



## *Memorandum*

TO: Partnership Working Groups

DATE: March 21, 2017

FR: Adam Crenshaw

RE: Call for Non-Exempt projects to be added to the 2017 TIP

The federally required Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a comprehensive listing of all Bay Area surface transportation projects that are to receive federal funding, or are subject to a federally required action, or are considered regionally significant for air quality conformity purposes over a four-year TIP period. MTC is required to prepare and adopt an updated TIP every two years under state statute. The 2017 TIP was adopted by the Commission on September 28, 2016, and approval by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) was received on December 16, 2016. The 2017 TIP covers the four-year period from FY 2016-17 through FY 2019-20.

Per federal statute, the TIP is required to be consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). MTC approved the current RTP, *Plan Bay Area*, on July 18, 2013, and is in the process of developing a new RTP, *Plan Bay Area 2040*.

MTC is also developing an amendment to the 2017 TIP to make it consistent with the new RTP. As a new air quality conformity analysis will be required as part of the development of the new RTP, this amendment is a good opportunity to add projects to the 2017 TIP that are non-exempt from regional air quality conformity, or to revise the scope, funding and schedule of existing projects in the 2017 TIP. Non-exempt projects include any project that either adds or removes capacity from a roadway or transit system.

The final list of committed projects in the financially-constrained RTP is included as Attachment A. This list includes the new RTP IDs used for *Plan Bay Area 2040*, the titles of projects included in the new RTP, updated total project costs for those projects and whether or not the projects are scheduled to be completed by the end of calendar year 2020 in the new RTP. Partner agencies, including Caltrans, CMAs, transit operators and project sponsors, are requested to compare the projects in *Plan Bay Area 2040* to the projects already listed in the 2017 TIP (Attachment B) and then:

- Enter any new air quality non-exempt projects that will need a federal or state action in the next two years that requires TIP programming into FMS;
- Add fully funded capital phases to the four active years of the TIP (capital phases are right-of-way or construction phases);
- Update the cost of the project to reflect what is included in the new RTP;
- Update the existing scope of projects to reflect the new RTP; and
- Update the schedule of existing projects to reflect the new RTP.

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Please note that we are in the process of updating FMS to include the new *Plan Bay Area 2040* RTP IDs. If this field has not yet been updated when submitting your projects and revisions, please include any number in the RTP ID field in FMS and then include the *Plan Bay Area 2040* RTP ID in the expanded project description. MTC staff will then update FMS when the data is available.

Please submit new projects and changes to existing projects as soon as possible, **BUT NO LATER THAN March 31, 2017.** The next opportunity to add non-exempt projects to the TIP will be as part of the development of the 2019 TIP, which is expected to receive final federal approval in December, 2018.

If you have any funding specific question(s) please contact the following MTC staff:

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FTA Funds, including: Section 5307/5337/5339 funds, FTA Earmarks	Rob Jaques	(415) 778-5378
Transit Performance Initiative and RM2 Transit Projects	Craig Bosman	(415) 778-6770
State and Regional Funds, including: STIP/TE, TCRP, CMIA, RM2 Highway Projects	Kenneth Kao	(415) 778-6768
2017 TIP and Fund Management System (FMS)	Adam Crenshaw	(415) 778-6794

We appreciate your help in updating the 2017 TIP. Thank you for your prompt attention to this request.

Attachment A – Plan Bay Area 2040 Project List  
Attachment B – 2017 TIP Existing Project List