

RESOLUTION NO. 26-21

RESOLUTION APPROVING SAN FRANCISCO'S PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR THE 2026 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, The State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is a five-year investment plan for state transportation money, distributed through the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) and the Interregional Improvement Program which can fund a wide variety of projects including major transit expansion, highway repair and redesign, and bicycle and pedestrian projects; and

WHEREAS, California Transportation Commission (CTC) guidelines allow a portion of RTIP funds to be used for Planning, Programming, and Monitoring (PPM) activities such as regional transportation planning, program development, and oversight of state and federally funded projects; and

WHEREAS, As Congestion Management Agency (CMA) for San Francisco, the Transportation Authority is responsible for programming San Francisco's county share of RTIP funds, subject to approval by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the CTC; and

WHEREAS, The 2026 RTIP covers five years (Fiscal Years (FYs) 2026/27-2030/31), but the CTC has advised that new project programming is almost exclusively available in FYs 2029/30 and FY 2030/31; and

WHEREAS, For the 2026 RTIP, San Francisco has a total of \$9,887,000 in RTIP funds with up to \$494,000 available for PPM and \$9,393,000 for RTIP-eligible capital projects as shown in Attachment 1; and

WHEREAS, MTC and the CMAs have a long-standing arrangement to split PPM funds in recognition of the role each agency plays in advancing the state's transportation goals; and

WHEREAS, Transportation Authority staff recommend programming \$298,000 for the Transportation Authority and \$196,000 for MTC in PPM funds; and



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WHEREAS, With respect to the \$9,393,000 available for RTIP-eligible capital projects, the Board has long-standing RTIP priorities shown in Attachment 2 which currently reflect remaining commitments of \$15,699,654 for SFMTA's Central Subway and \$31,000,000 for MTC's Advance for Presidio Parkway, to be programmed to an eligible project or projects of SFMTA's and MTC's choice, respectively, with equal priority until those commitments are fulfilled; and

WHEREAS, Transportation Authority staff worked with SFMTA and MTC to identify candidate projects for the 2026 RTIP; and

WHEREAS, SFMTA was unable to identify a project that would meet eligibility and timely use of funds requirements for the 2026 RTIP cycle; thus, Transportation Authority staff recommend directing all \$9,393,000 in RTIP project funds to a project of MTC's choosing, which MTC will identify prior to MTC Commission adoption of Bay Area RTIP priorities in December; and

WHEREAS, Transportation Authority staff recommend that for the 2028 RTIP, SFMTA have priority for the first \$9,393,000 in RTIP funds with MTC and SFMTA having equal priority for any remaining funds until their RTIP commitments are fulfilled; and

WHEREAS, Attachment 3 is the required Project Programming Request Form with additional detail on the scope, schedule, cost and funding for the proposed PPM funds for the Transportation Authority; and

WHEREAS, The Transportation Authority must submit its approved 2026 RTIP priorities to MTC by October 31, 2025; and

WHEREAS, At its September 25, 2025 meeting, the Community Advisory Committee considered the staff recommended 2026 RTIP Program of Projects and unanimously adopted a motion of support for the staff recommendation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, That the Transportation Authority hereby adopts San Francisco's 2026 RTIP Program of Projects as shown in Attachment 3 and conditioned on MTC



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and CTC approval of San Francisco's 2026 RTIP Program of Projects, updates San Francisco's Remaining RTIP Commitments as shown in Attachment 4; and be it further RESOLVED, That the Executive Director is authorized to communicate this information to MTC by its deadline and to all other relevant agencies and interested parties.

Attachments:

- 1. 2026 RTIP Funds Available
- 2. Remaining RTIP Commitments
- 3. Project Programming Request Form for PPM Proposed 2026 RTIP Program of Projects
- 4. Proposed Remaining RTIP Commitments



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The foregoing Resolution was approved and adopted by the San Francisco County Transportation Authority at a regularly scheduled meeting thereof, this 28th day of October 2025, by the following votes:

Ayes: Commissioners Chan, Chen, Dorsey, Fielder, Mahmood,

Mandelman, Melgar, Sauter, and Walton (9)

Absent: Commissioner Sherrill (1)

Myrna Mulgar 10/30/2025

Myrna Melgar Date Chair

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ATTEST:

10/30/2025

Tilly Chang Date Executive Director

Attachment 1.

2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) New Funds Available for San Francisco

The 2026 RTIP covers five years (Fiscal Years (FYs) 2026/27 - 2030/31). However, the California Transportation Commission has advised that new project programming is almost exclusively available only in the last two years, FY 2029/30 and FY 2030/31, with very small amounts in FY 2026/27 and FY 2028/29.

Programmin g Category	San Francisco County Share - New Programming	Eligible Activities
Planning, Programming, and Monitoring (PPM)	SFCTA: \$298,000	Up to 5% allowable per 3-year county share period, FY 2028/29 - 2030/31, (different than 5-year range of the RTIP) for PPM activities including regional transportation planning, program
	MTC: \$196,000	development, and project monitoring. MTC and the Congestion Management Agencies have a long-standing
	PPM subtotal: \$494,000	arrangement to split the PPM in recognition of the role each agency plays in advancing the state's transportation goals.
Capital	New formula distribution: \$9,393,000	Capital projects to improve transportation, including highways, local roads, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and transit projects. For the 2026 RTIP, transit projects must be State Constitution Article XIX compliant (e.g.
Capital Projects	Capital Projects subtotal: \$9,393,000	no rolling stock) or must seek federal- only funding and provide required matching funds if no state Public Transportation Account funds are available. Can fund environmental, design, right of way and construction phases.
Total:	\$9,887,000	

Attachment 2. San Francisco County Transportation Authority Current Remaining Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) Commitments¹

Project ²	Initial RTIP Commitment	Current Remaining RTIP Commitment
Central Subway ³	\$92,000,000	\$15,699,654
MTC STP/CMAQ Advance for Presidio Parkway ⁴	\$34,000,000	\$31,000,000
Caltrain Downtown Extension [Fulfilled]	\$28,000,000	\$0
Caltrain Electrification [Fulfilled]	\$24,000,000	\$0
Presidio Parkway [Fulfilled]	\$84,101,000	\$0
Total	\$262,101,000	\$46,699,654

¹ Based on Transportation Authority Board-adopted RTIP priorities last amended by Resolution 24-15, approved October 24, 2023. Per Resolution 24-15, repayment of remaining RTIP commitments to MTC and SFMTA have equal priority in the 2026 RTIP.

² Acronyms include Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ), Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA), San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA), and Surface Transportation Program (STP).

³ Since sufficient RTIP funds were unavailable when SFMTA was awarding the Central Subway construction contracts, we are honoring this commitment by programming new Regional Improvement Program (RIP) funds when they become available to other SFMTA eligible projects to comply with RTIP guidelines.

⁴ Through Resolution 12-44, the SFCTA accepted MTC's proposed advance of \$34 million in STP/CMAQ funds for Presidio Parkway to be repaid with future county share RTIP funds. On September 22, 2021 as part of its approval of the 2022 RTIP guidelines, the MTC reduced the Transportation Authority's remaining commitment by \$3 million, contingent on the Transportation Authority allocating \$3 million in local funds to serve as MTC's contribution to the next phase of project development for the Caltrain Downtown Extension project.

Attachment 3. Proposed San Francisco 2026 Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) Programming Priorities

Project Totals by Fiscal Year (\$ 1,000's)

CTC has advised that new project programming is almost exclusively available in the last two years, FY 2029/30 and FY 2030/31

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Agency ¹	Project	Total	FY 2026/27	FY 2027/28	FY 2028/29	FY 2029/30	FY 2030/31	Phase
2024 RTIP Program	024 RTIP Programming Priorities							
SFMTA	New Flyer Midlife Overhaul - Phase III	\$45,569		\$45,569				Construction
SFCTA	Planning, programming, and Monitoring	\$927	\$326	\$327	\$274			n/a
MTC	Planning, Programming, and Monitoring	\$279	\$91	\$93	\$95			n/a
Funds Programmed to 2024 RTIP Priorities		\$46,775	\$417	\$45,989	\$369			
2025 MTC RTIP Pro	2025 MTC RTIP Programming - Fund Exchange ²							
SFMTA	New Flyer Midlife Overhaul - Phase III	\$18,270		\$18,270				
	MTC RTIP Fund Exchange	\$18,270		\$18,270				
New 2026 RTIP Pro	New 2026 RTIP Programming Priorities							
MTC	Project TBD	\$9,393				\$9,393		TBD
SFCTA	Planning, programming, and Monitoring	\$298				\$298		n/a
MTC	Planning, Programming, and Monitoring	\$196				\$98	\$98	n/a
Propo	Proposed 2026 RTIP Programming \$9,887					\$9,789	\$98	
Total RTIP Funds Available \$9,887								
Surplus/(Shortfall)		\$0						

¹ Acronyms include the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC), San Francisco County Transportation Authority (SFCTA), and San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency (SFMTA).

² MTC programmed \$18.27 million in MTC RTIP funds reserved for the Housing Incentive Pool (HIP) program to the SFMTA's New Flyer Mid-Life Overhauls Phase III project in exchange for a like amount of Prop L funds for a HIP-eligible SFMTA project or projects. The benefits of this fund exchange include: earlier availability of the HIP funds than if they were in the RTIP (FY31 for RTIP funds); ability for SFMTA to use flexible Prop L funds instead of RTIP funds, which are much more restrictive; and, the mid-life overhauls project would become a top priority for RTIP programming in the region. The \$18.27 million in MTC RTIP funds are in addition to the \$45.569 million in San Francisco RTIP funds that the SFCTA Board recommended programming to the bus overhauls in October 2023.

Attachment 4 San Francisco County Transportation Authority Proposed Remaining Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) Commitments^{1, 5} Proposed October 2025

5	Initial RTIP	Current Remaining	Proposed New	Proposed Remaining RTIP
Project ²	Commitment	RTIP Commitment	Funds 2026 RTIP	Commitment
Central Subway ³	\$92,000,000	\$15,699,654	\$0	\$15,699,654
MTC STP/CMAQ Advance for Presidio Parkway ⁴	\$34,000,000	\$31,000,000	\$9,393,000	\$21,607,000
Caltrain Downtown Extension [Fulfilled]	\$28,000,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Caltrain Electrification [Fulfilled]	\$24,000,000	\$0		\$0
Presidio Parkway [Fulfilled]	\$84,101,000	\$0		\$0
Total	\$262,101,000	\$46,699,654	\$9,393,000	\$37,306,654

¹ Based on Transportation Authority Board-adopted RTIP priorities last amended by Resolution 24-15 approved October 24, 2023. Per Resolution 2024-15, remaining RTIP commitments to MTC and SFMTA have equal priority in the 2026 RTIP recommendations.

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³ Since sufficient RTIP funds were unavailable when SFMTA was awarding the Central Subway construction contracts, SFCTA is honoring this commitment by programming new RTIP funds when they become available to other SFMTA eligible projects to comply with RTIP guidelines.

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⁵ Proposed 2026 RTIP would program \$9.393 million from San Francisco's share of available project funds to partially paydown the remaining commitment to MTC. For the 2028 RTIP, SFMTA would have priority for the first \$9.393 million in RTIP project funds to go toward the Central Subway RTP commitment. MTC and SFMTA would have equal priority for any remaining project funds in the 2028 RTIP beyond the first \$9.393 million.