



**Transportation Committee**  
**Meeting Date:** 3/1/2018  
**Agenda Item No.:** 2018-March-5.

**Subject:** Low Carbon Transit Operations (LCTOP) Regional Allocation for Fiscal Year 2017/18

**Action:**

**Prepared by:** Caroline Payne

**Approved by:** Matt Carpenter

**Attachments:** Yes

**1. Issue:**

Should the Board approve the 2017/18 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) regional funding program?

**2. Recommendation:**

That the Transportation Committee recommend that the Board: 1) approve the 2017-18 Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) regional funding program, and 2) authorize the Chief Executive Officer to execute all required documents for LCTOP funding.

**3. Background/Analysis:**

In 2014, the California Legislature passed Senate Bill (SB) 862 to establish the Transit, Affordable Housing, and Sustainable Communities Program. Within this program, the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) was established to provide operating and capital assistance for transit agencies to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve mobility, with a priority on serving disadvantaged communities. LCTOP is administered by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in coordination with the California Air Resources Board (CARB) and the State Controller's Office (SCO).

In compliance with LCTOP guidelines and Caltrans requirements, the Board has authorized SACOG's CEO to act as the Authorized Agent and Contributing Sponsor responsible for distributing regional LCTOP funds to local transit agencies in the four counties of Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba. This allows SACOG to release funds to each project lead by signing off on the Project Description and Allocation Request form. LCTOP funds for transit operators in El Dorado and Placer counties are processed by the El Dorado County Transportation Commission and Placer County Transportation Planning Agency, respectively.

For FY 2017/18, transit agency expenditure proposals for LCTOP funds are due to Caltrans by March 30, 2018. Caltrans and CARB will review the applications to ensure compliance

with SB 862 requirements and LCTOP guidelines. The approved proposals will then be submitted to the State Controller's Office (SCO) by May 2018. Funds will be available for allocation by June 30, 2018.

#### **4. Discussion/Analysis:**

For Fiscal Year 2017-18, the State is appropriating \$2,337,374 in regional LCTOP funds (PUC Section 99313) to eligible transit agencies in the four-county SACOG region. Since the establishment of the program, SACOG practice has been to distribute the funding by a population-based formula. Staff recommends continuing this practice for the 2017/18 LCTOP cycle. In this approach, funds will be distributed by an established formula (see Attachment A) as long as the proposed projects are deemed compliant by Caltrans and CARB. Staff is also proposing to apply for \$77,847 in available regional funds that are not allocated to any specific operator for operational costs of the Connect Card project. If these funds are not programmed by the end of FY 2017/18, the money will revert back to the State and will no longer be available to our region.

Board approval of the resolutions (Attachments B and C) authorize SACOG's CEO to execute the Certifications and Assurances, Authorized Agent, and other required documents for the proposed FY 2017/18 LCTOP-funded transit projects.

#### **5. Fiscal Impact/Grant Information:**

There is no fiscal impact to SACOG's operating budget. The funds are allocated by formula to recipient agencies for projects.

#### **ATTACHMENTS:**

##### Description

Attachment A1 - Fiscal Year 2017/18 Regional Low Carbon Transit Operations Program(LCTOP) Allocations

Attachment A2 - Fiscal Year 2017/18 Regional Low Carbon Transit Operations Program(LCTOP) Allocation

Attachment B - The Low Carbon Transit Operations Program(LCTOP) Authorized Agent Forms

Attachment C - The Low Carbon Transit Operations (LCTOP) Projects

**February 2018**  
**SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
Regional Share of Statewide PUC Allocation: 5% of annual proceeds  
**ALLOCATION OF LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATIONS PROGRAM (LCTOP)**  
**FY 2017-18**  
**PUBLIC UTILITY CODE SECTION 99313**

<b>JURISDICTION</b>	<b>POPULATION <sup>1/</sup></b>	<b>POPULATION AS A % OF TOTAL</b>	<b>ALLOCATION <sup>2/</sup></b>
<b>SACRAMENTO COUNTY</b>			
Unincorporated	580,126	30.81%	<b>\$720,081 <sup>3/</sup></b>
Citrus Heights	86,372	4.59%	<b>\$107,209 <sup>4/</sup></b>
Elk Grove	168,118	8.93%	<b>\$208,676</b>
Folsom	77,310	4.11%	<b>\$95,961</b>
Regional	25,471	1.35%	<b>\$31,616 <sup>5/</sup></b>
Regional	844	0.04%	<b>\$1,046 <sup>5/</sup></b>
Rancho Cordova	72,267	3.84%	<b>\$89,701 <sup>4/</sup></b>
Sacramento	486,111	25.81%	<b>\$603,386 <sup>4/</sup></b>
<b>SUTTER COUNTY</b>			
Unincorporated	20,862	1.11%	<b>\$25,895</b>
Live Oak	8,366	0.44%	<b>\$10,384</b>
Yuba City	67,386	3.58%	<b>\$83,643</b>
<b>YOLO COUNTY</b>			
Unincorporated	29,244	1.55%	<b>\$36,299</b>
Davis	67,731	3.60%	<b>\$84,071</b>
West Sacramento	52,797	2.80%	<b>\$65,534</b>
Winters	7,135	0.38%	<b>\$8,856</b>
Woodland	58,615	3.11%	<b>\$72,756</b>
<b>YUBA COUNTY</b>			
Unincorporated	58,741	3.12%	<b>\$72,912</b>
Marysville	12,061	0.64%	<b>\$14,971</b>
Wheatland	3,526	0.19%	<b>\$4,377</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,883,083</b>	<b>100.00%</b>	<b>\$2,337,374</b>

1. Sources: Report E-5, Department of Finance, Demographic Research Unit, 1/1/2016
2. Entire amount must be used for transportation planning and mass transportation purposes.
3. Of this amount, 95.2% (the percent of Unincorporated Sacramento County's population which is within the Sacramento Regional Transit District) or \$685,517 is reserved in whole for SRTD. The balance of \$34,564 is reserved for an eligible regional project.
4. Entire amount is reserved for SRTD for a total of \$800,296
5. Available for an eligible regional project.

**February 2018**  
**SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
**Local Share of Statewide PUC Allocation: 5% annual proceeds**  
**ALLOCATION OF LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATIONS PROGRAM (LCTOP)**  
**FY 2017-18**  
**PUBLIC UTILITY CODE SECTION 99314**

TRANSIT OPERATOR	REVENUE		ALLOCATION <sup>2/</sup>
	BASE <sup>1/</sup>	% OF TOTAL	
City of Elk Grove	\$1,767,786	1.9%	<b>\$16,910</b>
City of Folsom	\$658,529	0.7%	<b>\$6,299</b>
Sacramento Regional Transit District	\$78,534,612	86.3%	<b>\$751,220</b>
Yuba-Sutter Transit Authority	\$1,451,725	1.6%	<b>\$13,886</b>
City of Davis	\$3,098,134	3.4%	<b>\$29,635</b>
Yolo County Transportation District	\$4,361,050	4.8%	<b>\$41,715</b>
Sacramento County	\$1,110,348	1.2%	<b>\$10,621</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$90,982,184</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>\$870,286</b>

1. Each operator's revenue basis is based on latest eligible allocations as reported by the State Controller's Office for Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) funding.
2. Entire amount must be used for transportation planning and mass transportation purposes.



**SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

**RESOLUTION NO. XX- 2018**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE  
CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES AND AUTHORIZED AGENT FORMS  
FOR THE LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATIONS PROGRAM (LCTOP)**

**WHEREAS**, SACOG is an eligible project sponsor and may receive state funding from the LCTOP for transit projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the statutes related to state-funded transit projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 862 (2014) named the Department of Transportation (Department) as the administrative agency for the LCTOP; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department has developed guidelines for the purpose of administering and distributing LCTOP funds to eligible project sponsors (local agencies); and

**WHEREAS**, SACOG wishes to delegate authorization to execute these documents and any amendments there to SACOG's Chief Executive Officer.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the SACOG that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Certification and Assurances and the Authorized Agent documents and applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all LCTOP funded transit projects.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that SACOG's Chief Executive Officer be authorized to execute all required documents of the LCTOP program and any Amendments thereto with the California Department of Transportation.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 15 day of March 2018, by the following vote of the Board of Directors:

**AYES:**  
**NOES:**  
**ABSTAIN:**  
**ABSENT:**

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Jay Schenirer  
Chair

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James Corless  
Chief Executive Officer



**SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**

**RESOLUTION NO. XX – 2018**

**AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTION OF THE  
THE LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATIONS PROGRAM (LCTOP) PROJECTS:**

**WHEREAS**, SACOG is an eligible project sponsor and may receive state funding from the LCTOP now or sometime in the future for transit projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the statutes related to state-funded transit projects require a local or regional implementing agency to abide by various regulations; and

**WHEREAS**, Senate Bill 862 (2014) named the Department of Transportation (Department) as the administrative agency for the LCTOP; and

**WHEREAS**, the Department has developed guidelines for the purpose of administering and distributing LCTOP funds to eligible project sponsors (local agencies); and

**WHEREAS**, SACOG is a Contributing Sponsor to multiple lead agencies and also an eligible recipient of the LCTOP funds,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of SACOG that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all LCTOP funded transit projects.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of SACOG that it hereby authorizes the submittal of an allocation request by the following project leads to the Department in FY 2017-18 LCTOP regional funds (Section 99313) as follows:

**Lead Agency and Project list:**

Yuba-Sutter Transit Authority:

1. *2 Electric ZEB buses -\$212,182*

Yolo County Transportation District:

2. *Zero emission electric buses & installation of equipment and infrastructure - \$267,516*

Elk Grove Transit (e-tran):

3. *Zero Emission Infrastructure for Elk Grove's Transit System- \$208,676*

City of Folsom:

4. *zero-emission or low-emission vehicles-\$95,961*

SACOG:

5. *Connect Card Implementation- \$67,226 and \$10,621 of Section 99314 funds- total: \$77,847*

Sac. Regional Transit District:

6. *Blue Line Phase 2 Extension, year 4 of operations-\$1,382,117*

7. *Connect Card-year 3 of operations - \$20,862*

8. *Golden 1 Center Service- year 3 of operations- \$50,845*

9. *Bus Route 25 Enhancements- year 4 of operations-\$31,989*

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 15th day of March 2018, by the following vote of the Board of Directors:

**AYES:**

**NOES:**

**ABSTAIN:**

**ABSENT:**

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Jay Schenirer  
Chair

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James Corless  
Chief Executive Officer