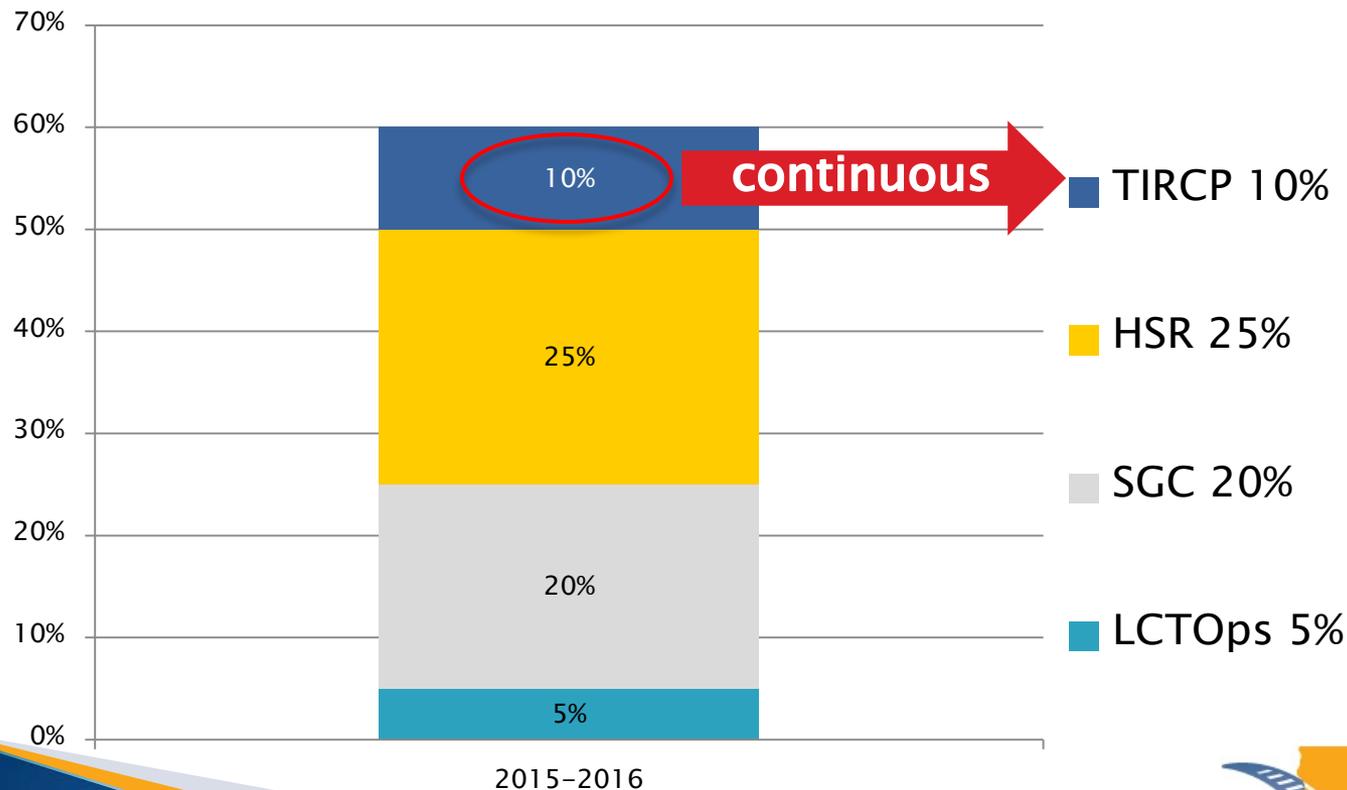


# TRANSIT AND INTERCITY RAIL CAPITAL PROGRAM

California Transportation Commission  
January 22, 2015

# Cap-and-Trade Auction Proceeds

- ▶ \$25M in 2014–15
- ▶ \$100M (estimated) in 2015–16



# Guideline Development

- ▶ Stakeholder workshops
- ▶ Public workshops
- ▶ Strategic Growth Council
- ▶ Statutorily required workshop (north and south)
- ▶ California Transportation Commission
- ▶ Adoption Feb 6



# Responsibilities

- ▶ Guidelines – CalSTA
- ▶ Project selection – CalSTA
- ▶ Allocations – CTC



# Key Schedule Milestones (Section 3)

- ▶ **Feb 9:** Call for projects
- ▶ **April 10:** Applications due
- ▶ **June 30:** Publish list of approved projects
- ▶ **August 26:** Present project list to CTC



# Funding (Section 4)

- ▶ Multi-year program covering two years
- ▶ Fund estimate may be refined based on auctions
- ▶ 2014–15 funds (\$25 million):
  - ▶ Allocated by June 30, 2016
  - ▶ Expended (liquidated) by June 30, 2020



# Eligible Applicants (Section 6)

Public agencies including JPA

- ▶ Existing or planned regularly scheduled service:
  - ▶ Intercity rail & associated feeder bus service
  - ▶ Commuter rail service
  - ▶ Commuter bus service
  - ▶ Bus ~~and~~ or rail transit service
- ▶ Planning responsibility for future service



# Eligible Projects (Section 7)

- ▶ Must demonstrate GHG reduction
  
- ▶ Include *but are not limited to*:
  1. Rail capital projects.
  2. Intercity & commuter rail projects that:
    - ▶ Increase service levels
    - ▶ Improve reliability, and
    - ▶ Decrease travel times.
  3. Rail integration implementation.
  4. Bus transit investments to increase ridership.



# Eligible Projects (Section 7)

- ▶ Small number of transformational projects
- ▶ Agencies limited to:
  - 1 major capital project ( $\geq$ \$3M)
    - No project  $>$ 33% of funds
  - 1 smaller scale project ( $<$ \$3M)
- ▶ Match not required, but leverage desirable
- ▶ Clear commitment to fund new service



# Application (Section 8)

Requirements include:

- ▶ Funding of on-going O&M.
- ▶ Description of separable or scalable elements.
- ▶ Ability to absorb cost overruns.



# Evaluation Criteria (Section 9)

- ▶ Primary criteria
  1. Reduce GHG emissions
  2. Increase ridership
  3. Integration with other operators
  4. Improve safety

# Evaluation Criteria (Section 9)

- ▶ Secondary criteria

1. Support implementation of SCS through:
  - A. Reducing VMT.
  - B. Promoting housing & employment near rail or transit.
  - C. Expanding rail and transit systems.
  - D. Implementing clean vehicle technology.
  - E. Promoting active transportation.
  - F. Improving public health.

# Evaluation Criteria (Section 9)

- ▶ Secondary criteria continued:
  2. Benefit to disadvantaged communities.
  3. Priorities developed through collaboration of rail operators.
  4. Geographic equity.
  5. Consistency with:
    - A SCS, or
    - Regional plan to reduce GHG emissions, and
    - Recommendations of regional agency(s).
  6. Integration across other modes.
  7. For service expansions: financial plan including operations.

# Project Selection (Section 10)

- ▶ Evaluation criteria
- ▶ Risks:
  - ▶ GHG emission reduction benefits
  - ▶ Cost, scope and schedule
- ▶ Factors to be considered include:
  1. Need and benefit
  2. Readiness and schedule:
    - A. Environmental status.
    - B. Agreements with key partners.
    - C. Future non-committed investments.
  3. Leveraging funding from other GHG reduction programs.
  4. Leveraging other funding, especially discretionary.

**Priority to projects which fund construction or implementation.**



# Administrative Considerations (Sections 11-14)

## Similar to other CTC programs:

- ▶ Programming:
  - May adjust based on auction proceeds.
- ▶ Allocations & Project Delivery:
  - Before completion of design, an agency may propose changes.
  - 2014–15 funds (\$25M) must be allocated by June 30, 2016.
- ▶ Project Reporting:
  - Semiannual reports
  - ARB will develop requirements



# Questions and Feedback

Comments must be received by January 31, 2015

