

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

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From: TANISHA TAYLOR, Executive Director

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Subject: Presentation of the 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program
Staff Recommendations

Summary:

The 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds \$2.865 billion in intercity rail, transit, highway, local road, and active transportation projects throughout California. The 2024 STIP includes \$1.643 billion in new funding over a five-year period and \$1.222 billion in previously approved funding carried over from the 2022 STIP.

The STIP is not a competitive program and staff recommendations are composed of projects submitted as regional and state priorities.

The staff recommendations include a multimodal suite of projects, with \$677 million for rail, transit, and active transportation projects totaling about half of the new funding. The remaining projects include highway and local road improvements that increase safety across all modes, provide for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of local streets and roads, and make the existing highway system more efficient by building or converting High-Occupancy Vehicle/High-Occupancy Toll lanes and preferential truck lanes. In addition to the \$214 million in standalone active transportation projects, approximately 41 percent of funding for new projects that include highway and local road improvements include active transportation elements, such as crosswalks and bicycle lanes.

The attached staff recommendations include \$258.8 million for regional agency program administration and to cover cost increases to projects from the 2022 STIP, as well as \$1.384 billion of programming to new projects or phases of projects.

Background:

State law requires the Commission update the STIP biennially in even-numbered years, with each new STIP adding two years of new programming commitments. It also requires that the new available funding be divided with 75 percent to the regional program and 25 percent to the interregional program. The regional program is further subdivided by formula into county shares. Based on statutory funding levels, the 2024 STIP Fund Estimate identified \$1.674 billion in new STIP capacity. When added to the base of programming commitments from the 2022 STIP, the 2024 STIP will program a total of \$2.865 billion. Only projects eligible under the STIP Guidelines are recommended for funding. The adoption of the 2024 STIP is scheduled following this information item under Reference No. 4.5.