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Revised Agenda Item No. 3

Mountain/Desert Policy Committee

October 16, 2015

9:30 a.m.

Location:

Town of Apple Valley

14975 Dale Evans Parkway, Apple Valley, CA 92307

Discussion Items

Regional/Subregional Planning

3. Active Transportation Program Award List and Ten Point Allocation Methodology

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Recommendation "C" was added after the agenda was printed and posted.

Minute Action

AGENDA ITEM:

Date: *October 16, 2015*

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Background:

The Active Transportation Program (ATP) was created by Senate Bill 99 (Chapter 359, Statutes 2013) and Assembly Bill 101 (Chapter 354, Statutes 2013) to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as biking and walking, as well as to ensure compliance with Moving Ahead for Progress in 21st Century Act (MAP-21). The Cycle 2 Call for Projects was released by Caltrans on March 26, 2015 and went through a statewide review process. On September 15, 2015, California Transportation Commission (CTC) released the staff recommended award list.

As expected, the selection process for ATP Cycle 2 was highly competitive. For San Bernardino County, compared to Cycle 1, the overall funding level and project number decreased in Cycle 2. However, compared to other counties around the State, San Bernardino County had the second most projects awarded in this cycle. San Bernardino County as a whole will have six projects funded totaling \$10.163 million from the Statewide portion of the ATP and five or six more projects funded totaling \$8.643 million from the MPO portion of the ATP. In total, San Bernardino County will have eleven (11) or twelve (12) projects totaling slightly over \$18.8 million. Even though SANBAG as an entity did not submit an application for ATP funding this year, this represents another successful round of ATP funding for our County. (See Attachment A for the full list of projects from San Bernardino County)

Based on the ATP project submittal list, the SANBAG sub-region submitted a total of 27 projects with a total request amount of \$35.8 million. The approval of this agenda item would pave the way for distribution of almost all of the \$8.348 million of the SCAG portion of the ATP

Entity: CTC

to four or five jurisdictions (Ontario, Victorville, San Bernardino County, and Needles/Hesperia). In addition, \$295,000 will be distributed to the planning project in the City of Grand Terrace. In total, \$18.8 million in projects out of the \$57.3 million (33%) total asked will be funded through this second cycle of the ATP. SANBAG staff and other county CTCs are still in discussion over some of the MPO portion surplus funds that could potentially be available to fund our partially funded projects. SANBAG staff will bring a subsequent item to the Metro Valley Study Session (MVSS) in November to finalize the amount of funds to be distributed to Needles and/or Hesperia projects. The item to MVSS will also include a staff recommendation on how to best fund the two partially (Needles/Hesperia) funded projects in our County and a decision on how to utilize the remaining funds in the Transportation Development Act (TDA) Article 3 bicycle/pedestrian dedicated funding program.

After the approval of this item, the San Bernardino County project list will be submitted to SCAG for inclusion in the final ranking of regional projects. SANBAG staff will continue its collaboration with SCAG staff to implement the regional projects. There are still estimates that need to be worked out with SCAG, thus the total number of projects and the funding level could change depending on the discussion with other surrounding Commissions as mentioned above.

For the Cycle 2 ATP funding and review process, the State recommended to continue the same fund allocation calculation as the Cycle 1. Fifty percent of the total program funds are apportioned for Statewide while 40% of the total funds are apportioned for Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPOs). MPO apportionment is recommended to be distributed based on their population share. In total, SCAG's portion represents about \$76.3 million and San Bernardino County's population share of the \$76.3 million is about \$8.348 million.

As with Cycle 1, SCAG is deferring project rankings to Caltrans and forgoing its option to issue a supplemental regional call for projects. This means that the project scoring and rankings received during the Statewide call for projects will also be used to determine a project award list for the MPO portion. A separate evaluation committee will not be required at the county or regional level within the SCAG region to separately score the projects. However, for the selection of the regional MPO projects, up to 10 additional points can be given to projects based on their consistency with a regional plan.

Based on the ATP project submittal list, SANBAG staff reviewed the applications from the region and determined that all of the projects are consistent with either SCAG's Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS), SANBAG's Non-Motorized Transportation Plan (NMTP), or local jurisdiction plans. SANBAG staff has determined which projects "are consistent with plans adopted by local and regional governments within the county" per the requirements of SB 99. For San Bernardino County, the SANBAG Board adopted the guideline for assigning the 10 points for regional consistency in May 2014 for the ATP Cycle 1 process. SANBAG staff is proposing to apply the same methodology for the ATP Cycle 2 process and will assign 10 points to each of the San Bernardino County projects. (Attachment A)

Approval of this agenda item will add 10 points to the projects listed in Attachment A. This project list will also be submitted to SCAG for inclusion in the final ranking of regional projects. The adoption of the final recommended project list will also be brought forward to SCAG for approval at their Regional Council meeting.

Financial Impact:

There is no impact on the FY2015/2016 SANBAG Budget

Reviewed By:

This item was reviewed by the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC) on October 5, 2015. This item is scheduled for review by the General Policy Committee on October 14, 2015.

Responsible Staff:

Josh Lee, Senior Planner

Approved
Mountain-Desert Committee
Date: October 16, 2015

Witnessed By:

Attachment A - 2015 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 2 - San Bernardino County Projects

	Applicant	Project Title	Total Project Cost (1,000s)	Total Fund Request (1,000s)	Adjusted Score	Regional Consistency	ATP Fund Source
SBD	Hesperia	Willow Street Shared Use Paseo	\$1,885	\$1,200	98.00	YES	State
SBD	Highland	Regional Connector Project	\$4,545	\$3,636	93.50	YES	State
SBD	Rialto	Etiwanda Corridor Improvements	\$850	\$629	91.00	YES	State
SBD	Big Bear Lake	Big Bear Blvd Pedestrian and Bicycle Mobility Project	\$1,899	\$1,519	91.00	YES	State
SBD	San Bernardino City	Sidewalk Gap Closure SRTS Project	\$2,153	\$2,153	90.00	YES	State
SBD	Town of Yucca Valley	Yucca Valley Elementary School Sidewalks	\$1,026	\$1,026	88.00	YES	State
SBD	Ontario	SRTS Infrastructure Improvement Project-EI Camino Elementary	\$400	\$368	86.00	YES	MPO
SBD	Victorville	Mohave Riverwalk Shared-Use Bicycle Facility	\$4,700	\$3,760	84.00	YES	MPO
SBD	San Bernardino County	Santa Ana River Trail Phase IV, Reaches B and C	\$9,750	\$3,801	84.00	YES	MPO
SBD	Needles (Partial)*	In-fill Sidewalks, Curbs & Gutters Improvement Project	\$484	\$484	83.00	YES	MPO
SBD	Hesperia (tie and partial)**	Bear Valley Road Bicycle Bypass Phase II	\$376	\$301	83.00	YES	MPO
SBD	Rialto	SRTS Program for Colton Joint and Fontana Unified Districts Schools	\$160	\$160	80.00	YES	
SBD	Yucaipa	Safe Routes to Calimesa And Wildwood Elementary Schools and Green Valley High School	\$1,950	\$1,493	79.00	YES	
SBD	Grand Terrace***	ATP Planning	\$295	\$295	78.00	YES	MPO (Planning)
SBD	San Bernardino County	Sunburst Street Bike Path Extension	\$1,118	\$1,118	77.00	YES	
SBD	Ontario	G Street and San Antonio Bike Corridors	\$792	\$633	73.00	YES	
SBD	San Bernardino County	Trona Road Class I Bikeway Rehabilitations	\$927	\$758	72.00	YES	
SBD	Rancho Cucamonga	6th Street Cycle Track	\$1,633	\$1,320	72.00	YES	
SBD	Fontana	SRTS Project	\$1,967	\$1,967	70.00	YES	
SBD	Town of Yucca Valley	Yucca Valley High School Sidewalks Phase II	\$787	\$787	65.00	YES	
SBD	Rancho Cucamonga	SRTS Sidewalk and Pedestrian Safety Enhancements	\$836	\$471	65.00	YES	
SBD	Rancho Cucamonga	Southwest Cucamonga Bicycle Network Gap Closure	\$1,199	\$960	62.00	YES	
SBD	Upland	Elementary School Safe Walking and Street Crossing Pathway Improvement Program	\$992	\$793	57.00	YES	
SBD	Town of Yucca Valley	Yucca Valley High School Sidewalks Phase I	\$1,313	\$1,313	54.00	YES	
SBD	Town of Yucca Valley	La Contenta Jr. High School Sidewalks	\$2,266	\$2,266	53.00	YES	
SBD	Barstow	Main Street-Route 66 Bicycle Route Project	\$1,436	\$1,136	45.00	YES	
SBD	Chino Hills	Los Serranos Infrastructure Improvements	\$1,470	\$1,470	28.00	YES	
		Total	\$47,209	\$35,817			
		Total Funded Projects	State	\$10,163			
		Total Funded Projects	MPO	\$8,643			
		Total ATP San Bernardino County ATP Funds		\$18,806			

* City of Needles will be awarded partial funding through the ATP MPO portion. (short \$65,000)

** City of Hesperia and City of Needles are tied for the last MPO portion of the funding. SANBAG Board will need to determine which project will receive the ATP funding.

*** City of Grand Terrace will receive 3 percent set-aside ATP MPO Planning funds