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# SOUTHWEST AREA TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

# **MEETING AGENDA**

Monday, April 4, 2016 3:00 p.m.

Town of Danville Office 510 La Gonda Way, Danville, CA

Any document provided to a majority of the members of the Southwest Area Transportation Committee (SWAT) regarding any item on this agenda will be made available for public inspection at the meeting and at the San Ramon Permit Center, 2401 Crow Canyon Road, San Ramon, CA during normal business hours.

# 1. CONVENE MEETING/SELF INTRODUCTIONS

## 2. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Members of the public are invited to address the Committee regarding any item that is not listed on the agenda. (*Please complete a speaker card in advance of the meeting and hand it to a member of the staff*)

## **3. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT**

## 4. ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS

## 5. CONSENT CALENDAR

**5.A Approval of Minutes:** SWAT Minutes of March 28, 2016 will be brought for approval at a future meeting. (*No action required*)

End of Consent Calendar

## 6. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

6.A Contra Costa Transportation Authority (CCTA) Development of a Potential Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP); Hisham Noemi, CCTA staff will provide an update. At its meeting on December 16, 2015, the Authority approved a revised TEP Process and Timeline. A revised strategy to re-engage the Expenditure Plan Advisory Committee (EPAC) and continuing engagement with Regional Transportation Planning Committee (RTPC's), cities/County, stakeholders, and members of the public.

The revised approach is intended to allow the Authority to contemplate approving a Draft TEP for review and comment in March 2016, followed by approval of a Final TEP in May 2016. All cities and the County will be asked to consider approving the Proposed Final TEP between late May and early July 2016.

The Authority's revised approach for development of a TEP includes a series of special meetings of the Authority Board. At the meeting of March 29, the Board reviewed and discussed Options for the Growth Management Program in a Potential New Transportation Sales Tax Measure.

Review and comment on "Options for Growth Management Program in a New Transportation Sales Tax Measure" and Provide Comments on the Initial Draft Transportation Sales Tax Expenditure Plan (TEP) (attachments; action required)

## 7. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS (Attachments – Action as determined necessary)

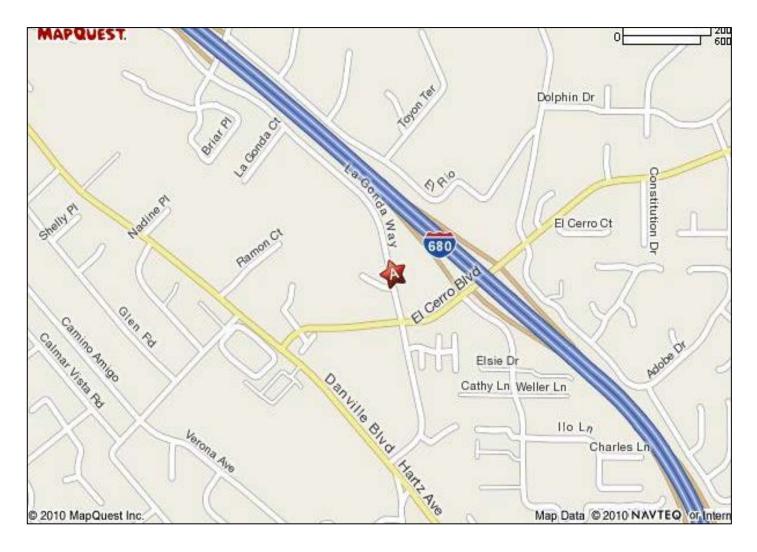
- SWAT Meeting Summary Report to Contra Costa Transportation Authority March 28, 2016
- 8. DISCUSSION: Next Agenda
- 9. ADJOURNMENT to Monday, May 2, 2016 3:00 p.m. at Town of Danville

# SOUTHWEST AREA TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

# MEETING LOCATION MAP

# \*PLEASE NOTE NEW MEETING LOCATION\*

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# AGENDA ITEM 6.A



# Contra Costa Transportation Authority STAFF REPORT

Meeting Date: April 6, 2016

Subject	Development of a Potential Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP) – Review of the Updated Initial Draft TEP – Version 2.2, and Authorization to Release the Draft TEP to Regional Transportation Planning Committees (RTPCs), the Expenditure Plan Advisory Committee (EPAC), the Public Managers' Association (PMA) and Other Interested Stakeholders for Review and Comment
Summary of Issues	At the Authority Board Special Meeting on March 29, 2016, Authority staff and members of the Authority's consulting teams discussed the Initial Draft TEP (Version 2.1) which reflects comments and direction received from the Authority Board in its review of several previous versions of an Initial Daft TEP. The Authority provided direction to staff to make certain revisions to the Initial Draft TEP (Version 2.1) prior to approval to release the Draft TEP for review and comment by the RTPCs, the EPAC, the PMA and other interested stakeholders. Staff incorporated the comments and direction received from the Authority Board into a new Initial Draft TEP (Version 2.2) included as Attachment A (showing comments and changes from the Initial Draft TEP - Version 2.1) and Attachment B (changes accepted). Several outstanding issues related to the Initial Draft TEP (Version 2.2) are being discussed under separate agenda items on tonight's meeting agenda. Staff is seeking final review, comment and direction regarding the full content of the Initial Draft TEP (Version 2.2), approval to incorporate these comments into a Draft TEP, and approval to circulate that Draft TEP to the EPAC, RTPCs, and other interested parties for review and comment.
Recommendations	Staff seeks approval to incorporate comments from the Authority Board into a Draft TEP, and approval to circulate the Draft TEP to the EPAC, RTPCs, and other interested parties for additional review and comment.
Financial Implications	A potential new transportation sales tax measure with a rate of one-half percent over a 25-year term (2017-2042) will generate an estimated \$2.3 billion in constant 2015 dollars (\$3.7 billion in escalated dollars between

	2017 and 2042).
Options	The Authority could choose to not release the Draft TEP for circulation.
Attachments	A. Initial Draft TEP Version 2.2 dated April 1, 2016 (showing comments and changes from the Initial Draft TEP - Version 2.1)
	B. Initial Draft TEP Version 2.2
	C. Draft Memorandum Re: Draft TEP - Release for Review and Comment
Changes from Committee	N/A

Authority staff and the Authority's consultant team have distributed several versions of an Initial Draft TEP for review and comment by the Authority at several Authority Board Special Meetings in March 2016, the EPAC at its meetings on February 25 and March 3, 2016, and the RTPCs. An Initial Draft TEP Version 2.1 was developed and discussed at the Authority Board Special Meeting on March 29, 2016. An updated Initial Draft TEP - Version 2.2 was developed by staff and the Authority's consultant team for review and discussion by the Authority Board.

Staff is seeking final comments and direction on the Initial Draft TEP Version 2.2, approval to incorporate these comments into a Draft TEP Version, and approval to circulate the Draft TEP 3.0 to the EPAC, RTPCs, and other interested parties for additional review and comment.

The following is a list of the significant changes that have been incorporated into the Initial Draft TEP Version 2.2 based on Authority Board, EPAC and RTPC's input:

# Preface:

- The Preface was revised based on direction from the Authority Board on March 16, 2016.

Table of Expenditure Plan Allocations:

The Table of Expenditure Plan Allocations has been updated to reflect input from the RTPCs with respect to the former Regional Choice Category and other proposed revisions, including the West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee's (WCCTAC's) request to split Interstate 80 (I-80) Transit and Interchange Improvements into two funding categories and the Transportation Partnership and Cooperation's (TRANSPAC's) request for additional Local Streets Maintenance and Improvement funds. Funds not allocated from the

former Regional Choice category to other categories are shown in a new Regional Transportation Priorities category (similar to the Measure J Sub-Regional Needs category).

## **Detailed Description of Funding Categories:**

- Category 1, Local Streets Maintenance and Improvements. No proposed change to this category (Return to Source). The description removed language to clarify that the intent of the additional funding is for infrastructure. Category 1a was added to reflect additional funding for TRANSPAC jurisdictions.
- Category 2, Major Streets/Complete Streets/Traffic Signal Synchronization Program.
  Description has been updated to reflect intent of the proposed Complete Streets Policy and to clarify the intent of the proposed pilot program.
- Category 3, BART Capacity, Access and Parking Improvement. Condition 1 has been changed to reflect a minimum of \$100 million in BART funding (the Initial Draft TEP version 2.0 proposed \$150 million). This \$100 million is consistent with the proposed funding for this categories based on the initial RTPC's request.
- Category 5, High Capacity Transit Improvements along the I-80 Corridor in West Contra Costa County, and Category 6, I-80 Interchange Improvements at San Pablo Dam Road and Central Avenue. The Initial Draft TEP Version 2.1 has been updated to separate the former I-80 Transit and Interchange Improvements category into two distinct categories.
- Category 7, Improve Traffic Flow and Implement High Capacity Transit along the I-680 and State Route 24 (SR24) Corridors. Description changed to include the need for projects to be contiguous to the I-680 or SR24 corridors.
- Category 8, Improve Traffic Flow along the SR4 and SR242 Corridors. Description changed to include the need for projects to be contiguous to the SR4 or SR242 corridors.
- Category 10, East County Corridors (Vasco Rd. and Byron Highway). Description has been revised to prioritize a new connector road between Byron Highway and Vasco Road, safety and capacity improvements to Byron Highway, and safety improvements on Vasco Road as early implementation items. The description also includes intent that funds are not used for roads on new alignments with the exception of the new connector between Byron Highway and Vasco Road.

- Category 12, Bus and Non-Rail Transit Enhancements. The category description has been updated to include eligibility for programs that increase bus capability by offsetting fares.
   Funding increased based on RTPC's input.
- Category 13, Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities. Description rewritten so that language is consistent with other categories. Funding increased based on RTPC's input.
- Category 17, Community Development Transportation Program.Renamed (previously the Community Development Incentive Program). The description has not changed. Discussions continue on the feasibility of this program with advocates and the PMA. Staff and the Authority's consultant team expect that discussions will continue regarding this program throughout April and this program description will change or perhaps that the program will be recommended for elimination and funding allocated to other purposes intended to stimulate infill.
- Category 20, Regional Transportation Priorities. This is a new category requested by the RTPCs. Funds in this category are similar to the Measure J Sub-Regional Needs category.

## Growth Management Program (GMP):

- The GMP included in the Initial Draft TEP Version 2.1 has the same language as Measure J, with the exception of Section 5, Comply with an Urban Limit Line (ULL). The document includes comments to address potential revisions to the GMP that have been suggested or are otherwise being considered. Staff and the Authority's consultant team expect that discussions will continue regarding this program throughout April.
- Attachment A to the GMP, Urban Limit Line (ULL) Compliance Requirements has been updated in an attempt to reflect direction received at the Authority Board Special Meeting on March 16, 2016.

# Complete Streets Policy:

- The Complete Streets Policy has been updated based on the discussion and direction received at the Authority Board Special Meeting on March 16, 2016.

## Regional Advance Mitigation Program (RAMP):

- The RAMP description remains unchanged, however, a new comment has been added to reflect the intent that advance mitigation be funded from project allocation amounts shown

in the Initial Draft TEP Version 2.1. The comment also notes that a RAMP program must be coordinated with the existing East Contra Costa Habitat Conservancy Program. Staff also noted that the status of the proposed East Bay RAMP pilot effort, being led by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and the Coastal Conservancy, may affect how RAMP is described in the Final TEP.

# Governing Structure:

- The Governing Structure is unchanged; however, a comment has been added to reflect direction from the Authority to consider different membership options for the proposed Public Oversight Committee.

# Implementing Guidelines:

- The Implementing Guidelines section now includes an introductory paragraph and has been updated to reflect comments and direction from Authority Board members on March 16, 2016.

# INITIAL DRAFT

Version 2.2 Transportation Sales Tax Expenditure Plan (TEP) (April 1, 2016)

# Commented [MT1]: Version 1 - Posted with EPAC agenda on 2/22/2016

Version 1.1 (This Version) – was posted with EPAC agenda on 2/24/2016. Version 1.1 corrected the allocation assigned to the Community Development Investment Program (added \$50 million) and the Regional Choice Category (deducted \$50 million) and made other non-substantive changes.

Version 2.0 – Distributed for discussion at the 3/16/16 Special Board Meeting

Version 2.1 – Distributed for discussion at the 3/29/16 Special Board Meeting

Version 2.2 – Distributed for discussion at the 4/6/16 Special Board Meeting

# **TEP Outline**

- Preface
- Executive summary (to be completed at a later date)
- The Contra Costa Transportation Sales Tax Expenditure Plan
  - o Table of Expenditure Plan Allocations
  - Summary of Projects and Programs (to be completed at a later date)
  - Detailed Descriptions of Funding Categories
  - o Growth Management Program
    - Attachment A Principles of Agreement for Establishing the Urban Limit Line
  - Complete Streets Program
  - o Regional Advance Mitigation Program
  - o Governing Structure
  - Implementing Guidelines

**Commented [MT2]:** A brief Executive Summary will be included in the final TEP document. This was a one page summary in the 2004 Measure J TEP document

# Preface

This Sales Tax Augmentation promotes a healthy environment and strong economy that will benefit all Contra Costa residents through: 1) enhancing a balanced, safe and efficient transportation network; 2) facilitating cooperative planning among the regions of Contra Costa County and with surrounding counties, and 3) managing growth and sustaining the environment. The Sales Tax Augmentation helps to build and operate a transportation network that includes all transportation modes used by Contra Costa residents.

To achieve this vision, the Sales Tax Augmentation enhances our ability to achieve six goals that are embodied in the current work of the Contra Costa Transportation Authority.

- 1. Support the efficient, safe, and reliable movement of people and goods using all available transportation modes
- 2. Maintain the current transportation system
- 3. Influence how growth occurs to build Contra Costa's economy, and preserve our environment, and support local communities;
- 4. Expand safe, convenient and affordable alternatives to the single occupant vehicle;
- 5. Promote environmental sustainability;
- 6. Invest wisely to maximize the benefits of available funding.

**Commented [WRG3]:** NOTE – A revised preface is included pursuant to the Board's request.

### TABLE OF EXPENDITURE PLAN ALLOCATIONS

Version 2.2					Distribution of Funding By Subregion			
No.	Funding Category	\$ millions	%	Central	Southwest	West	East	
	Funding Category			(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	
1	Local Streets Maintenance and Improvements	540.0	23.1%	156.1	120.0	119.0	144.9	
1a	Add'I Local Streets Maintenance and Improvements	17.0	0.7%	17.0				
2	Major Streets and Complete Streets Project Grants	200.0	8.6%	108.3	29.3	19.4	42.9	
3	BART Capacity, Access and Parking Improvements	300.0	12.8%	88.1	57.4	69.8	84.7	
4	East Contra Costa Transit Extension	70.0	3.0%				70.0	
5	High Capacity Transit Improvements along the I-80 Corridor in West County	20.0	0.9%			20.0		
6	I-80 Interchange Improvements at San Pablo Dam Road and Central Avenue	60.0	2.6%			60.0		
7	Improve traffic flow & implement high capacity transit in the I-680 corridor & SR 24	140.0	6.0%	40.0	100.0			
8	Improve traffic flow along the SR 242 & SR 4 Corridors in Central and Eastern County	70.0	3.0%	40.0			30.0	
9	Interstate 680 and State Route 4 Interchange Improvements	60.0	2.6%	60.0				
10	East County Corridor (Vasco Rd and/or Byron Highway Corridors)	117.0	5.0%				117.0	
11	Advance Mitigation Program	TBD	TBD					
12	Bus and Non-Rail Transit Enhancements	240.0	10.3%	50.0	50.0	90.0	50.0	
13	Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities	77.6	3.3%	20.1	4.7	22.9	29.9	
14	Safe Transportation for Children	52.0	2.2%	7.0	16.3	21.3	7.4	
15	Intercity Rail and Ferry Service	50.0	2.1%	8.0		35.0	7.0	
16	Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trail Facilities	66.7	2.9%	12.4	24.7	21.5	8.1	
17	Community Development Incentive Program	140.0	6.0%	41.1	26.8	32.6	39.5	
18	Innovative Transportation Technology / Connected Communities Grant Program	53.2	2.3%	20.0	5.5	16.7	11.0	
19	Transportation Planning, Facilities & Services	23.4	1.0%	6.9	4.5	5.4	6.6	
20	Regional Transportation Priorities	18.7	0.8%	5.0	3.7	5.0	5.0	
21	Administration	23.4	1.0%	6.9	4.5	5.4	6.6	
	TOTAL	2339.0	100.0%	686.9	447.4	544.0	660.7	

Population Based Share 686.9 447.4 Population Share (2030 Estimate) of Total 29.37% 19.13%

### Notes

- Draft TEP Version 2.2 did not reallocate funding between Funding Category 1 and Funding Category 2, pending reconsideration by WCCTAC
- Advance Mitigation Program Projects that would be included in an Advance Mitigation Program will be called out/ identified

23.26%

28.25%

- Regional Transportation Priorities This category is a placeholder for funds intended to beassigned by the RTPCs either to 1) high priority local projects/ programs unique to that subregion or 2) to augment funding assigned to other categories in this draft TEP to betterreflect local priorities and needs in that subregion. Projects / program descriptions willultimately be blended in to the final draft TEP
- Commute Alternatives This program is not proposed in TEP as a countywide funded category. Funds may be assigned from Regional Transportation Priorities category for this type of program.
- TLC This program not proposed in TEP. A new program (Community Development-Transportation Program) is proposed to be included in TEP.
- \_Community Development Transportation Program is a new category. It is intended to-for transportation projects or programs that promote economic development, job creation and housing provide funding for housing incentives and job creation programs/ investments (see details on following pages).
- There are four subregions within Contra Costa: Central, West, Southwest and East County each represented by a Regional Transportation Planning Commission (RTPC). Central County (TRANSPAC subregion) includes Clayton, Concord, Martinez, Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek and the unincorporated portions of Central County. West County (WCCTAC subregion) includes El Cerrito, Hercules, Pinole, Richmond, San Pablo and the unincorporated portions of West

<u>County. Southwest County (SWAT subregion) includes Danville, Lafayette, Moraga, Orinda, San</u> Ramon and the unincorporated portions of Southwest County. East County (TRANSPLAN subregion) includes Antioch, Brentwood, Oakley, Pittsburg and the unincorporated portions of East County.

# **Detailed Descriptions of Funding Categories**

The Contra Costa Transportation Authority (Authority) is responsible for maintaining and improving the county's transportation system by planning, funding, and delivering critical transportation infrastructure projects and programs. The funding categories detailed below will provide needed improvements to connect our communities, foster a strong economy, increase sustainability, and safely and efficiently get people where they need to go.

### **Funding Categories**

### 1. Local Streets Maintenance & Improvements ----- 23.1% (\$540m)

Funds from this category will fund maintenance and improvement projects on local streets and roads and may be used for any eligible transportation purposes as defined under the Act. The Authority will distribute 23.1 percent of the annual sales tax revenues to all local jurisdictions with a base allocation of \$100,000 for each jurisdiction, the balance will be distributed based 50 percent on relative population and 50 percent on road miles for each jurisdiction, subject to compliance with the Authority's reporting, audit and GMP requirements. Population figures used shall be the most current available from the State Department of Finance. Road mileage shall be from the most current information included in the Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS)State Controller's Annual Report of Financial-Transactions for Streets and Roads.

Funds shall be used by each jurisdiction to maintain and enhance existing roadway and other transportation facilities. Jurisdictions shall comply with the Authority's Maintenance of Effort (MOE) policy as well as Implementation Guidelines of this TEP. Local agencies will report on the use of these funds, such as the amount spent on roadway maintenance, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, transit facilities, and other roadway improvements.

### 1.a - Additional Local Streets Maintenance & Improvements ---- \$17m

An additional \$17m will be allocated to Central Contra Costa County jurisdictions based on the formula of 50 percent on relative population and 50 percent on road miles for each jurisdiction and subject to program requirements detailed above.

### 2. Major Streets/ Complete Streets/ Traffic Signal Synchronization Grant Program ----- \$200m

Funds from this category shall be used to fund improvements to major thoroughfares throughout Contra Costa to improve the safe, efficient and reliable movement of buses, vehicles, bicyclists and pedestrians along said corridors (i.e. traffic smoothing). Eligible projects shall include a variety of components that meet the needs of all users and respond to the context of the facility. Projects may include but are not limited to installation of bike and pedestrian facilities, installation of "smart" parking management programs, separated bike lanes, synchronization of traffic

signals and other technology solutions to manage traffic, traffic calming and pedestrian safety improvements, shoulders, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, streetscapes and bus transit facility enhancements such as bus turnouts and passenger amenities. As an element of this program, the Authority will adopt a 'traffic signal synchronization' program and award grants for installation of 'state of the art' technology oriented at smoothing the flow of traffic along major arterial roadways throughout the county. Funding from this program will be prioritized to projects that improve access for all modes to job, commercial and transitiob centers, shopping and business districts, transit stations and transit oriented communities, and whose design process included opportunity for public input from existing and potential users of the facility. Priority will be given to projects that can show a high percentage of "other funding" allocated to the project (i.e. - leverage). All projects funded through this program must comply with the Authority's Complete Streets Policy and include complete street elements whenever possible. 20% of the program funding will be allocated to four Complete Streets demonstration projects within five years of the Measure's passage, one in each subregion, recommended by the relevant RTPC and approved by Authority, to demonstrate the successful implementation of Complete Streets projects. Demonstration projects will be required to strongly pursue the use of separated bike lane facilities in demonstration project program. The purpose of these demonstration projects is to create examples of successful complete street projects in multiple situations throughout the county, RAMP eligible project.

### 3. BART Capacity, Access and Parking Improvements ---- \$300m

Funds from this category shall be used to construct implement improvements to the BART system such as: station access improvements; infrastructure improvements to facilitate Transit Oriented Development (T.O.D.) at or near BART stations;, station capacity, safety and operational improvements; maintenance facility/infrastructure expansion; additional on or off site parking; development and implementation of last mile shuttle and/or other related improvements (including transit stops);, as well as\_ and bicycle/ pedestrian facilities. - complete streets) Funding will be oriented atto increaseing BART ridership and towhile also provideing BART users with alternatives to driving single occupant vehicles to BART stations. Funds in this category may be allocated by the Authority used for the acquisition of new BART cars and or associated advanced train control systems that can be shown to increase capacity on BART lines serving Contra Costa, provided that 1) BART agrees to fund a minimum of \$100 million in Authority identified improvements, such as in BART station, access and parking improvements, in Contra Costa County from other BART revenues over the life of this Measure, and 2) a regional approach, that includes binding commitments of equal funding commitments shares from both Alameda and San Francisco Counties counties is developed, is developed and agreed to prior to any funds from this measure being used to fund the acquisition of BART cars.

4. East Contra Costa Transit Extension (BART or alternative) ---- \$70m Funding from this category shall be used to extend high capacity transit service easterly from the Hillcrest BART Station in Antioch through Oakley to a new transit **Commented [MT4]:** Recommended minimum is consistent with RTPC initial request

**Commented [MT5]:** Additional consideration is to add language to address situation if funding is not used for BART cars or advanced train control, including a deadline for this to occur and optional use for a portion of the funding in this category. station in Brentwood. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. Funds from this category may be used to complete an interim transit station in Brentwood. RAMP eligible project.

### 5. High Capacity Transit Improvements along the I-80 Corridor in West Contra Costa County ---- \$20m

Funding from this category shall be allocated by the Authority to projects / programs for high capacity transit improvements along the I-80 corridor. Final determination on the scope of the improvements to be constructed will be based on the final recommendations in the West County High Capacity Transit Study and in consultation with the subregion. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. RAMP eligible project.

### 6. Interstate 80 Interchange Improvements at San Pablo Dam Road and Central Avenue ---- \$60m

Funding allocations from this category shall be approved by the Authority to improve the I-80 interchanges at San Pablo Dam Road, Central Avenue, and other locations along I-80 in consultation with the subregion. RAMP eligible project.

### 7. Improve traffic flow and implement high capacity transit along the Interstate 680 and State Route 24 corridors in Central and Southwest Contra Costa County ---- \$140m

Funding from this category shall be used to implement the I-680 corridor express lane and operational improvement project to facilitate carpools and increase transit use in the corridors as an alternative to single occupant vehicle travel. Funding may also be used to implement high capacity transit improvements in the corridor (including those identified in the I-680 Transit Investment and Congestion Relief Options and other relevant studies). Funding may also be used to complete improvements to the mainline freeway and/or local interchanges along I-680 and SR 24 as may be required to implement express lane and/or transit projects as well as advanced traffic management programs and/or other projects or programs that encourage the use of connected vehicle and/or autonomous vehicles in the corridor provided that the project sponsor can show that they reduce congestion, increase mobility and provide alternatives to single occupant vehicle travel. Selection of final projects to be based on a performance analysis of project alternatives consistent with Authority requirements. Projects funded from this category must be physically on or nearimmediately contiguous to the I-680 or the SR 24 corridors. Of the funds assigned to this category in Southwest County, \$20m will be eligible for interchange improvements on the SR 24. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. RAMP eligible project.

**Commented [WG6]:** Reference to SR 24 added to clarify that projects in the SR 24 corridor are eligible for funding out of this category.

**Commented [WG7]:** A number of key stakeholders have suggested that funding for this category/ project be increased to at least \$200m. Increasing the level of funding in this category would necessitate reductions in one or more other categories.

### 8. Improve traffic flow along the SR 242 and SR 4 Corridors in Central and Eastern Contra Costa County ----- \$70m

Funding from this category shall be used to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion between Concord and Brentwood along State Route 242 and State Route 4 to reduce congestion, increase mobility and provide alternatives to single occupant vehicle travel. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. Advanced traffic management programs and/or other projects or programs that encourage the use of connected vehicle and/or autonomous vehicles in the corridor are eligible for funding from this category provided that the project sponsor can demonstrate that they reduce congestion, increase mobility and provide alternatives to single occupant vehicle travel. Projects funded from this category must be physically on or <u>nearimmediately contiguous</u> to the SR 242 or SR 4 corridors. Selection of final project to be based on a performance analysis of project alternatives consistent with Authority requirements. RAMP eligible project.

### 9. Interstate 680 / State Route 4 Interchange ----- \$60m

Funding from this category shall be used to implement the Interstate 680/ State Route 4 interchange improvement project as necessary to improve traffic flow and enhance traffic safety along both the I-680 and SR 4 corridors. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. Authority shall prioritize local funding commitments to this project in such a way as to encourage carpools and vanpools, public transit usage and other alternatives to the single occupant vehicle. RAMP eligible project.

# 10. East County Corridor (Vasco Rd and/or Byron Highway Corridors) ----- \$117m Funding from this category shall be used to complete safety improvements to Vasco Road and safety and / or capacity improvements to the Byron Highway (Tri-Link) Corridors oriented at providing better connectivity between eastern Contra Costa and the Interstate 205/580 corridors in Alameda and San Joaquin counties. For the Byron Highway (TriLink) corridor, the Authority shall prioritize funding for the design and construction of a new 2-lane limited access Byron Highway / Vasco Road connector south of Camino Diablo Road improving access to the Bryon Airport, and other improvements to the Byron Highway that increase safety and facilitate an improved

goods movement network for East Contra Costa County. For the Vasco Road corridor, the Authority shall prioritize funding for safety improvements and other improvements oriented at high-capacity transit or high occupancy carpools. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for these projects.

Prior to the use of any local sales tax funds to implement capacity improvements to either or both of these corridors, the Authority must find that the project includes measures to prevent growth outside of the Urban Limit Lines (ULL). Such measures might include, but <u>are</u> not necessarily be limited to, limits on roadway access in areas outside the ULL, purchase of abutters' rights of access, preservation of critical habitat and/or the <u>permanent protection /</u> acquisition of <u>agricultural and</u> open space.

**Commented [WRG8]:** Language changed to prioritize completion of a connector roadway between Byron Hwy and Vasco Road north of the Bryon Airport (the 'airport connection). With the exception of the new connection between Vasco Road, the Byron Airport and the Byron Highway, funding from this category is not intended to be used for the construction of new roadways on new alignments. The Authority will work with Alameda and/or San Joaquin Counties to address project impacts in those jurisdictions. RAMP eligible project.

### 11. Advance Mitigation Program ---- TBD

The Authority will develop a policy supporting the creation of an advance mitigation program that will to establish a program to provide for large-scale acquisition and management of critical habitat areas and to create a reliable approach for funding required mitigation for future transportation projects. This policy will identify projects that will benefit from the program and the financial contribution associated with those projects. This approach would be implemented by obtaining coverage for transportation projects through existing and proposed multiple species conservation plans, including the East Contra Costa Habitat Conservation Plan. The benefit of this policy will include an early comprehensive project delivery review, reduced costs attributed to mitigation, opportunity to significantly improve conservation benefits, and accelerated project delivery. If this approach cannot be fully implemented, then the identified funds shall be used for environmental mitigation purposes on a project by project basis.

### 12. Bus Transit and Other Non-Rail Transit

### Enhancements ---- 9.810.3% (\$230m240m)

This category of funding is intended to provide funding to existing <u>bus</u> transit operators and for future non-rail transit service alternatives that can be shown to reduce total vehicle miles traveled (VMT) and/or greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. Funding will be provided for bus transit operations to increase ridership, including incentivizing transit use by offsetting fares; and improve the frequency and capacity of high demand routes connecting housing with job, commercial, transit, and formedical centers. In addition, funding can be used to support other non-rail transit services/projects that can demonstrate innovative approaches to maximizing the movement of people along existing transit corridors<u>efficiently</u> and within the existing transportationinfrastructure. Projectsin a manner that increase ridership using existing capacity byincentives including offsetting fares or other methodologies may also be considered. Funding may be used to deliver transit capital projects or implement service to transit stations, congested corridors, last mile service to transit hubs<u>reduces VMT</u> and established transit integrated communities. <u>GHG</u>.

Funding will be allocated by the Authority to Contra Costa transit operatorsthroughout the County based on input from each Regional Transportation Planning Committee and on performance criteria established by the Authority in consultation with local and regional <u>bus</u> transit operators, <u>providers of alternate non-rail transportation</u>, and key stakeholders. Funding allocations will be reviewed on a regular basis. Said performance criteria shall require a finding that any proposed new or enhanced services demonstrate the ability to improve regional and/or local mobility for Contra Costa residents. Funds may be used to <u>deliverfor</u> transit capital projects or to operate service improvements identified in the adopted plans of an operator or of the Authority. **Commented [WG9]:** Authority staff and stakeholders are participating in an effort to establish an East Bay Regional Advance Mitigation Program. Staff/consultant team have identified projects in this draft of the TEP (v2.1) as potential 'RAMP eligible' projects. Considerations regarding the RAMP program include its relationship with the East Contra Costa Habitat Conservation Program (HCP) and the status of the RAMP pilot when the final TEP is adopted. Funding for advance mitigation is included in the allocation amounts for 'RAMP eligible' projects included in the Plan.

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-Additional \$30m added at request of WCCTAC (from the previous I-80 Corridor category -Additional \$10m added at request of WCCTAC (from the previous Innovative Transportation Technology category

**Commented [MT11]:** Added to reflect comments at March 23 Authority Board meeting.

Guidelines will be established so that revenues will fund service enhancements in Contra Costa. The guidelines may require provisions, such as; operational efficiencies includingrequiring greater coordination; promoting and developing a seamless service; increasing service frequencies on appropriate routes; and specified performance criteria and reporting requirements. Services funded in this program will be reviewed every two-years to ensure the goals of the program are being met.in accordance with implementing guidelines described in this expenditure plan.

Recipients of funding under this category are required to participate in the development of the Accessible Transportation Services Strategic Plan included in Category 13. Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities.

### 13. Transportation for Seniors & People With Disabilities ----- 3.3% (\$78m)

Funding in this category is to support mobility opportunities for seniors and people with disabilities who, due to age or disability, cannot drive or take other transit options. Projections indicate that people who would be eligible for these services are the fastest growing segment of our population and will likely increase approximately 300% over the next 50 years.

To ensure services are delivered in a coordinated system that maximizes both service delivery and efficiency an Accessible Transportation Service (ATS) Strategic Plan will be developed and periodically updated during the term of the measure. No funding under this category will be allocated until the ATS Strategic Plan has been developed and adopted. An overarching component in the development and delivery of the ATS Strategic Plan is using mobility management to ensure coordination and efficiencies in accessible service delivery. The plan will evaluate the appropriate model for our local structure including how accessible services are delivered by all agencies and where appropriate coordination can improve transportation services, eliminate gaps in service and find efficiencies in the service delivered. The ATS Strategic Plan would also determine the investments and oversight of the program funding and identify timing, projects, service delivery options, administrative structure, and fund leverage opportunities.

The ATS Strategic Plan <u>will be developed by the Authority with participation from</u> publicly operated transit and paratransit providers and selected non-profit and citizen stakeholders representing seniors and people with disabilities. Public transit operators in Contra Costa must participate in the ATS planning process to be eligible to receive funding in this category. The ATS Strategic Plan must be adopted within 12 months of the passage of this Measure.

### 14. Safe Transportation for Children ----- 2.2% (\$52m)

Programs and projects which promote safe transportation options for children to access schools or after school programs. Eligible projects include but are not limited to reduced fare transit passes and transit incentive programs, school bus programs, and projects for pedestrian and bicycle safety that provide school-related access.

Authority will allocate funds and will establish guidelines (in cooperation with project sponsors) to define priorities and maximize effectiveness. The guidelines may require provisions such as parent contributions; operational efficiencies; specific performance criteria and reporting requirements.

### 15. Intercity Rail/ Ferries ---- \$50m

Funds from this category shall be used to construct station and/or track improvements to the Capitol Corridor and/or the San Joaquin corridors as well as to implement new or improved ferry services (including both capital and operations) in Richmond, Hercules, Martinez and/or Antioch. Projects that increase ridership using existing capacity by incentives including offsetting fares or other methodologies may also be considered. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. Any projects funded in this category will be evaluated by the Authority and demonstrate progress toward the Authority's goals of reducing VMT and greenhouse gas reductions. Selection of final projects to be based on a performance analysis of project alternatives consistent with Authority requirements. Sponsors of projects requesting funding from this category will be required to demonstrate to the Authority that sufficient funding is available to operate the proposed project and/or service over a long period of time.

### 16. Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trail Facilities ---- 2.72.9% (\$62m67m)

Two-thirds of the funds from this program will be used implement projects in the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, consistent with the current Measure J program. These funds will be allocated competitively to projects that improve safety for pedestrians and bicyclists, serve the greatest number of users and significant destinations, and remove missing segments and existing barriers to walking and bicycling. The review process shall also consider project feasibility and readiness and the differing needs of the sub-regions when identifying projects for funding. Funding available through this program shall be primarily used for the construction, maintenance, and safety or other improvements of bicycle, pedestrian and trail projects. Design, project approval, right-of-way purchase and environmental clearance may not be funded as part of a construction project. Planning to identify a preferred alignment for major new bicycle, pedestrian or trail connections may also be funded through this program.

One third of the funds are to be allocated to the East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) for the development and rehabilitation of paved regional trails. EBRPD is to spend its allocation proportionally in each sub-region, subject to the review and approval of the applicable sub-regional committee, prior to funding allocation by the Authority. The Authority in conjunction with EBRPD will develop a maintenance-of-effort requirement for funds under this <u>component of the funding</u> category.

Consistent with the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and the complete streets policy established in this expenditure plan, project sponsors receiving funding

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7M)

through other funding categories in this Plan shall incorporate, whenever possible, pedestrian, bicycle, and trail facilities into their projects.

### **17.** Community Development Transportation

**Program**----- 6.0% (\$140m)

Funds from this category will be used implement this new Community Development Incentive Transportation program Program, administered by the Authority's Regional Transportation Planning Committees (RTPC's). Funds will be allocated on a competitive basis to transportation projects or programs that promote economic development, job creation and/or housing within established (or planned) transit supportive community centers. Project sponsors must demonstrate that at least 20% of the project is funded from other than local transportation sales tax revenue and the Authority will prioritize funding to projects that demonstrate over 50% funding from other sources. Additional priority will be given to projects where the sponsor can demonstrate that the project supports and facilitates development of housing for all income levels. Working with the RTPCs, the Authority will prepare guidelines and establish overall criteria for the program.

### 18. Innovative Transportation Technology / Connected Communities Program ----- 2.82.3% (\$5365m)

Funding from this category will be allocated for the planning and development of projects and programs that include innovative solutions intended to (a) develop and demonstrate transportation innovation through real-world applications, (b) reduce GHG emissions, and (c) implement connected transportation solutions and integrate this approach with other community services such as public safety, public services, water, communications and energy to promote economic development and jobs opportunities by increasing government efficiency and reducing consumption. Examples of eligible projects include but are not limited to expanding opportunities for electric zero emission vehicle charging; smart rideshare, carshare and bikeshare services; ondemand and personal transit services that compliment traditional fixed-route transit; smart and automated parking; intelligent, sensor-based infrastructure; smart payment systems; and data sharing to improve mobility choices for all users. Projects are intended to promote connectivity between all users of the transportation network (cars, pedestrians, bikes, buses, trucks, etc.) and automation technologies that collectively facilitate the transformation toward connected communities. Funding is intended to match State, federal, or regional grants and private-sector investment to achieve maximum benefits. By investing in these solutions Contra Costa County can become a national model in sustainable, technology-enabled transportation.

A minimum of twenty-five percent shall be allocated to each sub-program (a, b and c above) over the life of the measure. The Authority will prepare guidelines and establish overall criteria for the Innovative Transportation Technology / Connected Communities Program and provide technical resources to project sponsors. The RTPC's will submit programs/projects for the Authority to consider allocating funds to on a competitive basis for each of the sub-programs. Project sponsors must demonstrate that the programs

**Commented [WG14]:** This is a proposed new grant program developed as an alternative to augmenting the Authority's existing TLC program (created with Measure J). The intent of this program is to stimulate infill housing and job development.

A number of key stakeholders have questioned the feasibility of this approach and have suggested conditioning a portion of a jurisdictions return to source funds as a better approach.

**Commented [MT15]:** -\$1.8M moved to Regional Transportation Priorities - \$10m moved to Bus and Other Non-Rail Transit provide highly efficient services that are cost effective, integrated and responsive to the needs of the community.

- **19. Transportation Planning, Facilities and Services ---- 1.0% (\$23m)** Implement the countywide GMP, prepare the countywide transportation plan; and support the programming and monitoring of federal and state funds, as well as the Authority's Congestion Management Agency functions.
- 20. Regional Transportation Priorities ---- \$22m19m

Funding from this category shall be used for any project or program identified in the Expenditure Plan or eligible under the provisions of the Act, including activities that promote alternatives to commuting in single occupant vehicles. Program and project recommendations shall be made by each subregion for consideration and funding by the Authority. NOTE – these project/ program descriptions will ultimately be blended in to the final draft TEP

**21.** Administration ---- 1.0% (\$23m) Funds administration of new measure. **Commented [MT16]:** -\$1.8m moved from Innovative Transportation Technology category -\$4.7m moved to Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trail Facilities category

# The Growth Management Program

### **Goals and Objectives**

The overall goal of the Growth Management Program is to preserve and enhance the quality of life and promote a healthy, strong economy to benefit the people and areas of Contra Costa through a cooperative, multi-jurisdictional process for managing growth, while maintaining local authority over land use decisions.<sup>1</sup>

The objectives of the Growth Management Program are to:

- Assure that new residential, business and commercial growth pays for the facilities required to meet the demands resulting from that growth.
- Require cooperative transportation and land use planning among Contra Costa County, cities, towns, and transportation agencies.
- Support land use patterns within Contra Costa that make more efficient use of the transportation system, consistent with the General Plans of local jurisdictions.
- Support infill and redevelopment in existing urban and brownfield areas.

### **Components**

To receive its share of Local Transportation Maintenance and Improvement funds and to be eligible for Contra Costa Transportation for Livable Communities funds, each jurisdiction must:\_

### 1. Adopt a Growth Management Element

Each jurisdiction must adopt, or maintain in place, a Growth Management Element as part of its General Plan that outlines the jurisdiction's goals and policies for managing growth and requirements for achieving those goals. The Growth Management Element must show how the jurisdiction will comply with sections 2–7 below. The Authority will refine its model Growth Management Element and administrative procedures in consultation with the Regional Transportation Planning Committees to reflect the revised Growth Management Program.

Each jurisdiction is encouraged to incorporate other standards and procedures into its Growth Management Element to support the objectives and required components of this Growth Management Program.

<sup>1</sup> The Authority will, to the extent possible, attempt to harmonize the Growth Management and the State-mandated Congestion Management Programs. To the extent they conflict, Congestion Management Program Activities shall take precedence over Growth Management activities.

**Commented [WRG17]:** This language reflects the current CCTA Growth Management program as approved with Measures C and J and subsequently updated in 2007 (?) by the Authority.

CCTA staff may suggest updates to align this program with current practice.

### 2. Adopt a Development Mitigation Program

Each jurisdiction must adopt, or maintain in place, a development mitigation program to ensure that new growth is paying its share of the costs associated with that growth. This program shall consist of both a local program to mitigate impacts on local streets and other facilities and a regional program to fund regional and subregional transportation projects, consistent with the Countywide Comprehensive Transportation Plan.

The jurisdiction's local development mitigation program shall ensure that revenue provided from this measure shall not be used to replace private developer funding that has or would have been committed to any project.

The regional development mitigation program shall establish fees, exactions, assessments or other mitigation measures to fund regional or subregional transportation improvements needed to mitigate the impacts of planned or forecast development. Regional mitigation programs may adjust such fees, exactions, assessments or other mitigation measures when developments are within walking distance of frequent transit service or are part of a mixed-use development of sufficient density and with necessary facilities to support greater levels of walking and bicycling. Each Regional Transportation Planning Committee shall develop the regional development mitigation program for its region, taking account of planned and forecast growth and the Multimodal Transportation Service Objectives and actions to achieve them established in the Action Plans for Routes of Regional Significance. Regional Transportation Planning Committees may use existing regional mitigation programs, if consistent with this section, to comply with the Growth Management Program.

### 3. Address Housing Options

Each jurisdiction shall demonstrate reasonable progress in providing housing opportunities for all income levels as part of a report on the implementation of the actions outlined in its adopted Housing Element. The report will demonstrate progress by:

- a. Comparing the number of housing units approved, constructed or occupied within the jurisdiction over the preceding five years with the number of units needed on average each year to meet the housing objectives established in the jurisdiction's Housing Element; or
- b. Illustrating how the jurisdiction has adequately planned to meet the existing and projected housing needs through the adoption of land use plans and regulatory systems which provide opportunities for, and do not unduly constrain, housing development; or
- c. Illustrating how a jurisdiction's General Plan and zoning regulations facilitate the improvement and development of sufficient housing to meet those objectives.

In addition, each jurisdiction shall consider the impacts that its land use and development policies have on the local, regional and countywide transportation system, including the level of transportation capacity that can reasonably be provided, and shall incorporate policies and standards into its development approval process that support transit, bicycle

**Commented [MT18]:** Some EPAC members are recommending a review and enhancement of the reporting requirements, such as actual housing production compared against targets.

**Commented [WG19]:** EPAC has suggested a number of edits to align the Authority's requirements related to the provision of Affordable Housing with current statutory requirements.

and pedestrian access in new developments.

# 4. Participate in an Ongoing Cooperative, Multi-Jurisdictional Planning Process.

Each jurisdiction shall participate in an ongoing process with other jurisdictions and agencies, the Regional Transportation Planning Committees and the Authority to create a balanced, safe and efficient transportation system and to manage the impacts of growth. Jurisdictions shall work with the Regional Transportation Planning Committees to:

- a. Identify Routes of Regional Significance, and establish Multimodal Transportation Service Objectives for those routes and actions for achieving those objectives.
- b. Apply the Authority's travel demand model and technical procedures to the analysis of General Plan Amendments (GPAs) and developments exceeding specified thresholds for their effect on the regional transportation system, including on Action Plan objectives.
- c. Create the development mitigation programs outlined in section 2 above.
- d. Help develop other plans, programs and studies to address other transportation and growth management issues.

In consultation with the Regional Transportation Planning Committees, each jurisdiction will use the travel demand model to evaluate changes to local General Plans and the impacts of major development projects for their effects on the local and regional transportation system and the ability to achieve the Multimodal Transportation Service Objectives established in the Action Plans.

Jurisdictions shall also participate in the Authority's ongoing countywide comprehensive transportation planning process. As part of this process, the Authority shall support countywide and subregional planning efforts, including the Action Plans for Routes of Regional Significance, and shall maintain a travel demand model. Jurisdictions shall help maintain the Authority's travel demand modeling system by providing information on proposed improvements to the transportation system and planned and approved development within the jurisdiction.

### 5. Continuously Comply with an Urban Limit Line (ULL)

In order to be found in compliance with this element of the Authority's Growth Management Program, all jurisdictions must continually comply with an applicable voter approved Urban Limit Line (ULL). Said ULL may either be the Contra Costa County voter approved ULL (County ULL) or a locally initiated, voter approved ULL (LV-ULL).

Additional information and detailed compliance requirements for the ULL are fully defined in the ULL Compliance Requirements, which are incorporated herein as Attachment A.

**Commented [MT20]:** Though not necessarily needed in the GMP document, propose that the Authority's travel demand model and technical procedures be amended/ updated to reflect current statutory requirements (VMT analysis vs LOS analysis) as well as industry 'best practices'. Explore with EPAC, CCTA staff and technical experts. Any of the following actions by a local jurisdiction will constitute non-compliance with the Authority's Measure XX Growth Management Program:

- 1. The submittal of an annexation request to LAFCO for lands outside of a jurisdictions applicable ULL.
- 2. Failure to conform to the Authority's ULL Compliance Requirements (Attachment A).

### 6. Develop a Five-Year Capital Improvement Program

Each jurisdiction shall prepare and maintain a capital improvement program that outlines the capital projects needed to implement the goals and policies of the jurisdiction's General Plan for at least the following five-year period. The Capital Improvement Program shall include approved projects and an analysis of the costs of the proposed projects as well as a financial plan for providing the improvements. The jurisdiction shall forward the transportation component of its capital improvement program to the Authority for incorporation into the Authority's database of transportation projects.

# 7. Adopt a Transportation Systems Management (TSM) Ordinance or Resolution

To promote carpools, vanpools and park and ride lots, each jurisdiction shall adopt a local ordinance or resolution that conforms to the model Transportation Systems Management Ordinance that the Transportation Authority has drafted and adopted. Upon approval of the Authority, cities with a small employment base may adopt alternative mitigation measures in lieu of a TSM ordinance or resolution.

### **Allocation of Funds**

Portions of the monies received from the retail transaction and use tax will be returned to the local jurisdictions (the cities and the county) for use on local, subregional and/or regional transportation improvements and maintenance projects. Receipt of all such funds requires compliance with the Growth Management Program <u>as</u> described below. The funds are to be distributed on a formula based on population and road miles.

Each jurisdiction shall demonstrate its compliance with all of the components of the Growth Management Program in a completed compliance checklist. The jurisdiction shall submit, and the Authority shall review and make findings regarding the jurisdiction's compliance with the requirements of the Growth Management Program, consistent with the Authority's adopted policies and procedures.

If the Authority determines that the jurisdiction complies with the requirements of the Growth Management Program, it shall allocate to the jurisdiction its share of Local Street Maintenance and Improvement funding (Category 1). Jurisdictions may use funds allocated under this provision to comply with these administrative requirements.

If the Authority determines that the jurisdiction does not comply with the requirements of

the Growth Management Program, the Authority shall withhold those funds and also make a finding that the jurisdiction shall not be eligible to receive Contra Costa Transportation for Livable CommunitiesCommunity Development Transportation Program funds(Category 17) until the Authority determines the jurisdiction has achieved compliance. The Authority's findings of noncompliance may set deadlines and conditions for achieving compliance.

Withholding of funds, reinstatement of compliance, reallocation of funds and treatment of unallocated funds shall be as established in adopted Authority's policies and procedures.

**Commented [MT21]:** This portion of the Authority's Growth Management Program will need to be updated to reflect projects/ programs defined this this new TEP as well as reflect language to reflect any components that supercede Measure J.

## Attachment A

# **Urban Limit Line (ULL) Definitions and Compliance Requirements**

Definitions - the following definitions apply to the GMP ULL requirement:

- 1. **Urban Limit Line (ULL)**: An urban limit line, urban growth boundary, or other equivalent physical boundary judged by the Authority to clearly identify the physical limits of the local jurisdiction's future urban development
- 2. Local Jurisdictions: Includes Contra Costa County, the 19 cities and towns within Contra Costa, plus any newly incorporated cities or towns established after April 1, 2017.
- 3. **County ULL:** A ULL placed on the ballot by the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors, approved by voters at a countywide election, and in effect through the applicable GMP compliance period. The current County ULL was established by Measure L approved by voters in 2006.

The following local jurisdictions have adopted the County ULL as its applicable ULL:

City of Brentwood City of Clayton City of Concord Town of Danville City of El Cerrito City of Hercules City of Lafayette City of Martinez Town of Moraga City of Oakley City of Orinda City of Pinole City of Pleasant Hill City of Richmond City of San Pablo City of Walnut Creek

4. Local Voter ULL (LV-ULL): A ULL or equivalent measure placed on the local jurisdiction ballot, approved by the jurisdiction's voters, and recognized by action of the local jurisdiction's legislative body as its applicable, voter-approved ULL. The LV-ULL will be used as of its effective date to meet the Authority's GMP ULL requirement and must be in effect through the applicable GMP compliance period.

The following local jurisdictions have adopted a LV-ULL:

City of Antioch City of San Ramon City of Pittsburg

- 5. Minor Adjustments: An adjustment to the ULL of 30 acres or less.
- 6. **Other Adjustments**: Other adjustments that address issues of unconstitutional takings, and conformance to state and federal law.

### **Revisions to the ULL**

- 1. A local jurisdiction which has adopted the County ULL as its applicable ULL may revise its ULL with local voter approval at any time during the term of the Authority's GMP by adopting a LV-ULL in accordance with the requirements outlined for a LV-ULL contained in the definitions section.
- 2. A local jurisdiction may revise its LV-ULL with local voter approval at any time during the term of the Authority's GMP if the resultant ULL meets the requirements outlined for a LV-ULL contained in the definitions section.
- 3. If voters, through a countywide ballot measure, approve a revision to the County ULL, the legislative body of each local jurisdiction relying on the County ULL shall:
  - a. Accept and approve its existing ULL to continue as its applicable ULL, or
  - b. Accept and approve the revised County ULL as its applicable ULL, or
  - c. Adopt a LV-ULL in accordance with the requirements outlined for a LV-ULL contained in the definitions section.
- 4. Local jurisdictions may, without voter approval, enact a Minor Adjustments to their applicable ULL subject to a vote of at least 4/5 of the jurisdiction's legislative body and the following requirements:
  - a. Minor adjustment may include one or several parts that in total shall not exceed 30 acres;
  - Adoption of at least one of the findings listed in the County's Measure L (§82-1.018 of County Ordinances 2006-06 § 3, 91-1 § 2, 90-66 § 4);
  - c. The Minor Adjustment is not contiguous to one or more non-voter approved Minor Adjustments that in total exceed 30 acres;
  - d. The Minor Adjustment does not create a pocket of land outside the existing urban limit line, specifically to avoid the possibility of a jurisdiction wanting to fill in those subsequently through separate adjustments;
    - e If the local jurisdiction is a City or a Town, then that City or Town shall not have approved another Minor Adjustment without voter approval in the previous 5 years. If the local jurisdiction is the County, then the County shall not approve more than 3 Minor Adjustments in any 5 year period and no more than 1 per subregion of the County.
- 5. A local jurisdiction may revise its LV-ULL, and the County may revise the County ULL, to address issues of unconstitutional takings or conformance to State or federal law, if the revision does not exceed 30 acres and the revision is approved by at least 4/5 of the members of the legislative body.

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### **Conditions of Compliance**

- 1. Submittal of an annexation request of greater than 30 acres by a local jurisdiction to LAFCO outside of a voter-approved ULL will constitute non-compliance with the GMP.
- 2. For each jurisdiction, an applicable ULL shall be in place through each GMP compliance reporting period in order for the local jurisdiction to be found in compliance with the GMP requirements.
- 3. These conditions shall replace the conditions regarding the ULL outlined in Measure J.

**Commented [WRG24]:** GBS proposes that all of these 'conditions of compliance' be moved to Section 5 of the GM plan

# **Complete Streets Policy**

### Vision

This Plan envisions a transportation system in which each component provides safe, comfortable and convenient access for every user allowed to use it. These users include pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, automobile drivers and their passengers, and truckers, and people of varying abilities, including children, seniors, people with disabilities and able-bodied adults. The goal of every transportation project is to provide safer, more accessible streets facilities for all users and shall be planned, designed, constructed and operated to take advantage of that opportunity.

By making streets more efficient and safe for all users, a complete streets approach will expand capacity and improve mobility for all users, giving commuters convenient options for travel and minimizing need to widen roadways.

### Policy

To achieve this vision, all recipients of funding through this Plan shall consider and accommodate, wherever possible, the needs of all users in the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, and maintenance, and operation of the transportation system. This determination shall be consistent with the exceptions listed below. Achieving this vision will require balancing the needs of different users, and may require reallocating existing right of way for different uses.

The Authority shall revise its project development guidelines to require the consideration and accommodation of all users in the design, and construction and operation of projects funded with Measure funds and shall adopt peer review and design standards to implement that approach. The guidelines will allow flexibility in responding to the context of each project and the needs of users specific to the project's context, and will build on accepted best practices for complete streets and context-sensitive design.

To ensure that this policy is carried out, the Authority shall prepare a checklist that sponsors of projects using Measure funds must submit that documents how the needs of all users were considered and how they were accommodated in the design, and construction and operation of the project. In the checklist, the sponsor will outline how they provided opportunity for public input, in a public forum, from all users early in the project development and design process. If the proposed project or program will not provide context appropriate conditions for all users, the sponsor shall document the reasons why in the checklist, consistent with the following section on "exceptions" below. The completed checklist shall be made part of the approval of programming of funding for the project or the funding allocation resolution for construction or operation.

Recipients of Local Street Maintenance and Improvement funds shall adopt procedures that ensure that all agency departments consider and accommodate the needs of all users for projects or programs affecting public rights of way for which the agency is responsible. These procedures shall: **Commented [MT25]:** Per discussion with Dave Campbell, he spoke with Concord reps. and agreed to remove operations.

- 1) be consistent with and be designed to implement each agency's general plan policies once that plan has been updated to comply with the Complete Streets Act of 2008,
- 2) involve and coordinate the work of all agency departments and staff whose projects will affect the public right of way,
- 3) consider the complete street design standards adopted by the Authority, and
- 4) provide opportunity for public review by all potential users early in the project development and design phase so that options can be fully considered. This review could be done through an advisory committee such as a Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee or as part of the review of the agency's capital improvement program.

As part of their biennial Growth Management Program checklist, agencies shall list projects funded by the Measure and detail how those projects accommodated users of all modes.

As part of the multi-jurisdictional planning required by the Growth Management Program, agencies shall work with the Authority and the Regional Transportation Planning Committees to harmonize the planning, design, and construction and operation of transportation facilities for all modes within their jurisdiction with the plans of adjoining and connecting jurisdictions.

### Exceptions

Project sponsors may provide a lesser accommodation or forgo complete street accommodation components when the public works director or equivalent agency official finds that:

- 1. Pedestrians, bicyclists, or other users are prohibited by law from using the transportation facility.
- 2. The cost of new accommodation would be excessively disproportionate to the need or probable use, or
- 3. The sponsor demonstrates that, such accommodation is not needed, based on objective factors including:
  - a. current and projected user demand for all modes based on current and future land use, and
  - b. lack of identified conflicts, both existing and potential, between modes of travel.

Project sponsors shall explicitly approve exceptions findings as part of the approval of any project using measure funds to improve streets classified as a major collector or above.<sup>1</sup> Prior to this project sponsors must provide an opportunity for public input at an approval body (that regularly considers design issues) and/or the governing board of the project sponsor.

<sup>1</sup> Major Collectors and above, as defined by the California Department of Transportation California Road System (CRS maps);

# **Regional Advance Mitigation Program**

An estimated \$xx million will be used to fund habitat related environmental mitigation activities required in the implementation of the major highway, transit and regional arterial and local street and road improvements identified in the Transportation Expenditure Plan. Of this total, an estimated \$xx million is related to mitigation requirements for local transportation projects and an estimated \$xx million is related to mitigation requirements for the major highway and transit projects identified in the Transportation Expenditure Plan. The intent is to establish a program to provide for large scale acquisition and management of critical habitat areas and to create a reliable approach for funding required mitigation for future transportation improvements thereby reducing future costs and accelerating project delivery. This approach would be implemented by obtaining coverage for transportation projects through existing and proposed multiple species conservation plans, including the East Contra Costa Habitat Conservation Plan. If this approach cannot be fully implemented, then these funds shall be used for environmental mitigation purposes on a project by project basis.

[To be developed pending discussion at Authority Special Board Meeting on April 6, 2016.]

# **Governing Structure**

### **Governing Body and Administration**

Authority is governed by a Board composed of 11 members, all elected officials, with the following representation:

• Two members from the Central County Regional Transportation Planning Commission (RTPC) also referred to as TRANSPAC

- Two members from the East County RTPC, also referred to as TRANSPLAN
- Two members from the Southwest County RTPC, also referred to as SWAT
- Two members from the West County RTPC, also referred to as WCCTAC
- One member from the Conference of Mayors
- Two members from the Board of Supervisors

The Authority Board also includes three (3) ex-officio, non-voting members, appointed by the MTC, BART and the Public Transit Operators in Contra Costa County.

### **Public Oversight Committee**

The Public Oversight Committee (Committee) shall provide diligent, independent and public oversight of all expenditures of Measure funds by Authority or recipient agencies (County, cities and towns, transit operators, etc). The Committee will report to the public and focus its oversight on the:

- Review of allocation and expenditure of Measure funds to ensure that all funds are used consistent with the Measure ballot measure.
- Review of fiscal audits of Measure expenditures.
- Review of performance audits of projects and programs relative to performance criteria established by the Authority, and if performance of any project or program does not meet its established performance criteria, identify reasons why and make recommendations for corrective actions that can be taken by the Authority Board for changes to project or program guidelines.
- Review of the maintenance of effort compliance requirements of local jurisdictions for local streets, roads and bridges funding.
- Review of each jurisdiction's Growth Management Checklist and compliance with the Growth Management Plan policies.

The Committee shall prepare an annual report including an account of the Committee's activities during the previous year, its review and recommendations relative to fiscal or performance audits, and any recommendations made to the Authority Board for implementing the expenditure plan. The report will be <u>published\_noticed</u> in <u>local newspapers and</u> local media outlets throughout Contra Costa County, posted to the Authority Website and continuously available for public inspection at Authority offices. The report shall be composed of easy to understand language not in an overly technical format. The Committee shall make an annual presentation to the Authority Board summarizing the annual report subsequent to its release.

Committee members shall be selected to reflect community and business organizations and interests within the County. The Authority Board will solicit statements of interest from theindividuals representing the stakeholder groups listed below, and will appoint members to an initial Committee with the goal to provide a balance of viewpoints including but not limited togeography, age, gender, ethnicity and income status to represent the different perspectives of the residents of Contra Costa County. In establishing the initial Committee, the Authority Boardwill solicit statements of interest from groups or individuals that represent professional expertise in civil or traffic engineering, accounting, municipal finance, and project management, and groups or individuals that represent taxpayer accountability, voter accountability, businessdevelopment, labor, senior or paratransit services, non-motorized active transportation, transitadvocacy and social justice. The Committee will include one member each appointed by the County Board of Supervisors and the councils of each of the incorporated cities and towns in Contra Costa County. Beginning two years after the appointment of the initial Committee and every two years thereafter, the Authority Board will solicit statements of interest for newappointment or re-appointment of approximately one-third of the Committee membership and will appoint or re-appoint members in an attempt to maintain the diversity of the Committee. Any individual member can serve on the Committee for no more than 6 consecutive years. Committee member selection process to be developed pending discussion at Authority Special Board Meeting on April 6, 2016]

Committee members will be private residents who are not elected officials at any level of local government, nor public employees from agencies that either oversee or benefit from the proceeds of the Measure. Membership is limited to individuals who live in Contra Costa County. Membership is restricted to individuals with no economic interest in any of Authority's projects or programs. If a member's status changes so that he/she no longer meet these requirements, or if a member resigns his/her position on the Committee, the Authority Board will issue a new statement of interest from the same stakeholder category to fill the vacant position.

The Committee shall meet up to once a month to carry out its responsibility, and shall meet at least once every 3 months. Meetings shall be held at the same location as the Authority Board meetings are usually held, shall be open to the public and must be held in compliance with California's open meeting law (Brown Act). Meetings shall be recorded and the recordings shall be posted for the public.

Members are expected to attend all meetings. If a member, without good reason acceptable to the Chair of the Committee, fails to attend either (a) two or more consecutive meetings or (b) more than 3 meetings a year, the Authority Board will request a replacement from the stakeholder categories listed above.

Authority commits to support the oversight process through cooperation with the Committee by providing access to project and program information, audits, and other information available to the Authority, and with logistical support so that the Committee may effectively perform its oversight function. The Committee will have full access to Authority's independent auditors, and may request Authority staff briefings for any information that is relevant to the Measure. The Committee Chair shall inform the Authority Board Chair and Executive Director of any concern

regarding Authority staff's commitment to open communication, the timely sharing of information, and teamwork.

The Committee shall not have the authority to set policy or appropriate or withhold funds, nor shall it participate in or interfere with the selection process of any consultant or contractor hired to implement the expenditure plan.

The Committee shall not receive monetary compensation except for the reimbursement of travel or other incidental expenses, in a manner consistent with other Authority advisory committees

In order to ensure that the oversight by the Committee continues to be as effective as possible, the efficacy of the Committee's Charter (ie this document) will be evaluated on a periodic basis and a formal review will be conducted by the Authority Board, Executive Director and the Committee <u>a minimum of</u> every five years to determine if any amendments to this Charter should be made. The formal review will include a benchmarking of the Committee's activities and charter with other best-in-class oversight committees. Amendments to this Charter shall be proposed by the Committee and adopted or rejected by the Authority Board.

The Committee replaces the Authority's existing Citizens Advisory Committee.

#### **Advisory Committees**

The Authority will continue the committees that were established as part of the Transportation Partnership Commission organization as well as other committees that have been utilized by the Authority to advise and assist in policy development and implementation. The committees include:

- The Regional Planning Transportation Committees that were established to develop transportation plans on a geographic basis for sub-areas of the County, and
- The Technical Coordinating Committee that will serve as the Authority's technical advisory committee.
- The Paratransit Coordinating Council
- The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- The Transit Committee

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### **Implementing Guidelines**

This Transportation Expenditure Plan (Plan) is guided by principles that ensure the revenue generated by the sales tax is spent only for the purposes outlined in this Plan in the most efficient and effective manner possible, consistent with serving the transportation needs of Contra Costa County. The following Implementing Guidelines shall govern the administration of sale tax revenues by the Authority. Additional detail for certain Implementing Guidelines is found elsewhere in this Plan.

#### **Duration of the Plan**

The duration of the Plan shall be for 25 years from April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2042.

#### Administration of the Plan

- 1. **Funds only Projects and Programs in the Plan:** Funds collected under this Measure may only be spent for purposes identified in the Plan, as it may be amended by the Authority governing body.
- 2. All Decisions Made in Public Process: The Authority is given the fiduciary duty of administering the transportation sales tax proceeds in accordance with all applicable laws and with the Plan. Activities of the Authority will be conducted in public according to state law, through publically noticed meetings. The annual budgets of Authority, strategic plans and annual reports will all be prepared for public review. The interest of the public will be further protected by a Public Oversight Committee, described previously in the Plan.
- 3. Salary and Administration Cost Caps: Revenues may be expended by the Authority for salaries, wages, benefits, overhead and those services including contractual services necessary to administer the Measure; however, in no case shall the expenditures for the salaries and benefits of the staff necessary to perform administrative functions for the Authority exceed one percent (1%) of revenues. The allocated costs of Authority staff who directly implement specific projects or programs are not included in the administrative costs.
- **4. Expenditure Plan Amendments Require Majority Support:** The Authority may review and propose amendments to the Expenditure Plan and the Growth Management Program to provide for the use of additional federal, state and local funds, to account for unexpected revenues, or to take into consideration unforeseen circumstances. Affected Regional Planning Transportation Committee(s) will participate in the development of the proposed amendment(s). A majority of the Authority Board is required to approve an amendment and <u>a</u>All jurisdictions within the county will be given a 45 day period to comment on any proposed Expenditure Plan amendment.
- 5. Augment Transportation Funds: Funds generated pursuant to the Measure are to be used to supplement and not replace existing local revenues used for transportation purposes. Any funds already allocated, committed or otherwise included in the financial plan for any project

in the Plan shall be made available for project development and implementation as required in the project's financial and implementation program.

#### Taxpayer Safeguards, Audits and Accountability

- 6. **Public Oversight Committee:** The Public Oversight Committee will provide diligent, independent and public oversight of all expenditures of Measure funds by Authority or recipient agencies (County, cities and towns, transit operators, etc). The Committee will report to the public and focus its oversight on annual audits, the review and allocation of Measure funds, the performance of projects and programs in the Plan, and compliance by local jurisdictions with the maintenance of effort and Growth Management Program described previously in the Plan
- 7. Fiscal Audits: All Funds expended by Authority directly and all funds allocated by formula or discretionary grants to other entities are subject to fiscal audit. Recipients of Local Streets Maintenance & Improvements or transit (Non-Rail Transit Enhancements, Transportation for Seniors & People With Disabilities programs) funding (County, cities and towns and transit operators) will be audited at least once every five (5) years, conducted by an independent CPA. Any agency found to be in non-compliance shall have its formula sales tax funds withheld, until such time as the agency is found to be in compliance.
- 8. Performance Audits: The following funding categories shall be subject to performance audits by the Authority: Local Streets Maintenance and Improvements (No. 1), Major Streets/Complete Streets/Traffic Signal Synchronization Program (No. 2), Advance Mitigation Program (No. 11), Bus Transit and Other Non-Rail Transit Enhancements (No. 12), Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities (No. 13), Safe Transportation for Children (No. 14), Intercity Rail and Ferry Service (No. 15), Pedestrian and Bicycle, and Trail Facilities (No. 16), Community Development Transportation Program (No. 17), and Innovative Transportation Technology / Connected Communities Program (No. 18). Each year, the Authority shall select and perform a focused performance audit on approximately one fourth two or three of the funding categories of the listed above, so that at the end of the fourth year all funding categories listed above are audited. transportation expenditure plan. This process shall commence two years after passage of the new sales tax measure. Additional Performance Audits shall continue on a similar cycle for the duration of the Plan. The performance audits shall provide an accurate quantitative and qualitative evaluation of the programs or projectsfunding categories to determine the effectiveness in meeting the performance criteria established by the Authority. In the event that any performance audit determines that a funding category program or project is not meeting the performance requirements established by the Authority, the audit shall include recommendations for corrective action including but not limited to revisions to Authority policies or program guidelines that govern the expenditure of funds.
- 9. Maintenance of Effort (MOE): Funds generated by the new sales tax Measure are to be used to supplement and not replace existing local revenues used for local streets and roads purposes. The basis of the MOE requirement will be the average of last three full-fiscal years of expenditures of annual transportation funds on local streets, roads and

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bridges and roads during 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 fiscal years, as reported to the Controller pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 2151, before the vote on new-sales tax measure will be the basis of the MOE. The average dollar amount will then be increased once every three years by the construction cost index of that third year. Penalty for non-compliance of meeting the minimum MOE is immediate loss of all local formula money (Local Streets Maintenance and Improvements funds (No. 1 and 1a) until MOE compliance is achieved. The audit of the M.O.E. contribution shall be at least once every five years. Any agency found to be in non-compliance shall be subject to annual audit for three years after they come back into compliance.

Any local jurisdiction wishing to adjust its maintenance of effort requirement shall submit to the Authority a request for adjustment and the necessary documentation to justify the adjustment. The Authority staff shall review the request and shall make a recommendation to the Authority. Taking into consideration the recommendation, the Authority may adjust the annual average of expenditures for the 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 fiscal years reported pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 2151. The Authority shall make an adjustment if one or more of the following conditions exists:

1. The local jurisdiction has undertaken one or more major capital projects during those fiscal years, that required accumulating unrestricted revenues to support the project during one or more fiscal years.

2. A source of unrestricted revenue used to support the major capital project or projects is no longer available to the local jurisdiction and the local jurisdiction lacks authority to continue the unrestricted funding source.

3. One or more sources of unrestricted revenues that were available to the local jurisdiction is producing less than 95 percent of the amount produced in those fiscal years, and the reduction is not caused by any discretionary action of the local jurisdiction.

9.10. Annual Budget and Strategic Plan: Each year, the Authority will adopt an annual budget that estimates expected sales tax receipts, other anticipated revenue and planned expenditures for the year. On a periodic basis, the Authority will also prepare a Strategic Plan which will identify the priority for projects; the date for project implementation based on project readiness and availability of project funding; the state, federal and other local funding committed for project implementation, and other relevant criteria. The annual budget and Strategic Plan will be adopted by the Authority Board at a public meeting.

- **10.11. Requirements for Fund Recipients:** All recipients of funds allocated in this expenditure plan will be required to sign a Master Cooperative Agreement that defines reporting and accountability elements and as well as other applicable policy requirements. All funds will be appropriated through an open and transparent public process.
- **11.12. Geographic Equity**: The proposed projects and programs to be funded through the Plan constitute a "balanced" distribution of funding allocations to each subregion in Contra Costa County. However, through the course of the Measure, if any of the projects prove to be

infeasible or cannot be implemented, the affected subregion may request that the Authority reassign funds to another project in the same subregion, as detailed in an Authority Fund Allocations policy, and to maintain a "balanced" distribution of funding allocations to each subregion.

#### **Restrictions On Funds**

- **12.13.** Expenditure Shall Benefit Contra Costa County: Under no circumstance may the proceeds of this transportation sales tax be applied for any purpose other than for transportation improvements benefitting residents of Contra Costa County. Under no circumstance may these funds be appropriated by the State of California or any other local government agency as defined in the implementing guidelines.
- **13.14.** Environmental Review: All projects funded by sales tax proceeds are subject to laws and regulations of federal, state, and local government, including the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
- 14.15. Performance based review: Before the allocation of any measure funds for the actual construction of capital projects with an estimated capital construction cost in excess of \$25 million, the Authority will verify that the project was selected using a performance based review of project alternatives.
- **15.16. Complete Streets:** The Authority has adopted a policy requiring all recipients of funding through this Plan to consider and accommodate, wherever possible, the needs of all users in the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, maintenance, and operation of the transportation system. Achieving this vision will require balancing the needs of different users, and may require reallocating existing right of way for different uses.
- **16.17. Advance Mitigation Program:** Authority will develop a policy supporting the creation of an advance mitigation program to establish a program to provide for large-scale acquisition and management of critical habitat areas and to create a reliable approach for funding required mitigation for future transportation. This policy will identify projects that will benefit from the program and the financial contribution associated with those projects. This approach would be implemented by obtaining coverage for transportation projects through existing and proposed multiple species conservation plans, including the East Contra Costa Habitat Conservation Plan. The benefit of this policy will include an early comprehensive project delivery review, reduced costs attributed to mitigation, opportunity to significantly improve conservation benefits, and accelerated project delivery. If this approach cannot be fully implemented, then the identified funds shall be used for environmental mitigation purposes on a project basis.
- **17. Safe Transportation for Children:** Authority will allocate funds and will establish guidelines (in cooperation with project sponsors) to define priorities and maximize effectiveness. The guidelines may require provisions such as parent contributions; operational efficiencies; specific performance criteria and reporting requirements.

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- **18. Compliance with the Growth Management Program:** If the Authority determines that a jurisdiction does not comply with the requirements of the Growth Management Program, the Authority shall withhold funds and also make a finding that the jurisdiction shall not be eligible to receive Local Streets Maintenance & Improvements or Community Development Transportation (CDTI) Program funding until the Authority determines the jurisdiction has achieved compliance, as detailed in the Growth Management Program section of the Plan.
- **19. Local Contracting and Good Jobs:** Authority will develop a policy supporting the hiring of local contractors and businesses, apprenticeship programs for Contra Costa residents, and good jobs.
- **20. New Agencies**: New cities or new entities (such as new transit agencies) that come into existence in Contra Costa County during the life of the Plan may be considered as eligible recipients of funds through a Plan amendment.

#### Project Financing Guidelines and Managing Revenue

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- **21. Fiduciary Duty:** Funds may be accumulated for larger or longer term projects. Interest income generated will be used for the purposes outlined in the Plan and will be subject to audits.
- **22. Project and Program Financing:** The Authority has the authority to bond for the purposes of expediting the delivery of transportation projects and programs. Authority will develop a policy to identify financing procedures for the entire plan of projects and programs.
- 23. Programming of Variations from the Expected Revenue: Actual revenues may, at times be higher or lower than expected in this Plan due to changes in receipts. Additional funds may become available due to the increased opportunities for leveraging or project costs less than expected. Revenue may be lower than expected as the economy fluctuates. Determination of when the contingency funds become excess will be established by a policy defined by the Authority. Funds considered excess will be prioritized first to expenditure plan projects and programs, and second to other projects of regional significance that are consistent with the expenditure plan. The new project or program will be required to be amended into the expenditure plan.
- **24. Fund Allocations:** Through the course of the Measure, if any of the projects do not require all funds programmed for that project or have excess funding, or should a planned project become undeliverable, infeasible or unfundable due to circumstances unforeseen at the item the expenditure plan was created, funding for that project will be reallocated to another project or program. The subregion where the project or program is located may request that the Authority reassign funds to another project in the same subregion. In the allocation of the released funds, the Authority will in priority order consider: 1) a project or program of the same travel mode (i.e. transit, bicycle/pedestrian, or road) in the same subregion, 2) a project or program for another other modes of travel in the same subregion, 3) other expenditure plan

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**25. Leveraging Funds:** Leveraging or matching of outside funding sources is strongly encouraged. Any additional transportation sales tax revenues made available through their replacement by matching funds will be spent based on the principles outlined for fund allocations describe above.

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# **TEP Outline**

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### Preface

This Sales Tax Augmentation promotes a healthy environment and strong economy that will benefit all Contra Costa residents through: 1) enhancing a balanced, safe and efficient transportation network; 2) facilitating cooperative planning among the regions of Contra Costa County and with surrounding counties, and 3) managing growth and sustaining the environment. The Sales Tax Augmentation helps to build and operate a transportation network that includes all transportation modes used by Contra Costa residents.

To achieve this vision, the Sales Tax Augmentation enhances our ability to achieve six goals that are embodied in the current work of the Contra Costa Transportation Authority.

- 1. Support the efficient, safe, and reliable movement of people and goods using all available transportation modes
- 2. Maintain the current transportation system
- 3. Influence how growth occurs to build Contra Costa's economy, preserve our environment, and support local communities;
- 4. Expand safe, convenient and affordable alternatives to the single occupant vehicle;
- 5. Promote environmental sustainability;
- 6. Invest wisely to maximize the benefits of available funding.

### TABLE OF EXPENDITURE PLAN ALLOCATIONS

/ersion 2.2				Distribution of Funding By Subregion			
lo.	Funding Category	\$ millions	%	Central	Southwest	West	East
	Funding Category			(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1	Local Streets Maintenance and Improvements	540.0	23.1%	156.1	120.0	119.0	144.9
1a	Add'l Local Streets Maintenance and Improvements	17.0	0.7%	17.0			
2	Major Streets and Complete Streets Project Grants	200.0	8.6%	108.3	29.3	19.4	42.9
3	BART Capacity, Access and Parking Improvements	300.0	12.8%	88.1	57.4	69.8	84.7
4	East Contra Costa Transit Extension	70.0	3.0%				70.0
5	High Capacity Transit Improvements along the I-80 Corridor in West County	20.0	0.9%			20.0	
6	I-80 Interchange Improvements at San Pablo Dam Road and Central Avenue	60.0	2.6%			60.0	
7	Improve traffic flow & implement high capacity transit in the I-680 corridor & SR 24	140.0	6.0%	40.0	100.0		
8	Improve traffic flow along the SR 242 & SR 4 Corridors in Central and Eastern County	70.0	3.0%	40.0			30.0
9	Interstate 680 and State Route 4 Interchange Improvements	60.0	2.6%	60.0			
10	East County Corridor (Vasco Rd and/or Byron Highway Corridors)	117.0	5.0%				117.0
11	Advance Mitigation Program	TBD	TBD				
12	Bus and Non-Rail Transit Enhancements	240.0	10.3%	50.0	50.0	90.0	50.0
13	Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities	77.6	3.3%	20.1	4.7	22.9	29.9
14	Safe Transportation for Children	52.0	2.2%	7.0	16.3	21.3	7.4
15	Intercity Rail and Ferry Service	50.0	2.1%	8.0		35.0	7.0
16	Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trail Facilities	66.7	2.9%	12.4	24.7	21.5	8.1
17	Community Development Incentive Program	140.0	6.0%	41.1	26.8	32.6	39.5
18	Innovative Transportation Technology / Connected Communities Grant Program	53.2	2.3%	20.0	5.5	16.7	11.0
19	Transportation Planning, Facilities & Services	23.4	1.0%	6.9	4.5	5.4	6.6
20	Regional Transportation Priorities	18.7	0.8%	5.0	3.7	5.0	5.0
21	Administration	23.4	1.0%	6.9	4.5	5.4	6.6
	TOTAL	2339.0	100.0%	686.9	447.4	544.0	660.7
	Population Based Share			686.9	447.4	544.0	660.7

Population Share (2030 Estimate) of Total

- Notes
  - Draft TEP Version 2.2 did not reallocate funding between Funding Category 1 and Funding Category 2, pending reconsideration by WCCTAC
  - Advance Mitigation Program Projects that would be included in an Advance Mitigation Program will be called out/ identified

29.37%

19.13%

23.26%

28.25%

- Community Development Transportation Program is a new category. It is intended for transportation projects or programs that promote economic development, job creation and housing (see details on following pages).
- There are four subregions within Contra Costa: Central, West, Southwest and East County each represented by a Regional Transportation Planning Commission (RTPC). Central County (TRANSPAC subregion) includes Clayton, Concord, Martinez, Pleasant Hill, Walnut Creek and the unincorporated portions of Central County. West County (WCCTAC subregion) includes El Cerrito, Hercules, Pinole, Richmond, San Pablo and the unincorporated portions of West County. Southwest County (SWAT subregion) includes Danville, Lafayette, Moraga, Orinda, San Ramon and the unincorporated portions of Southwest County. East County (TRANSPLAN subregion) includes Antioch, Brentwood, Oakley, Pittsburg and the unincorporated portions of East County.

### **Detailed Descriptions of Funding Categories**

The Contra Costa Transportation Authority (Authority) is responsible for maintaining and improving the county's transportation system by planning, funding, and delivering critical transportation infrastructure projects and programs. The funding categories detailed below will provide needed improvements to connect our communities, foster a strong economy, increase sustainability, and safely and efficiently get people where they need to go.

### **Funding Categories**

1. Local Streets Maintenance & Improvements ----- 23.1% (\$540m) Funds from this category will fund maintenance and improvement projects on local streets and roads and may be used for any eligible transportation purposes as defined under the Act. The Authority will distribute 23.1 percent of the annual sales tax revenues to all local jurisdictions with a base allocation of \$100,000 for each jurisdiction, the balance will be distributed based 50 percent on relative population and 50 percent on road miles for each jurisdiction, subject to compliance with the Authority's reporting, audit and GMP requirements. Population figures used shall be the most current available from the State Department of Finance. Road mileage shall be from the most current information included in the Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS)

Funds shall be used by each jurisdiction to maintain and enhance existing roadway and other transportation facilities. Jurisdictions shall comply with the Authority's Maintenance of Effort (MOE) policy as well as Implementation Guidelines of this TEP. Local agencies will report on the use of these funds, such as the amount spent on roadway maintenance, bicycle and pedestrian facilities, transit facilities, and other roadway improvements.

**1.a** – Additional Local Streets Maintenance & Improvements ---- \$17m An additional \$17m will be allocated to Central Contra Costa County jurisdictions based on the formula of 50 percent on relative population and 50 percent on road miles for each jurisdiction and subject to program requirements detailed above.

### 2. Major Streets/ Complete Streets/ Traffic Signal Synchronization Grant Program ----- \$200m

Funds from this category shall be used to fund improvements to major thoroughfares throughout Contra Costa to improve the safe, efficient and reliable movement of buses, vehicles, bicyclists and pedestrians along said corridors (i.e. traffic smoothing). Eligible projects shall include a variety of components that meet the needs of all users and respond to the context of the facility. Projects may include but are not limited to installation of bike and pedestrian facilities, installation of "smart" parking management programs, separated bike lanes, synchronization of traffic signals and other technology solutions to manage traffic, traffic calming and

pedestrian safety improvements, shoulders, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, streetscapes and bus transit facility enhancements such as bus turnouts and passenger amenities. As an element of this program, the Authority will adopt a 'traffic signal synchronization' program and award grants for installation of 'state of the art' technology oriented at smoothing the flow of traffic along major arterial roadways throughout the county. Funding from this program will be prioritized to projects that improve access for all modes to job, commercial and transit, and whose design process included opportunity for public input from existing and potential users of the facility. Priority will be given to projects that can show a high percentage of "other funding" allocated to the project (i.e. – leverage). All projects funded through this program must comply with the Authority's Complete Streets Policy and include complete street elements whenever possible. 20% of the program funding will be allocated to four Complete Streets demonstration projects within five years of the Measure's passage, one in each subregion, recommended by the relevant RTPC and approved by Authority, to demonstrate the successful implementation of Complete Streets projects. Demonstration projects will be required to strongly pursue the use of separated bike lane facilities in demonstration project program. The purpose of these demonstration projects is to create examples of successful complete street projects in multiple situations throughout the county. RAMP eligible project.

### 3. BART Capacity, Access and Parking Improvements ---- \$300m

Funds from this category shall be used to implement improvements to the BART system such as station access improvements; infrastructure improvements to facilitate Transit Oriented Development at or near BART stations; station capacity, safety and operational improvements; maintenance facility/infrastructure expansion; additional on or off site parking; development and implementation of last mile shuttle and related improvements (including transit stops); and bicycle/ pedestrian facilities. Funding will be oriented to increase BART ridership and to provide BART users with alternatives to driving single occupant vehicles to BART stations. Funds in this category may be allocated by the Authority for the acquisition of new BART cars and associated advanced train control systems that can be shown to increase capacity on BART lines serving Contra Costa, provided that 1) BART agrees to fund a minimum of \$100 million in BART revenues over the life of this Measure, and 2) a regional approach, that includes commitments of equal funding shares from both Alameda and San Francisco counties is developed..

### 4. East Contra Costa Transit Extension (BART or alternative) ---- \$70m Funding from this category shall be used to extend high capacity transit service easterly from the Hillcrest BART Station in Antioch through Oakley to a new transit station in Brentwood. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. Funds from this category may be used to complete an interim transit station

in Brentwood. RAMP eligible project.

### 5. High Capacity Transit Improvements along the I-80 Corridor in West Contra Costa County ---- \$20m

Funding from this category shall be allocated by the Authority to projects / programs for high capacity transit improvements along the I-80 corridor. Final determination on the scope of the improvements to be constructed will be based on the final recommendations in the West County High Capacity Transit Study and in consultation with the subregion. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. RAMP eligible project.

### 6. Interstate 80 Interchange Improvements at San Pablo Dam Road and Central Avenue ---- \$60m

Funding allocations from this category shall be approved by the Authority to improve the I-80 interchanges at San Pablo Dam Road, Central Avenue, and other locations along I-80 in consultation with the subregion. RAMP eligible project.

### 7. Improve traffic flow and implement high capacity transit along the Interstate 680 and State Route 24 corridors in Central and Southwest Contra Costa County ---- \$140m

Funding from this category shall be used to implement the I-680 corridor express lane and operational improvement project to facilitate carpools and increase transit use in the corridors as an alternative to single occupant vehicle travel. Funding may also be used to implement high capacity transit improvements in the corridor (including those identified in the I-680 Transit Investment and Congestion Relief Options and other relevant studies). Funding may also be used to complete improvements to the mainline freeway and/or local interchanges along I-680 and SR 24 as may be required to implement express lane and/or transit projects as well as advanced traffic management programs and/or other projects or programs that encourage the use of connected vehicle and/or autonomous vehicles in the corridor provided that the project sponsor can show that they reduce congestion, increase mobility and provide alternatives to single occupant vehicle travel. Selection of final projects to be based on a performance analysis of project alternatives consistent with Authority requirements. Projects funded from this category must be physically on or near the I-680 or the SR 24 corridors. Of the funds assigned to this category in Southwest County, \$20m will be eligible for interchange improvements on the SR 24. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. RAMP eligible project.

### 8. Improve traffic flow along the SR 242 and SR 4 Corridors in Central and Eastern Contra Costa County ----- \$70m

Funding from this category shall be used to improve traffic flow and reduce congestion between Concord and Brentwood along State Route 242 and State Route 4 to reduce congestion, increase mobility and provide alternatives to single occupant vehicle travel. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. Advanced traffic management programs and/or other projects or programs that encourage the use of connected vehicle and/or autonomous vehicles in the corridor are eligible for funding from this category provided that the project sponsor can demonstrate that they reduce congestion, increase mobility and provide alternatives to single occupant vehicle travel. Projects funded from this category must be physically on or near the SR 242 or SR 4 corridors. Selection of final project to be based on a performance analysis of project alternatives consistent with Authority requirements. RAMP eligible project.

### 9. Interstate 680 / State Route 4 Interchange ----- \$60m

Funding from this category shall be used to implement the Interstate 680/ State Route 4 interchange improvement project as necessary to improve traffic flow and enhance traffic safety along both the I-680 and SR 4 corridors. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. Authority shall prioritize local funding commitments to this project in such a way as to encourage carpools and vanpools, public transit usage and other alternatives to the single occupant vehicle. RAMP eligible project.

10. East County Corridor (Vasco Rd and/or Byron Highway Corridors) ----- \$117m Funding from this category shall be used to complete safety improvements to Vasco Road and safety and / or capacity improvements to the Byron Highway (Tri-Link) Corridors oriented at providing better connectivity between eastern Contra Costa and the Interstate 205/580 corridors in Alameda and San Joaquin counties. For the Byron Highway (TriLink) corridor, the Authority shall prioritize funding for the design and construction of a new 2-lane limited access Byron Highway / Vasco Road connector south of Camino Diablo Road improving access to the Bryon Airport, and other improvements to the Byron Highway that increase safety and facilitate an improved goods movement network for East Contra Costa County. For the Vasco Road corridor, the Authority shall prioritize funding for safety improvements and other improvements oriented at high-capacity transit or high occupancy carpools. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for these projects.

Prior to the use of any local sales tax funds to implement capacity improvements to either or both of these corridors, the Authority must find that the project includes measures to prevent growth outside of the Urban Limit Lines (ULL). Such measures might include, but are not necessarily be limited to, limits on roadway access in areas outside the ULL, purchase of abutters' rights of access, preservation of critical habitat and/or the permanent protection / acquisition of agricultural and open space. With the exception of the new connection between Vasco Road, the Byron Airport and the Byron Highway, funding from this category is not intended to be used for the construction of new roadways on new alignments. The Authority will work with Alameda and/or San Joaquin Counties to address project impacts in those jurisdictions. RAMP eligible project.

### 11. Advance Mitigation Program ---- TBD

The Authority will develop a policy supporting the creation of an advance mitigation program that will provide for large-scale acquisition and management of critical habitat

areas and create a reliable approach for funding required mitigation for future transportation projects. This policy will identify projects that will benefit from the program and the financial contribution associated with those projects. This approach would be implemented by obtaining coverage for transportation projects through existing and proposed multiple species conservation plans, including the East Contra Costa Habitat Conservation Plan. The benefit of this policy will include an early comprehensive project delivery review, reduced costs attributed to mitigation, opportunity to significantly improve conservation benefits, and accelerated project delivery. If this approach cannot be fully implemented, then the identified funds shall be used for environmental mitigation purposes on a project by project basis.

### 12. Bus Transit and Other Non-Rail Transit Enhancements ---- 10.3% (\$240m)

This category is intended to provide funding to existing bus transit operators and for future non-rail transit service alternatives. Funding will be provided for bus transit operations to increase ridership, including incentivizing transit use by offsetting fares; and improve the frequency and capacity of high demand routes connecting housing with job, commercial, transit, and medical centers. In addition, funding can be used to support other non-rail transit services/projects that can demonstrate innovative approaches to maximizing the movement of people efficiently and in a manner that reduces VMT and GHG.

Funding will be allocated by the Authority throughout the County based on input from each Regional Transportation Planning Committee and on performance criteria established by the Authority in consultation with local and regional bus transit operators, providers of alternate non-rail transportation, and key stakeholders. Funding allocations will be reviewed on a regular basis. Said performance criteria shall require a finding that any proposed new or enhanced services demonstrate the ability to improve regional and/or local mobility for Contra Costa residents. Funds may be used for transit capital projects or to operate service improvements identified in the adopted plans of an operator or of the Authority.

Guidelines will be established so that revenues will fund service enhancements in Contra Costa. The guidelines may require provisions, such as: operational efficiencies requiring greater coordination, promoting and developing a seamless service; increasing service frequencies on appropriate routes; and specified performance criteria and reporting requirements. Services funded in this program will be reviewed in accordance with implementing guidelines described in this expenditure plan.

**13. Transportation for Seniors & People With Disabilities ----- 3.3% (\$78m)** Funding in this category is to support mobility opportunities for seniors and people with disabilities who, due to age or disability, cannot drive or take other transit options.

To ensure services are delivered in a coordinated system that maximizes both service delivery and efficiency an Accessible Transportation Service (ATS) Strategic Plan will be developed and periodically updated during the term of the measure. No

funding under this category will be allocated until the ATS Strategic Plan has been developed and adopted. An overarching component in the development and delivery of the ATS Strategic Plan is using mobility management to ensure coordination and efficiencies in accessible service delivery. The plan will evaluate the appropriate model for our local structure including how accessible services are delivered by all agencies and where appropriate coordination can improve transportation services, eliminate gaps in service and find efficiencies in the service delivered. The ATS Strategic Plan would also determine the investments and oversight of the program funding and identify timing, projects, service delivery options, administrative structure, and fund leverage opportunities.

The ATS Strategic Plan will be developed by the Authority with participation from publicly operated transit and paratransit providers and selected non-profit and citizen stakeholders representing seniors and people with disabilities. Public transit operators in Contra Costa must participate in the ATS planning process to be eligible to receive funding in this category. The ATS Strategic Plan must be adopted within 12 months of the passage of this Measure.

### 14. Safe Transportation for Children ----- 2.2% (\$52m)

Programs and projects which promote safe transportation options for children to access schools or after school programs. Eligible projects include but are not limited to reduced fare transit passes and transit incentive programs, school bus programs, and projects for pedestrian and bicycle safety that provide school-related access.

Authority will allocate funds and will establish guidelines (in cooperation with project sponsors) to define priorities and maximize effectiveness. The guidelines may require provisions such as parent contributions; operational efficiencies; specific performance criteria and reporting requirements.

### 15. Intercity Rail/ Ferries ---- \$50m

Funds from this category shall be used to construct station and/or track improvements to the Capitol Corridor and/or the San Joaquin corridors as well as to implement new or improved ferry services (including both capital and operations) in Richmond, Hercules, Martinez and/or Antioch. Projects that increase ridership using existing capacity by incentives including offsetting fares or other methodologies may also be considered. To the greatest degree possible, local funds generated by this measure shall be used to leverage additional regional, state and/or federal funds for this project. Any projects funded in this category will be evaluated by the Authority and demonstrate progress toward the Authority's goals of reducing VMT and greenhouse gas reductions. Selection of final projects to be based on a performance analysis of project alternatives consistent with Authority requirements. Sponsors of projects requesting funding from this category will be required to demonstrate to the Authority that sufficient funding is available to operate the proposed project and/or service over a long period of time.

### 16. Pedestrian, Bicycle and Trail Facilities ---- 2.9% (\$67m)

Two-thirds of the funds from this program will be used implement projects in the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan, consistent with the current Measure J program. These funds will be allocated competitively to projects that improve safety for pedestrians and bicyclists, serve the greatest number of users and significant destinations, and remove missing segments and existing barriers to walking and bicycling. The review process shall also consider project feasibility and readiness and the differing needs of the sub-regions when identifying projects for funding. Funding available through this program shall be primarily used for the construction, maintenance, and safety or other improvements of bicycle, pedestrian and trail projects. Design, project approval, right-of-way purchase and environmental clearance may not be funded as part of a construction project. Planning to identify a preferred alignment for major new bicycle, pedestrian or trail connections may also be funded through this program.

One third of the funds are to be allocated to the East Bay Regional Park District (EBRPD) for the development and rehabilitation of paved regional trails. EBRPD is to spend its allocation proportionally in each sub-region, subject to the review and approval of the applicable sub-regional committee, prior to funding allocation by the Authority. The Authority in conjunction with EBRPD will develop a maintenance-of-effort requirement for funds under this component of the funding category.

Consistent with the Countywide Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan and the complete streets policy established in this expenditure plan, project sponsors receiving funding through other funding categories in this Plan shall incorporate, whenever possible, pedestrian, bicycle, and trail facilities into their projects.

### 17. Community Development Transportation

### Program----- 6.0% (\$140m)

Funds from this category will be used implement this new Community Development Transportation Program, administered by the Authority's Regional Transportation Planning Committees (RTPC's). Funds will be allocated on a competitive basis to transportation projects or programs that promote economic development, job creation and/or housing within established (or planned) transit supportive community centers. Project sponsors must demonstrate that at least 20% of the project is funded from other than local transportation sales tax revenue and the Authority will prioritize funding to projects that demonstrate over 50% funding from other sources. Additional priority will be given to projects where the sponsor can demonstrate that the project supports and facilitates development of housing for all income levels. Working with the RTPCs, the Authority will prepare guidelines and establish overall criteria for the program.

### 18. Innovative Transportation Technology / Connected

### Communities Program ----- 2.3% (\$53m)

Funding from this category will be allocated for the planning and development of projects and programs that include innovative solutions intended to (a) develop and

demonstrate transportation innovation through real-world applications, (b) reduce GHG emissions, and (c) implement connected transportation solutions and integrate this approach with other community services such as public safety, public services, water, communications and energy to promote economic development and jobs opportunities by increasing government efficiency and reducing consumption. Examples of eligible projects include but are not limited to expanding opportunities for zero emission vehicle charging; smart rideshare, carshare and bikeshare services; on-demand and personal transit services that compliment traditional fixed-route transit; smart and automated parking; intelligent, sensor-based infrastructure; smart payment systems; and data sharing to improve mobility choices for all users. Projects are intended to promote connectivity between all users of the transportation network (cars, pedestrians, bikes, buses, trucks, etc.) and automation technologies that collectively facilitate the transformation toward connected communities. Funding is intended to match State, federal, or regional grants and private-sector investment to achieve maximum benefits. By investing in these solutions Contra Costa County can become a national model in sustainable, technology-enabled transportation.

A minimum of twenty-five percent shall be allocated to each sub-program (a, b and c above) over the life of the measure. The Authority will prepare guidelines and establish overall criteria for the Innovative Transportation Technology / Connected Communities Program and provide technical resources to project sponsors. The RTPC's will submit programs/projects for the Authority to consider allocating funds to on a competitive basis for each of the sub-programs. Project sponsors must demonstrate that the programs provide highly efficient services that are cost effective, integrated and responsive to the needs of the community.

### **19.** Transportation Planning, Facilities and Services ---- 1.0% (\$23m)

Implement the countywide GMP, prepare the countywide transportation plan; and support the programming and monitoring of federal and state funds, as well as the Authority's Congestion Management Agency functions.

### 20. Regional Transportation Priorities ---- \$19m

Funding from this category shall be used for any project or program identified in the Expenditure Plan or eligible under the provisions of the Act, including activities that promote alternatives to commuting in single occupant vehicles. Program and project recommendations shall be made by each subregion for consideration and funding by the Authority.

#### **21.** Administration ---- 1.0% (\$23m) Funds administration of new measure.

### The Growth Management Program

### **Goals and Objectives**

The overall goal of the Growth Management Program is to preserve and enhance the quality of life and promote a healthy, strong economy to benefit the people and areas of Contra Costa through a cooperative, multi-jurisdictional process for managing growth, while maintaining local authority over land use decisions.<sup>1</sup>

The objectives of the Growth Management Program are to:

- Assure that new residential, business and commercial growth pays for the facilities required to meet the demands resulting from that growth.
- Require cooperative transportation and land use planning among Contra Costa County, cities, towns, and transportation agencies.
- Support land use patterns within Contra Costa that make more efficient use of the transportation system, consistent with the General Plans of local jurisdictions.
- Support infill and redevelopment in existing urban and brownfield areas.

### Components

To receive its share of Local Transportation Maintenance and Improvement funds and to be eligible for Contra Costa Transportation for Livable Communities funds, each jurisdiction must:

### 1. Adopt a Growth Management Element

Each jurisdiction must adopt, or maintain in place, a Growth Management Element as part of its General Plan that outlines the jurisdiction's goals and policies for managing growth and requirements for achieving those goals. The Growth Management Element must show how the jurisdiction will comply with sections 2–7 below. The Authority will refine its model Growth Management Element and administrative procedures in consultation with the Regional Transportation Planning Committees to reflect the revised Growth Management Program.

Each jurisdiction is encouraged to incorporate other standards and procedures into its Growth Management Element to support the objectives and required components of this Growth Management Program.

<sup>1</sup> The Authority will, to the extent possible, attempt to harmonize the Growth Management and the State-mandated Congestion Management Programs. To the extent they conflict, Congestion Management Program Activities shall take precedence over Growth Management activities.

### 2. Adopt a Development Mitigation Program

Each jurisdiction must adopt, or maintain in place, a development mitigation program to ensure that new growth is paying its share of the costs associated with that growth. This program shall consist of both a local program to mitigate impacts on local streets and other facilities and a regional program to fund regional and subregional transportation projects, consistent with the Countywide Comprehensive Transportation Plan.

The jurisdiction's local development mitigation program shall ensure that revenue provided from this measure shall not be used to replace private developer funding that has or would have been committed to any project.

The regional development mitigation program shall establish fees, exactions, assessments or other mitigation measures to fund regional or subregional transportation improvements needed to mitigate the impacts of planned or forecast development. Regional mitigation programs may adjust such fees, exactions, assessments or other mitigation measures when developments are within walking distance of frequent transit service or are part of a mixed-use development of sufficient density and with necessary facilities to support greater levels of walking and bicycling. Each Regional Transportation Planning Committee shall develop the regional development mitigation program for its region, taking account of planned and forecast growth and the Multimodal Transportation Service Objectives and actions to achieve them established in the Action Plans for Routes of Regional Significance. Regional Transportation Planning Committees may use existing regional mitigation programs, if consistent with this section, to comply with the Growth Management Program.

### 3. Address Housing Options

Each jurisdiction shall demonstrate reasonable progress in providing housing opportunities for all income levels as part of a report on the implementation of the actions outlined in its adopted Housing Element. The report will demonstrate progress by:

- a. Comparing the number of housing units approved, constructed or occupied within the jurisdiction over the preceding five years with the number of units needed on average each year to meet the housing objectives established in the jurisdiction's Housing Element; or
- b. Illustrating how the jurisdiction has adequately planned to meet the existing and projected housing needs through the adoption of land use plans and regulatory systems which provide opportunities for, and do not unduly constrain, housing development; or
- c. Illustrating how a jurisdiction's General Plan and zoning regulations facilitate the improvement and development of sufficient housing to meet those objectives.

In addition, each jurisdiction shall consider the impacts that its land use and development policies have on the local, regional and countywide transportation system, including the level of transportation capacity that can reasonably be provided, and shall incorporate policies and standards into its development approval process that support transit, bicycle

and pedestrian access in new developments.

# 4. Participate in an Ongoing Cooperative, Multi-Jurisdictional Planning Process.

Each jurisdiction shall participate in an ongoing process with other jurisdictions and agencies, the Regional Transportation Planning Committees and the Authority to create a balanced, safe and efficient transportation system and to manage the impacts of growth. Jurisdictions shall work with the Regional Transportation Planning Committees to:

- a. Identify Routes of Regional Significance, and establish Multimodal Transportation Service Objectives for those routes and actions for achieving those objectives.
- b. Apply the Authority's travel demand model and technical procedures to the analysis of General Plan Amendments (GPAs) and developments exceeding specified thresholds for their effect on the regional transportation system, including on Action Plan objectives.
- c. Create the development mitigation programs outlined in section 2 above.
- d. Help develop other plans, programs and studies to address other transportation and growth management issues.

In consultation with the Regional Transportation Planning Committees, each jurisdiction will use the travel demand model to evaluate changes to local General Plans and the impacts of major development projects for their effects on the local and regional transportation system and the ability to achieve the Multimodal Transportation Service Objectives established in the Action Plans.

Jurisdictions shall also participate in the Authority's ongoing countywide comprehensive transportation planning process. As part of this process, the Authority shall support countywide and subregional planning efforts, including the Action Plans for Routes of Regional Significance, and shall maintain a travel demand model. Jurisdictions shall help maintain the Authority's travel demand modeling system by providing information on proposed improvements to the transportation system and planned and approved development within the jurisdiction.

### 5. Continuously Comply with an Urban Limit Line (ULL)

In order to be found in compliance with this element of the Authority's Growth Management Program, all jurisdictions must continually comply with an applicable voter approved Urban Limit Line (ULL). Said ULL may either be the Contra Costa County voter approved ULL (County ULL) or a locally initiated, voter approved ULL (LV-ULL).

Additional information and detailed compliance requirements for the ULL are fully defined in the ULL Compliance Requirements, which are incorporated herein as Attachment A.

Any of the following actions by a local jurisdiction will constitute non-compliance with the Authority's Measure XX Growth Management Program:

- 1. The submittal of an annexation request to LAFCO for lands outside of a jurisdictions applicable ULL.
- 2. Failure to conform to the Authority's ULL Compliance Requirements (Attachment A).

### 6. Develop a Five-Year Capital Improvement Program

Each jurisdiction shall prepare and maintain a capital improvement program that outlines the capital projects needed to implement the goals and policies of the jurisdiction's General Plan for at least the following five-year period. The Capital Improvement Program shall include approved projects and an analysis of the costs of the proposed projects as well as a financial plan for providing the improvements. The jurisdiction shall forward the transportation component of its capital improvement program to the Authority for incorporation into the Authority's database of transportation projects.

# 7. Adopt a Transportation Systems Management (TSM) Ordinance or Resolution

To promote carpools, vanpools and park and ride lots, each jurisdiction shall adopt a local ordinance or resolution that conforms to the model Transportation Systems Management Ordinance that the Transportation Authority has drafted and adopted. Upon approval of the Authority, cities with a small employment base may adopt alternative mitigation measures in lieu of a TSM ordinance or resolution.

### **Allocation of Funds**

Portions of the monies received from the retail transaction and use tax will be returned to the local jurisdictions (the cities and the county) for use on local, subregional and/or regional transportation improvements and maintenance projects. Receipt of all such funds requires compliance with the Growth Management Program as described below. The funds are to be distributed on a formula based on population and road miles.

Each jurisdiction shall demonstrate its compliance with all of the components of the Growth Management Program in a completed compliance checklist. The jurisdiction shall submit, and the Authority shall review and make findings regarding the jurisdiction's compliance with the requirements of the Growth Management Program, consistent with the Authority's adopted policies and procedures.

If the Authority determines that the jurisdiction complies with the requirements of the Growth Management Program, it shall allocate to the jurisdiction its share of Local Street Maintenance and Improvement funding (Category 1). Jurisdictions may use funds allocated under this provision to comply with these administrative requirements.

If the Authority determines that the jurisdiction does not comply with the requirements of

the Growth Management Program, the Authority shall withhold those funds and also make a finding that the jurisdiction shall not be eligible to receive Community Development Transportation Program funds(Category 17) until the Authority determines the jurisdiction has achieved compliance. The Authority's findings of noncompliance may set deadlines and conditions for achieving compliance.

Withholding of funds, reinstatement of compliance, reallocation of funds and treatment of unallocated funds shall be as established in adopted Authority's policies and procedures.

### Attachment A

# **Urban Limit Line (ULL) Definitions and Compliance Requirements**

Definitions - the following definitions apply to the GMP ULL requirement:

- 1. Urban Limit Line (ULL): An urban limit line, urban growth boundary, or other equivalent physical boundary judged by the Authority to clearly identify the physical limits of the local jurisdiction's future urban development
- 2. Local Jurisdictions: Includes Contra Costa County, the 19 cities and towns within Contra Costa, plus any newly incorporated cities or towns established after April 1, 2017.
- 3. **County ULL:** A ULL placed on the ballot by the Contra Costa County Board of Supervisors, approved by voters at a countywide election, and in effect through the applicable GMP compliance period. The current County ULL was established by Measure L approved by voters in 2006.

The following local jurisdictions have adopted the County ULL as its applicable ULL:

City of Brentwood City of Clayton City of Concord Town of Danville City of El Cerrito City of Hercules City of Lafayette City of Martinez

- Town of Moraga City of Oakley City of Orinda City of Pinole City of Pleasant Hill City of Richmond City of San Pablo City of Walnut Creek
- 4. Local Voter ULL (LV-ULL): A ULL or equivalent measure placed on the local jurisdiction ballot, approved by the jurisdiction's voters, and recognized by action of the local jurisdiction's legislative body as its applicable, voter-approved ULL. The LV-ULL will be used as of its effective date to meet the Authority's GMP ULL requirement and must be in effect through the applicable GMP compliance period.

The following local jurisdictions have adopted a LV-ULL:

City of Antioch City of Pittsburg City of San Ramon

- 5. Minor Adjustments: An adjustment to the ULL of 30 acres or less.
- 6. **Other Adjustments**: Other adjustments that address issues of unconstitutional takings, and conformance to state and federal law.

### **Revisions to the ULL**

- 1. A local jurisdiction which has adopted the County ULL as its applicable ULL may revise its ULL with local voter approval at any time during the term of the Authority's GMP by adopting a LV-ULL in accordance with the requirements outlined for a LV-ULL contained in the definitions section.
- 2. A local jurisdiction may revise its LV-ULL with local voter approval at any time during the term of the Authority's GMP if the resultant ULL meets the requirements outlined for a LV-ULL contained in the definitions section.
- 3. If voters, through a countywide ballot measure, approve a revision to the County ULL, the legislative body of each local jurisdiction relying on the County ULL shall:
  - a. Accept and approve its existing ULL to continue as its applicable ULL, or
  - b. Accept and approve the revised County ULL as its applicable ULL, or
  - c. Adopt a LV-ULL in accordance with the requirements outlined for a LV-ULL contained in the definitions section.
- 4. Local jurisdictions may, without voter approval, enact a Minor Adjustments to their applicable ULL subject to a vote of at least 4/5 of the jurisdiction's legislative body and the following requirements:
  - a. Minor adjustment may include one or several parts that in total shall not exceed 30 acres;
  - b. Adoption of at least one of the findings listed in the County's Measure L (§82-1.018 of County Ordinances 2006-06 § 3, 91-1 § 2, 90-66 § 4);
  - c. The Minor Adjustment is not contiguous to one or more non-voter approved Minor Adjustments that in total exceed 30 acres;
  - d. The Minor Adjustment does not create a pocket of land outside the existing urban limit line, specifically to avoid the possibility of a jurisdiction wanting to fill in those subsequently through separate adjustments;
  - e. If the local jurisdiction is a City or a Town, then that City or Town shall not have approved another Minor Adjustment without voter approval in the previous 5 years. If the local jurisdiction is the County, then the County shall not approve more than 3 Minor Adjustments in any 5 year period and no more than 1 per subregion of the County.
- 5. A local jurisdiction may revise its LV-ULL, and the County may revise the County ULL, to address issues of unconstitutional takings or conformance to State or federal law, if the revision does not exceed 30 acres and the revision is approved by at least 4/5 of the members of the legislative body.

### **Conditions of Compliance**

- 1. Submittal of an annexation request of greater than 30 acres by a local jurisdiction to LAFCO outside of a voter-approved ULL will constitute non-compliance with the GMP.
- 2. For each jurisdiction, an applicable ULL shall be in place through each GMP compliance reporting period in order for the local jurisdiction to be found in compliance with the GMP requirements.
- 3. These conditions shall replace the conditions regarding the ULL outlined in Measure J.

## **Complete Streets Policy**

### Vision

This Plan envisions a transportation system in which each component provides safe, comfortable and convenient access for every user allowed to use it. These users include pedestrians, bicyclists, transit riders, automobile drivers and their passengers, and truckers, and people of varying abilities, including children, seniors, people with disabilities and able-bodied adults. The goal of every transportation project is to provide safer, more accessible facilities for all users and shall be planned, designed, constructed and operated to take advantage of that opportunity.

By making streets more efficient and safe for all users, a complete streets approach will expand capacity and improve mobility for all users, giving commuters convenient options for travel and minimizing need to widen roadways.

### Policy

To achieve this vision, all recipients of funding through this Plan shall consider and accommodate, wherever possible, the needs of all users in the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation and maintenance of the transportation system. This determination shall be consistent with the exceptions listed below. Achieving this vision will require balancing the needs of different users, and may require reallocating existing right of way for different uses.

The Authority shall revise its project development guidelines to require the consideration and accommodation of all users in the design and construction of projects funded with Measure funds and shall adopt peer review and design standards to implement that approach. The guidelines will allow flexibility in responding to the context of each project and the needs of users specific to the project's context, and will build on accepted best practices for complete streets and context-sensitive design.

To ensure that this policy is carried out, the Authority shall prepare a checklist that sponsors of projects using Measure funds must submit that documents how the needs of all users were considered and how they were accommodated in the design and construction of the project. In the checklist, the sponsor will outline how they provided opportunity for public input, in a public forum, from all users early in the project development and design process. If the proposed project or program will not provide context appropriate conditions for all users, the sponsor shall document the reasons why in the checklist, consistent with the following section on "exceptions" below. The completed checklist shall be made part of the approval of programming of funding for the project or the funding allocation resolution.

Recipients of Local Street Maintenance and Improvement funds shall adopt procedures that ensure that all agency departments consider and accommodate the needs of all users for projects or programs affecting public rights of way for which the agency is responsible. These procedures shall:

1) be consistent with and be designed to implement each agency's general plan policies once that plan has been updated to comply with the Complete Streets Act of 2008,

- 2) involve and coordinate the work of all agency departments and staff whose projects will affect the public right of way,
- 3) consider the complete street design standards adopted by the Authority, and
- 4) provide opportunity for public review by all potential users early in the project development and design phase so that options can be fully considered. This review could be done through an advisory committee such as a Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee or as part of the review of the agency's capital improvement program.

As part of their biennial Growth Management Program checklist, agencies shall list projects funded by the Measure and detail how those projects accommodated users of all modes.

As part of the multi-jurisdictional planning required by the Growth Management Program, agencies shall work with the Authority and the Regional Transportation Planning Committees to harmonize the planning, design and construction of transportation facilities for all modes within their jurisdiction with the plans of adjoining and connecting jurisdictions.

### Exceptions

Project sponsors may provide a lesser accommodation or forgo complete street accommodation components when the public works director or equivalent agency official finds that:

- 1. Pedestrians, bicyclists, or other users are prohibited by law from using the transportation facility,
- 2. The cost of new accommodation would be excessively disproportionate to the need or probable use, or
- 3. The sponsor demonstrates that, such accommodation is not needed, based on objective factors including:
  - a. current and projected user demand for all modes based on current and future land use, and
  - b. lack of identified conflicts, both existing and potential, between modes of travel.

Project sponsors shall explicitly approve exceptions findings as part of the approval of any project using measure funds to improve streets classified as a major collector or above.<sup>1</sup> Prior to this project sponsors must provide an opportunity for public input at an approval body (that regularly considers design issues) and/or the governing board of the project sponsor.

<sup>1</sup> Major Collectors and above, as defined by the California Department of Transportation California Road System (CRS maps);

### **Regional Advance Mitigation Program**

[To be developed pending discussion at Authority Special Board Meeting on April 6, 2016.]

### **Governing Structure**

### **Governing Body and Administration**

Authority is governed by a Board composed of 11 members, all elected officials, with the following representation:

• Two members from the Central County Regional Transportation Planning Commission (RTPC) also referred to as TRANSPAC

- Two members from the East County RTPC, also referred to as TRANSPLAN
- Two members from the Southwest County RTPC, also referred to as SWAT
- Two members from the West County RTPC, also referred to as WCCTAC
- One member from the Conference of Mayors
- Two members from the Board of Supervisors

The Authority Board also includes three (3) ex-officio, non-voting members, appointed by the MTC, BART and the Public Transit Operators in Contra Costa County.

### **Public Oversight Committee**

The Public Oversight Committee (Committee) shall provide diligent, independent and public oversight of all expenditures of Measure funds by Authority or recipient agencies (County, cities and towns, transit operators, etc). The Committee will report to the public and focus its oversight on the:

- Review of allocation and expenditure of Measure funds to ensure that all funds are used consistent with the Measure.
- Review of fiscal audits of Measure expenditures.
- Review of performance audits of projects and programs relative to performance criteria established by the Authority, and if performance of any project or program does not meet its established performance criteria, identify reasons why and make recommendations for corrective actions that can be taken by the Authority Board for changes to project or program guidelines.
- Review of the maintenance of effort compliance requirements of local jurisdictions for local streets, roads and bridges funding.
- Review of each jurisdiction's Growth Management Checklist and compliance with the Growth Management Plan policies.

The Committee shall prepare an annual report including an account of the Committee's activities during the previous year, its review and recommendations relative to fiscal or performance audits, and any recommendations made to the Authority Board for implementing the expenditure plan. The report will be noticed in local media outlets throughout Contra Costa County, posted to the Authority Website and continuously available for public inspection at Authority offices. The report shall be composed of easy to understand language not in an overly technical format. The Committee shall make an annual presentation to the Authority Board summarizing the annual report subsequent to its release.

[Committee member selection process to be developed pending discussion at Authority Special Board Meeting on April 6, 2016]

Committee members will be private residents who are not elected officials at any level of local government, nor public employees from agencies that either oversee or benefit from the proceeds of the Measure. Membership is limited to individuals who live in Contra Costa County. Membership is restricted to individuals with no economic interest in any of Authority's projects or programs. If a member's status changes so that he/she no longer meet these requirements, or if a member resigns his/her position on the Committee, the Authority Board will issue a new statement of interest from the same stakeholder category to fill the vacant position.

The Committee shall meet up to once a month to carry out its responsibility, and shall meet at least once every 3 months. Meetings shall be held at the same location as the Authority Board meetings are usually held, shall be open to the public and must be held in compliance with California's open meeting law (Brown Act). Meetings shall be recorded and the recordings shall be posted for the public.

Members are expected to attend all meetings. If a member, without good reason acceptable to the Chair of the Committee, fails to attend either (a) two or more consecutive meetings or (b) more than 3 meetings a year, the Authority Board will request a replacement from the stakeholder categories listed above.

Authority commits to support the oversight process through cooperation with the Committee by providing access to project and program information, audits, and other information available to the Authority, and with logistical support so that the Committee may effectively perform its oversight function. The Committee will have full access to Authority's independent auditors, and may request Authority staff briefings for any information that is relevant to the Measure. The Committee Chair shall inform the Authority Board Chair and Executive Director of any concern regarding Authority staff's commitment to open communication, the timely sharing of information, and teamwork.

The Committee shall not have the authority to set policy or appropriate or withhold funds, nor shall it participate in or interfere with the selection process of any consultant or contractor hired to implement the expenditure plan.

The Committee shall not receive monetary compensation except for the reimbursement of travel or other incidental expenses, in a manner consistent with other Authority advisory committees

In order to ensure that the oversight by the Committee continues to be as effective as possible, the efficacy of the Committee's Charter (ie this document) will be evaluated on a periodic basis and a formal review will be conducted by the Authority Board, Executive Director and the Committee a minimum of every five years to determine if any amendments to this Charter should be made. The formal review will include a benchmarking of the Committee's activities and charter with other best-in-class oversight committees. Amendments to this Charter shall be proposed by the Committee and adopted or rejected by the Authority Board.

The Committee replaces the Authority's existing Citizens Advisory Committee.

### **Advisory Committees**

The Authority will continue the committees that were established as part of the Transportation Partnership Commission organization as well as other committees that have been utilized by the Authority to advise and assist in policy development and implementation. The committees include:

- The Regional Planning Transportation Committees that were established to develop transportation plans on a geographic basis for sub-areas of the County, and
- The Technical Coordinating Committee that will serve as the Authority's technical advisory committee.
- The Paratransit Coordinating Council
- The Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee
- The Transit Committee

### **Implementing Guidelines**

This Transportation Expenditure Plan (Plan) is guided by principles that ensure the revenue generated by the sales tax is spent only for the purposes outlined in this Plan in the most efficient and effective manner possible, consistent with serving the transportation needs of Contra Costa County. The following Implementing Guidelines shall govern the administration of sale tax revenues by the Authority. Additional detail for certain Implementing Guidelines is found elsewhere in this Plan.

### **Duration of the Plan**

The duration of the Plan shall be for 25 years from April 1, 2017 through March 31, 2042.

### Administration of the Plan

- 1. **Funds only Projects and Programs in the Plan:** Funds collected under this Measure may only be spent for purposes identified in the Plan, as it may be amended by the Authority governing body.
- 2. All Decisions Made in Public Process: The Authority is given the fiduciary duty of administering the transportation sales tax proceeds in accordance with all applicable laws and with the Plan. Activities of the Authority will be conducted in public according to state law, through publically noticed meetings. The annual budgets of Authority, strategic plans and annual reports will all be prepared for public review. The interest of the public will be further protected by a Public Oversight Committee, described previously in the Plan.
- 3. Salary and Administration Cost Caps: Revenues may be expended by the Authority for salaries, wages, benefits, overhead and those services including contractual services necessary to administer the Measure; however, in no case shall the expenditures for the salaries and benefits of the staff necessary to perform administrative functions for the Authority exceed one percent (1%) of revenues. The allocated costs of Authority staff who directly implement specific projects or programs are not included in the administrative costs.
- 4. Expenditure Plan Amendments Require Majority Support: The Authority may review and propose amendments to the Expenditure Plan and the Growth Management Program to provide for the use of additional federal, state and local funds, to account for unexpected revenues, or to take into consideration unforeseen circumstances. Affected Regional Planning Transportation Committee(s) will participate in the development of the proposed amendment(s). A majority of the Authority Board is required to approve an amendment and all jurisdictions within the county will be given a 45 day period to comment on any proposed Expenditure Plan amendment.
- 5. Augment Transportation Funds: Funds generated pursuant to the Measure are to be used to supplement and not replace existing local revenues used for transportation purposes. Any funds already allocated, committed or otherwise included in the financial plan for any project

in the Plan shall be made available for project development and implementation as required in the project's financial and implementation program.

### Taxpayer Safeguards, Audits and Accountability

- 6. **Public Oversight Committee:** The Public Oversight Committee will provide diligent, independent and public oversight of all expenditures of Measure funds by Authority or recipient agencies (County, cities and towns, transit operators, etc). The Committee will report to the public and focus its oversight on annual audits, the review and allocation of Measure funds, the performance of projects and programs in the Plan, and compliance by local jurisdictions with the maintenance of effort and Growth Management Program described previously in the Plan
- 7. Fiscal Audits: All Funds expended by Authority directly and all funds allocated by formula or discretionary grants to other entities are subject to fiscal audit. Recipients of Local Streets Maintenance & Improvements or transit (Non-Rail Transit Enhancements, Transportation for Seniors & People With Disabilities programs) funding (County, cities and towns and transit operators) will be audited at least once every five (5) years, conducted by an independent CPA. Any agency found to be in non-compliance shall have its formula sales tax funds withheld, until such time as the agency is found to be in compliance.
- 8. Performance Audits: The following funding categories shall be subject to performance audits by the Authority: Local Streets Maintenance and Improvements (No. 1), Major Streets/Complete Streets/Traffic Signal Synchronization Program (No. 2), Advance Mitigation Program (No. 11), Bus Transit and Other Non-Rail Transit Enhancements (No. 12), Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities (No. 13), Safe Transportation for Children (No. 14), Intercity Rail and Ferry Service (No. 15), Pedestrian and Bicycle, and Trail Facilities (No. 16), Community Development Transportation Program (No. 17), and Innovative Transportation Technology / Connected Communities Program (No. 18). Each year, the Authority shall select and perform a focused performance audit on two or three of the funding categories listed above, so that at the end of the fourth year all funding categories listed above are audited. This process shall commence two years after passage of the new sales tax measure. Additional Performance Audits shall continue on a similar cycle for the duration of the Plan. The performance audits shall provide an accurate quantitative and qualitative evaluation of the funding categories to determine the effectiveness in meeting the performance criteria established by the Authority. In the event that any performance audit determines that a funding category is not meeting the performance requirements established by the Authority, the audit shall include recommendations for corrective action including but not limited to revisions to Authority policies or program guidelines that govern the expenditure of funds.
- **9.** Maintenance of Effort (MOE): Funds generated by the new sales tax Measure are to be used to supplement and not replace existing local revenues used for local streets and roads purposes. The basis of the MOE requirement will be the average of expenditures of annual transportation funds on local streets and roads during 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 fiscal years, as reported to the Controller pursuant to Streets and Highways

Code Section 2151, . The average dollar amount will then be increased once every three years by the construction cost index of that third year. Penalty for non-compliance of meeting the minimum MOE is immediate loss of all Local Streets Maintenance and Improvements funds (No. 1 and 1a) until MOE compliance is achieved. The audit of the M.O.E. contribution shall be at least once every five years. Any agency found to be in non-compliance shall be subject to annual audit for three years after they come back into compliance.

Any local jurisdiction wishing to adjust its maintenance of effort requirement shall submit to the Authority a request for adjustment and the necessary documentation to justify the adjustment. The Authority staff shall review the request and shall make a recommendation to the Authority. Taking into consideration the recommendation, the Authority may adjust the annual average of expenditures for the 2013-14, 2014-15 and 2015-16 fiscal years reported pursuant to Streets and Highways Code Section 2151. The Authority shall make an adjustment if one or more of the following conditions exists:

1. The local jurisdiction has undertaken one or more major capital projects during those fiscal years, that required accumulating unrestricted revenues to support the project during one or more fiscal years.

2. A source of unrestricted revenue used to support the major capital project or projects is no longer available to the local jurisdiction and the local jurisdiction lacks authority to continue the unrestricted funding source.

3. One or more sources of unrestricted revenues that were available to the local jurisdiction is producing less than 95 percent of the amount produced in those fiscal years, and the reduction is not caused by any discretionary action of the local jurisdiction.

- 10. **Annual Budget and Strategic Plan:** Each year, the Authority will adopt an annual budget that estimates expected sales tax receipts, other anticipated revenue and planned expenditures for the year. On a periodic basis, the Authority will also prepare a Strategic Plan which will identify the priority for projects; the date for project implementation based on project readiness and availability of project funding; the state, federal and other local funding committed for project implementation, and other relevant criteria. The annual budget and Strategic Plan will be adopted by the Authority Board at a public meeting.
- **11. Requirements for Fund Recipients:** All recipients of funds allocated in this expenditure plan will be required to sign a Master Cooperative Agreement that defines reporting and accountability elements and as well as other applicable policy requirements. All funds will be appropriated through an open and transparent public process.
- **12. Geographic Equity**: The proposed projects and programs to be funded through the Plan constitute a "balanced" distribution of funding allocations to each subregion in Contra Costa County. However, through the course of the Measure, if any of the projects prove to be infeasible or cannot be implemented, the affected subregion may request that the Authority reassign funds to another project in the same subregion, as detailed in an Authority Fund

Allocations policy, and to maintain a "balanced" distribution of funding allocations to each subregion.

## **Restrictions On Funds**

- **13. Expenditure Shall Benefit Contra Costa County:** Under no circumstance may the proceeds of this transportation sales tax be applied for any purpose other than for transportation improvements benefitting residents of Contra Costa County. Under no circumstance may these funds be appropriated by the State of California or any other local government agency as defined in the implementing guidelines.
- **14. Environmental Review**: All projects funded by sales tax proceeds are subject to laws and regulations of federal, state, and local government, including the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).
- 15. **Performance based review:** Before the allocation of any measure funds for the actual construction of capital projects with an estimated capital construction cost in excess of \$25 million, the Authority will verify that the project was selected using a performance based review of project alternatives.
- **16. Complete Streets:** The Authority has adopted a policy requiring all recipients of funding through this Plan to consider and accommodate, wherever possible, the needs of all users in the planning, design, construction, reconstruction, rehabilitation, maintenance, and operation of the transportation system. Achieving this vision will require balancing the needs of different users, and may require reallocating existing right of way for different uses.
- **17. Advance Mitigation Program:** Authority will develop a policy supporting the creation of an advance mitigation program to establish a program to provide for large-scale acquisition and management of critical habitat areas and to create a reliable approach for funding required mitigation for future transportation. This policy will identify projects that will benefit from the program and the financial contribution associated with those projects. This approach would be implemented by obtaining coverage for transportation projects through existing and proposed multiple species conservation plans, including the East Contra Costa Habitat Conservation Plan. The benefit of this policy will include an early comprehensive project delivery review, reduced costs attributed to mitigation, opportunity to significantly improve conservation benefits, and accelerated project delivery. If this approach cannot be fully implemented, then the identified funds shall be used for environmental mitigation purposes on a project basis.
- **18. Compliance with the Growth Management Program:** If the Authority determines that a jurisdiction does not comply with the requirements of the Growth Management Program, the Authority shall withhold funds and also make a finding that the jurisdiction shall not be eligible to receive Local Streets Maintenance & Improvements or Community Development Transportation (CDTI) Program funding until the Authority determines the jurisdiction has achieved compliance, as detailed in the Growth Management Program section of the Plan.

- **19. Local Contracting and Good Jobs:** Authority will develop a policy supporting the hiring of local contractors and businesses, apprenticeship programs for Contra Costa residents, and good jobs.
- **20. New Agencies**: New cities or new entities (such as new transit agencies) that come into existence in Contra Costa County during the life of the Plan may be considered as eligible recipients of funds through a Plan amendment.

#### **Project Financing Guidelines and Managing Revenue**

- **21. Fiduciary Duty:** Funds may be accumulated for larger or longer term projects. Interest income generated will be used for the purposes outlined in the Plan and will be subject to audits.
- **22. Project and Program Financing:** The Authority has the authority to bond for the purposes of expediting the delivery of transportation projects and programs. Authority will develop a policy to identify financing procedures for the entire plan of projects and programs.
- 23. Programming of Variations from the Expected Revenue: Actual revenues may, at times be higher or lower than expected in this Plan due to changes in receipts. Additional funds may become available due to the increased opportunities for leveraging or project costs less than expected. Revenue may be lower than expected as the economy fluctuates. Determination of when the contingency funds become excess will be established by a policy defined by the Authority. Funds considered excess will be prioritized first to expenditure plan projects and programs, and second to other projects of regional significance that are consistent with the expenditure plan. The new project or program will be required to be amended into the expenditure plan.
- **24. Fund Allocations:** Through the course of the Measure, if any of the projects do not require all funds programmed for that project or have excess funding, or should a planned project become undeliverable, infeasible or unfundable due to circumstances unforeseen at the item the expenditure plan was created, funding for that project will be reallocated to another project or program. The subregion where the project or program is located may request that the Authority reassign funds to another project in the same subregion. In the allocation of the released funds, the Authority will in priority order consider: 1) a project or program of the same travel mode (i.e. transit, bicycle/pedestrian, or road) in the same subregion, 2) a project or program for other modes of travel in the same subregion, 3) other expenditure plan projects or programs, and 4) other projects or programs of regional significance. The new project or program or funding level may be required to be amended into the expenditure plan.
- **25. Leveraging Funds:** Leveraging or matching of outside funding sources is strongly encouraged. Any additional transportation sales tax revenues made available through their replacement by matching funds will be spent based on the principles outlined for fund allocations describe above.



# MEMORANDUM

# (DRAFT FOR DISCUSSION AT MARCH 29 AUTHORITY MEETING)

Date: April 8, 2016

To: RTPC Managers, Public Managers' Association

From: Ross Chittenden, Chief Deputy Executive Director

#### RE: Draft Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP) - Release for Review and Comment

This purpose of this memorandum is to transmit the Draft Transportation Expenditure Plan (TEP) released for review and comment by the Contra Costa Transportation Authority (Authority) Board at its meeting on April 5, 2016. The Draft TEP reflects collective input received to date from the RTPCs, the Expenditure Plan Advisory Committee (EPAC), the Public Managers' Association (PMA) as well as input from the public received through a comprehensive public outreach program as well as public opinion research and focus groups.

The Authority Board initiated efforts to develop a potential TEP oriented at a possible November 2016 ballot measure in May 2015 as an option to address critical funding shortfalls identified in the draft Countywide Transportation Program (CTP). An additional local transportation sales tax is one means to provide the necessary resources to implement priority projects and fund transportation related programs to preserve and enhance the quality of life enjoyed by residents of Contra Costa. Public Opinion research (polling and focus groups) completed in conjunction with the Authority's efforts to update the CTP identified improving BART, maintaining local street and roads maintenance and 'traffic RTPC Managers, Public Managers' Association April 8, 2016 Page 2

smoothing' as priorities for our voters. A series of public meetings and telephone town halls conducted by the Authority enjoyed record turnout with participants calling for improved bus and paratransit service, increased funding for bike/ pedestrian facilities, and environmental protection as additional priorities.

The Authority Board considered all RTPC and public input and discussed topics necessary to develop a potential TEP at its regular Board meetings throughout 2015. The Board conducted special Authority Board meetings beginning in early January 2016 to continue to receive and consider input from a variety of sources. The proposed allocations in the Draft TEP largely reflect recommendations received from the RTPCs in August 2015, with a few exceptions for countywide priorities such as BART and a possible new Community Development Transportation Program, and all requests to reallocate funds to meet subregional needs with one exception in WCCTAC. Discussions at the Authority Board Special Meetings also focused on several policy considerations that are reflected in the Draft TEP. Comments and recommendations from the RTPC review of the Initial Draft TEP have been considered and incorporated in the attached Draft TEP where appropriate. Some comments from the RTPCs are not yet included, particularly those where feedback is not consistent from the sub-regions. Authority staff and its consultant team will continue to track and address all comments received, and work to resolve possible inconsistencies.

There are a several sections of the Draft TEP that will continued to be evaluated and discussed by the Authority Board and stakeholders throughout April. Projects and any proposals for revisions to the Draft TEP will be discussed at the Authority Board special meeting on April 20, 2016.

The Authority requests that each RTPC review the Draft TEP and provide its comments and any recommendation for revision <u>no later than April 22, 2016</u>. Staff and our consulting team will contact you to review the Draft TEP and discuss outstanding issues. The EPAC will also be provided an opportunity to review the Draft TEP and provide comments during April.

Concurrent with your review, the Draft TEP will be reviewed and edited by our communication consultants with experience in preparing plain language documents that are appropriate for inclusion in ballot language and voter material. All efforts will be made to not change the substance or intent of the Draft TEP. Once completed and verified, this edited Draft TEP will be used in combination with all RTPC and other stakeholder input for the Authority Board as it works towards developing a Final TEP by May 18, 2016.

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Thank you for your participation in this process to date and for your future efforts. The Authority Board remains committed to developing the TEP using a consensus-based approach with broad stakeholder input. The participation from the RTPCs, cities and towns, and the County is critical if we are to be successful with the voters on a November 2016 ballot measure.

Please contact me at (925) 256-4735 to discuss further.

# AGENDA ITEM 7





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March 29, 2016

Randell H. Iwasaki, Executive Director Contra Costa Transportation Authority 2999 Oak Road, Suite 100 Walnut Creek, CA 94597

# RE: SWAT Meeting Summary Report for March 21 and March 28, 2016 Comments on Initial Draft Transportation Expenditure Plan ("TEP") Version 2.1 (3/25/16)

Dear Mr. Iwasaki:

At their March 21 and 28, 2016 meetings, the Southwest Area Transportation Committee ("SWAT") received an update from Contra Costa Transportation Authority ("Authority") staff on the Initial Draft Transportation Sales Tax Expenditure Plan ("TEP"), and discussed various funding categories and policies related to components of the plan. SWAT appreciates the opportunity to provide input and acknowledges that the plan represents a tremendous amount of hard work and collaboration. SWAT also wishes to express its gratitude and appreciation to Authority staff for attending SWAT TAC and SWAT meetings over last several months in assisting the sub-region through this process.

To date, SWAT has held a series of meetings in which the Draft TEP has been the focus of discussion. At the March 21 and the March 28, 2016 meetings, the TEP v2.0 and v2.1 funding category allocations and description language were discussed in detail. SWAT is forwarding the following comments and recommendations for the Authority's consideration:

## Funding Category 1: Local Streets Maintenance and Improvements

1. It is unclear why the category description language "...*consistent with the current Measure J Program*" has been deleted from the category description. SWAT recommends retaining the deleted language.

## <u>Funding Category 2: Major Streets and Complete Streets/Traffic Signal</u> <u>Synchronization Grant Program</u>

2. SWAT recommends that specific reference to "separated bike lanes" be amended as follows *Projects may include but are not limited to installation of bike and pedestrian facilities*, such as separated bike lanes.

- 3. It is also recommended that language that references prioritization of projects within "*transit stations and transit oriented communities*" be removed in order to ensure that all jurisdictions may be eligible to quality for the category funding.
- 4. If the requirement to implement demonstration projects is retained, a more feasible approach would be to allocate 20% of the program funding to four Complete Streets Projects within 5 years of the Measure's passage, including one project from each sub region.

In consideration of the comments provided above, it is recommended that the category description be modified as follows:

Funds from this category shall be used to fund improvements to major thoroughfares throughout Contra Costa to improve the safe, efficient and reliable movement of buses, vehicles, bicyclists and pedestrians along said corridors (i.e. traffic smoothing). Eligible projects shall include a variety of components that meet the needs of all users and respond to the context of the facility. Projects may include but are not limited to installation of bike and pedestrian facilities, such as separated bike lanes, installation of "smart" parking management programs, separated bike lanes, synchronization of traffic signals and other technology solutions to manage traffic, traffic calming and pedestrian safety improvements, shoulders, sidewalks, curbs and gutters, streetscapes and bus transit facility enhancements such as bus turnouts and passenger amenities. As an element of this program, the Authority will adopt a 'traffic signal synchronization' program and award grants for installation of 'state of the art' technology oriented at smoothing the flow of traffic along major arterial roadways throughout the county. Funding from this program will be prioritized to projects that improve access for all modes to job centers, shopping and business districts, and transit stations and transit oriented communities, and whose design process included opportunity for public input from existing and potential users of the facility. Priority will be given to projects that can show a high percentage of "other funding" allocated to the project (i.e. - leverage). All projects funded through this program must comply whenever possible. 20% of the program funding will be allocated to four Complete Streets demonstration projects within five years of the Measure's passage one in each subregion, recommended by the relevant RTPC and approved by Authority, to demonstrate the successful implementation of Complete Streets projects. Demonstration projects will be required to strongly pursue the use of separated bike lane facilities in demonstration project program. The purpose of these demonstration projects is to create examples of successful complete streets in multiple situations throughout the county.

#### Funding Category 3: BART Capacity, Access and Parking Improvements

5. As written, the language describing the "either/or" funding and financing concept being proposed seem complex and likely to confuse voters.

- 6. To reiterate SWAT comments submitted in its May 16, 2016 letter to the Authority, absent a regional funding commitment with San Francisco, Alameda, and MTC to purchase additional BART cars, Contra Costa should not solely fund this purchase. Under this approach, an alternative funding plan must be developed to address the difference of \$200 million. Under the alternate funding plan, SWAT recommends that these funds be proportionately allocated to all of the other funding categories consistent with currently recommended (RTPC) allocation proposals.
- 7. It is recommended that category description language be **amended** that references use of funds are to be inclusive of "*infrastructure improvements to facilitate TOD*, *such as, at or near BART stations*". Funds for this program should be designated for BART improvements only.

#### **Funding Category 7: Improve Traffic Flow and implement high capacity transit in** the I-680 & SR 24 Corridor

- 8. As currently written in the description, it is unclear how funding allocations would be prioritized within this category. SWAT recommends specifying that the subregion's \$140M allocation be split per the initial SWAT TEP allocation proposal, as follows:
  - I-680 Corridor
    - SRV (improve traffic flow/high capacity transit) \$80M
    - Central County (improve traffic flow/high capacity transit) \$40M
  - SR 24 (interchange Ops Improvements Camino Pablo, Orinda) \$20M
- 9. It is recommend that recently added language be deleted as it may be too limiting for providing certain improvements such as locating future Park & Ride lots or other recommended improvements and technologies suggested in the recently completed I-680 Transit Investment Options Study.

Recommendation: Modify the language "Projects funded from this category must be physically on or near immediately contiguous the I-680 or SR 24 corridors."

#### Funding Category 11: Advance Mitigation Program

10. There are several overarching concerns with respect to this proposed new program including a) how funding will be allocated to the program, and b) what types of mitigation measures will be required that is above and beyond what CEQA requires. SWATs preference is to allocate funds for environmental mitigation on a project by project basis, and to remove any references to specific conservation plans.

In consideration of the comments provided above, it is recommended that the category description be modified as follows:

"The identified funds shall be used for environmental mitigation purposes on a project by project basis and the mitigation should be within a reasonable proximity to the project. If this approach cannot be fully implemented, <del>It</del>he Authority will develop a policy supporting the creation of an advance mitigation program to establish a program to provide for large scale acquisition and management of critical habitat areas and to create a reliable approach for funding required mitigation for future transportation. This policy will identify projects that will benefit from the program and the financial contribution associated with those projects. This approach would be implemented by obtaining coverage for transportation projects through existing and proposed multiple species conservation plans,- including the East Contra Costa Habitat Conservation-Plan. The benefit of this policy will include an early comprehensive project delivery review, reduced costs attributed to mitigation, opportunity to significantly improve conservation benefits, and accelerated project delivery. If this approach cannot be fully implemented, then the identified funds shall be used for environmental mitigation purposes on a project by project basis."

#### Funding Category 12: Bus Transit and Other Non-Rail Transit

11. SWAT supports the revised category title "Bus Transit and Other Non-rail Transit Enhancements" as it more broadly represents enhancement of existing services as well as other elements stated in the category description such as "innovative approaches to maximizing the movement of people along existing transit corridors and within the existing transportation infrastructure".

#### Funding Category 17: Community Development Incentive (CDI) Grant Program

- 12. To reiterate SWAT comments submitted in its May 16, 2016 letter to the Authority, it is recommended that the category description language be revised to provide clarity and re-affirm that allocations will be apportioned sub-regionally.
- 13. To ensure that all jurisdictions are eligible to compete for funding in this category, it is recommended that language referencing "*transit supported community centers*" be deleted (modify the corresponding excerpt as follows):

"Within each sub-region, funds will be allocated on a competitive basis to transportation projects or programs that promote economic development, job creation and/or housing that is accessible to transit. within established (or planned) transit supportive community centers.

# <u>Program Category 19: Transportation Planning, Facilities and Services; and</u> <u>Program Category 21 – Administration</u>

14. SWAT proposes amending the allocation of funding in these categories as follows:

- Transportation Planning, Facilities and Services from 1.0% to 1.5%;
- Administration from 1.0% to 1/2%

# Program Category 20: Regional Choice/Sub regional Transportation Priorities

- 15. SWAT supports the proposed change of funding category title to "Sub-regional Transportation Priorities" to further represent this as a sub-regional program.
- 16. The current allocation of \$3.7 is supported with the caveat that the program be fully flexible and eligible to support all sub-regional transportation needs. As an example, Commute Alternatives funding (included in the current Measure J), should be eligible from this category given that it is not a specific funding category included in the Draft TEP, and further, that the Authority has not proposed to amend the current TDM requirement in the GMP compliance checklist.

On a separate, but related topic at the August 2015 SWAT meeting, the preliminary TEP for the SWAT subregion was presented. The proposed funding plan listed a project as "Alamo Intersection Improvements". Subsequently, Contra Costa County has requested a name change to the project. It should be retitled to "Danville Blvd/Orchard Court Complete Streets".

Thank you again for the opportunity to provide input and for considering SWAT's comments and recommendations. Please contact SWAT Admin staff, Lisa Bobadilla at (925) 973-2651 or email at <u>lbobadilla@sanramon.ca.gov</u>, if you should have any questions.

Sincerely.

Lisa Bobadilla SWAT Admin Staff

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