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SUBJECT: MEASURE M MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAM UPDATE - SAN GABRIEL VALLEY SUBREGION

ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION

CONSIDER:

A. APPROVING:

1. Deobligating a net of $60,489 in Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) - Active Transportation Program (expenditure line 54) funds and reprogram project funds previously approved to meet the project schedules, as shown in Attachment A;

2. Reprogramming of projects previously approved to meet the project schedules, in Measure M MSP - First/Last Mile and Complete Streets Program (expenditure line 59), as shown in Attachment B; and

B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and/or amendments for approved projects.

ISSUE

Measure M MSP funding is included in the Measure M Expenditure Plan. All MSP funds are limited to capital projects. The annual update allows the San Gabriel Valley Subregion and implementing agencies to approve new eligible projects for funding and revise the project scope of work and schedule for previously funded projects. Funds are programmed through Fiscal Year (FY) 2029-30. The Board's approval is required to update the project lists (Attachments A and B), which serve as the basis for Metro entering into agreements and/or amendments with the respective implementing agencies. There are no changes to the project lists in Attachments C, D, and E, but they are included in this report as information.

BACKGROUND

Based on the amount provided in the Measure M Expenditure Plan, a total of $141.16 million was

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forecasted to be available for programming for the San Gabriel Valley Subregion from FY 2017-18 to FY 2029-30. In prior actions, $120.41 million has been programmed in support of 34 projects. Therefore, $20.75 million is available to the subregion for programming as part of this update. To date, $27.82 million (23% of programmed funds) has been expended. Three projects are closed, and three others have been completed and are in the close-out audit process.

In line with the Board adopted Measure M Master Guidelines (the Guidelines), agencies requesting MSP funds must provide documentation demonstrating community support, project needs, and multimodal transportation benefits that enhance safety, support traffic mobility, economic vitality, and enable a safer and well-maintained transportation system. Cities and the Council of Governments lead and prioritize all proposed transportation improvements, including procurement, the environmental process, outreach, final design, and construction.

DISCUSSION

The jurisdictional requests for updates presented herein were proposed by the cities and approved/forwarded by the subregion. Metro staff worked closely with the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) and the implementing agencies to review of the proposed project updates, including changes to the project schedules for this annual update.

During staff review, Metro required a detailed project scope of work to confirm project eligibility and establish the program nexus, including but not limited to project location and limits, length, elements, phase(s), total estimated expenses, funding requested, and schedules. Final approval of funds for the projects shall be contingent upon the implementing agency demonstrating the eligibility of each project, as required in the Guidelines. Staff expect the collection of the project details in advance of Board action to enable the timely execution of project Funding Agreements for approved projects. All Measure M MSPs must be expended within three years from the fiscal year in which the funds are programmed, according to the Guidelines Timely Use of Funds Lapsing Policy. Staff will continue working with the implementing agencies to encourage the timely completion of the projects. Additionally, all projects are subject to a close-out audit after completion, according to the Guidelines.

Active Transportation Program (expenditure line 54)

This update includes funding adjustments to three existing projects as follows:

El Monte

- Deobligate $218,156 from MM4701.03 - El Monte Fern and Elliot Class (3) Bike Boulevard Project. This project is completed and audited with project savings. The savings will be returned to the overall Measure M - Active Transportation Program and made available for future project programming.

LA County

- Reprogram previously approved $2,690,000 as follows: $325,000 in FY 26, $375,000 in FY 27, $200,000 in FY 28, $1,236,800 in FY 29, and $553,200 in FY 30 for MM4701.09 - Eaton

Wash Bike Path - Phase I. This project will construct a 1.1-mile Class I bike path and a 0.2-mile Class III bike route, marked crosswalks, and curb ramp reconstructions. This project will likely decrease VMT. The funds will be used for the project's Plan, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E), Right-of-Way (ROW) acquisition, and construction phases.

SGVCOG

- Program an additional $157,667 in FY 27 and FY 28 for MM4701.01 - Planning Activities for subregion's Measure M MSP development process.

First/Last Mile and Complete Streets Program (expenditure line 59)

This update includes funding adjustments to three existing projects as follows:

Alhambra

- Reprogram previously approved $1,000,000 as follows: $250,000 in FY 26 and $750,000 in FY 27 for MM4703.11 - Alhambra Citywide Bus Stop Improvement. The project will replace 15,000 square feet of damaged sidewalk, install shaded bus shelters, bus benches, bus pads, detectable warning surface domes, and trash containers. The project will likely decrease VMT. The funds will be used for the project's construction phase.

San Dimas

- Reprogram previously approved $895,500 as follows: $80,000 in FY 27 and $815,500 in FY 28 for MM4703.08 - San Dimas Ave. Pedestrian and Bikeway Improvement Project from Gold Line Station to Avenida Loma Vista. The project will construct a bike path that will span approximately 1.35 miles along the north side of San Dimas Avenue from the Gold Line station to Avenida Loma Vista. The project will likely decrease VMT. The funds will be used for the project's PS&E and construction phases.

South El Monte

- Reprogram previously approved $9,171,500 as follows: $9,048 in FY 22, $160,000 in FY 23, $300,342 in FY 24, $259,980 in FY 26, $3,616,813 in FY 27, and $4,825,317 in FY 28 for MM4703.09 - Santa Anita Avenue Walkability Project. The project includes installation of pedestrian mobility improvements, including center medians; continuous ADA pedestrian path of travel, including sidewalks, curb ramps, driveways, and street furniture (bus shelter, bike racks, trash bins, etc.); bike and pedestrian signage; roadway rehabilitation; traffic signal modifications; striping; and related improvements. This project will likely decrease VMT. The funds will be used for the project's environmental, PS&E, and construction phases.

DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

Programming of Measure M MSP funds to the San Gabriel Valley Subregion projects will not have any adverse safety impacts on Metro's employees or patrons. The recommended projects support

the development of a transportation system that will balance multimodal mobility options and improvements that enable people to spend less time traveling.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

In FY 2025-26, $15.09 million is budgeted in Cost Center 0441 (Subsidies to Others- Planning) for the Active Transportation Program (Project #474401) and $4.04 million is budgeted in Cost Center 0441 (Subsidies to Others - Planning) for the Transit Program (Project #474102), No budget is budgeted Cost Center 0442 (Highway Subsidies) for the Highway Efficiency Program (Project #475503). Upon approval of this action, staff will reallocate necessary funds to appropriate projects within Cost Center 0441 and 0442. Since these are multi-year projects, Cost Centers 0441 and 0442 will be responsible for budgeting the cost in future years.

Impact to Budget

The sources of funds for these projects are Measure M Highway Construction 17% and Measure M Transit Construction 35%. These fund sources are not eligible for Metro bus and rail operations.

EQUITY PLATFORM

The San Gabriel Valley Subregion consists of 31 cities and unincorporated communities in Los Angeles County. Twenty-eight percent of census tracts in the subregion are defined as Equity Focus Communities (EFCs). Cities within the subregion where most census tracts are EFCs include El Monte, Monterey Park, Rosemead, South El Monte, and Pomona.

Metro staff provide technical assistance to jurisdictions, assisting agencies in determining funding eligibility and developing funding agreements, including project scope of work, cost, and schedule. Each agency, independently and in coordination with their subregion, undertakes its jurisdictionally determined community engagement process specific to the type of transportation improvement they seek to develop. These locally determined and prioritized projects represent the needs of cities and the subregion.

VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED OUTCOME

VMT and VMT per capita in Los Angeles County are lower than national averages, the lowest in the SCAG region, and on the lower end of VMT per capita statewide, with these declining VMT trends due in part to Metro's significant investment in rail and bus transit.* Metro's Board-adopted VMT reduction targets align with California's statewide climate goals, including achieving carbon neutrality by 2045. To ensure continued progress, all Board items are assessed for their potential impact on VMT.

As part of these ongoing efforts, this item is expected to contribute to further reductions in VMT. This item supports Metro's systemwide strategy to reduce VMT through planning activities that will improve and further encourage transit ridership, ridesharing, and active transportation. The details of how specific projects may impact Metro's VMT reduction targets are shared in the "Discussion" section of this report. Metro's Board-adopted VMT reduction targets were designed to build on the

success of existing investments, and this item aligns with those objectives.

*Based on population estimates from the United States Census and VMT estimates from Caltrans' Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) data between 2001-2019.

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

The recommendation supports the following goals of the Metro Vision 2028 Strategic Plan:

Goal 1: Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling by alleviating the current operational deficiencies and improving mobility along the projects.

Goal 4: Transform LA County through regional collaboration by partnering with the Council of Governments and the local jurisdictions to identify the needed improvements and take the lead in the development and implementation of their projects.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board could elect not to approve the changes in programming of funds for the Measure M MSP projects for the San Gabriel Valley Subregion. This is not recommended as the San Gabriel Valley Subregion developed the proposed projects in accordance with the Measure M Ordinance, Guidelines, and Administrative Procedures and may delay the development and delivery of projects.

NEXT STEPS

Metro staff will continue to work with the subregion to identify and deliver projects. Funding Agreements will be executed with those who have funds programmed in FY 2025-26. Program/Project updates will be provided to the Board annually.

ATTACHMENTS

Attachment A - Active Transportation Program Project List
Attachment B - First/Last Mile and Complete Streets Program Project List
Attachment C - Bus System Improvement Program Project List
Attachment D - Highway Efficiency Program Project List
Attachment E - Highway Demand Based Program Project List

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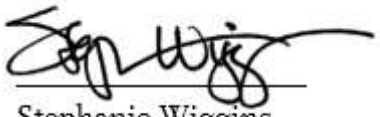

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