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RE: Senate Bill 1 Competitive Programs Staff Recommendations – Letter of Support

Dear Chair Eager:

On June 8, the California Transportation Commission (CTC) staff released its recommendations for the proposed programming of three Senate Bill 1 (SB1) competitive programs: the Solutions for Congested Corridors (SCC) Program, Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP), and Local Partnership Competitive Program (LPP-C). The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) offers its strong support for the project lists proposed by CTC staff. MTC thanks the CTC staff for their hard work, and believes their recommendations represent a geographically equitable list of projects that balances state goals of greenhouse gas emissions reduction, traveler and goods movement connectivity, and promotion of alternative modes to single-occupant vehicles.

MTC and our Bay Area partners took a comprehensive approach to select the region's nominations for the SCC and TCEP programs. The approach included adoption of prioritization principles that promote early project delivery and advance state and regional goals. MTC used these principles to select and rank, where appropriate, project nominations to forward to the CTC. All nominated projects are consistent with and further the goals of *Plan Bay Area 2050*, the Bay Area's current Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy.

The ten Bay Area projects recommended for SB1 funding will leverage multiple times more federal, regional, and local funds and create much-needed transportation jobs during the current pandemic. The recommended Bay Area projects are:

- East Bay Greenway Multimodal - North Segment Project Phase 1 is a longstanding community vision for a regional trail facility connecting along the Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) corridor in Central and Southern Alameda County. The \$39 million in SCC funds will complete the funding plan and leverage \$20 million in regional Active Transportation Program Cycle 6 funding for the project. Construction can begin in fiscal year 2025.
- SMART Windsor Rail System Extension Project includes a new passenger rail station at the Town of Windsor, the thirteenth station in the SMART system, near transit-oriented Downtown Windsor, the Windsor Town Green, and within a 390-acre Station Area Plan expecting 1,230 new residential units. The \$30 million in SCC funds will complete the funding plan and leverage \$40 million in Regional Measure 3 toll funding for the project. Construction can begin in 2024.

- Port of Oakland Green Power Microgrid will enable the Port to support a high number of electric vehicles, increase the renewable energy mix available to the Port and surrounding communities. The \$42 million in TCEP funds will complete the funding plan. Construction can begin in 2024.
- TOWN Rail Safety Improvements will reconstruct and upgrade three at-grade crossings at Market Street, Martin Luther King Jr. Way, and Clay Street to current standards, including new railroad and pedestrian crossing arms and equipment, directional signage, pavement delineation, and intersection lighting. The \$30 million in TCEP funds will complete the funding plan. Construction can begin in fiscal year 2025.
- I-80 San Pablo Dam Rd. Interchange Improvements Ph. 2 will construct McBryde connector road, reconstruct SPDR overcrossing and ramps, construct Wildcat Creek Bridge, widen SPDR and realign Amador Street & add missing sidewalks east of SPDR interchange. The \$20 million in TCEP funds will complete the funding plan for the right-of-way phase and leverage \$4 million in State Transportation Improvement Program funding. Construction can begin in 2025.
- Westbound I-80 Cordelia Commercial Vehicle Enforcement Facility will replace the existing, dated, and under capacity westbound scales with a new and modernized facility located approximately 0.7 miles east from its current location in Cordelia. The \$129 million in TCEP funds will complete the funding plan. Construction can begin in 2024.
- LPP-C funds will complete four Bay Area projects: Oakland Alameda Access Project in Alameda (\$25 million LPP-C); SamTrans Emission Zero Project in San Mateo (\$15 million LPP-C); Mountain View Transit Center Grade Separation and Access Project in Santa Clara County (\$25 million LPP-C); and US 101/Hearn Ave Regional Multimodal Interchange in Sonoma County (\$9 million LPP-C)

While not all nominated projects were recommended for funding due to requests far exceeding limited available resources, the staff recommendations strike a good balance among transportation needs, environmental sensitivities, and geographic considerations. MTC appreciates your staff's collaboration and dedication in developing program guidelines through an open and inclusive process, and evaluating all nominations fairly based on criteria established in the guidelines.

MTC looks forward to working with project sponsors, the Commission, and Caltrans to deliver these critical transportation improvement projects across the San Francisco Bay Area region. Please contact Theresa Romell, Director of Funding Policy and Programs, at 415-778-6772 or via email at [tromell@bayareametro.gov](mailto:tromell@bayareametro.gov) if you need further information.

Sincerely,



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