



SACOG Board of Directors

January 12, 2012

Approve Distribution of Proposition 1B Transit System Safety, Security, and Disaster Response Account—Bond Funds

Issue: The California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA) has requested Project Investment Justifications (transit safety and security project applications) by February 1, 2012. SACOG issued a call for projects on November 4, 2011. SACOG staff will request that the Board authorize the submittal of Project Investment Justifications for projects.

Recommendation: The Strategic Planning Committee recommends that the Board review and adopt a resolution approving the regionally-funded transit safety and security projects.

Committee Action/Discussion: CalEMA published funding allocations and the *Program Guidelines and Application Kit for the FY 2011-12 California Transit Security Grant Program* for Proposition 1B Transit System Safety, Security and Disaster Response Account (TSS) funds in December 2011. A total of \$60 million was apportioned to the account and allocated statewide in FY 2011-12. For the SACOG region, a total of \$2,158,763 is available; \$1,398,859 is allocated through SACOG as the Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) and an additional \$759,904 is allocated directly to transit operators in Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba counties. TSS account funds are allocated separately to the El Dorado and Placer RTPAs and transit operators in those counties.

Sponsors of transit safety and security projects had until December 9, 2011, to submit their funding requests and applications to SACOG. Applications were received from four transit agencies and one from SACOG. A review committee comprised of SACOG staff reviewed the applications using the *Guidelines and Evaluation Form* approved by the SACOG Board on April 10, 2008. The review committee's recommendations were discussed with the Transit Coordinating Committee (TCC) at its meeting held on December 14, 2011. An extension of the application deadline to December 21 allowed for a balance of funds remaining after the initial application deadline to be reviewed. A second review of the new applications received is underway, and SACOG staff is working with the project applicants to refine and finalize their application proposals. The review committee will send the recommendations to the TCC for final review and approval prior to the January SACOG Board meeting. The applicants will then be notified of the scoring outcomes and project funding recommendations.

With Board approval, SACOG staff will work with the project sponsors to submit Project Investment Justifications for those projects using regional funds. CalEMA reviews these submittals and identifies which projects will be awarded funds and issues a conditional award based on additional required documentation provided by the project sponsors.

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