

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: June 29-30, 2016

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Action

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Subject: **TRAFFIC CONGESTION RELIEF PROGRAM (TCRP) POLICY FOR TIER 2**

## **ISSUE:**

Should the Commission approve a policy for projects programmed in Tier 2 of the Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP)?

Due to insufficient transfers into the Traffic Congestion Relief Fund (TCRF), the Commission has been unable to approve allocations for existing programmed TCRP projects in Tier 2 of the TCRP Allocation Plan. Assembly Bill 133 – Budget Act of 2015, approved on March 1, 2016, appropriated \$148,000,000 from the General Fund to the TCRF. This amount, which must be transferred to the TCRF no later than January 1, 2017, is just enough to allocate already programmed funding on projects in Tier 2. Given this is a one-time transfer with no guarantee of additional funding becoming available, a policy for moving forward on existing Tier 2 projects is warranted.

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends the Commission approve the following TCRP policy utilizing the existing Allocation Plan for Tier 2 programmed projects as shown on the attached list:

- Programming amendments will be allowed only for current programmed amounts on the legislatively approved Tier 2 projects.
- No new or additional programming for Tier 2 projects will be considered unless and until additional funds are identified and transferred to the TCRF.
- Allocations will be limited to the eligible Tier 2 programmed projects and will be approved on a first-come, first-serve basis when funds are available.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The Traffic Congestion Relief Act of 2000 committed \$4.9 billion to 141 specific projects. Various statutes were enacted to loan or delay the receipt of funds between 2001 and 2006. In 2008, the Commission took action to adopt an Allocation Plan due to the inconsistent availability of funds. The Allocation Plan consisted of two tiers: Tier 1 included projects that had a higher priority for funding and Tier 2 included all remaining projects. The remaining Tier 2 projects included those with

programmed TCRP funds and those that were not yet fully programmed. The current capacity will fund the remaining Tier 1 projects, and the passage of AB 133 will provide additional funding capacity for Tier 2 projects with TCRP funds already programmed.

Attachment

**Traffic Congestion Relief Program  
Tier 2 Programmed Projects**  
(\$ in 1,000s)

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TCRP #	DIST.	COUNTY	PROJECT TITLE	Type	TCRP AMOUNT
4	04	ALA	Route 680; Add NB and SB HOV Lanes over Sunol Grade	Capital Outlay	\$1,500
12.2	04	CC	Hercules Train Station Project	Rail	\$700
12.3	04	ALA	I-580 Livermore Corridor Studies and Improvements	Planning	\$1,700
26	04	ALA	Livermore Valley Siding	Mass Trans	\$1,000
38.2	07	LA	North-South Bus Transit Project	Mass Trans	\$9,000
50	07	LA	Route 71 Expwy to Fwy Conversion (Route 10 to Route 60)	Capital Outlay	\$395
52	07	LA	HOV & Aux Lanes, Waterford-Route 10	Capital Outlay	\$15,352
55.3	08	SBD	Alameda Corridor East; SANBAG	Local Asstce	\$3,800
55.4	08	SBD	Alameda Corridor East; SANBAG (Colton)	Local Asstce	\$7,690
56	07	LA	Metrolink	Mass Trans	\$812
61	08	RIV	Route 10; Reconstruct Apache Trail Interchange	Capital Outlay	\$2,678
74.10	11	SD	Pacific Surfliner; Carlsbad Double Track	Rail	\$480
74.11	11	SD	Pacific Surfliner, Elvira-Moreno Doubletrack	Rail	\$2,752
98	06	FRE	Peach Avenue; Widen to four-lane (Construction)	Local Asstce	\$3,650
99.2	10	SJ	Capacity Improvements	Rail	\$10,257
102.3	05	SB	Route 101 Access; Advanced Traffic Corridor System	Local Asstce	\$922
106	10	MER	Campus Parkway	Local Asstce	\$5,474
109	10	STA	Route 132 Expressway	Capital Outlay	\$11,392
112	06	KIN	Jersey Avenue; Widen from 17th Avenue to 18th Avenue in Kings County	Local Asstce	\$1,500
115	03	SAC	South Sacramento Light Rail Extension- Phase 2	Mass Trans	\$57,900
116	03	SAC	Route 80 Light Rail	Mass Trans	\$5,100
126	03	SAC	Route 50/Watt Avenue Interchange	Capital Outlay	\$1,168
129	08	SBD	Route 62; Utility Undergrounding	Capital Outlay	\$1,768
148.1	11	IMP	Widen State Route 98	Capital Outlay	\$1,000
158.2	07	LA	Intersection of Olympic Blvd/Mateo Street/Porter Street	Local Asstce	\$595

**Total** **\$148,585**