects for MTC inclusion in the Active Transportation Program of Projects; and

WHEREAS, the ATP is subject to public review and comment; now, therefore, be it

<u>RESOLVED</u>, that MTC approves the guidelines to be used in the evaluation of candidate projects for inclusion in the ATP, as set forth in Attachment A of this resolution, and be it further

<u>RESOLVED</u>, that MTC approves the Active Transportation Program of Projects, as set forth in Attachment B of this resolution, and be it further

<u>RESOLVED</u> that the Executive Director or designee can make technical adjustments and other non-substantial revisions; and be it further

<u>RESOLVED</u>, that the Executive Director shall forward a copy of this resolution, and such other information as may be required to the CTC, Caltrans, and to such other agencies as may be appropriate.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Scott Haggerty, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in San Francisco, California, on February 26, 2020.

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# 2021 Regional Active Transportation Program (ATP)

Cycle 5

**Guidelines** 

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MTC Resolution No. 4403
Attachment A

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Section** 

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#### 2021 Regional Active Transportation Program Cycle 5 Guidelines

#### **Background**

In September 2013, the Governor signed Senate Bill 99 (Chapter 359, Statutes 2013) and Assembly Bill 101 (Chapter 254, Statutes 2013) into law, creating the Active Transportation Program (ATP). The State envisions the ATP to consolidate several other funding sources intended to promote active transportation, such as the Bicycle Transportation Account and Transportation Alternatives Program, into a single program.

State and federal law segregate ATP funds into three main components, distributed as follows:

- 50% to the state for a statewide competitive program
- 10% to the small urban and rural area competitive program to be managed by the state
- 40% to the large urbanized area competitive program, with funding distributed by population and managed by the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) hereinafter referred to as the "Regional Active Transportation Program"

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) developed guidelines for the Cycle 5 ATP and approved them on March 25, 2020. The CTC Guidelines lay out the programming policies, procedures, and project selection criteria for the statewide competitive program, as well as for the small urban/rural and large MPO regional competitive programs. Large MPOs, such as MTC, have the option of developing regional policies, procedures, and project selection criteria that differ from those adopted by CTC, provided CTC approves the regional guidelines.

This document serves as MTC's Cycle 5 Regional ATP Guidelines that substantially follow those of the CTC, but include some differences based on the region's existing policies and priorities. MTC adopted these Guidelines for the MTC Regional Active Transportation Program on February 26, 2020 and approved by the CTC on March 25, 2020.

#### **Development Principles**

The following principles will frame the development of MTC's Regional ATP.

- MTC will work with CTC staff, Caltrans, Bay Area County Transportation Agencies (CTAs), transit
  operators, regional Active Transportation Working Group, and interested stakeholders to develop
  the Regional Active Transportation Program.
- ATP investments must advance the objectives of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)/Sustainable Communities Strategy.
- MTC will exceed the State's 25% minimum programming requirement to projects benefiting disadvantaged communities.
- MTC will continue to work with Caltrans, CTAs, transit operators, and project sponsors to seek
  efficiencies and streamlining for delivering projects in the federal-aid process.
- MTC will continue to advocate that all project savings and un-programmed balances remain within the ATP program rather than redirected to the State Highway Account, and specifically that savings

- and balances in the 40% Large MPO programs remain within the regional programs, consistent with federal guidance on the Transportation Alternative Program (TAP).
- MTC will not penalize project applicants for previous project delivery issues outside of the sponsor's control.

#### **CTC Guidelines**

The CTC adopted the Statewide ATP Guidelines on March 25, 2020, and are available at <a href="https://catc.ca.gov/programs/active-transportation-program">https://catc.ca.gov/programs/active-transportation-program</a>. The approved CTC Guidelines for the Active Transportation Program, as posted on the CTC website, are incorporated in MTC's Regional ATP Guidelines via this reference. All project sponsors are required to follow both the MTC and CTC ATP Guidelines in the development and implementation of the Regional ATP.

#### **ATP Development Schedule**

The development of the ATP will follow the schedule outlined in Appendix A-1 of this guidance, which is subject to change.

#### **ATP Regional Shares**

Appendix A-2 of this guidance provides the MTC regional shares for Cycle 5 of ATP funding (FY 2021-22 through FY 2024-25), consistent with the ATP Fund Estimate approved by the CTC on March 25, 2020. Appendix A-2 also includes the State's 25% minimum programming requirement to projects benefiting disadvantaged communities.

#### **Public Involvement Process**

In developing the ATP, MTC is committed to a broad, inclusive public involvement process consistent with MTC's Public Participation Plan, available at <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/public-participation-plan">http://mtc.ca.gov/about-mtc/public-participation-plan</a>.

#### **ATP Projects in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

Consistent with state and federal requirements, ATP funded projects must be programmed in the TIP before seeking a CTC allocation. Selected projects must complete and submit a Fund Management System (FMS) application by June 1, 2021, to be included in the TIP. In addition, MTC requires that a federal Request for Authorization (RFA) be submitted simultaneously with the ATP allocation request to Caltrans and CTC when the ATP project includes federal funds. Unless a state-only funding exception is granted, ATP funds will contain federal funds. Therefore, projects must receive a CTC allocation and a federal authorization to proceed before the expenditure of eligible costs or advertisement of contract award.

#### **Deviations from Statewide Policies**

Below are MTC-region specific policies as they apply to the Regional Active Transportation Program. These policies differ from CTC's Guidelines.

#### 1. Application Process and Additional Regional Screening/Evaluation Criteria

MTC elects to hold a separate call for projects for the Regional Active Transportation Program and has additional evaluation and screening criteria. Further information on these changes, as well as instructions for the application process, are detailed later in this guidance.

Project sponsors may apply for either the State ATP program or Regional ATP program, or to both. Sponsors applying to the State ATP program, the Regional ATP program, or both the state and regional programs must submit a copy of their state application to MTC. To be considered for the regional program, including consideration if unsuccessful in the statewide program, applicants must meet all regional requirements and submit a regional application by the application deadline.

## 2. Definition, Evaluation, and Funding Minimum for Disadvantaged Communities Definition

The MTC region has already adopted a measure to define Disadvantaged Communities (DACs) known as "Communities of Concern". MTC updated the Communities of Concern (COCs) definition in January 2016 as a part of the *Plan Bay Area 2040* Equity Framework. To meet the State's 25% DAC minimum requirement in the Regional ATP, MTC elects to use MTC's COC definition.

MTC's Communities of Concern are defined as those census tracts that have a concentration of both minority and low-income households, or that have a concentration of 3 or more of the remaining 6 factors below (#3 to #8), but only if they also have a concentration of low-income households. The concentration thresholds for these factors are described below.

| Disadvantage Factor                         | % of Regional Population | Concentration<br>Threshold |
|---|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. Minority Population                      | 58%                      | 70%                        |
| 2. Low Income (<200% of Poverty) Population | 25%                      | 30%                        |
| 3. Limited English Proficiency Population   | 9%                       | 20%                        |
| 4. Zero-Vehicle Households                  | 10%                      | 10%                        |
| 5. Seniors 75 Years and Over                | 6%                       | 10%                        |
| 6. People with Disability                   | 9%                       | 25%                        |
| 7. Single-Parent Families                   | 14%                      | 20%                        |
| 8. Severely Rent-Burdened Households        | 11%                      | 15%                        |

Based on this definition, 22% of the region's population is located in Communities of Concern. MTC's Communities of Concern definition of Disadvantaged Communities meets the State's legislative intent and has already been in use in the MTC region for planning and programming purposes.

Additional discussion of the Communities of Concern definition and methodology are included in the *Plan Bay Area 2040* Equity Analysis Report, available online at <a href="https://www.planbayarea.org/2040-plan/plan-details/equity-analysis">https://www.planbayarea.org/2040-plan/plan-details/equity-analysis</a> Information regarding the 2016 update is available online at <a href="https://mtc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=4216456&GUID=42E0CBF3-9490-4A6D-A6A6-B04003451057">https://mtc.legistar.com/View.ashx?M=F&ID=4216456&GUID=42E0CBF3-9490-4A6D-A6A6-B04003451057</a>. The last link also includes a static map of the COC locations. An interactive online map is available at <a href="https://arcg.is/1aeHq">https://arcg.is/1aeHq</a>.

#### Community-Based Transportation Plans (CBTPs)

The Community-Based Transportation Planning Program is a collaborative planning process that involves residents in low-income Bay Area communities, community- and faith-based organizations that serve them, transit operators, CTAs, and MTC. Each plan includes locally identified transportation needs, as well as solutions to address them. Each plan reflects the objectives of the program, which are to:

- emphasize community participation in prioritizing transportation needs and identifying potential solutions;
- foster collaboration between local residents, community-based organizations, transit operators, CTAs, and MTC; and
- build community capacity by involving community-based organizations in the planning process.

Project findings are forwarded to applicable local or county-level policy boards, as well as to MTC, for consideration in planning, funding, and implementation discussions.

#### Vision Zero Policy or Bike and Pedestrian Safety Policy or Plan

Vision Zero is a traffic safety policy that takes an ethical approach toward achieving safety for all road users, setting the goal of zero traffic fatalities or severe injuries. Vision Zero policies maintain that traffic deaths and severe injuries are preventable and focus attention on the shortcomings of the transportation system itself, including the built environment, policies, and technologies that influence behavior. Vision Zero sets the highest level of responsibility on the system designers – transportation planners and engineers, policymakers, police, etc. Each Vision Zero policy contains five core resolutions:

- Traffic deaths and severe injuries are acknowledged to be preventable.
- Human life and health are prioritized within all aspects of transportation systems.
- Acknowledgment that human error is inevitable and transportation systems should be forgiving.
- Safety work should focus on systems-level changes above influencing individual behavior.
- Speed is recognized and prioritized as the fundamental factor in crash severity.

Alternatively, jurisdictions may adopt policies or a plan addressing bicycle and pedestrian safety, in the spirit of Vision Zero.

MTC elects to change the statewide application's scoring point value for Disadvantaged Communities, assigning the value to 60% of the statewide scoring value. Twenty percent of the statewide scoring value will be awarded for projects within a jurisdiction (city or county) with a Vision Zero or Bike and Pedestrian Safety Policy or Plan, and the remaining twenty percent to projects identified in an approved Community-Based Transportation Plan (CBTP) or similar. The applicant will provide proof of Vision Zero safety policy or plan adopted by resolution and CBTP consistency in the supplemental regional application.

#### 3. Match Requirement

The CTC Guidelines do not require a match for Statewide ATP project nominations. The CTC Guidelines allow MPOs to define different match requirements for the Regional ATP.

Differing from CTC Guidelines, MTC elects to impose a local match requirement for the regional ATP of 11.47%, with match waivers for projects benefiting Disadvantaged Communities, stand-alone non-infrastructure projects, and safe routes to schools projects. As an added provision, a project sponsor may request the local match requirement be waived for the construction phase of an infrastructure project if the pre-construction phases are entirely funded using non-federal and non-ATP funds. This provision minimizes the number of federalized phases requiring an E-76 through Caltrans Local Assistance.

#### **4. Large Funding Requests**

MTC intends to fund a variety of projects across the region. If an ATP application request is larger than \$10 million, the applicant must provide evidence that the project can be scaled or segmented and can deliver commensurate benefits. A smaller segment of the project may be selected for funding if there is not enough funding available for the full request. The applicant will provide an explanation of scalability in the supplemental regional application. MTC will not consider an application requesting more than \$10 million scalability explanation.

#### **5. Contingency Project List**

MTC will adopt a list of projects for programming the Regional ATP that is financially constrained against the amount of ATP funding available (as identified in the approved ATP Fund Estimate). In addition, MTC will include a list of contingency projects, ranked in priority order based on the project's evaluation score. MTC intends to fund projects on the contingency list should there be any project failures or savings in the Cycle 5 Regional ATP. This list will ensure that MTC will fully program all regional ATP funds and that no ATP funds are lost to the region. The contingency list is valid until the adoption of the next ATP Cycle.

#### **Application Process**

#### **Project Application**

Upon CTC's concurrence of MTC's Regional ATP Guidelines, MTC will issue a call for projects for the Regional Active Transportation Program. Project sponsors must complete an application for

each project proposed for funding in the ATP, consisting of the items included in Appendix A-3 of this guidance. Project sponsors must use the Project Programming Request (PPR) forms provided by Caltrans for all projects. The PPR must be submitted electronically in Microsoft Excel format for upload into the regional and statewide databases. All application materials, in the form of 3 hard copies and 1 electronic copy must be received by MTC or postmarked no later than September 15, 2020, to be considered.

#### **Additional Project Screening Criteria, Including Readiness**

In addition to the CTC Guidelines, all projects included in the ATP must meet the following screening criteria.

- **A. Prohibition of Multiple Phases in the Same Year.** Project sponsors must provide sufficient time between the scheduled allocation of environmental funds and the start of design, right of way or construction. Therefore, projects may not have more than one phase programmed per fiscal year, except for the design and right of way phases, which may be programmed in the same fiscal year. Exceptions may be made on a case-by-case basis.
- **B. Deliverability.** Project sponsors must demonstrate they can meet the delivery timeframe of the Active Transportation Program. Projects that can be delivered (receive a CTC allocation and federal authorization to proceed for federal funds) earlier shall receive priority for funding over other projects. As specified in MTC's Regional Project Delivery Policy (MTC Resolution No. 3606, Revised), sponsors must receive the CTC allocation and receive the federal authorization to proceed (E-76 / federal obligation) for federally funded projects by January 31 of the programmed fiscal year. There are no extensions to these regional delivery deadlines.

#### C. One Bay Area Grant (OBAG) 2 Requirements.

- a. Consistency with OBAG 2 Housing Element Requirement. Jurisdictions (cities and counties) must have a general plan housing element adopted and certified by the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for 2014-2022 RHNA by May 31, 2015. Jurisdictions that have failed to meet this deadline must have their housing elements certified by HCD by June 30, 2016, to be eligible to receive ATP funding. Furthermore, under state statute, jurisdictions are required to submit Housing Element Annual Reports by April 1 every year. All cities and counties receiving ATP funding must comply with this requirement during the entire ATP funding period or risk deprogramming of ATP funding.
- b. Consistency with OBAG 2 Complete Streets Policy. Complete Streets are an essential part of promoting active transportation. To that end, project sponsors must supply documentation that the jurisdiction(s) in which the project is located meets the OBAG Complete Streets Policy by September 15, 2020. The policy may be met by the jurisdiction, either having updated the General Plan after January 1, 2010, to be consistent with the Complete Streets Act of 2008 or adopting a complete streets policy

resolution incorporating MTC's complete streets requirements. For further information regarding MTC's OBAG Complete Streets Policy, refer to the OBAG 2 website at <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/fund-invest/federal-funding/obag-2">http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/fund-invest/federal-funding/obag-2</a>. A sample complete streets policy resolution is available at <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/sites/default/files/OBAG\_2\_Reso\_Guidance\_Final.pdf">http://mtc.ca.gov/sites/default/files/OBAG\_2\_Reso\_Guidance\_Final.pdf</a>

**D. Transit Agency Coordination.** Applicants must demonstrate coordination with affected transit agencies in the supplemental regional application. Evidence of coordination should be in the form of a support letter or other discussion showing coordination with affected transit operators. Projects that do not impact transit operations should indicate "no impact." Otherwise, an application may be disqualified based on a lack of coordination with affected transit operators.

#### **Additional Project Evaluation Criteria**

MTC will use the CTC project evaluation criteria as outlined in the CTC Guidelines, with additional points and criteria for the Regional Active Transportation Program. The additional criteria and point values are:

- Consistency with Regional Priorities and Planning Efforts. (0 to 7 points)
   Applicants shall describe the project's consistency with previously-approved regional priorities, and how the project supports *Plan Bay Area 2040*. MTC staff will award points for the degree of the proposed project's consistency with regional priorities, such as:
  - Consistency with *Plan Bay Area 2040*'s Healthy and Safe Community goals & Transportation Demand Management strategies.
  - Consistency with MTC's Spare the Air Youth & Safe Routes to School Program, making it safer and easier for students and teachers to walk or bike to school.
  - Bay Trail build-out
  - o Regional Bike Network build-out
  - Gap closures in the Regional Bike Network
  - Multi-jurisdictional projects
  - Applications only requesting construction phase funds
  - o Demonstration of meeting regional project delivery requirements
  - Prior ATP cycle programming
- Completion of Approved Environmental Document. (0 or 3 points)
  While the Active Transportation Program may fund pre-construction phases of projects, including the environmental document phase, the region prefers projects which are environmentally cleared in order to promote certainty in project delivery and project scope. Applicants that provide evidence of an approved environmental document consistent with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) will receive additional points. If requesting state-only funding, only CEQA documentation is required. Evidence may be provided by the following methods:
  - o Photocopy of the approved environmental document cover and executive summary;
  - Link to the approved environmental document available online;

- Full soft copy of the environmental document provided on the electronic copy of the application;
- o Documentation from Caltrans regarding environmental approval; and/or
- Other Council/Board action, such as resolutions and/or Planning Department approval of the environmental document.

This provision does not apply to planning activities or stand-alone non-infrastructure projects, which receive the full points to this criterion regardless of environmental status at the time of application. These projects must still follow any applicable CEQA and NEPA requirements to receive ATP funding.

- Countywide Plans/Goals Consistency Determination. (0 or -2 point)
  Following the application due date, MTC will share the received applications with the CTAs.
  The CTAs will review the applications for consistency with adopted countywide
  transportation plans, active transportation plans, and/or other countywide goals, as
  applicable. The CTAs will provide MTC a list of projects determined to be inconsistent with
  countywide plans and/or goals no later than February 1, 2021. Inconsistent projects will
  receive a 2 point penalty; consistent projects will be held harmless.
- Deliverability Determination. (0 or -5 points)
   MTC staff will review each application's project delivery schedule for the ability to meet regional deadlines as described in MTC Resolution No. 3606, Revised. Projects that are deemed unable to allocate ATP funds within the four programming years of Cycle 5 (FY 2021-22 through FY 2024-25) shall receive a 5 point penalty. Projects that are deemed able to allocate within the four programming years of Cycle 5 will be held harmless.

#### **Additional Regional Policies**

#### **Title VI Compliance**

Investments made in the ATP must be consistent with federal Title VI requirements. Title VI prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, disability, and national origin in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance.

#### MTC Resolution No. 3606 Compliance - Regional Project Delivery Policy

The CTC ATP Guidelines establish timely use of funds and project delivery requirements for ATP projects. Missing critical milestones could result in deletion of the project from the ATP, and a permanent loss of funds to the region. Therefore, these timely use of funds deadlines must be considered in programming the various project phases in the ATP. While the CTC Guidelines provide some flexibility with respect to these deadlines by allowing for deadline extensions under certain circumstances, the CTC is very clear that deadline extensions will be the exception rather than the rule. MTC Resolution No. 3606 details the Regional Project Delivery Policy for regional discretionary funding, which may be more restrictive than the State's delivery policy. All projects in the regional ATP are subject to the Regional Project Delivery Policy (MTC Resolution 3606), including the adoption of a Resolution of Local Support for selected projects by April 1, 2021. For additional information, refer to <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/fund-invest/federal-funding/project-delivery">http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/fund-invest/federal-funding/project-delivery</a>.

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#### MTC Resolution No. 3765 Compliance - Complete Streets Checklist

MTC's Resolution No. 3765 requires project sponsors to complete a checklist that considers the needs of bicycles and pedestrians for applicable projects. The Complete Streets Checklist (also known as "Routine Accommodations Checklist") is available through MTC's website online at <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/plans-projects/bicycle-pedestrian-planning/complete-streets">http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/plans-projects/bicycle-pedestrian-planning/complete-streets</a>. Furthermore, it is encouraged that all bicycle projects programmed in the ATP support the Regional Bicycle Network and county-wide bicycle plans. Guidance on considering bicycle transportation can be found in MTC's 2009 Regional Bicycle Plan (a component of Transportation 2035) and Caltrans Deputy Directive 64. MTC's Regional Bicycle Plan, containing federal, state, and regional policies for accommodating bicycles and non-motorized travel, is available on MTC's Web site at: <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/plans-projects/bicycle-pedestrian-planning">http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/plans-projects/bicycle-pedestrian-planning</a>.

### **METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION (MTC)**

2021 Regional Active Transportation Program (rATP) Cycle 5
Appendix A-1: ATP Development Schedule (Subject to Change)
May 13, 2020

| May 13, 2020                                   |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| January 2020                                   | CTC released draft ATP Guidelines  |  |  |  |
| January 2020                                   | Draft Regional ATP Guidelines presented to Working Groups  |  |  |  |
| February 12, 2020                              | MTC Programming and Allocations Committee (PAC) review and recommendation of final Regional ATP Guidelines                                       |  |  |  |
| February 26, 2020                              | MTC Commission adoption of Regional ATP Guidelines MTC submits adopted Regional ATP Guidelines to CTC for consideration                          |  |  |  |
| March 25, 2020                                 | CTC adoption of State ATP Guidelines CTC adoption of MTC's Regional ATP Guidelines   |  |  |  |
| March 26, 2020                                 | CTC released ATP Call for Projects for Statewide Competitive Program MTC released ATP Call for Projects for Regional Program                     |  |  |  |
| <del>June 15, 2020</del><br>July 15, 2020      | State Quick-build Pilot Program Applications Due to CTC (Statewide Program)  |  |  |  |
| June 15, 2020<br>September 15, 2020            | State ATP Applications Due to CTC (Statewide Program) Regional ATP Applications Due to MTC (Regional Program)                                    |  |  |  |
| September 15, 2020                             | CTC releases staff recommendation for ATP Statewide Quick-build Pilot Program  |  |  |  |
| December 2, 2020                               | ATP Statewide Quick-build Pilot Program Adoption: CTC scheduled to adopt the statewide quick-build pilot program                                 |  |  |  |
| October 31, 2020<br>February 15, 2021          | CTC releases staff recommendation for ATP Statewide Competitive Program  |  |  |  |
| <del>December 2, 2020</del><br>March, 2021     | ATP Statewide Program Adoption: CTC scheduled to adopt the statewide program and transmit unsuccessful projects to the Regions for consideration |  |  |  |
| <del>December 16, 2020</del><br>March 31, 2021 | MTC releases staff recommendation for ATP Regional Program   |  |  |  |
| <del>January 2021</del><br>April 2021          | Working Group discussions of staff recommendations   |  |  |  |
| <del>January 13, 2021</del><br>April 13, 2021  | MTC Programming and Allocation Committee (PAC) scheduled review and recommendation of final ATP Regional Program                                 |  |  |  |
| <del>January 27, 2021</del><br>April 28, 2021  | ATP Regional Program Adoption: MTC Commission scheduled approval of ATP regional program and transmittal to CTC for consideration                |  |  |  |
| April 1, 2021<br>June 1, 2021                  | TIP Amendment Deadline: Successful ATP project sponsors to submit 2021 TIP Amendment, including Resolution of Local Support                      |  |  |  |
| March 15, 2021<br>June 2021                    | CTC Approval of ATP Regional Program   |  |  |  |
| January 31, 2022                               | Allocation/Obligation Deadline for Regional ATP projects programmed in FY 2021-22  |  |  |  |
| January 31, 2023                               | Allocation/Obligation Deadline for Regional ATP projects programmed in FY 2022-23  |  |  |  |
| January 31, 2024                               | Allocation/Obligation Deadline for Regional ATP projects programmed in FY 2023-24  |  |  |  |
| January 31, 2025                               | Allocation/Obligation Deadline for Regional ATP projects programmed in FY 2024-25  |  |  |  |
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Shaded Area – Actions by State, CTC or Caltrans

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### **Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)** 2021 Regional Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 5

Based on CTC ATP Fund Estimate adopted on 3/25/2020

#### **Appendix A-2: MTC ATP Regional Share Targets**

#### **Cycle 5 Program - FY 2021-22 through FY 2024-25**

ATP Regional Share

All numbers in thousands

| Fund Source              | FY 2021-22 | FY 2022-23 | FY 2023-24 | FY 2024-25 | Total    |
|--------------------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|
| Federal STBG (TAP)       |            |            | \$5,484    | \$5,484    | \$10,969 |
| Federal Other            |            |            | \$1,907    | \$1,907    | \$3,815  |
| State                    | \$8,045    | \$8,045    |            |            | \$16,090 |
| SB1                      |            |            | \$3,066    | \$3,066    | \$6,132  |
| Total ATP Regional Share | \$8,045    | \$8,045    | \$10,458   | \$10,458   | \$37,005 |

#### State's 25% Disadvantaged Communities Minimum Requirement

| Classification                             | FY 2021-22 | FY 2022-23 | FY 2023-24 | FY 2024-25 | Total    |
|--|------------|------------|------------|------------|----------|
| 25% - Benefiting Disadvantaged Communities | \$2,011    | \$2,011    | \$2,614    | \$2,614    | \$9,251  |
| 75% - Anywhere in the Region               | \$6,034    | \$6,034    | \$7,843    | \$7,843    | \$27,754 |
| Total ATP Regional Share                   | \$8,045    | \$8,045    | \$10,458   | \$10,458   | \$37,005 |

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#### Appendix A-3: Regional ATP Project Application

Project sponsors must submit a completed project application for each project proposed for funding in the Regional Active Transportation Program. The application consists of the following parts and are available on the Internet (as applicable) at: <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/atp">http://mtc.ca.gov/atp</a>

- 1. Cover letter on Agency letterhead signed by the applicant's Chief Executive Officer or other officer authorized by the applicant's governing board
  - If the proposed project is implemented by an agency other than the project sponsor, documentation of the agreement between the two entities must be included
  - b. If proposing matching funds, the letter should include confirmation that these matching funds are available for the proposed project
- 2. Project application forms
  - a. Statewide ATP Application Form, available at <a href="https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/active-transportation-program/cycle5">https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/active-transportation-program/cycle5</a>
  - b. Regional ATP Supplemental Application Form, available at <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/atp">http://mtc.ca.gov/atp</a>, including back-up documentation, as applicable, such as:
    - i. Community of Concern benefit evidence
    - ii. Scalability plan for applications requesting more than \$10 million.
    - iii. Environmental Documentation certification evidence (CEQA and NEPA, if requesting federal funds)
    - iv. OBAG 2 Complete Streets Policy and Housing Element compliance
    - v. Vision Zero Policy or Bike and Pedestrian Safety Policy or Plan evidence
    - vi. Community-Based Transportation Plan evidence
    - vii. Transit Agency Coordination evidence
- 3. Project Programming Request (PPR) form
  - a. Available at: <a href="https://dot.ca.gov/programs/transportation-programming/office-of-capital-improvement-programming-ocip">https://dot.ca.gov/programs/transportation-programming/office-of-capital-improvement-programming-ocip</a>
- 4. Complete Streets Checklist
  - a. Available at: <a href="http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/plans-projects/bicycle-pedestrian-planning/complete-streets">http://mtc.ca.gov/our-work/plans-projects/bicycle-pedestrian-planning/complete-streets</a>
  - b. Not necessary for Planning or Non-Infrastructure projects.

Note: Selected projects are also required to provide a Resolution of Local Support for the project no later than June 1, 2021.