



Item #10

October 6, 2017

MEMO TO: TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FROM: PETER DE HAAN, PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: APPROVE PRIORITY RANKING FOR COMBINED CALL-FOR-PROJECTS FOR CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) FUNDS AND TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) ARTICLE 3 BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN FUNDS – PUBLIC HEARING

RECOMMENDATION:

- Program \$7,639,749 CMAQ funds and \$1,222,251 in TDA Article 3 Bicycle & Pedestrian funds (for a total of \$8,862,000) to the non-transit projects prioritized “above the line” in the Attachment.
- Program \$6,150,000 in CMAQ funds to the transit projects prioritized “above the line” in the Attachment.
- Approve for the Shelf List \$2,669,142 for transit projects and \$3,354,769 for non-transit projects as specified in the Attachment.
- Approve the prior-year carryover and FY 2017/18 TDA Article 3 allocations of \$691,071 as shown in the Attachment.

BACKGROUND:

The Commission, at its May meeting, approved the guidelines for the combined CMAQ/TDA Article 3 Bicycle & Pedestrian Call-for-Projects, and VCTC approved the guidelines on June 2nd. The guidelines provide for separate scoring of transit and non-transit (primarily bicycle and pedestrian) projects, with TRANSCOM to review the transit projects and TTAC the non-transit projects, based on the policy that each of the two categories receive half of the CMAQ funds.

When the guidelines were adopted, staff provided estimated funding amounts for each category, which took into account some projects that had been committed for “off-the-top” funding. The result was that there was estimated to be \$5,847,000 available in the Call for the non-transit category, and \$3,390,000 for the transit category. Staff has recently updated the funding amounts based on prior-year carryover and updated revenue estimates, with the result that the available amounts are significantly increased, to \$8,862,000 for non-transit and \$6,150,000 for transit, for a total of \$15,012,000.

As specified in the guidelines, project applications were due to VCTC on August 21st. VCTC received a total of 21 non-transit projects with a total funding request of \$33,446,829. These projects included 17 bicycle/pedestrian projects, 3 projects in the signal and traffic flow improvement category, and 1 clean transportation infrastructure project. For transit, VCTC received a total of 12 transit projects with a total

funding request of \$13,216,980. These projects included 5 alternate-fueled transit vehicle projects, 2 bus stop improvement projects, 2 new transit service (operations) projects, 1 outreach project, 1 study, and 1 rail car refurbishment project.

Following the process provided in the Guidelines, the initial scores were developed by VCTC and Ventura County Air Pollution Control District staff. The non-transit recommendations were reviewed and approved by CTAC on September 12th and by TTAC on September 21st. The transit recommendations were reviewed and approved by TRANSCOM on September 14th.

The scores for all projects, including those recommended for funding, those recommended for the Shelf List, and those not recommended for either, are summarized in the Attachment. As specified in the criteria, the first step in the project evaluation was eligibility review, and on this basis two non-transit projects and one transit project, as shown in the Attachment, were found to be ineligible and therefore not scored.

As reported in another item in the agenda, it appears that the SB 1 Active Transportation Program (ATP) will provide an additional \$1,743,462 in Ventura County share funds for the projects. Since these funds will be the Ventura County portion of the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) share, that recommendation must be approved by the Southern California Association of Governments Regional Council. Some of the projects recommended for funding from CMAQ are also under consideration for ATP, so it is possible that if ATP funds are applied to those projects that some of the requested CMAQ will no longer be needed, allowing projects further down the list to be funded instead. In that event staff will provide an updated recommendation to the Commission.

The notice for this Public Hearing was published in the Ventura County Star on September 26, 2017.

RECOMMENDED CMAQ / TDA ARTICLE 3 PROJECTSTRANSIT

Project Name:	Agency:	Committee Score:	CMAQ Funds:
Ventura Road Transit Service Operations for 2 of 3 years	Gold Coast Transit	75	2,436,095
VCTC Intercity Purchase 3 Buses	VCTC	65	1,892,859
Midlife Engine Replacement and Service Life Extension – 14 buses	Gold Coast Transit District	65	1,821,046

Total: \$6,150,000

BIKE/PEDESTRIAN/TRAFFIC FLOW

Project Name:	Agency:	Committee Score:	TDA Article 3 Carryover – 17/18	TDA Article 3 18/19	CMAQ	Total Funds:
Conejo School Rd & Willow Lane Sidewalk / Bike Lane	Thousand Oaks	82	252,500		1,709,150	1,961,650
Arroyo Drive Pedestrian Improvements Design	Moorpark	74		531,180		531,180
Central Avenue Pedestrian Improvement	Ventura County	71			880,874	880,874
Potrero Road Bike Lanes	Ventura County	70			1,394,217	1,394,217
Rancho Road Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements	Thousand Oaks	68			659,314	659,314
Santa Paula High School Neighborhood Pedestrian Improvements	Santa Paula	66	266,000			266,000
Casitas Vista Road Bike Lanes	Ventura County	60	11,991		488,686	500,677
Moorpark Road Bike Lane / Sidewalk	Thousand Oaks	59			390,815	390,815
Wells Road Bus Stop Pedestrian Improvements	S. Buenaventura	59			309,855	309,855
West Los Angeles Avenue Bike Lanes / Sidewalk	Simi Valley	57	160,580		1,239,420	1,400,000
Sespe Street Bike Lanes	Ventura County	55			567,418	567,418

Total: \$8,862,000

RECOMMENDED CMAQ / TDA ARTICLE 3 SHELF LIST PROJECTS

TRANSIT

Project Name:	Agency:	Committee Score:	CMAQ Funds:
Midlife Engine Replacement and Service Life Extension – 12 buses	Gold Coast Transit	65	1,451,095
Ventura Road Transit Service Operations for 3rd of 3 years	Gold Coast Transit	75*	1,218,047

* Ventura Road 3rd year funds placed lower as funds are not needed for two years.

Total: \$2,669,142

BIKE/PEDESTRIAN/TRAFFIC FLOW

Project Name:	Agency:	Committee Score:	CMAQ or TDA Article 3 Funds:
Sespe Street Bike Lanes	Ventura County	55	114,572
Rice Road Bike Lanes	Ventura County	53	1,156,202
Springville Bike Trail Phase 2	Camarillo	52	1,372,215
Los Feliz Drive Sidewalk	Thousand Oaks	52	711,780

Total: \$3,354,769

PROJECTS NOT RECOMMENDED

TRANSIT

Project Name:	Agency:	Committee Score:	CMAQ Funds:
Bus Shelter Improvements	Simi Valley	59	53,000
Rail Car Midlife Overhaul	SCRRA	57	3,390,000
Marketing & Branding Effort	Simi Valley	57	40,000
Community Shuttle Zero Emission Vehicles (2-4)	Simi Valley	55	215,000
6 Replacement Dial-a-Ride Vehicles	Thousand Oaks	55	500,000
Ojai Bike Bus	Gold Coast Transit	45	39,838
New Transit Center Feasibility Study	Simi Valley	[ineligible]	160,000

Total: \$4,397,838

BIKE/PEDESTRIAN/TRAFFIC FLOW

Project Name:	Agency:	Committee Score:	CMAQ or TDA Article 3 Funds:
Springville Bike Train Phase 2	Camarillo	47	1,106,625
Central Avenue Bike Lanes	Camarillo	45	1,991,925
Alternative Technology for Vehicle Emissions Reduction	Port of Hueneme	36	12,000,000
Pleasant Valley Road Southbound Offramp Improvements	Camarillo	35	1,505,010
ITS Master Plan	Camarillo	27	100,000
US-101 Northbound Auxiliary Lanes	Camarillo	[ineligible]	4,426,500
Ramp, Sidewalk, and Bike Trail Improvements	Camarillo	[ineligible]	100,000

Total: \$21,230,060