

Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

April 14, 2021

Agenda Item 5a - 21-0448

California Transportation Commission (CTC) and State Funding Programs Update

Subject: Update on California Transportation Commission (CTC) and state funding programs under the CTC's purview.

Background: The California Transportation Commission (CTC) is responsible for programming and allocating certain state and federal transportation funds for the planning and implementation of highway, passenger rail, non-motorized facilities, and transit improvements throughout California. Among other transportation funding programs, the CTC approves programming and allocations for the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP); State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP); State Active Transportation Program (ATP) and various Senate Bill 1 (SB1) programs including Solutions for Congested Corridors (SCC); Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) and the competitive element of the Local Partnership Program (LPP). The CTC allocates funds for projects in the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP), following project selection by the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA).

The CTC consists of eleven voting members and two non-voting ex-officio members. The San Francisco Bay Area has three (3) CTC members residing in its geographic area: Vice-Chair Bob Alvarado (Executive Officer, Northern California Carpenters Regional Council), Darnell Grisby (Executive Director of Transform), and Carl Guardino (Executive Vice President of Global Government Affairs and Policy for Bloom Energy).

March CTC Meeting (March 24-25, Held Online)

The CTC met and discussed the following issues of regional significance.

Federal COVID Relief Funds and 2021 STIP. With the passage of the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021 (CRRSAA), California is slated to receive \$912 million in relief funds administered by the Federal Highway Administration. For these funds, the CTC approved a 60% state/40% region split. The regional share (\$365 million, or 40% of the \$912 million) is split equally between the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP), administered by CTC, and the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program, administered by Caltrans Local Assistance. Under this approach, the Bay Area will receive about \$65.5 million, with \$30.9 million through the STIP, programmed by the Bay Area County Transportation Agencies, and \$34.6 million through the STBG Program, programmed by MTC. MTC staff will return to this Committee in May with further recommendations for these funds.

Active Transportation Program. In February 2021, the CTC released its staff recommendations for the 2021 Active Transportation Program (ATP Cycle 5) Statewide Component. The statewide component had \$241 million available for distribution, and the CTC approved five projects for funding in the Bay Area for a total of \$51 million in ATP funds, or 21% of the available

funds. The recommended projects in the Bay Area are listed in county order below.

County	Project	ATP State Rec. Amount (\$M)
Alameda	Oakland 7 th Street Connection Project	\$14.2
Alameda	East Oakland Neighborhood Bike Routes	\$17.3
Contra Costa	Contra Costa County North Bailey Rd. Active Transportation Corridor	\$6.2
Santa Clara	Santa Clara County Active and Safe Routes to a Healthier City	\$2.5
Solano	Fairfield West Texas Street Compete Streets Project	\$10.9
Total		\$51.1

State Plans and Policy Updates. Caltrans and CalSTA presented updates on State Planning Documents and Policy Proposals. Caltrans provided updates on the Interregional Transportation Strategic Plan, which guides how Caltrans selects projects for funding from the Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP), and the State Highway System Management Plan, which lays out the path to a state of good repair for State Highway System assets. CalSTA presented an update on the Draft Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI). The CAPTI sets prioritization principles for state funding programs to meet statewide greenhouse gas emission reduction targets (part of Executive Order N-19-19). MTC staff will present an update on CAPTI at the Partnership Board meeting in April.

Commissioner Updates. In March, the Governor appointed Darnell Grisby to the CTC, filling the vacancy created upon Yvonne Burke's retirement. Commissioner Grisby is the Executive Director of Transform, headquartered in Oakland.

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

Allocations. For the following allocations, CTC provides a 12-month deadline to award a contract (from the standard 6 months) due to project delivery uncertainty caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Funding allocations for two Active Transportation Program (ATP) projects in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties;
- Funding allocations for two Local Partnership Program (LPP) projects in Contra Costa and Sonoma Counties; and
- Funding allocation for one Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) project in Alameda County.

Extensions.

- Allocation extension for one STIP project in San Mateo County and one TIRCP project in Alameda County; and

- Project completion extension for one ATP project in Contra Costa County.

Amendments.

- STIP Amendments for project changes for two projects in Contra Costa County;
- TCEP Amendments for projects in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties;
- LPP Competitive Technical Amendment for one project in Sonoma County.

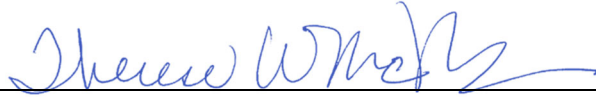
MTC staff continue to work with project sponsors of ATP and other CTC-managed programs to meet CTC delivery deadlines and requirements.

The next CTC meeting is scheduled for May 12-13, 2021, to be held online.

Issues: None.

Recommendation: Information. No action required.

Attachments: None.


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