



SACOG Board of Directors

August 11, 2016

Item #16-8-6
Consent

Approve Amendment #1 to the FY 2016/17 Overall Work Program

Issue: The Federal Highway Administration is requesting modifications to several projects listed in the FY 2016/17 Overall Work Program

Recommendation: The Government Relations & Public Affairs Committee recommends that the SACOG Board authorize staff to add funding to the Congestion Management Program with corresponding tasks and deliverables, along with other minor modifications, in the fiscal year 2016/17 Overall Work Program.

Committee Action/Discussion: On May 12th, the SACOG Board approved the Overall Work Program (OWP) for fiscal year 2016/17. The OWP allocated federal, state, and local funding to activities and work programs for the July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017 fiscal year. Among these projects, the OWP included a placeholder project for a Congestion Management Program (CMP) while staff worked on a solution to help satisfy a corrective action issued to SACOG by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) in the agency's recent MPO certification review. FHWA has issued conditional approval of SACOG's OWP until the corrective action related to the CMP is met along with several other administrative changes to projects listed in the OWP. To fulfill the corrective action, FHWA has requested that SACOG assign budget with explicit tasks and deliverables to the CMP project.

Attachment A includes a revised CMP project description that better reflects ongoing activities, end products, and anticipated expenditures that will meet FHWA's requirements. The funding and activities listed under the CMP project represent a shifting of staff, tasks, and money that were listed under other OWP projects, but do not affect SACOG's overall spending or work program. In general, the revised CMP element reflects a consolidation and refinement of activities and budget already included in the OWP into a single project that can be more effectively documented and monitored by staff and agency partners.

In addition to modifications to the CMP element, FHWA requested a number of administrative modifications to the OWP as part of the conditional approval. None of the changes, including modifications to the CMP, will affect SACOG's overall funding levels for FY 2016/17. The administrative changes include the addition of detailed funding tables to all core projects. Previously, funding tables were included for just those projects utilizing fund types specific to the OWP (FHWA PL funds, FTA 5303 funds, FTA 5304 funds, and state planning grants). Federal funds were also added to a number of projects of special interest to FHWA. These funds were swapped for other local or state funding types and did not affect the overall funding level or scope of work for any project.

With Board authorization, SACOG will submit the revised OWP to Caltrans and federal partners for final approval. These modifications will constitute Amendment #1 to the FY 2016/17 OWP.

Approved by:

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Attachment

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CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROCESS
(Federal Requirement)

Project #100-007-25

As reported to the Board in June 2016, a confluence of several events have resulted in a heightened need to develop an formal congestion management process (CMP) as part of its normal transportation monitoring, planning, and programming activities: 1) FHWA comments on the lack of a formal CMP in last SACOG MPO certification; 2) requirements in Federal transportation authorizations for performance monitoring, with an emphasis on congestion and delay; and 3) availability of new data on roadway system performance. A more formal CMP would allow for a coordinated response to these three events.

Additionally, the passage of Senate Bill (SB) 743 provides the opportunity to develop a systematic approach to evaluate transportation and land use projects in the region for transportation impacts, including congestion and accessibility. The legislation deletes an old metric (Level of Service) for CEQA analysis. Active and planned coordination between regional agencies and the State Office of Planning and Research are underway to implement new metrics through a series of case studies that will illustrate efficient and effective methods to evaluate impacts and develop mitigation measures. The lessons learned can then be applied to development of CMP improvements.

SACOG's updated CMP work activities will involve a cooperatively developed metropolitan-wide strategy of analyzing new and existing transportation facilities in the six-county region. SACOG's CMP will complement the regional transportation plan and include the following elements:

- New methods to monitor and evaluate congestion on the roadway system and its effects on travelers
- Opportunities for leveraging existing congestion monitoring and management efforts (e.g. congestion management agencies)
- Objectives and performance measures
- Identification of priority corridors to include in the CMP
- Data collection and analysis
- Identification and evaluation of anticipated performance and expected benefits of Congestion Management strategies, including demand management, traffic operational improvements, public transportation improvements, ITS technologies, and additional system capacity, (where necessary)
- Assessment of the effectiveness of previously implemented strategies

Tasks and ***End Products:***

- ***Development of Congestion Management Objectives and Work Plan (September 2016)***
- ***CMP Network and Performance Report (includes objectives, priority corridors, performance metrics and monitoring plan, and initial monitoring results) (December 2016)***
- ***CMP Strategies Report (includes analysis of problem areas and identification of strategies to address problems)(March 2017)***
- ***CMP Implementation Report (June 2017)***
- ***SB 743 case studies (June 2017)***

Congestion Management Process Budget Detail

Total Expenses		\$223,843
Salaries and Fringe	\$	93,968
Indirect	\$	29,874
Other	\$	100,000

Total Revenues (includes deferred)		\$223,970
<i>FHWA PL Toll Credit Match *</i>	\$	<i>14,219</i>
FHWA PL	\$	123,970
Other State or Local	\$	100,000

* Total Revenues do not include Toll Credit Match