



**Item #13-3-3  
Action**

**Transportation Committee**

February 28, 2013

**Resolution Approving the Distribution of Proposition 1B Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response Account Bond Funds**

**Issue:** In order to secure funding from the state, the SACOG Board must adopt a resolution ratifying the transit safety and security projects approved by the Board at its January 17th meeting. Since that time, these projects were deemed eligible to proceed to final application submittal by the California Emergency Management Agency.

**Recommendation:** That the Transportation Committee recommend that the Board adopt a resolution ratifying the list of regionally-funded transit safety and security projects.

**Discussion:** In January, the Board approved staff recommendations for five regionally-funded transit safety and security projects as part of the 2012/13 California Transit Security Grant Program. Since that time, the California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA) has issued Notices of Project Eligibility (NOPE) to the sponsoring transit agencies. At this point, CalEMA is requesting full applications for each of the selected projects. Transit agencies have six weeks from the issuance of the NOPE to submit all supporting application documents including a resolution from the relevant Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) ratifying the selected projects and appointing agents authorized to execute any actions necessary for each application.

As additional background, CalEMA published funding allocations and the *Draft Program Guidelines and Application Kit for the FY 2012-13 California Transit Security Grant Program* for Proposition 1B Transit System Safety, Security and Disaster Response Account (TSS) funds in November 2012. A total of \$60 million was apportioned to the account and allocated statewide for FY 2012-13. For the SACOG region, \$2,158,763 is available; \$1,398,859 is allocated through SACOG as the RTPA for Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo and Yuba counties; the remaining \$759,904 is allocated directly to transit operators in these counties. Single county RTPAs in El Dorado and Placer counties receive their TSS account funds separately and will complete separate programming efforts.

Sponsors of transit safety and security projects had until December 6, 2012, to submit their funding requests and applications to SACOG. A review committee comprised of SACOG staff reviewed the applications and discussed funding recommendations with the Transit Coordinating Committee at its December 11 meeting. The final list of projects was approved by the SACOG Board at its January 17 meeting. The attached summary of projects includes all of the projects reviewed and approved by the Board to proceed forward with submission for final review by CalEMA. Following approval by the Board, SACOG staff forwarded Project Investment Justifications to CalEMA by the January 15, 2013, deadline. CalEMA conducted a project eligibility review of the submitted applications and issues NOPEs to transit agencies in February.

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**Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response**  
**Account Funding Requests**  
**GS 8879.58(a)(2)**  
**FY 2012/13**

**Sacramento County**

**Elk Grove Transit- Corp Yard Parking Security Improvements**

***Recommended Funding: \$486,956***

This project will provide up to 130 secure parking spaces for and City staff at the Corporation yard where zero secure parking for employees is currently available. Transit employees currently park on Elkmont Way and access the yard through an employee gate. The investment would build a secure parking area on the north side of the Corporation Yard with cameras, gated access, electrical hookups, and lighting to provide a safer environment for employees. The planned parking can also be used as additional staging for the City's Police Department, Public Works, and transit services during a regional disaster. Its useful life is in excess of 10 years before major renovations will be needed.

Project will replace bus washer project in TDA ten-year capital plan when the TDA Ten-Year Plan is amended in January 2013.

**Paratransit, Inc.- Maintenance Facility CNG Safety Upgrade**

***Recommended Funding: \$515,000***

Paratransit, Inc. is in the planning and preparation stage of converting its vehicle fleet to Compressed Natural Gas (CNG). Approximately 35 to 50 new vehicles secured through grant funding will be CNG vehicles. The maintenance facility is in need of safety upgrades to accommodate regular maintenance and repair of the CNG vehicles. Updates include:

- Continuous monitoring methane gas detectors and control system
- Methane detection by either single point or open path sensors
- Electrical shunt tripping of circuit breakers to de-energize non-life safety devices and non-classified equipment
- Non-sparking exhaust fans with explosion proof motors
- Open air louvers
- Operational and safety signage
- Relocation or upgrading equipment within the 460 mm (18 inches) beneath the ceiling, code designates zone as Class 1 Division 2
- Interconnection with existing fire alarm system
- Visual and audible alarms

## **SACOG & SRTD- Upgrade to Police Handheld Devices for Connect Card**

***Recommended Funding: \$116,734***

This project would add functionality to the handheld devices purchased for verifying fare payments on ConnectCard smart cards. This upgrade would make the devices compatible with new Sacramento Police Department specifications that will allow officers to scan driver's licenses and issue electronic and/or printed tickets on the same device used to verify fare payments.

## **SRTD- Expansion of Light Rail Digital Messaging Signs**

***Not Recommended for Regional Funding***

This project proposes to enhance and expand Regional Transit's digital messaging system at light rail stations throughout Sacramento County. RT's was awarded funding via CTSGP (FY10/11) for the second, completing phase of this project. RT proposes to purchase and install approximately 12 additional dynamic messaging signs to be installed at various light rail stations, in addition to developing software to provide passengers arriving train, delay and disruption, and emergency information messages.

## **SRTD- Fiber Optics Backbone Redundancy**

***Not Recommended for Regional Funding***

This project proposes to provide redundant fiber optics communications backbone paths for RT's mission critical county-wide fiber optics network. Over the past 8 years RT has constructed a very large fiber optics network throughout its 38 mile light rail system. This network carries critical operations data for station based video surveillance, grade crossing safety equipment, fare vending machines, and railroad operations SCADA equipment. This project will provide redundant communications pathways in the event of equipment failures and fiber breaks. No project phasing is proposed for this project.

## **Yolo County**

### **YCTD- Bus Stop and Facility Safety and Security Improvements and Fuel Management System**

***Recommended Funding: \$153,836***

Yolo County Transportation District (YCTD) will increase passenger safety and security at bus stops by purchasing and installing solar lighting for shelters and bus stops, video surveillance systems for major bus stops and improving infrastructure in and around bus stops including the addition of intelligent transportation systems (ITS) such as signal pre-emption and electronic messaging signs. YCTD has many stops with little to no lighting, passengers have commented that they feel safer waiting at bus stops with ample lighting rather than at stops without.

Yolo County Transportation District (YCTD) will increase safety and security at the YCTD administration, maintenance, and operations facility by purchasing and installing or replacing

lighting, including associated poles, extensions, wiring and other appurtenances that require replacement, within and contiguous to the bus yard, in employee and customer parking lots and in other public areas. Also additions to YCTD's surveillance system will be included.

**SACOG- Port Transfer/Layover Facility Wireless Hotspot for Connect Card**

***Not Recommended for Regional Funding***

This project will create a WiFi hotspot at the Port of West Sacramento Layover/Transfer Facility to facilitate secure uploading and downloading of transactional data for the Connect Card system. Buses operated by YCTD currently do not have a routine method for communicating transaction data with the Connect Card Regional Service Center prior to their return to the bus yard at YCTD in Woodland. This project will close this communication gap and improve the speed in which transactions (adding or deducting value to cards, hot listed cards, new cards) is recorded at the Regional Service Center.

**Yuba and Sutter Counties**

**Yuba-Sutter Transit- Mobile Video Surveillance Systems**

***Recommended Funding: \$126,332***

Purchase and installation of mobile video surveillance systems in up to eleven new fixed route buses and the retrofit installation of similar systems in up to six intercity commuter buses. The systems will have a projected useful life of ten to twelve years or more.

# Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response Account Funding Requests

GS 8879.58(a)(2) [PUC 99313]  
FY 2012/13

## Relevant Policy Documents

- 1) State Transit System Safety, Security, & Disaster Response Account Program Guidelines
- 2) MTP/SCS Policies and Strategies
- 3) SACOG Regional Funding Program Performance Outcomes

### Sacramento County

AGENCY	PROJECT TITLE (January 8, 2010 Call for Proj)	AGENCY REQUEST	STAFF RECOMMEND	NOTES	Relevant Policy Outcomes
Elk Grove	Corp Yard Parking Security Improvements	\$486,956	\$486,956		1) Installation of fencing, barriers, gates or related security enhancements that are designed to improve the physical security of transit facilities. 2) Supports MTP/SCS policies to improve the safety and security of transit facilities and maintain a state of good repair for transit vehicles and infrastructure (Policy 20). 3) Significantly improve safety and security consistent with the performance outcomes identified in SACOG's Regional Funding Program Guidelines.
Paratransit Inc.	Maintenance Facility CNG Safety Upgrade	\$515,000	\$515,000		1) Renovation project designed to enhance the security of a public transit facility. Project consists of the acquisition of capital assets for purposes of reconstruction of facilities and retrofitting work that will enhance the useful life of the asset. 2) Supports MTP/SCS policies to improve the safety of transit facilities and maintain a state of good repair for transit vehicles and infrastructure (Policies 11, 13, and 20). 3) Significantly improve safety and security and provide a long-term economic benefit within the region consistent with the performance outcomes identified in SACOG's Regional Funding Program Guidelines.
SACOG & SRTD	Upgrade to Police Handheld Devices for Connect Card	\$116,734	\$116,734	New project added 12/11 in response to remaining balance following prioritization of applications received by the 12/6 deadline.	1) Purchase of physical security enhancement equipment. 2) Supports MTP/SCS policies to improve the safety and security of transit facilities and maintain a state of good repair for transit vehicles and infrastructure (Policy 20). 3) Significantly improve safety and security consistent with the performance outcomes identified in SACOG's Regional Funding Program Guidelines.
SRTD	Expansion of Light Rail Digital Messaging Signs	\$382,000		Application received 12/10. Priority was given to applications submitted by the 12/6 deadline.	
SRTD	Fiber Optics Backbone Redundancy	\$509,000		Application received 12/10. Priority was given to applications submitted by the 12/6 deadline.	
<b>Sacramento County Allocation</b>			<b>\$1,118,690</b>		
<b>Sacramento County Total</b>			<b>\$1,118,690</b>		
<b>Balance</b>			<b>\$0</b>		

### Yolo County

AGENCY	PROJECT TITLE (March 2008 Call for Proj)	AGENCY REQUEST	STAFF RECOMMEND	NOTES	Relevant Policy Outcomes
YCTD	Bus Stop and Facility Safety and Security Improvements and Fuel Management System	\$153,836	\$153,836		1) Construction or renovation project designed to enhance the security of a public transit facility. 2) Supports MTP/SCS policies to improve the safety and security of transit facilities and maintain a state of good repair for transit vehicles and infrastructure (Policy 20). 3) Significantly improve safety and security consistent with the performance outcomes identified in SACOG's Regional Funding Program Guidelines.
SACOG	Port Transfer/Layover Facility Wireless Hotspot for Connect Card	\$109,250		Application prepared 12/7 in response to remaining balance following prioritization of applications received by the 12/6 deadline. Replaced by SACOG & SRTD project in Sacramento County to address funding balance in Sacramento County.	
<b>Yolo County Allocation</b>			<b>\$153,836</b>		
<b>Yolo County Total</b>			<b>\$153,836</b>		
<b>Balance</b>			<b>\$0</b>		

### Yuba & Sutter Counties

AGENCY	PROJECT TITLE (March 2008 Call for Proj)	AGENCY REQUEST	STAFF RECOMMEND	NOTES	Relevant Policy Outcomes
Yuba-Sutter Transit	Mobile Video Surveillance Systems	\$126,332	\$126,332		1) Purchase of physical security enhancement equipment. 2) Supports MTP/SCS policies to improve the safety and security of transit facilities and maintain a state of good repair for transit vehicles and infrastructure (Policy 20). 3) Significantly improve safety and security consistent with the performance outcomes identified in SACOG's Regional Funding Program Guidelines.
<b>Yuba &amp; Sutter County Allocation</b>			<b>\$126,332</b>		
<b>Yuba &amp; Sutter County Total</b>			<b>\$126,332</b>		
<b>Balance</b>			<b>\$0</b>		
<b>Regional Allocation</b>			<b>\$1,398,858</b>		
<b>Regional Total</b>			<b>\$1,398,858</b>		
<b>Prior Year = \$0</b>			<b>\$0</b>		



**SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

**RESOLUTION NO. xx – 2013**

**APPROVING THE TRANSIT SYSTEM SAFETY, SECURITY, AND DISASTER  
RESPONSE ACCOUNT FUNDING REQUEST FOR FY 2012-13 (Grant # 6561-0002)  
IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,398,858**

**WHEREAS**, the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality, and Port Security Bond Act of 2006 authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds for specified purposes, including, but not limited to, funding made available for capital projects that provide increased protection against security and safety threats, and for capital expenditures to increase the capacity of transit operators to develop disaster response transportation systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the California Emergency Management Agency (Cal EMA) administers such funds deposited in the Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response Account under the California Transit Security Grant Program (CTSGP ); and

**WHEREAS**, SACOG, as the regional planning commission for Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba Counties, is responsible for approving and submitting applications for CTSGP funds pursuant to Gov. Code Section 8879.58(a)(2); and

**WHEREAS**, SACOG staff has conducted the project selection process in accordance with the *Guidelines and Evaluation Form* approved by the Board on April 10, 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, the SACOG Board of Directors has reviewed the proposed projects and recommended that SACOG support and submit Project Investment Justifications (applications) for these projects; and

**WHEREAS**, Elk Grove Transit is recommended for \$486,956 of FY 2012-13 TSS funds for a Corp Yard Parking Security Improvements; and

**WHEREAS**, Paratransit, Inc. is recommended for \$515,000 of FY 2012-13 TSS funds for a Maintenance Facility CNG Upgrade; and

**WHEREAS**, the Sacramento Regional Transit District is recommended for \$116,734 of FY 2012-13 TSS funds for Upgraded Police Handheld Devices; and

**WHEREAS**, the Yolo County Transportation District is recommended for \$153,836 of FY 2012-13 TSS funds for Bus Stop and Facility Safety and Security Improvements and Fuel Management System; and

**WHEREAS**, Yuba-Sutter Transit is recommended for \$126,332 of FY 2012-13 TSS funds for Mobile Video Surveillance Systems.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the SACOG Board of Directors hereby approves the distribution of TSS funds to the projects and in the amounts described above and, authorizes the Executive Director to execute any agreements necessary for the purpose of developing, submitting, and implementing these grant application projects.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED**, this 21st day of March 2013, by the following vote of the Board of Directors:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**ABSENT:**

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Mary Jane Griego  
Chair

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Mike McKeever  
Chief Executive Officer