

**Committee Members Present**

Stephanie Klopfenstein, Chair
John Stephens, Vice Chair
Jamey M. Federico
Patrick Harper

Staff Present

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer
Jennifer L. Bergener, Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Allison Cheshire, Clerk of the Board Specialist, Senior
Gina Ramirez, Assistant Clerk of the Board
Andrea West, Clerk of the Board
James Donich, General Counsel
OCTA Staff

Committee Members Absent

Mike Carroll
Jon Dumitru
Katrina Foley

Call to Order

The March 3, 2025, Regional Transportation Planning Committee meeting was called to order by Committee Chair Klopfenstein at 10:30 a.m.

Consent Calendar (Items 1 through 6)**1. Approval of Minutes**

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Stephens, seconded by Director Federico, and declared passed by those present to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2025, Regional Transportation Planning Committee meeting.

2. Amendment to Cooperative Agreement with the California Department of Transportation for the Interstate 605/Katella Avenue Interchange Project

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Stephens, seconded by Director Federico, and declared passed by those present to authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. C-3-2384 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the California Department of Transportation, in the amount of \$1,760,000, for additional construction capital and construction management support services for the Interstate 605/Katella Avenue Interchange Project. This will increase the maximum cumulative obligation of the cooperative agreement to a total contract value of \$32,220,000.

3. Cooperative Agreement with the California Highway Patrol for Services Related to the Freeway Service Patrol Program

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Stephens, seconded by Director Federico, and declared passed by those present to Authorize the Chief Executive Officer to negotiate and execute Cooperative Agreement No. C-5-3865 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the California Highway Patrol, in the amount of \$849,680, for overtime related to



supervision of the Freeway Service Patrol program.

4. Measure M2 Environmental Cleanup Program (Project X) - 2025 Tier 1 Grant Program Call for Projects

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Stephens, seconded by Director Federico, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Approve the proposed revisions to the Comprehensive Transportation Funding Programs Guidelines for the Environmental Cleanup Program (Project X) Tier 1 Grant Program.
- B. Authorize staff to issue the 2025 Environmental Cleanup Program (Project X) Tier 1 Grant Program call for projects.

5. Revisions to the Measure M2 Eligibility Guidelines

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Stephens, seconded by Director Federico, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Approve proposed revisions to the Measure M2 Eligibility Guidelines.
- B. Approve proposed revisions to the countywide Pavement Management Plan Guidelines.

6. Federal Fiscal Year 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 Surface Transportation Block Grant/Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program Prioritization Guidance

A motion was made by Committee Vice Chair Stephens, seconded by Director Federico, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Approve the prioritization guidance for federal fiscal year 2026-2027 and federal fiscal year 2027-2028 Surface Transportation Block Grant/ Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program.
- B. Direct staff to return to the Board of Directors with a recommended priority for each project submitted through federal fiscal year 2026-2027 and federal fiscal year 2027-2028 Surface Transportation Block Grant/ Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program.



Regular Calendar

7. Capital Programming Update

Ben Ku, Section Manager, Formula Funding Programs, provided a presentation on this item.

Public comment was heard from from Kyler Chin.

Public comment was received via email on Sunday, March 2, 2025 and provided to the Committee Members prior to the meeting, from the following:

Youseff Kaddeche
Kyler Chin
Matt Takahashi
Debby Gale
Gilberto C.
Chelsea Wen
T. Lekawa
Adriana Maestas
Yui Saito
Elizabeth M.
Kailana Nishiura
John Brock
J. H. Zech
David Martinez
Zuri Rashad
Adam Zibell

A motion was made by Director Federico, seconded by Committee Vice Chair Stephens, and declared passed by those present to:

- A. Authorize the use of up to \$514.457 million to fund the construction phase of the State Route 55 Improvement Project from Interstate 5 to State Route 91 (Project F) and the State Route 91 Improvement Project from La Palma Avenue to State Route 5 (Segment 2) (Project I) using the following funding sources:
- 91 Express Lanes Excess Revenue (\$323.726 million)
 - Measure M2 (\$180.090 million)
 - Local Partnership Program - Formulaic (\$6.641 million)
 - Community Project Funding / Congressionally Directed Spending (\$4.000 million)



- B. Authorize the use of up to an additional \$213.744 million to supplement the construction funding of four M2 freeway improvement projects, including one segment on Interstate 5 (Project B), two segments on State Route 91 (Project I), and an interchange on the Interstate 605 (Project M) from the following fund sources:
- Measure M2 (\$133.909 million)
 - 91 Express Lanes Excess Revenue (\$79.835 million)
- C. Authorize the inclusion of \$31.781 million in committed State Highway Operations and Protection Program funds and an additional \$30.239 million in uncommitted future state funds to integrate the California Department of Transportation Multi-Asset Project into the Capital Funding Program report for:
- Interstate 5 Improvement Project between Interstate 405 and Yale Avenue (Segment 1) (Project B) (\$28.930 million in committed State Highway Operations and Protection Program funds and \$21.214 million in uncommitted future state funds)
 - State Route 91 Improvement Project from Acacia Street to La Palma Avenue (Segment 3) (Project I) (\$2.851 million in committed State Highway Operations and Protection Program funds and \$9.025 million in uncommitted future state funds)
- D. Authorize the use of up to \$12.830 million in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement funds for the Future Zero-Emission Bus Project.
- E. Authorize the use of up to \$8.000 million for the Inland Slope Rehabilitation Phase II Project from the following fund sources:
- Measure M2 (\$5.600 million)
 - Local Partnership Program - Formulaic (\$2.400 million)
- F. Authorize staff to process all necessary amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program and execute or amend all necessary agreements to facilitate the above actions.

Following the Committee presentation, an inconsistency was discovered in the staff report and corresponding recommendations related to project cost.

The staff report contained in the Board agenda has been revised to reflect the correct amounts and is updated.



Discussion Items

8. Upcoming Measure M2 Freeway Construction Projects Update

Jeff Mills, Director, Capital Project Delivery, provided a presentation on this item.

No action was taken on this item.

9. Public Comments

No public comments were received.

10. Chief Executive Officer's Report

Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer, reported the following:

- Buy America Bonds update
- OCTA recognized as a Top Employer by Chapman University
- SR-91 Groundbreaking event on March 7

11. Committee Members' Reports

There were no Committee Member's reports.

12. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of this Committee will be held:

10:30 a.m. on Monday, April 7, 2025
OCTA Headquarters
550 South Main Street
Orange, California.