

**DATE:** October 11, 2018

MEMO TO: TRANSIT OPERATORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TRANSCOM)

FROM: PETER DE HAAN, PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: APPROVE 2018/19 FINAL PROGRAM OF PROJECTS

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

• Approve the final Program of Projects (POP) for federal transit operating, planning and capital assistance for Fiscal Year (FY) 2018/19.

## **BACKGROUND**

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) requires that the public be provided an opportunity to review transit projects proposed to be funded with federal dollars. As the designated recipient of federal transit funds, the VCTC is required to hold a public hearing and adopt a POP which lists projects to be funded with federal funds in each urban area of Ventura County. Since 2003, VCTC has prepared the POP using separate programs for the Oxnard/Ventura, Thousand Oaks/Moorpark, and Camarillo urbanized areas, as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau. Later, VCTC also began to prepare the POP for Simi Valley based on a decision by Caltrans to delegate to VCTC the Designated Recipient status for Simi Valley.

## **DISCUSSION**

In another item in this Committee agenda, staff is recommending programming of additional CMAQ projects to avoid a rescission of apportionment balances. These projects must be obligated or, in the case of transit projects, have FTA transfers approved by the end of Federal FY 2018/19 to reduce the CMAQ balance. Therefore it is necessary to revise the POP which TRANSCOM approved at its last meeting. Staff recommends TRANSCOM approve the attached revised FY 2018/19 POP which has been modified to include the proposed additional transit CMAQ projects.

Subsequent to the TRANSCOM meeting, staff will publish the POP for public notice, and will present the POP to the VCTC for Public Hearing and approval at the November 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.