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Dear Interested Parties in Los Angeles County:

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) Board of Directors (Board) adopted a motion at its October 24, 2014 meeting directing staff to “revise and improve future Call for Projects past the 2015 Call.” The Board further directed staff to “solicit an assessment of both the strengths and weaknesses of the process from cities, COGs, and other stakeholders who both apply and do not apply for funding.”

Attached for your use is our Call for Projects Survey. Your assistance in completing the attached survey will help to guide the future of the Call for Projects process. We anticipate that the results of this survey will be provided to the Board at its February 2015 meeting. Please note that this does not impact the 2015 Call for Projects currently underway.

We recognize that you are busy preparing applications for the 2015 Call for Projects, but we would appreciate your response to this request. Please return the completed survey by Friday, December 19th via email to lumr@metro.net or via mail to:

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Sincerely,

Martha Welborne, FAIA
Chief Planning Officer

Attachment

Distribution:

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Call for Projects Survey

The Metro Board adopted a motion at its October 24th meeting (attached) directing staff to consider whether the Call for Projects process should be revised beyond the 2015 Call process to allocate Call funds through a sub-regional process. (NOTE: This does **NOT** impact the 2015 Call currently underway). The Board directed that staff report in February 2015 with a recommendation on revising the future Call process. We know that you are busy preparing applications for the 2015 Call for Projects, but we would appreciate your response to this survey.

1. Does your jurisdiction or agency participate in the Call for Projects process? Yes No

1a. Please describe strengths (Please list in priority order with most important first):

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____

1b. Please describe weaknesses (Please list in priority order with most important first):

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____

1c. If applicable, please describe why you do not participate in the Call for Projects.

2. Are there types of projects that you would like to fund through the Call process, but are not eligible? Please provide examples:

3. Are there any barriers in the existing Call for Projects process that make it more difficult for local jurisdictions to work together to propose inter-jurisdictional projects? If so, how could the current Call process create a greater opportunity for inter-jurisdictional projects?

4. If the Call for Projects process was modified to allocate funding through sub-regional COGs/agencies as described in the attached motion, what would be the strengths and weaknesses of this process?

4a. Please describe strengths (Please list in priority order with most important first):

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____

4b. Please describe weaknesses (Please list in priority order with most important first).

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____

5. Are there any issues or considerations that you would want to see addressed if a sub-regional Call process was instituted?

6. If funding was allocated to sub-regions, how would you want to see funding allocated? If allocated by formula, what formula would you recommend and why?

7. Other than a countywide or sub-regional Call process, are there other alternative Call processes that you believe should be considered?

8. On a scale of 1 – 10, how would you rate your preference for continuing with the existing countywide process beyond the 2015 Call? (Circle one)

Least favorable 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Most favorable

9. On a scale of 1 – 10, how would you rate your preference for revising the Call for Projects to allocate funds through sub-regional COG processes beyond the 2015 Call? (Circle one)

Least favorable 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 Most favorable

10. Do you have any other comments on the Call for Projects process that you would like to have considered by the Metro Board?

Thank you for your participation in our survey!

Name: (optional) _____

Title: _____

Agency: _____

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