



**Item #16-12-5  
Action**

**Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee**

November 23, 2016

**Amendment #2 to the FY 2016/17 Overall Work Program and Budget**

**Issue:** Should Amendment #2 be made to the Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget for Fiscal Year 2016-17?

**Recommendation:** That the Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee recommend that the Board approve Amendment #2 to the Overall Work Program (OWP) and Budget for Fiscal Year 2016/17.

**Discussion:** SACOG's Overall Work Program (OWP) describes the continuing, comprehensive, and coordinated metropolitan planning process for the six-county Sacramento Region. The OWP includes annual agency revenues and expenditures, and is used by Caltrans, federal agencies, and others to track activities of SACOG, Caltrans, the El Dorado County Transportation Commission, and the Placer County Transportation Planning Agency.

Amendments to the OWP are typical throughout the year to modify OWP projects, add new projects or revenue to the OWP, change project descriptions, or adjust staff and expenditures between OWP activities. Amendment #1 was made in August, 2016 to add a Congestion Management Process Element to the work program per a request from the Federal Highway Administration.

The primary purposes of Amendment #2 are to bring unspent fund balance from fiscal year 15/16 into the FY 16/17 budget, shift federal funds among a number of projects, add two new grant funded projects, and several other minor budget neutral modifications to streamline reimbursement of federal and state funding. Amendment #2 to the OWP and Budget will increase the FY16/17 budget by \$607,000 made up of \$225,000 in FY15/16 unspent fund balance, \$132,000 in funding contributions from other agencies carried forward from last fiscal year, and \$250,000 in new grant funding.

Attachment A summarizes the proposed OWP and budget changes included in Amendment #2. Attachment B includes descriptions of the two new projects. A summary of highlighted changes by major work element is as follows:

**Element 100: Core and Long-Range Member, Agency, and Transportation Services and Planning Activities**

- Add \$80,000 in TDA funds from SACOG's FY 15/16 unspent fund balance to the Planning Tools project for the Open Data Portal.
- Shift \$75,000 to the Rural-Urban Connection Strategy project for H.T. Harvey & Associates to provide natural resource consulting services as approved by the Board at its November 17, 2016 meeting. Funding for this project will come from shifting \$30,000 in federal funds from other accounts that will not need their full consultant budgets plus an additional \$45,000 in TDA funds from SACOG's FY 15/16 unspent fund balance.

- Shift \$20,000 in TDA funding to the Regional Transportation Modeling and Analysis project for additional consultant help with the Transportation Project-Level Performance Evaluation. The funds for this change represent a budget neutral shift in TDA funds from other projects that are not expected to fully spend their FY 16/17 anticipated budget.
- Various budget neutral shifts in federal, state, and local funding to accommodate expedited reimbursement of staff work.

Element 200: Discretionary Transportation Planning Grant Activities

- Add a new \$100,000 project to cover SACOG and Caltrans contributions to Portland State University for SB743 case studies. Includes \$50,000 in State Planning and Research funds from Caltrans and \$50,000 in TDA funds from SACOG's FY 15/16 unspent fund balance.
- Add a new \$250,000 project for the Feasibility Study for Expanding Davis-Sacramento Rail funded through the Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant program administered by Caltrans. The total project cost is made up of \$200,000 in state grant funding and \$50,000 in TDA funds from SACOG's FY 15/16 unspent fund balance.

Element 220: Other Planning Grant and Partnership Projects

- Shift \$65,000 in federal planning funds from other projects to the Urban Footprint project. This shift is budget neutral and will free up TDA funds currently allocated to this project.
- Add the Sacramento County Short Range Transit Plan to allow SACOG to complete work not finished in FY 15/16. This project is reimbursed by Sacramento County Transit.

Element 302: Connect Card

- Add \$117,000 in Sacramento County TDA funds that were not spent in FY 15/16 to the Connect Card project for work to be completed in the current fiscal year.

With Board authorization, SACOG will submit the revised OWP to Caltrans and federal partners for final approval. These modifications will constitute Amendment #2 to the FY 2016/17 OWP.

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Attachments

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Element	Project Code	Project Name	Current Budget	Proposed Change	Amended Budget	Reason for Change
100 Core and Long-Range Member, Agency, and Transportation Services and Planning Activities	100-002-01G	Regional Transportation Modeling and Analysis-General	\$1,059,710	\$20,000	\$1,079,710	Add \$20K for potential additional consultant support of the Project-Level Performance Evaluation. Funding will come from a reduction in consultant spending in the Goods Movement/Freight Planning/Major Investment Studies project.
	100-002-06	Goods Movement/Freight Planning/Major Investment Studies.	\$189,146	(\$20,000)	\$169,146	Shift \$20K to Regional Transportation Modeling and Analysis for additional consultant assistance.
	100-002-12	Planning Support Tools	\$103,889	\$80,000	\$183,889	Add \$80,000 in TDA funds from SACOG's FY 15/16 unspent fund balance to support the Open Data Portal project. This project was budgeted, but not completed in FY 15/16.
	100-005-05	Rural-Urban Connections Strategy	\$205,646	\$75,000	\$280,646	Add \$75K for H.T. Harvey & Associates to provide natural resource consulting services as approved by the Board at its November 17, 2016 meeting. Funding for this project will come from shifting \$30,000 in federal funds from Blueprint & MTP/SCS Planning & Implementation plus an additional \$45,000 in TDA funds from SACOG's FY 15/16 unspent fund balance.
	100-006-04G	Blueprint & MTP/SCS Planning & Implementation-General	\$971,407	(\$30,000)	\$941,407	Shift \$30K to Rural-Urban Connections Strategy for additional consultant costs.
200 Discretionary Transportation Planning Grant Activities	200-XXX-XX	PSU SB743 Case Studies	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000	Add new project. Includes \$50K in TDA funds from SACOG's FY 15/16 unspent fund balance and \$50K in State Planning & Research grant funds.
	200-XXX-XX	Feasibility Study for Expanding Davis-Sacramento Rail	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	Add new project. Includes \$50K in TDA funds from SACOG's FY 15/16 unspent fund balance and \$200K in State Planning & Research grant funds.
220 Other Planning Grant and Partnership Projects	220-002-11	Urban Footprint Statewide Collaboration and Maintenance	\$127,601	\$0	\$127,601	Budget neutral change. Swap out existing TDA funds for federal funding. TDA funds will be distributed among other projects currently funded with federal funds.
	220-003-26	Sacramento County Short Range Transit Plan	\$0	\$15,000	\$15,000	Work not fully completed in FY 15/16. Add project to 16/17 budget. Work to be reimbursed by Sacramento County Transit.
302 Connect Card	302-004-06	Connect Card Implementation	\$3,495,430	\$117,000	\$3,612,430	Add \$117K in TDA funds from Sacramento County that was not fully spent in FY 15/16.

<b>New TDA funding from unspent FY15/16 fund balance:</b>	\$225,000
<b>Carryover from FY15/16 agreements with partner agencies:</b>	\$132,000
<b>New grant funding:</b>	\$250,000
<b>Total addition to FY16/17 Budget:</b>	<b>\$607,000</b>

**FEASIBILITY STUDY FOR EXPANDING DAVIS-SACRAMENTO  
RAIL SERVICE**

*Project #200-XXX-XX*

(Caltrans Planning Grant)

This project is a feasibility study for adding short-haul service in the Sacramento-Davis rail corridor to augment Capitol Corridor service and respond to regional growth. The study will analyze needs for track and station improvements/additions; rail car, layover, storage, and maintenance needs; ridership projections; capital, operations and maintenance costs; potential funding and institutional/governance models. More frequent rail service between the Davis train depot, West Sacramento, and the downtown Sacramento Valley Station with its many transit connections, would reduce VMT, GHG emissions, and travel demand on Interstate 80 and the Yolo Causeway, and increase mobility and access to reach regional opportunities.

This work will be performed by SACOG staff and consultants.

Tasks and ***End Products:***

- a. Engage Consultant
- b. Plan and Implement Public Outreach
- c. Develop Demand Analysis
- d. Assess Operational and Capital Opportunities, Constraints and Costs
- e. Assess Potential Funding and Institutional Arrangements
- f. Develop Draft and Final Feasibility Study/Plan***
- g. Quarterly Reports/Invoices (Quarterly)***

**SB743 CASE STUDIES**

*Project 200-XXX-XX*

(Caltrans Planning Grant)

This project will test new rules brought on by the passage of Senate Bill 743 regarding the use of vehicle miles traveled for CEQA analysis of transportation impacts. The California Office of Planning and Research (OPR) has proposed a new rule as well as non-regulatory technical guidance, shifting the standard of review under CEQA from maintaining an adequate supply of road capacity in order to address congestion (the Level of Service “LOS” standard) to reducing demand for automobile travel (a Vehicle Miles Traveled “VMT” reduction standard).

Portland State University will conduct various case studies and travel behavior simulations, and possibly explore refinements to the language of California’s OPR guidance or regulations. The project aims to assist OPR in establishing procedures that will facilitate in-fill and mixed use development and implement the law throughout the state.

This work will be performed by consultants.

Tasks and ***End Products:***

- a. Preliminary Analysis (April – September 2016)***
- b. In-Depth Case Studies (October 2016 – April 2018)***
- c. Preparation of Findings (September -- February 2018)***
- d. Develop California Implementation Plan (September -- February 2018)***
- e. Plan for Disseminating Results in and Beyond California (September -- February 2018)***
- f. Quarterly Reports/Invoices (Quarterly)***