

ATTACHMENT D

Summary of Comments from TAC Briefing - June 3, 2015

- Metro staff's recommendations should be presented to COGs/Subregions prior to Metro Board action.
 - Does the federal restriction to subvene funds affect all sources or just Federal funds? How much of Call money is federal?
 - Allowing COGs/Subregional agencies to review and rank projects from their COG/Subregion as input into the countywide project recommendations will require local agencies to vet their projects before the COG/Subregional agency which leaves a lot of room for interpretation. It's too wide open on the criteria to be used by each COG/Subregions for ranking projects. Will there be guidelines for how COGs would do this? This will likely lengthen the Call process. The Call application process would need to begin months earlier in order to accommodate the COG/Subregional review process. It is unclear how much input the COG/Subregions will have on how a project is scored.
 - Formula issue is misleading and misinterpreting motion. The COG/Subregions want an allocation, however, they would then do a competitive process to recommend funding.
 - The City and County of Los Angeles are disadvantaged through a COG/Subregional approach because they are contained in multiple COG/Subregions. Each COG operates and is governed differently from one another. If projects are vetted by the COGs/Subregional agencies, each COG/Subregion will want to see the applications in a different way as each COG/Subregion does things differently.
 - Some subregions or COGs may not have the resources to undergo a strenuous evaluation process.
 - As seen in the Mobility Matrix process, having COG/Subregional review of projects tends to make the project ranking process more political rather than technical.
 - We need to look for ways to accelerate project readiness.
 - The concept of having more COG input into the Call process is the right concept. Trying to figure out the best way to implement it in the appropriate technical manner so that you can take the COG/Subregional input from 9 different Subregions and then fold it into the final call process is complex.
 - Make an effort to bring smaller projects out of Federal money and into local money.
 - Look for potential ways to keep in mind geographic equity, while not having a formal COG/Subregional pre-approval.
 - Streamlining the application is vital.
 - Look at potential for helping local jurisdictions with Caltrans approval processes, such as Metro's FTA Pass-Through Process.
 - What are the impacts on Call projects if using VMT? Remove direct reference to SB 743, but address the Board's overall commitment regarding Greenhouse Gas reduction.
 - Attachment A recommendations should add bullet to reaffirm TAC's role in the Call process.
 - The relation between TAC and Subregions should be clear.
 - Engage local jurisdictions for input when developing the new "performance measure calculator tool" for Greenhouse Gas reduction calculations.
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- TAC MOTION: TAC recommended the formation of a TAC Working Group to address specific implementation issues and overall new process.