

VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC)

AGENDA

The meeting will be via ZOOM Webinar

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THURSDAY, November 19, 2020 9:00 AM

In light of Governor Newsom's State of Emergency declaration regarding the COVID-19 outbreak and in accordance with Executive Order N-29-20 and the Guidance for Gatherings issued by the California Department of Public Health committee panelists will participate in the meeting from individual remote locations, which is in accordance with the Governor's Executive Order. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the meeting remotely. Persons who wish to address the TTAC committee on an item to be considered at this meeting are asked to submit comments in writing to the committee at wvega@goventura.org by 4:30PM, Wednesday November 18, 2020. Due to the current circumstances if you would like to participate in a verbal public comment on any item on the agenda during the meeting, please email your public comment to wvega@goventura.org. Any public comment received will be read into the record during the public comment portion of this meeting. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and Government Code Section 54954.2, if special assistance is needed to participate in the TTAC meeting, please contact VCTC staff (805) 642-1591 ext. 118. Notification of at least 48 hours prior to meeting time will assist staff in assuring that reasonable arrangements can be made to provide accessibility to the meeting.

ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER

ITEM 2 INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ITEM 3 PUBLIC COMMENTS

ITEM 4 AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

ITEM 5 APPROVAL OF MINUTES – For Action

Waive the reading and approve the minutes of the August 20, 2020 meeting.

ITEM 6 CALTRANS LOCAL ASSISTANCE UPDATE

ITEM 7 TTAC MEETING DATE CHANGE TO WEDNESDAY – For Information

 TTAC meetings will be taking place on the third Wednesday of each month beginning in January 2021

ITEM 8 DISTRIBUTION OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) ARTICLE 3 MAINTENANCE

FUNDS – For Action

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• Approve the allocation of Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Transportation Development Act (TDA)
Article 3 Bike Path Maintenance Funds totaling \$125n307 as shown in the attached table.

1TEM 9 POLICY FOR DISTRIBUTING NEW CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) AND TDA ARTICLE 3 FUNDS

• Request agency information by December 15th regarding projects to use \$15,675,396 in unprogrammed CMAQ and TDA Article 3 balances, to projects meeting the following criteria: (1) Cost increases for previous competitively-selected bicycle/pedestrian or transit projects, without supplanting previously-committed local match; (2) Transit vehicle replacements or related infrastructure scheduled for 20/21 or 21/22 in an approved asset management plan; or (3) Required match for competitive state or federal grants for bicycle/pedestrian or transit projects.

ITEM 10 CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) / SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (STP) STATUS REPORT

Receive and File

ITEM 11 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Congestion Management Program New VMT Standard
- Periodic Highway Construction Updates
- Regional Transportation Funding & Planning

ITEM 12 ADJOURNMENT



VENTURA COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC) Thursday, August 20, 2020 9:00 a.m.

MEETING HELD REMOTELY VIA-ZOOM MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ken Matsuoka, City of Camarillo (Chair)

Justin Link, City of Simi Valley (Vice Chair)

Sean Corrigan, City of Moorpark Charles Cable, City of Port Hueneme

Tai Chau, City of Santa Paula

Mike Tohidian, City of Thousand Oaks

Jeff Hereford, City of Ventura

Glenn Derossett, County of Ventura Cameron Spencer, Port of Hueneme

Robert Wong, Caltrans

Ben Cacatian, Ventura County Air Pollution Control District (VCAPD)

MEMBERS ABSENT: City of Fillmore

City of Ojai City of Oxnard

VCTC STAFF Amanda Fagan, Planning and Policy Director

PRESENT: Caitlin Brooks, Program Manager, Transportation Planning

Darrin Peschka, Public Information Officer Peter De Haan, Programming Director

ITEM 1 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Matsuoka called the regular TTAC meeting to order at 9:04 am VIA-ZOOM.

ITEM 2 INTRODUCTIONS & ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Peter De Haan, VCTC, made a couple of announcements, he mentioned at the last Regional Transit Agencies meeting, there was an announcement on a policy At-Risk Preliminary Engineering (PE) has been released. This is a policy whereby a local agency can proceed to work on the preliminary engineering for a project without having the environmental hearing, (allowing for work to proceed without having Caltrans NEPA approval), thus saving time in project delivery. He mentioned for each agency to review this policy. Also, he said, it was mentioned by CTC staff, due to the Covid-19 emergency, they have been doing research on potentially suspending the maintenance effort requirement for SB1 Local Streets and Roads Funds, with the drop in tax revenue, at this time, this requirement is no longer reasonable to meet and CTC is looking into requesting an emergency hearing for state legislation to suspend this part of the law.

ITEM 3 PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

ITEM 4 AGENDA ADJUSTMENTS

None.

ITEM 5 APPROVAL OF JUNE MINUTES

ACTION:

<u>Link moved, seconded by Corrigan that the Committee approve the June 18, 2020 meeting minutes.</u> The motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 6 CALTRANS LOCAL ASSISTANCE UPDATE

Mr. Robert Wong, Caltrans, made a brief announcement, for project delivery, the applications deadline for local agencies to submit request to Caltrans, is August 24th. He also mentioned there is a tentative project workshop scheduled for Friday, Aug. 28th from 1pm – 3pm.

ITEM 7 101 COMMUNITIES CONNECTED DRAFT STUDY

Ms. Caitlin Brooks, VCTC, provided information and a presentation on the Final Draft of 101 Communities Connected (US-101 Multimodal Corridor Study). She noted, VCTC received numerous comments from TTAC, TRANSCOM, and the general public and these comments were incorporated into the attached Study. She also thanked the committee members for their feedback and requested any additional comments on the attached Study please be submitted to VCTC staff by September 18, 2020.

ITEM 8 US 101 PROJECT APPROVAL / ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT (PAED) STATUS REPORT

Mr. Steven Yoshizumi, WSP, provided an update and a presentation on the US 101 Project Approval/ Environmental Document (PAED) work, and is the same presentation presented at the last Commission meeting, (staff report from the July Commission meeting was made available).

ITEM 9 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Congestion Management Program New VMT Standard
- Periodic Highway Construction Updates
- Regional Transportation Funding & Planning
- SCAG Go Human Program

ITEM 10 ADJOURNMENT

Chair Matsuoka adjourned the meeting at 10:02 a.m.



MEMO TO: TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TTAC)

FROM: PETER DE HAAN, PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

CHANGE BEGINNING IN JANUARY

INFORMATION ITEM:

 TTAC meetings will be taking place on the third Wednesday of each month beginning in January 2021

BACKGROUND:

VCTC has moved to its new offices in Camarillo at 751 Daily Drive, Suite 420 and has a conference room that can accommodate the TTAC meetings. For the foreseeable future however, the committee will continue to conduct meetings remotely, per the Governor's Executive Order.

After consulting with the Chair, VCTC is changing the date of the monthly TTAC meetings to Wednesday to accommodate the option for VCTC staff to potentially work remotely on Tuesdays and Thursdays. TTAC will meet on the third Wednesday of each month at 9:00 am with the first meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 20, 2021.

Once COVID-19 public health restrictions are lifted, the TTAC meetings will take place in the new VCTC Conference room.





MEMO TO: TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TTAC)

FROM: HEATHER MILLER, PROGRAM MANAGER

SUBJECT: ALLOCATION OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT (TDA) FISCAL YEAR (FY)

2020/21 ARTICLE 3 BIKE PATH MAINTENANCE FUNDS

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the allocation of Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Transportation Development Act (TDA)
 Article 3 Bike Path Maintenance Funds totaling \$125,307 as shown in the attached Table.

BACKGROUND:

Pursuant to California PUC Section 99233.3, two percent (2%) of Transportation Development Act (TDA) Local Transportation Funds are set aside for planning, constructing and maintaining bicycle and pedestrian facilities. In Ventura County 25% of the TDA Article 3 Bicycle/Pedestrian funds are set aside for maintenance of Class I pathways based upon the proportional share of pathway miles within each jurisdiction. The remainder of the annual TDA Article 3 Bicycle/Pedestrian funding is allocated on a competitive basis for projects that foster an increase in bicycling and walking.

DISCUSSION:

This year there is an estimated \$125,307 (25%) of FY20/21 Article 3 funds available for distribution to local jurisdictions for Class I Bike Path maintenance. Agencies were asked to review and update the mileage information for their jurisdictions. The attached table provides a breakdown of Class I Bicycle Path mileage reported by each jurisdiction and their recommended proportional share of the FY20/21 TDA Article 3 maintenance funds.

The \$125,307 in available funding this year is a decline of approximately 31% from last year's funding due to declines in economic activity. TDA revenue in Ventura County is sales tax revenues equal to $\frac{1}{4}$ % of taxable sales (out of a state sales tax of $7\frac{1}{4}$ %). When the economy contracts, sales tax revenue contracts, TDA revenue contracts, and in turn, Bike Path Maintenance funding contracted.



ATTACHMENT A

Recommended Allocations for FY 20/21 TDA Article 3 Maintenance Funding								
City	Existing Class I Mileage	Class I Maintenance Allocation	%					
Simi Valley	13.6	\$19,913	16%					
Oxnard	4.74	\$6,940	6%					
Ojai	0.4	\$586	0%					
San Buenaventura	32.2	\$47,148	38%					
Thousand Oaks	3.1	\$4,539	4%					
County	13	\$19,035	15%					
Port Hueneme	5.1	\$7,467	6%					
Camarillo	4.4	\$6,443	5%					
Santa Paula	1.8	\$2,636	2%					
Fillmore	4.84	\$7,087	6%					
Moorpark	2.4	\$3,514	3%					
TOTAL	85.58	\$125,307	100%					





MEMO TO: TRANSIT OPERATORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

FROM: PETER DE HAAN, PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: AVAILABILITY OF CMAQ AND TDA ARTICLE 3 FUNDS

RECOMMENDATION:

Request agency information by December 15th regarding projects to use \$15,675,396 in unprogrammed CMAQ and TDA Article 3 balances, to projects meeting the following criteria:

 (1) Cost increases for previous competitively-selected bicycle/pedestrian or transit projects, without supplanting previously-committed local match;
 (2) Transit vehicle replacements or related infrastructure scheduled for 20/21 or 21/22 in an approved asset management plan; or
 (3) Required match for competitive state or federal grants for bicycle/pedestrian or transit projects.

BACKGROUND:

VCTC's most recent CMAQ call for projects was in 2017. At that time, the Commission for the first time combined TDA Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Funds with CMAQ in a single call for projects, with the goal of better focusing the TDA funds on a limited number of more transformative projects that would also benefit from having state funds rather than federal.

In 2018, VCTC approved additional CMAQ for projects that could obligate the balance quickly to avoid a rescission scheduled for September, 2019. By taking this step, VCTC programmed nearly all of the remaining CMAQ money authorized through FY 2019/20, the final year of the FAST Act. However, VCTC never allocated the FY 2019/20 TDA Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian funds, with the exception of the 25% of the apportionment which by VCTC policy goes to bicycle path maintenance, plus \$250,000 that was provided for the Ojai Avenue / Maricopa Highway Pedestrian and Bicycle Improvements project as a "swap" for previously-committed CMAQ funds.

Last month as part of federal legislation to extend government operations beyond the fiscal year end, the FAST Act funding authorization was extended by one fiscal year, through FY 2020/21. As a result, VCTC now has one year of authorized CMAQ funds which it has not programmed. In addition, VCTC has yet to program the FY 2020/21 TDA Article 3 Bicycle & Pedestrian funds.

The total unprogrammed CMAQ balance, including prior-year carryover plus FY 2020/21 funds, is \$15,083,154. Available TDA Article 3 funds, including the prior-year carryover plus 75% of the FY 2020/21 estimate, is \$592,242. As a result, the total unprogrammed balance for the two programs is \$15,675,396.

DISCUSSION:

VCTC has generally held a CMAQ call for projects when there are multiple years of authorized CMAQ funds available, typically following the passage of a multi-year federal authorization law such as the FAST Act. Staff does not recommend starting a call for projects given the current situation with slightly more than one year's worth of available funds. In past similar situations with less than two years' worth of available funds, VCTC has focused on assisting previously-committed projects which are short of funds due to unanticipated cost increases. Staff recommends that local agencies again be asked the amount of funds required for such projects. In the past VCTC has not included scheduled bus replacements or state/federal grant match commitments in distributing smaller funding amounts, but the situation is now different in that transit operators are aware of significant immediate needs for transit bus replacements, and due to the significantly increased number of state and federal competitive grant programs there are more likely to be unfunded match needs. In addition, based on the information currently available to staff it appears unlikely that the available funds will be fully utilized for project cost increases alone.

The following is the anticipated schedule for approval of CMAQ and Article 3 funds:

Notice to Agencies:

Deadline for Agencies Response:

TRANSCOM Approval:

TTAC Approval:

VCTC Approval:

TIP Amendment Approval for CMAQ:

November 20, 2020

December 15

January 14, 2021

January 21

February 5

May 1

Subsequent to receiving feedback from TRANSCOM and TTAC, VCTC anticipates sending a notice to public works directors on November 20th, to provide direction on how to submit projects for additional CMAQ or TDA Article 3 funds.

It is possible that should there be insufficient projects under these criteria to use the entire unprogrammed balance, that a few other projects could be considered. For example, the Shelf List approved from the 2017 call for projects included \$2,840,000 for bicycle and pedestrian projects that have not yet been funded. However, the policy for the Shelf List has been to fund those projects if necessary to avoid a loss of funds to the county, which is not currently a concern. Such additional projects might be considered after receiving the initial response from the agencies.

REMAINING CMAQ / TDA ARTICLE 3 SHELF LIST FROM 2017

Project Name	Agency	CMAQ or TDA Article 3 Funds
Springville Bike Trail Phase 2	Camarillo	972,215
Los Feliz Drive Sidewalk	Thousand Oaks	711,780





MEMO TO: TRANSPORTATION TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (TTAC)

FROM: PETER DE HAAN, PROGRAMMING DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: STATUS OF FEDERAL SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (STP)

AND CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) PROJECTS

RECOMMENDATION:

Review and file.

DISCUSSION:

Under federal law, STP and CMAQ funds apportioned to California lapse if they are not used within three years. AB 1012, which became law in October 1999, applies the three-year lapsing rule to CMAQ and STP funds in each county. It is important for VCTC to have an accurate schedule of STP and CMAQ (Attachments 1 and 2, respectively) projects to ensure that our region does not lose funds. VCTC also uses this project schedule to ensure that the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) includes all of the projects which are ready-to-go and to manage the county's Obligational Authority (OA).

Attached is the anticipated schedule for obligation of projects during the current Federal Fiscal Year (FFY). As TTAC is aware, VCTC's policy is to build a balance of STP for future state highway improvements, with the 101 project being the priority; however there are a few old projects remaining from when STP went to local projects. CMAQ funds are programmed in periodic calls for projects. This agenda includes an item to consider a policy for programming funds authorized through the one-year extension of the FAST Act.

At the Committee's request, staff emailed the agencies requesting review of these tables, and the information has been updated based on the feedback provided. The Committee is requesting to continue to provide staff with any updates as changes occur.



STP PROJECTS FY 2020/21

 Balance as of 10/1/2020
 \$18,039,091

 2020/21 Apportionment
 \$11,699,042

 TOTAL
 \$29,738,133

Planned Obligation

Project Title	Agency	(E-76 date)	TIP ID	Amount	Current Project Status	FTIP Status
Route 101/23 Cost Increase	VCTC	Oct-20	07-VEN011205	\$2,300,000		Funds to be obligated as post- programming cost increase.
Route 101 PAED Admin Cost	VCTC	Dec-20	07-VEN131201	\$328,000		In current FTIP
Pavement Rehabilitation	Port Hueneme		07-VEN54032	\$200,000		Currently Programmed in FY 19/20in the 2019 FTIP
Princeton Avenue Improvements	Moorpark		SCAG015		Plans in 3rd plan check. Remaing Caltrans work is ROW certification'	Currently in the 2019 FTIP Under HSIP

 Total to be obligated by 10/1/2020
 \$3,028,000

 Balance
 \$26,710,133

 Potential Lapse (AB1012)
 \$0

 FY 2018/19 apportionment
 \$3,223,576 Lapses October 1, 2021

 FY 2019/20 apportionment
 \$16,054,614 Lapses October 1, 2022

 FY 2020/21 apportionment
 \$11,699,042 Lapses October 1, 2023

TOTAL \$30,977,232

FY 2020/21 and beyond

Route 118 - Moorpark to e/o Spring	Moorpark	07-V	EN34089	\$796,770		CON - Currently Programmed in FY 19/20 in the 2019 FTIP
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STP Project Obligation Statuses

Route 23 Widening High/Third	Moorpark		07-VEN051213	\$1,500,000	The lindated. Work will invovie	Currently Programmed in FY 19/20 in the 2019 FTIP
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NOTE: STP balance includes Highway Improvement Program funds appropriated in federal FY 2017/18 & FY 2018/19 budgets.

CMAQ PROJECTS FY 2020/21

 Balance as of 9/30/2020
 \$ 7,971,103

 Loan Repayment
 \$ 2,762,000

 20/21 Apportionment
 \$ 9,276,890

 Total Available
 \$ 20,009,993

Planned Obligation

Project Title	Agency	TIP ID	(E-76 date)	Amount	Current Project Status	FTIP Status
					95% PS&E under review. NEPA	
		VEN130102			Revalidated, R/W Certified. RFA for	
		VEN150102			CON being drafted for October	
C Street Bike Facilities	Oxnard		Oct-20	\$278,250	submittal.	CON Programmed in 20/21 in 2019 FTIP
Sheridan Way/Ventura River Bike Trail	S.B. Ventura	VEN110304	Nov-20	\$221,321	Project has been rescoped.	CON Programmed in 20/21 in 2019 FTIP
Oxnard Blvd Bike/Ped Facility	Oxnard	VEN150907	Dec-20	\$1,779,900	Design RFP submitted 12/2019, CON RFA in 2019.	CON Programmed in 20/21 in 2019 FTIP
					65% PS&E under review. NEPA	
		VEN130101			revalidated. R/W submittal expected in	
		VEN130101			fall. RFA for CON expected by	
Bike facilities for NECSP	Oxnard		Dec-20	\$585,360	December 2020.	CON Programmed in 20/21 in 2019 FTIP
						CON Programmed in 20/21 in 2019 FTIP
Oisi Aus / Masissas Bad Issas / Badastains		VEN170113	Mar-21	\$150.000	Project Combined with ATP Project	Engineering (\$100,000) - Obligated.
Ojai Ave / Maricopa Ped Impr (Pedestrian	0:-:			+===,===		Construction (\$150,000) Obligation planned
and Bike Safety Improvements)	Ojai				under new FTIP Number VEN170113.	in FY 21/22
Fox Canyon Barranca Bike Bridge (Env		VEN130601			Engineering (\$40K) obligated in	ENG and CON Programmed in 18/19 in 201
Review Needed)	Ojai	12130001	20/21	\$62,975	November, Con in 20/21.	FTIP

Total obligations in FY 19/20 \$2,577,806
Remaining balance \$17,432,187
Potential Lapse (AB1012) \$0

 FY 2018/19
 \$0 Lapses October 1, 2021

 FY 2019/20
 \$7,971,103 Lapses October 1, 2022

 FY 2020/21
 \$12,038,890 Lapses October 1, 2023

 TOTAL
 \$20,009,993

FY 21/22 and Beyond

					PE Underway	
					PES form has been signed. Working on	ROW Programmed in 21/22
Pleasant Valley Rd Bike Lanes	Camarillo	VEN160103	21/22	\$2,349,033	PES studies.	CON Programmed in 21/22