

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Programming and Allocations Committee**

April 10, 2024

Agenda Item 5a-24-0375

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 Program (SCCP); Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) and 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: Jay Bradshaw (Executive Secretary-Treasurer, Northern California Carpenters Regional Council), Vice-Chair Darnell Grisby (Senior Vice President, Beneficial State Foundation), and Chair Carl Guardino (Vice President of Government Affairs, Tarana Wireless).

March CTC Meeting (March 21-22, San Jose)

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

Adoption of 2025 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Fund Estimate and Guidelines

The CTC adopted the final 2025 ATP Fund Estimate and Guidelines, as well as the MTC Regional ATP Guidelines. While the Governor's January Budget Proposal for FY 2024-25 includes a reduction of \$200 million from the ATP Program, the approved Fund Estimate does not account for the proposed reduction. If the budget is approved as proposed in June, Caltrans and CTC will revise the Fund Estimate downward by roughly 35% to account for the \$200 million reduction. The Call for Projects is now open and applications are due by June 17, 2024.

Adoption of the 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

The CTC approved the 2024 STIP. MTC adopted and submitted the final 2024 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) to CTC in December 2023. The 2024 STIP includes about \$197 million in new transportation funding for the Bay Area. Projects receiving 2024 STIP funds include transit projects in Alameda and San Francisco Counties; bike and pedestrian projects in Alameda, Contra Costa, Napa, San Mateo, Santa Clara, and Sonoma Counties; and highway projects supporting proposed Senate Bill 1 (SB1) competitive program applications.

Deferral of Advance TCEP Programming for I-80 Managed Lanes in Yolo County

CTC deferred action on Caltrans's and the Sacramento Area Council of Governments' (SACOG's) requested advance programming of SB1 TCEP funds for the I-80 Managed Lanes project in Yolo County. CTC received a last-minute letter from the California Air Resources Board (CARB) raising concerns about the project's environmental analyses and chose to defer consideration until the May meeting. While not in the MTC region, the project is a "Megaregion Dozen" project and could eventually connect to existing Managed/Express Lanes on I-80 in Solano County.

Allocations, Extensions, and Amendments.

The CTC approved the following:

Allocations. For construction phase allocations, CTC provides a six-month deadline to award a construction contract.

- Supplemental STIP funding allocation for a project in Napa County.
- Funding allocations for two LPP formulaic program projects in San Francisco and San Mateo Counties.
- Funding allocation for one jointly-funded ATP and LPP formulaic program project in San Francisco County.
- Funding allocations for three ATP projects in Alameda, San Mateo, and Santa Clara Counties.

Extensions.

- Allocation extension for one ATP project in Alameda County.
- Contract award extensions for STIP and LPP formulaic projects in Napa and San Mateo Counties.
- Project completion extensions for two ATP projects in Alameda and Contra Costa Counties, and for one TIRCP project sponsored by Caltrain.

Amendments.

- Program amendments to the LPP formulaic program to program two projects in Contra Costa and San Mateo Counties.
- Allocation amendments for two LPP projects in Santa Clara and Sonoma Counties.
- Allocation amendments for four ATP projects in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, and San Mateo Counties

MTC staff continue to work with project sponsors of all the CTC-managed programs to ensure meeting CTC delivery deadlines and requirements.

CTC Appointments.

In early March, Senate President Pro Tempore Mike McGuire appointed State Senator Dave Cortese to the CTC as an ex-officio member. Senator Cortese joins Assemblymember Lori Wilson as the other ex-officio member from the Legislature.

Next Steps:

The next CTC meeting is scheduled for May 16-17, 2024, to be held in Orange County and online.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

Information. No action required.

Attachments:

None.



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