



Board Report

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**AD HOC CONGESTION, HIGHWAY AND ROADS COMMITTEE
MAY 16, 2018**

**SUBJECT: NORTH COUNTY SUBREGIONAL REPROGRAMMING
OF SURPLUS FUNDS FROM THE I-5/SR14 HOV DIRECT CONNECTOR PROJECT**

ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION

CONSIDER:

- A. APPROVING programming up to \$50.05 million in Measure R 20% Highway Funds for the following North County Subregion highway operational improvement projects:
 - 1. SR-138 (SR-14) Avenue M Interchange in the amount of \$12,446,200;
 - 2. The Old Road - Magic Mountain Parkway to Turnberry Lane in the amount of \$25,000,000;
 - 3. SR-138 (SR-14) 10th Street West Widening/Interchange Project in the amount of \$12,600,000; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the CEO or his designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements for approved projects.

ISSUE

On July 19, 2017, the Metro Board of Directors certified the completion of the I-5/SR-14 HOV Direct Connector Project (#2017-0384). This action also authorized the release of \$85.8 million of unspent Measure R 20% highway funds from the project to other eligible highway operational improvements in the North County Subregion. This report recommends the programming of \$50.05 million of the available Measure R 20% funds to eligible projects. The balance of \$35.75 million will be programmed at a later date.

DISCUSSION

The Measure R Ordinance (Ordinance) states that for projects completed without expending all Measure R funds, the surplus shall be credited to the Highway Capital Subfund and spent within the subregion in which the project is located. The Ordinance allocated \$90.8 million in Measure R 20%

highway funding to the I-5/SR-14 HOV Capacity Enhancements project (Line 26 of the Measure R Expenditure Plan).

Caltrans substantially completed the I-5/SR-14 HOV Direct Connector Project on December 23, 2012. The Metro Board determined the project was completed on July 19, 2017. At the completion of the project, there was a \$90.8 million surplus of Measure R 20% funds.

Caltrans and Southern California Edison determined that \$5 million would be needed to complete utility relocations and close-out the project. This resulted in a total of \$85.8 million of Measure R 20% funds available for reprogramming to the North County Subregion. The surplus can be spent on eligible highway operational improvement projects or programs of regional significance as described in the Ordinance.

Upon approval of this item, staff will move forward with the completion of funding agreements for the projects. The City of Lancaster, City of Palmdale, and County of Los Angeles identified \$50.05 million for eligible projects. Metro staff concurs with these projects. The City of Santa Clarita is developing list of their projects which will utilize the balance of funds. Once approved by Metro Highway Program, Santa Clarita projects will be programmed.

Project Descriptions

City of Lancaster - SR-138 (SR-14) Avenue M Interchange

The proposed project improves the ramp and interchange at SR-138/SR-14 and Avenue M. The project will widen and reconfigure SR-138 North Bound and South Bound on/off ramps, widen Avenue M, restripe, reconstruct local intersections within the project limits, and add sidewalks and bike lanes where feasible.

County of Los Angeles - The Old Road - Magic Mountain Parkway to Turnberry Lane

The proposed project improves road capacity, replacement bridges, and other intersection improvements of Old Road, between Magic Mountain Parkway and Henry Mayo Dr. Old Road runs immediately parallel to Interstate 5. The project will reconstruct and widen Old Road, replace two bridges and standardize the number of lanes from four to six, enhance Sky View Lane and Rye Canyon Road intersections, install bike lanes and sidewalks, widened shoulders and raised medians, and add a multipurpose regional river trail.

City of Palmdale - SR-138 (SR-14) 10th Street West Widening/Interchange Project

The proposed project improves the ramp and interchange at SR-138 and 10th Street West. The project will widen and reconfigure the SR-138 north and southbound on/off ramps, widen 10th Street West, and modify intersections at local roads within the project limits.

DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

Approval of this item will have no negative impact to the safety standards of Metro.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Adoption of I-5/SR-14 Interchange Subregional Reprogramming initiates multi-year programming and expenditure of Measure R 20% funds starting in FY 19 based on the project schedule of development and implementation of projects submitted by the three local jurisdictions (Attachment A). Prior Board action programmed these surplus funds in 2030 to 2039. This item will advance the expenditures and potentially result in additional debt financing. The amount of financing is mitigated due to the historically slower than expected rate of spending on other highway programs and projects.

Impact to Budget

The source of accelerated funding is Measure R 20% which is not eligible for bus and rail operating expenditures. There is no impact to the FY 18 budget.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board could elect to not approve staff's recommended actions. This alternative is not recommend as the staff recommendation is consistent with the Board's prior decisions and actions and the projects to be funded will be eligible to receive the funds.

NEXT STEPS

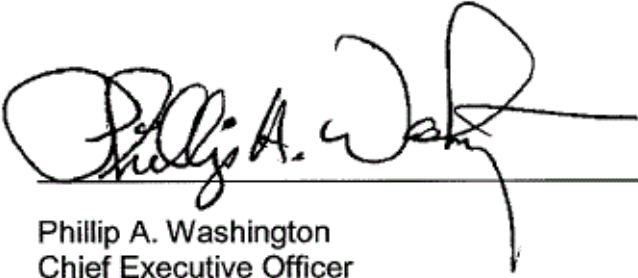
Upon Board approval, staff will initiate the funding agreement process to allow for delivery of the recipient projects.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - I-5_SR-14 Interchange Subregional Reprogramming Projects

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