

TRANSIT AND INTERCITY RAIL CAPITAL PROGRAM (TIRCP)

Presentation of the Discussion Draft Guidelines to the California Transportation Commission



Agenda

- TIRCP background
- Robust funding due to Senate Bill 1 and Assembly Bill 398
- Transition to a five-year program and coordination issues with the Commission:
 - Letters of No Prejudice
 - Multi-year Funding Agreements
 - Allocations
- Next steps



TIRCP Background

- Over \$1 billion awarded to 29 projects to date through two award rounds and Senate Bill 132
- Examples of awards:
 - Railcars / locomotives: Metrolink; Caltrain; SF Muni; LOSSAN; ACE; SMART; San Diego MTS
 - Rail infrastructure: BART to SJ; ACE to Merced; LA Metro Red, Purple, Blue; LOSSAN, CCJPA, Sacramento & OC Streetcars; Redlands Rail
 - Zero-emission and other bus projects: Stockton; Fresno; Monterey-Salinas; Antelope Valley; San Diego; Orange County



SB 1 and AB 398 Funding

- Senate Bill 1 directs loan repayments and a portion of the new Transportation Improvement Fee to the TIRCP
 - An estimated \$1.4 billion will be available over the 2018-19 to 2022-23 period.
- Assembly Bill 398 extends the Cap and Trade Program through 2030, and the existing continuous appropriation directs 10% of auction proceeds to TIRCP
 - Based on prior long-term budgets, an estimated \$1 billion will be available over the 2018-19 to 2022-23 period.
- Estimates may be adjusted due to 2017-18 revenues and forecast changes



Letters of No Prejudice

- Senate Bill 9 authorizes an applicant agency to apply to the Commission for a Letter Of No Prejudice (LONP) for an awarded project. If approved by the Commission, the LONP allows the applicant agency to expend its own moneys for the project or any component of the project and to be eligible for reimbursement from the State at a later date.
- The Commission has utilized LONP for other programs in the past – it is likely this tool will be used for the five-year TIRCP program.



Multi-year Funding Agreements

- Senate Bill 9 authorizes CalSTA, at the request of an eligible applicant and in cooperation with the Commission, to enter into and execute a multi– year funding agreement (MYFA) with the eligible applicant for an amount of program money and for any duration, as determined jointly by CalSTA and applicant.
- The MYFA is a new tool that may work similar to a Full Funding Grant Agreement from the Federal Transit Administration. This would allow a project to move forward with the anticipation of future state revenues, with local funds or financing as a backstop if state funds do not become available.

LNOP and MYFA Coordination

Letter Of No Prejudice (LONP) Both Multi-Year LONP Funding & Agreement MYFA (MYFA)



TIRCP Allocations

- As TIRCP transitions to a five-year program cycle, the allocation process will require more active management to maintain fiscal prudence and utilize available fiscal tools to accelerate project completion:
 - Schedule allocations and in some case, split projects into multiple allocations
 - Utilize LONP and MYFA, when needed and where the lead agency has sufficient fiscal resources



Timeline

(subject to change)

- Discussion Draft Workshops
 - Aug 18th: Los Angeles
 - Aug 21th: Sacramento (also webcast)
- Release Final Draft Guidelines on August 28th & hold additional workshops
 - Sept 29th: Southern CA
 - Oct 2nd: Northern CA (also webcast)
- Guidelines adoption/call for projects: Oct 13th
- Applications due: Jan 12th
- CalSTA announces project awards: Apr 30th



Questions and Feedback

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