

BCAG BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Item #6
Information

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DRAFT 2024 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (RTIP) RECOMMENDATIONS

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ISSUE: BCAG is required to prepare and adopt a Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) by December 15, 2023, for the 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

DISCUSSION: BCAG requested project nominations from member jurisdictions for consideration of programming in the 2024 RTIP, which has a funding target of \$8.4 million. Staff received 8 project submittals totaling over \$20 million and has reviewed each of the projects. Staff has developed a draft recommendation list for the Boards consideration prior to developing a final 2024 RTIP.

Table 1 identifies staff's project programming recommendations for the 2024 RTIP, which were reviewed with the BCAG Transportation Advisory Committee at their October 5th meeting.

Table 2 identifies the projects not recommended for programing in the 2024 RTIP and identifies a funding program that is better suited for the funding of those projects.

The Draft 2024 RTIP programming recommendations presented by staff meet the requirements identified in the 2024 STIP Guidelines and are in alignment with the Climate Action Plan for Transportation Infrastructure (CAPTI) adopted by California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) in July 2021.

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TABLE 1 DRAFT 2024 RTIP STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

PROJECTS RECOMMEND FOR THE 2024 RTIP		
Agency & Project	Funding Request	Funding Recommendation
Chico – Eaton Rd / SR 99 Roundabout	\$6,300,000	\$6,300,000
County – Palermo Safe Routes to Schools Project	\$2,625,000	\$1,000,000
BCAG - North Valley Passenger Rail Project	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
BCAG - Planning, Programming & Monitoring	\$738,000	\$738,000
<u>Totals</u>	<u>\$21,487,000</u>	<u>\$10,538,000</u>

 2024 RTIP Recommendations =
 \$10,538,000

 2024 RTIP Fund Estimate =
 \$8,433,000

 Over Programmed =
 \$2,105,000

TABLE 2 PROJECTS NOT RECOMMENDED FOR 2024 RTIP

PROJECTS RECOMMENDED FOR OTHER FUNDING PROGRAMS OR NOT RECOMMENDED **Recommended Funding** Program - CMAQ or CRP **Agency & Project** Request **Not Recommended Program Funding** Biggs - 2nd Street Safe Routes to Schools Project \$700,000 \$700,000 Chico - Downtown Complete Streets \$2,000,000 \$2,000,000 Chico - SR 99 Southgate Interchange Project \$3,624,000 \$3,624,000 County - Palermo Safe Routes to Schools Project \$2,625,000 \$1,625,000 Oroville - Washington Ave Complete Streets \$2,500,000 \$2,500,000 Oroville - Table Mountain Blvd Complete Streets \$500,000 \$500,000 \$7,325,000 \$3,624,000 **Totals**

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While staff's 2024 RTIP recommendations are above the 2024 Fund Estimate provided to Butte County, STIP guidelines allow regions like BCAG to make a programming recommendation up to 200% of its target. BCAG may be consulted by the CTC to make funding adjustments to financially constrain the STIP after all statewide RTIPs and Caltrans' Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP) have been submitted.

For those projects submitted and not recommended for the 2024 RTIP, staff will prepare a future Board agenda item outlining other funding for those projects. Staff is not recommending funding for the SR 99 Southgate Interchange Project at this time due to the financial constraints of the RTP/SCS and the lack of a comprehensive funding plan for the entire project.

REQUESTED ACTION: This item is provided for information and discussion. The 2024 RTIP is scheduled for adoption at the December 7, 2023, BCAG Board of Directors meeting.

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