

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission  
Programming and Allocations Committee**

September 10, 2025

Agenda Item 2e-25-1090

**MTC Resolution No. 4639, Revised, RM3 Safe Routes to Transit & Bay Trail Cycle 1  
Programming Update & Report on Regional Active Transportation Program Benefits**

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**Subject:**

Update on the conditional programming for the Bay Skyway project as part of the Regional Measure 3 (RM3) Safe Routes to Transit and Bay Trail (SR2TBT) Program and a summary of projected active transportation project benefits, such as increased walking and biking trips, greenhouse gas reductions, and improved safety outcomes based on projects programmed in recent Active Transportation Program (ATP) cycles.

**Background:**

Bay Area voters approved RM3 on June 5, 2018; on December 19, 2018, the Bay Area Toll Authority (BATA) adopted a toll schedule phasing in the resulting toll increase. BATA implemented the first, second, and third dollars of the toll increase on January 1, 2019, January 1, 2022, and January 1, 2025, respectively. RM3 Project 4, San Francisco Bay Trail / Safe Routes to Transit, provides \$150 million in funding for a competitive grant program to fund bicycle and pedestrian access improvements on and in the vicinity of the state-owned toll bridges connecting to rail transit stations and ferry terminals.

On February 24, 2025 MTC adopted the Regional ATP Cycle 7 program of projects under MTC Resolution No. 4633, Revised and the first cycle of the SR2TBT program of projects under MTC Resolution No. 4639, Revised. The SR2TBT programming action awarded \$75 million to six projects including a conditional programming recommendation for the Multimodal Bay Skyway project in Alameda and San Francisco counties.

At the time of programming, staff recommended a conditional SR2TBT award of \$23.8 million for the Multimodal Bay Skyway Project, conditioning the award on the project team either securing the remaining funding in the concurrent Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Solutions for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program, or presenting MTC staff with a deliverable segment that maintains the benefits described in the application using the SR2TBT award, following the California Transportation Commission's (CTC) adoption of the SCC program.

**RM3 Safe Routes to Transit and Bay Trail Programming Update:**

On June 26, 2025, the CTC approved the SCC program but without funding for the Multimodal Bay Skyway project. Without the remaining funds needed to deliver the original proposed scope, the project team submitted a revised scope of work that demonstrates how the project's original benefits can still be achieved while fully utilizing the \$23.8 million SR2TBT programming recommendation. The revised scope of work allows for an interim solution to provide similar

access through the Bay Bridge Forward Grand Avenue path and new projects on Yerba Buena Island to deliver a multimodal solution in 2029, when other funding sources are secured MTC staff reviewed the revised scope and determined that the project's core benefits remain intact and continue to meet the intent of the SR2TBT program, satisfying the condition imposed on the initial SR2TBT programming. Further, the project sponsors agree to fund remaining scope with other grant funding, and to not seek future SR2TBT funding for the original project scope. As part of the update, the project team provided a presentation outlining the changes (Attachment A), tables showing the revised projected benefits (Attachment B), and letters of support from partner agencies (Attachment C).

**Active Transportation Program Summary of Program Benefits:**

Following the adoption of the Regional ATP Cycle 7, Commissioners requested a summary of the net benefits of ATP investments in the region. CTC and Caltrans staff have performed state- and regional-level program benefit analyses for recent ATP Cycles using data from ATP applications, the University of California, Davis California Active Transportation Benefit Cost Tool, and the California Air Resources Board's Affordable Housing and Sustainable Communities Benefits Calculator Tool. MTC staff worked with CTC and Caltrans staff to access the data for the region, and MTC staff prepared a summary of the key benefits and outcomes of ATP investments in the region from ATP Cycle 6, provided in Attachment D.

**Issues:**

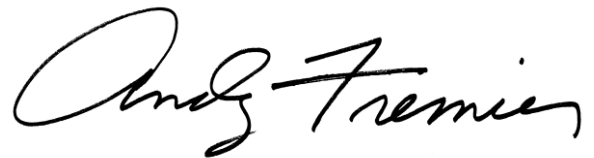
None.

**Recommendations:**

Information only.

**Attachments:**

- Attachment A – Multimodal Bay Skyway: Project Update Presentation
- Attachment B – Multimodal Bay Skyway: Analysis of Project Changes
- Attachment C – Multimodal Bay Skyway: Letters of Support
- Attachment D – Active Transportation Program: Summary of Program Benefits



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