Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

December 11, 2024

Agenda Item 2f-24-1527

MTC Resolution Nos. 4650, Revised; 4202, Revised; and 4505, Revised

Subject:

Revisions to the Regional Early Action Planning Grant (REAP 2) program and One Bay Area Grant (OBAG 2 and 3) programs to reflect changes to MTC's REAP 2 expenditure plan and to align project timelines with fund program deadlines.

Background:

The Regional Early Action Planning Grant (REAP 2) Program is a state investment to advance implementation of adopted regional plans by funding transformative planning and implementation activities that accelerate infill housing development, reduce per capita vehicle miles traveled, and affirmatively further fair housing.

The OBAG 2 and 3 programs establish the policy and programming framework for investing federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement program (CMAQ) funds for FY 2017-18 through FY 2025-26.

This month, staff recommend the following changes to program REAP 2 balances and align individual projects to the appropriate fund sources. These changes result in a net-zero change to both REAP 2 and OBAG 3 and are summarized below and detailed in **Attachment 1**.

Priority Sites Technical Assistance

- Deprogram a total of \$400,000 from the Los Altos Hills Foothill College project and the Santa Rosa Lance Drive and Guerneville Road project, as these projects were already completed or were otherwise declined by the sponsor;
- Change the fund source for the Alameda County District Finance project and program an additional \$85,000 to the project, bringing the total award to \$250,000; and
- Program \$315,000 to MTC for Regionwide Priority Sites Technical Assistance to address time-sensitive needs of additional priority sites and to conduct discrete technical studies (e.g. site surveys, feasibility studies, environmental site assessments).

Regional Housing Technical Assistance (RHTA)

• Change the fund source of \$800,000 for the Sonoma County Airport Specific Plan from OBAG 3 to REAP 2;

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- Program \$200,000 in REAP 2 funds to MTC for Marin County Objective Design and Development Standards (ODDS) project; and
- Program an additional \$135,020 in REAP 2 funds to MTC for legal services, bringing the total programmed to that project to \$335,020. These additional funds will support the development of model ordinances, housing policy, and annual housing law webinars.

The changes above fully program the REAP 2 RHTA balances and shift \$800,000 in unprogrammed balances from REAP 2 to OBAG 3. Shifting this balance to OBAG 3 will provide local agencies with more time to deliver future RHTA activities than would be possible within the aggressive state-mandated expenditure deadlines of the REAP 2 program.

Issues:

The changes proposed this month are consistent with MTC's approved REAP 2 expenditure plan. Staff are working with HCD to reflect the latest expenditure plan in any agreements and documentation required by HCD for the distribution of funds.

Recommendations:

Refer MTC Resolution Nos. 4650, Revised, 4202, Revised, and 4505, Revised to the Commission for approval. MTC Resolution Nos. 4202, Revised and 4505, Revised are also proposed for revisions under Agenda Item 4b and are included once under that item with all proposed revisions. Only items referred by the Committee will be forwarded to the Commission for approval.

Attachments:

- Attachment A: Priority Sites Technical Assistance Program Updates
- MTC Resolution No. 4650, Revised
 Attachment A
- MTC Resolution No. 4202, Revised
- MTC Resolution No. 4202, Revised
 MTC Resolution No. 4505, Revised

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