

2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program Overview & Recommendation



Programming and Allocations Committee

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State Transportation Improvement Program Overview

- The State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is a five-year investment plan for state transportation money and is updated every two years.
- The most recent STIP was adopted in March 2024, and development of the 2026 STIP began in spring 2025.
- STIP projects are funded in large part by the state excise tax on gasoline and stabilized as part of Senate Bill 1 (SB 1, 2017)
- Capital transportation projects, from roadway improvements or new bike paths to a highway project or rail line extension, may be included in the STIP.

STIP = RTIP + ITIP

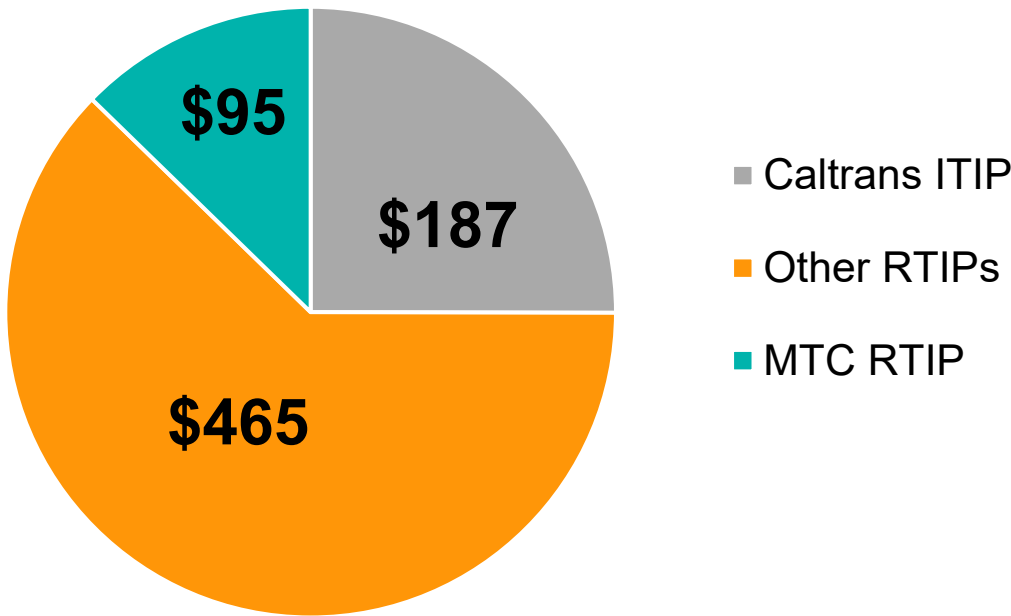
- Regional Transportation Agencies' (RTPAs) project lists account for 75% of the STIP. The Regional Programs are collectively known as Regional Transportation Improvement Programs (RTIPs).
- As the RTPA in the Bay Area, MTC is responsible for developing the region's funding priorities for the RTIP and submitting the proposed projects to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) for inclusion in the STIP.
- The remaining 25% of the STIP is a statewide spending plan developed by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and known as the Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP).
 - Caltrans develops the ITIP to fund projects that connect metro areas or cross regional boundaries.
- Together, the various RTIPs and the ITIP make up the STIP.

STIP Programming Partners & Roles

Agency	Roles
California Transportation Commission (CTC)	Adopt the STIP Guidelines, Fund Estimate, and provide final programming recommendations
California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)	Development of the STIP Fund Estimate, ITIP project list, and coordination of projects on the State right-of-way
Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC)	Establish regional priorities and ensure CTA programming recommendations are consistent with available funding and MTC policies
Bay Area County Transportation Agencies (CTAs) & Project Sponsors	Project solicitation, selection, delivery and submittal of the project application material

2026 STIP & RTIP At a Glance

2026 STIP New Funding Distribution
by Component (\$M)



2026 STIP 5-Year Programming Period

FY 2026-27 (carry over year from 2022 STIP)

FY 2027-28 (carry over year from 2024 STIP)

FY 2028-29 (carry over year from 2024 STIP)

FY 2029-30 (new FY added for 2026 STIP)

FY 2030-31 (new FY added for 2026 STIP)

2026 RTIP Programming Recommendations

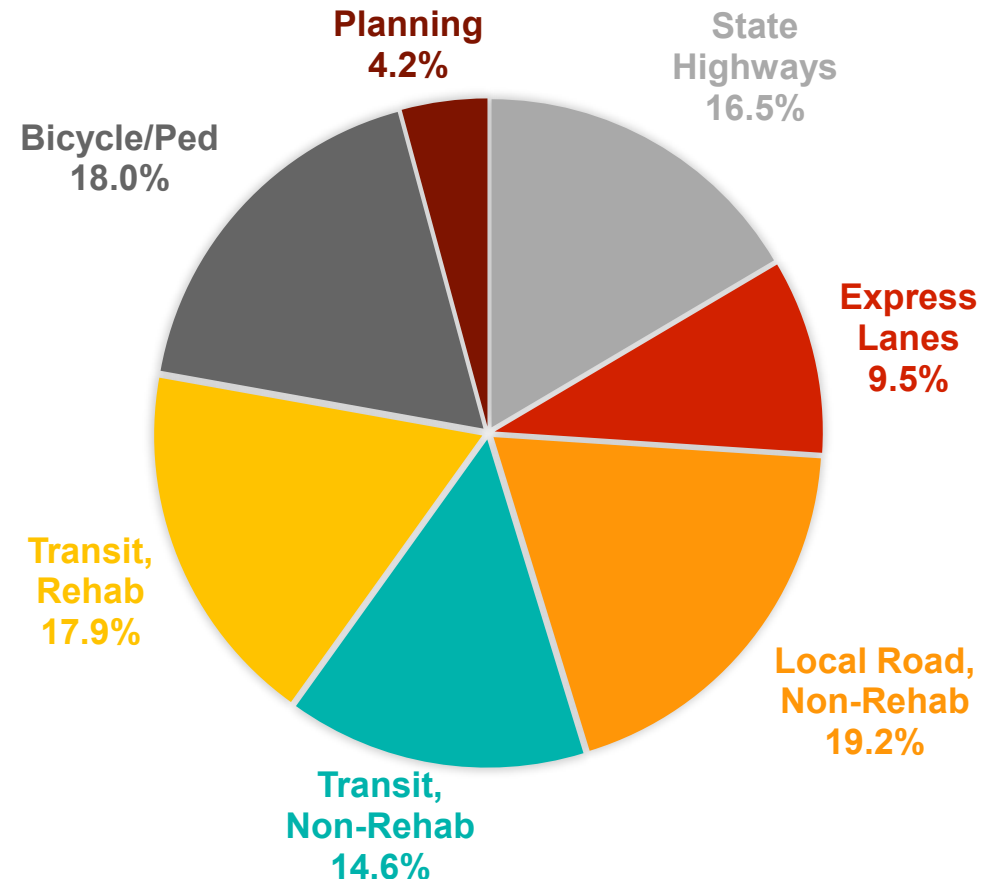
- Staff recommends \$142 million in new programming to projects spanning seven of the nine Bay Area Counties.
- Marin, Napa, San Francisco, and Solano counties only requested funding for planning, programming, and monitoring.
- San Francisco is repaying MTC with their county share for prior commitments owed to MTC.

County	Total New Recommended Programming (a = b+c)	Proposed Regional Priority Programming (b)	Proposed County Programming (c)
Alameda	\$11.3	\$0	\$11.3
Contra Costa	\$13.6	\$0	\$13.6
Marin	\$0.2	\$0	\$0.2
Napa	\$0.1	\$0	\$0.1
San Francisco	\$9.9	\$9.4	\$0.5
San Mateo	\$46.6	\$0	\$46.6
Santa Clara	\$52.7	\$0	\$52.7
Solano	\$0.3	\$0	\$0.3
Sonoma	\$7.0	\$3.4	\$3.6
Total	\$141.7	\$12.8	\$128.9

2026 RTIP Programming Recommendations

- \$142 million in new programming recommendations is a portion of the larger 2026 RTIP.
- The full 2026 RTIP includes approximately \$362 million for projects in all Bay Area counties and all program years for the 5-year STIP period, including those carried over from the 2022 and 2024 RTIPs.

Full 2026 RTIP Projects by Mode



Next Steps & Staff Recommendation

- Refer Resolution 4728, Revised to the Commission for approval
 - Adoption of the 2026 RTIP Project List
 - Programming \$142 million of capacity to new and existing projects
 - Transmit draft project list to CTC after the Programming and Allocations Committee referral