

Draft 2022 Local Partnership Competitive Program Guidelines **– Section 13B Evaluation Criteria**

- **The highlighted language is proposed to better incorporate equitable outcomes in project selection – please note that this is the evaluation criteria section of the LPP-C Guidelines *only* – full draft 2022 draft guidelines revisions are included in Attachment 4A**
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The project nomination(s) must include documentation regarding the quantitative and qualitative measures validating the project’s consistency with the Local Partnership Competitive Program policy objectives and the identified benefits (outputs and outcomes) of the proposed project. Each evaluation criterion must be addressed and include relative data of the performance metrics. The Commissions’ SB 1 Technical Performance Measurement Methodology Guidebook provides instructions on how to complete required performance metrics.

For sound wall only projects, a project nomination must be for a freeway that was built prior to 1987 without sound walls and with or without high occupancy vehicle lanes if the completion of the sound walls has been deferred due to lack of available funding for at least 20 years and a noise barrier scope summary report has been completed within the last 20 years.

For all other projects, the Commission will give higher priority, individually, to the following criteria:

- **Accessibility** – The project nomination should address current accessibility issues and concerns in the project area and how the project will improve accessibility and connectivity to residents and non-residents that travel or need to travel through the project area. How will the project connect to jobs, major destinations, and residential areas? If identifiable, include destinations that may be priority destinations for disadvantaged or historically impacted and marginalized communities. Describe how the project increases accessibility to key destinations for disadvantaged or historically impacted and marginalized, which could be identified with maps that overlay the population distribution by various demographics.
- **Air Quality & Greenhouse Gases** –The project nomination should address how the project will reduce greenhouse gas emissions and criteria pollutants and advance the State’s air quality and climate goals. Identify and discuss other environmental benefits the project will provide.
- **Community Engagement** - In alignment with the Commission’s Racial Equity Statement, projects will be evaluated based on their ability to create mobility opportunities for all Californians, especially those from disadvantaged or historically impacted and marginalized communities. Equitable projects demonstrate meaningful

and effective public participation in decision making processes, particularly by disadvantaged or historically impacted and marginalized communities. In responding to this criteria, please refer to the *SB 1 Competitive Programs' Transportation Equity Supplement* (included in Appendix TBD).

In considering the impacts of projects on equity, applications will be rated on how they do the following:

- Identify disadvantaged or historically impacted and marginalized communities within the project study area and provide details on project engagement. Document the procedures by which the mobility needs of disadvantaged or historically impacted and marginalized populations are identified and considered within the planning process. Identify how the project engaged the community to consider community identified project needs. If a disadvantaged or historically impacted and marginalized community is within the project study area, were they engaged with? How was input received incorporated into the project? Identification of disadvantaged or historically impacted and marginalized communities may be satisfied through the integration of a demographic profile of the metropolitan area that includes locations of disadvantaged populations within the study area. If the applicant has already included information about community engagement in another section of the application that answers these questions, state that here as well.
 - A list of example indicators is included in the *SB 1 Competitive Programs Transportation Equity Supplement in Appendix TBD*.
- Identify any actions taken to protect the state's most disadvantaged or historically impacted and marginalized communities. Identify strategies included in the project scope that seek to avoid and/or minimize impacts to disadvantaged or historically impacted and marginalized communities.
- Cost Effectiveness –Projects that provide positive benefits in relationship to the project costs. The Commission will consider measurable benefits using the California Life-Cycle Benefit/Cost Analysis or an alternative proposed by the applicant.
- Deliverability –Projects that have completed design and right-of-way certification, unless the project is being delivered using Design-Build or Construction Manager/General Contractor method. If using these methods, the start of construction will be the basis for the evaluation.
- Projects that leverage funds above the required matching funds amount, in the Construction phase. (see Section XB).
- ~~Regional and Community Project Support~~ –The nomination should demonstrate meaningful public outreach and engagement of the proposed project. (i.e., brief descriptions from public outreach events, voter approved expenditure plans that include the proposed project, Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) that include the proposed project and public outreach, and/or letters of support from community-based organizations).

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- Safety – The project nomination should address safety issues and concerns, including actual reported property, injury, and fatality collisions for the last 5 full years. Demonstrate how the proposed project increases safety for motorized and non-motorized users. Identify and discuss other safety measures the project will address, including health impacts.
- System Preservation – The project nomination should demonstrate how the project will improve the current conditions. Identify and discuss other performance measures the project will address.
- Transportation, Land Use, and Housing Goals
 - Regional - The project nomination should explain how the project will advance transportation, land use, and housing goals within the region as identified in the region’s Regional Transportation Plan, Sustainable Communities Strategy (where applicable), and Regional Housing Needs Allocation. This may also include demonstrating how the project will support or align with the region’s Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) grant investments or other regional planning or implementation efforts.
 - Local - The project nomination should explain how the project will advance local transportation, land use, and housing goals. This may include:
 1. Demonstrating, at the time of project nomination, the local jurisdiction has submitted its Housing Element annual progress report to the State of California for the current and prior year; or
 2. Demonstrating the local jurisdiction applied to the Department of Housing and Community Development’s Prohousing Designation Program and meets Prohousing criteria that support efficient land use.

The project nomination must include a commitment by the local jurisdiction to continue pursuing full Prohousing Designation after receiving Local Partnership Program funding. The Prohousing criteria is identified in the Local Partner Program

Prohousing Designation Supplement developed in partnership with the California Department of Housing and Community Development, available online at: [Local Partnership Program Prohousing Designation Supplement form].

If housing is not an issue for the local jurisdiction, provide a detailed explanation, including an accounting of the jurisdiction’s assigned local share of the Regional Housing Need Allocation and the jurisdiction’s progress toward meeting those needs documented in the jurisdiction’s Housing Element annual progress report for the current and prior years.
- Vehicle-Miles Traveled – The project nomination should demonstrate how the project will minimize vehicle miles traveled while maximizing person throughput.