
Administration and Projects Committee **STAFF REPORT**

Meeting Date: June 01, 2023

Subject	Approval to Submit Regional Measure 3 Allocation Requests
Summary of Issues	<p>The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) will be allocating Regional Measure 3 (RM3) funds to eligible projects starting in June 2023. MTC will provide first priority to projects with approved Letters of No Prejudice (LONPs) where the project sponsors received prior approvals to advance their projects with local funds for later reimbursement by RM3.</p> <p>The Authority is the sponsoring agency for two RM3 projects with approved LONPs:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• State Route 4 (SR4)/Mokelumne Bike Trail/Pedestrian Overcrossing (POC) (Project 5002b): \$13 million for construction.• Interstate 680 (I-680) /SR4, Phases 1, 2A, and 4 (Project 6001b): \$8 million for design. <p>As part of the RM3 allocation process, MTC is requesting sponsoring agencies to seek board approval of requested allocations.</p>
Recommendations	<p>Staff seeks approval of Resolution 23-28-P, which will authorize submittal of an allocation request in the amount of \$8 million for the design phase and \$5 million for the right-of-way engineering phase of the Interstate 680/State Route 4 (SR4) project, Phases 1, 2A, and 4, and Resolution 23-29-P, which will authorize submittal of an allocation request in the amount of \$13 million for the construction phase of the SR4</p>

	Mokelumne Bike Trail/Pedestrian Overcrossing.
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Financial Implications	MTC approval of RM3 allocation requests will allow the Authority to seek reimbursement of \$13 million from MTC to pay for construction related costs for the SR4/Mokelumne Bike Trail/POC project, and \$8 million for design costs for the I-680/SR4, Phases 1, 2A, and 4 project.
Options	The Authority Board could choose not to approve this request. However, this action will delay the Authority's ability to seek reimbursement of incurred costs, which will impact Measure J cashflow.
Attachments (See APC Packet dated 6/1/23)	<p>A. Resolution 23-28-P</p> <p>B. Resolution 23-29-P</p>
Changes from Committee	<i>None</i>

Background

State Route 4 (SR4) Mokelumne Bike Trail/Pedestrian Overcrossing (POC) (Project 5002b)

The SR4 Mokelumne Bike Trail/POC project will construct a bridge spanning over SR4, which closes an existing gap along the Mokelumne Trail and provides safe access for bicyclists and pedestrians. The Authority, State Route 4 Bypass Authority (SR4BA), East Contra Costa Regional Fee and Finance Authority (ECCRFFA), and City of Brentwood are partnering to complete this project.

The Authority is the project sponsor, and its responsibilities include project management and securing funding for design, utility relocations, construction management, and construction. ECCRFFA is providing funding for the environmental clearance and Right-of-Way (ROW) phases. SR4BA is the lead agency for the preparation of the California Environmental Quality Act of 1970 environmental document. SR4BA is also responsible for acquiring and holding title for ROW needed on the project, and to transfer the title of ROW

to the City of Brentwood upon project completion.

The project is eligible for RM3 funding under the East Contra Costa County Transit Center category. While MTC was not allocating RM3 funds due to pending litigation, project sponsors were allowed to advance projects with local funds for later reimbursement of RM3 funds as long as they received approval of an LONP prior to incurring expenses.

In February 2021, the Authority Board approved Resolution 21-07-P, which authorized the Executive Director to request the LONP in the amount of \$11 million to fund the construction phase of the project. The Authority obtained the LONP from MTC on February 24, 2021.

In April 2023, the Authority Board approved Resolution 23-13-P, which authorized the Executive Director to request an additional LONP in the amount of \$2 million to fund construction cost increases on the project. The Authority obtained the LONP from MTC in May 2023.

The project construction phase started in March 2022 and is currently 60% complete. Approval of Resolution 23-29-P will allow the Authority to seek reimbursement of all construction-related costs on the project.

Interstate 680/State Route 4 (SR4) – Phases 1, 2A, and 4 (Project 6001b)

The I-680/SR4 Interchange Improvements project is eligible to receive \$210 million in RM3 funds. The project will be completed in five (5) phases. Phase 3, which was the first set of improvements to be completed, widened SR4 in the vicinity of the interchange and is now completed, Phases 1, 2A, and 4 will be the next phases to be completed, Phase 1 will construct a two-lane flyover direct connector from northbound (NB) I-680 to westbound (WB) SR4 with ramp metering, remove the existing NB I-680 to WB SR4 loop, construct auxiliary lanes along WB SR4 and NB I-680, and add a slip ramp from NB I-680 to Pacheco Boulevard, Phase 2A will extend the southbound (SB) I-680 collector-distributor ramp and install a ramp metering facility, and Phase 4 will construct a direct connector from SB I-680 to eastbound SR4.

In January 2021, the Authority Board approved Resolution 20-34-P, which authorized the Executive Director to request the LONP in the amount of \$8 million to fund the design

phase for Phases 1, 2A, and 4. The Authority obtained the LONP from MTC on February 24, 2021.

The project design phase started in April 2021 and is currently at the 65% stage. Approval of Resolution 23-28-P will allow the Authority to seek reimbursement for all design-related costs on the project. In addition, the resolution will also authorize staff to seek future allocation in the amount of \$5 million in RM3 funds, for the ROW engineering phase of the project.

Staff seeks approval of Resolution 23-28-P, which will authorize submittal of an allocation request in the amount of \$8 million for the design phase and \$5 million for the right-of-way engineering phase of the I-680/SR4 project, Phases 1, 2A, and 4, and Resolution 23-29-P, which will authorize submittal of an allocation request in the amount of \$13 million for the construction phase of the SR4 Mokelumne Bike Trail/POC.