




June 4, 2018

To: Regional Planning and Highways Committee

From: Darrell E. Johnson, Chief Executive Officer 

Subject: Orange County Transportation Authority State and Federal Grant Programs – Update and Recommendations

Overview

The Orange County Transportation Authority provides grants to local agencies through various state and federal funding programs. Status reports on these programs, as well as project changes, are presented for review and approval.

Recommendations

- A. Approve delay requests for seven projects for the cities of Anaheim, Garden Grove, Santa Ana, and the County of Orange.
- B. Authorize staff to make all necessary amendments to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program and execute any required agreements or amendments to facilitate the recommendations above.

Background

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) issues periodic state and federally-funded calls for projects (call). Examples of prior calls include: Bicycle Corridor Improvement Program (BCIP), Transportation Enhancements (TE) Program, State-Local Partnership Program (SLPP) Formula Grant Call, and Arterial Pavement Management Program (APM).

Revenues for the prior calls include federal Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement (CMAQ) Program funds, federal Surface Transportation Block Grant Program, former federal TE (eliminated in the current Federal Transportation Act), Federal Transit Administration funds, and state Proposition 1B SLPP funds.

To meet OCTA state and federal requirements, project-specific amendments are requested by local agencies and are presented below for review and approval.

Discussion

BCIP, TE, SLPP, APM Updates

To date, the Board of Directors (Board) has programmed \$84.995 million in state and federal funds to the cities and the County of Orange, for a total of 180 project phases of work. The progress and information for each of the active projects is listed in Attachment A. A summary of the progress of phases is provided in the table below.

Project Phase Status	Environmental / Engineering	Right-of-Way	Construction	Total
Planned	6	2	9	17
Started	5	1	29	35
Completed	7	-	116	123
Cancelled	-	-	5	5
Total	18	3	159	180

NOTE:

BCIP projects may have more than one phase of work.

Planned – Phase is planned

Started – Phase has started or nearly completed

Completed – Phase is complete

Delay Requests

For this review period, the Board is requested to approve time extensions for seven active projects in the BCIP, for the cities of Anaheim, Garden Grove, Santa Ana, and the County of Orange. The time extension will allow the local agencies to delay the year in which it enters into a contract to start the funded phase of work.

Delays are related to issues associated with the environmental phase, coordination with adjacent jurisdictions, and refinement of design features. Additional details on the requested changes are provided in Attachment B.

Cancellations

For this review period, one project was cancelled for the City of Costa Mesa for \$0.385 million in federal CMAQ funds. Project activities were delayed substantially to allow for the development and completion of the Talbert Nature Preserve Resource Management Plan. This would result in the project not meeting required deadlines. The city council directed staff to suspend all project-related activities. The federal CMAQ funds made available by this cancellation request will be directed to projects through the next BCIP call.

The Comprehensive Funding Plan (CFP), which provides funding information for OCTA-funded capital projects and also highlights the recommended changes included in this item, is provided in Attachment C. The CFP demonstrates the current project programming based on actions recommended in this report and prior Board actions.

Summary

Status reports from the BCIP, TE, SLPP, and APM are provided for review, including delay requests for seven projects for Board approval.

Attachments

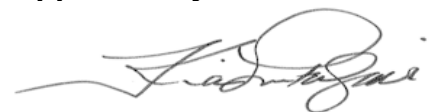
- A. State and Federal Grant Programs Update, State and Federal Grant Project Status
- B. State and Federal Grant Programs, Bicycle Corridor Improvement Program Requests
- C. Capital Funding Program Report

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