

MEMORANDUM

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Subject: **2027 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FUND ESTIMATE ADOPTION
RESOLUTION G-26-29**

ISSUE:

Should the California Transportation Commission (Commission) adopt the 2027 Active Transportation Program (ATP) Fund Estimate at its scheduled March 2026 Commission meeting?

RECOMMENDATION:

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the Commission adopt the proposed 2027 ATP Fund Estimate.

BACKGROUND:

The 2027 ATP Fund Estimate capacity is based on Senate Bill (SB) 99 (Statutes of 2013), Assembly Bill (AB) 101 (Statutes of 2013), and SB 1 (Statutes of 2017), along with the Federal Highway Administration, Commission, and California State Transportation Agency guidance. In addition, the Fund Estimate includes information from the most recent enacted budget.

The ATP, as articulated in SB 99 and AB 101, replaced the existing system of small, dedicated grant programs, which funded Safe Routes to Schools, bicycle programs, and Recreational Trails. The intent of combining this funding was to improve flexibility and reduce the administrative burden of having several small, independent grant programs.

SB 1 created the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Program to address deferred maintenance on the state highway as well as on local streets and roads. After deducting amounts for other appropriations in the annual Budget Act, the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account shall make available \$100 million annually for expenditure on the ATP.

Combined with existing resources, the Program is expected to provide approximately \$619 million over the 2027 ATP Fund Estimate period for active transportation projects between the State and regions.

The Department has consulted with Commission staff during the development of the 2027 ATP Fund Estimate. No amendments were made to the Draft 2027 ATP Fund Estimate that was presented at the January 2026 meeting.

The 2027 ATP Fund Estimate displays adjustments that are intended to show previously committed resources, as well as resources for future programming in the 2029 ATP Fund Estimate during the same years.

The following assumptions were used to calculate the 2027 ATP Fund Estimate Program capacities:

- Distribution to Metropolitan Planning Organizations is based upon total population.
- Population information is based on the 2020 census.
- Recreational Trails are not subject to Surface Transportation Block Grant distribution guidelines.
- 95 percent obligation authority for all federal funding apportionments.
- State resources from annual appropriations will remain stable throughout the fund estimate period.
- \$100 million in each of the last two years of this 2027 ATP Fund Estimate is being made available for future programming during those same two years in the 2029 ATP Fund Estimate

Attachments

RESOLUTION G-26-29:

- 1.1. WHEREAS, the Active Transportation Program (ATP) was created by Senate Bill 99 (Committee on Budget and Fiscal Review, Chapter 359, Statutes of 2013) and Assembly Bill 101 (Committee on Budget, Chapter 354, Statutes of 2013) to encourage increased use of active modes of transportation, such as biking and walking; and
- 1.2. WHEREAS, the California Department of Transportation (Department) consulted with the California Transportation Commission (Commission) staff regarding adjustments to the 2027 ATP Fund Estimate.
- 2.1. NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Commission does hereby adopt the proposed 2027 ATP Fund Estimate, as presented by the Department at the March 2026 Commission meeting, with programming in the 2027 ATP to be based on the adopted 2027 guidelines and the statutory funding identified.

Proposed

2027 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (ATP) FUND ESTIMATE (\$ in thousands)

	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	4-Year Total
RESOURCES					
STATE RESOURCES					
Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) ^[1]	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$400,000
State Highway Account (SHA)	34,200	34,200	34,200	34,200	136,800
State Resources Subtotal	\$134,200	\$134,200	\$134,200	\$134,200	\$536,800
FEDERAL RESOURCES					
STBG Set-Aside for Transportation Alternatives Program ^[2]	\$141,400	\$128,400	\$130,700	\$133,100	\$533,600
Recreational Trails	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,900	7,600
Other Federal	19,950	19,950	19,950	19,950	79,800
Federal Resources Subtotal	\$163,250	\$150,250	\$152,550	\$154,950	\$621,000
TOTAL RESOURCES AVAILABLE^[3]	\$297,450	\$284,450	\$286,750	\$289,150	\$1,157,800
ADJUSTMENTS					
Previously Programmed Resources ^[4]	(\$154,130)	(\$184,350)	\$0	\$0	(\$338,480)
Resources Available for 2029 ATP ^[5]	\$0	\$0	(100,000)	(100,000)	(200,000)
PROGRAMMABLE RESOURCES AVAILABLE	\$143,320	\$100,100	\$186,750	\$189,150	\$619,320
DISTRIBUTIONS					
URBAN REGIONS (MPO Administered)					
State	(\$50,061)	(\$40,000)	(\$13,550)	(\$13,547)	(\$117,157)
Federal	(7,268)	(40)	(61,150)	(62,113)	(130,571)
Urban Regions Subtotal	(\$57,328)	(\$40,040)	(\$74,700)	(\$75,660)	(\$247,728)
SMALL URBAN & RURAL REGIONS (State Administered)					
State	(\$12,588)	(\$10,000)	(\$3,550)	(\$3,553)	(\$29,691)
Federal	(1,744)	(10)	(15,125)	(15,362)	(32,241)
Small Urban & Rural Regions Subtotal	(\$14,332)	(\$10,010)	(\$18,675)	(\$18,915)	(\$61,932)
STATEWIDE COMPETITION (State Administered)					
State	(\$65,372)	(\$50,000)	(\$17,100)	(\$17,100)	(\$149,572)
Federal	(6,288)	(50)	(76,275)	(77,475)	(160,088)
Statewide Competition Subtotal	(\$71,660)	(\$50,050)	(\$93,375)	(\$94,575)	(\$309,660)
TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS AVAILABLE	(\$143,320)	(\$100,100)	(\$186,750)	(\$189,150)	(\$619,320)

^[1] SEC. 36 of Senate Bill 1 adds Streets and Highways Code, Section 2032, appropriates \$100 million annually for ATP.

^[2] Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Set-Aside for Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) funds are based on the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act through fiscal year 2026-27. Year one includes Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (TIFIA) redistribution funding for STBG eligible projects. Fiscal years 2027-28 to 2030-31 are escalated annually using the average inflationary rate over the entire IJA funding period (1.8%).

^[3] Total resources available includes future resources for the 2029 ATP.

^[4] Net resources committed as part of prior ATP cycles.

^[5] Resources for future ATP cycle programming.

Note: Individual numbers may not add to total due to independent rounding.

Proposed

2027 ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (ATP) Annual Urban Region Distribution: Four-Year Funding Table (\$ in thousands)

	2027-28	2028-29	2029-30	2030-31	4-Year Total
RESOURCES AVAILABLE FOR URBAN REGIONS					
PROGRAMMABLE RESOURCES^[1]	\$57,328	\$40,040	\$74,700	\$75,660	\$247,728
URBAN REGION DISTRIBUTION^{[2][3]}					
MTC Region					
State	\$10,718	\$8,564	\$2,901	\$2,901	\$25,085
Federal	1,556	9	13,093	13,299	27,957
MTC Subtotal	\$12,275	\$8,573	\$15,994	\$16,200	\$53,041
SACOG Region					
State	\$3,502	\$2,798	\$948	\$948	\$8,196
Federal	508	3	4,278	4,345	9,135
SACOG Subtotal	\$4,011	\$2,801	\$5,226	\$5,293	\$17,331
SCAG Region					
State	\$25,982	\$20,761	\$7,032	\$7,031	\$60,807
Federal	3,772	21	31,738	32,237	67,768
SCAG Subtotal	\$29,754	\$20,781	\$38,771	\$39,269	\$128,575
Fresno COG (Fresno UZA) Region					
State	\$1,392	\$1,112	\$377	\$377	\$3,258
Federal	202	1	1,701	1,727	3,631
Fresno COG (Fresno UZA) Subtotal	\$1,594	\$1,114	\$2,077	\$2,104	\$6,889
Kern COG (Bakersfield) Region					
State	\$1,255	\$1,003	\$340	\$340	\$2,937
Federal	182	1	1,533	1,557	3,273
Kern COG (Bakersfield) Subtotal	\$1,437	\$1,004	\$1,873	\$1,897	\$6,210
Lake Tahoe (Bi-State) Region					
State	\$200	\$160	\$54	\$54	\$468
Federal	29	0	244	248	522
Lake Tahoe (Bi-State) Subtotal	\$229	\$160	\$299	\$302	\$990
SANDAG (San Diego UZA) Region					
State	\$4,553	\$3,638	\$1,232	\$1,232	\$10,655
Federal	661	4	5,562	5,649	11,875
SANDAG (San Diego UZA) Subtotal	\$5,214	\$3,642	\$6,794	\$6,881	\$22,530
San Joaquin COG (Stockton) Region					
State	\$1,076	\$859	\$291	\$291	\$2,517
Federal	156	1	1,314	1,334	2,805
San Joaquin COG (Stockton) Subtotal	\$1,232	\$860	\$1,605	\$1,626	\$5,322
Santa Barbara (SBCAG)					
State	\$619	\$494	\$167	\$167	\$1,448
Federal	90	0	756	768	1,614
Santa Barbara (SBCAG) Subtotal	\$708	\$495	\$923	\$935	\$3,062
Stanislaus COG (Modesto) Region					
State	\$763	\$610	\$207	\$207	\$1,786
Federal	111	1	932	947	1,990
Stanislaus COG (Modesto) Subtotal	\$874	\$610	\$1,139	\$1,153	\$3,776
TOTAL DISTRIBUTIONS	\$57,328	\$40,040	\$74,700	\$75,660	\$247,728

^[1] Excludes previously programmed revenues and resources for the 2029 ATP Fund Estimate.

^[2] Distribution based on Urban Region's proportion of total population within all Urban Regions.

^[3] Per Senate Bill 99, guidelines shall include a process to ensure no less than 25 percent of overall program funds benefit disadvantaged communities.

Note: Individual numbers may not add to total due to independent rounding.