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STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: 2011 Federal Transportation Improvement Program Amendment

MEETING DATE: November 17, 2011 **AGENDA ITEM:** 7H

STAFF CONTACT: Sarkes Khachek

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Amendment #13 to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program to add Federal Safe Routes to School funding to projects in Santa Barbara County.

SUMMARY:

Caltrans recently announced that four projects nominated by the County of Santa Barbara and cities of Lompoc and Santa Barbara totaling \$1.37 million were successful in receiving funding from Cycle 3 of the Federal Safe Routes to School Program. These projects must be added to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) by SBCAG board action.

SBCAG's role is to amend the funding changes into the FTIP—a single document that the public and government agencies can review to understand how, where and when federal funding and state funding on regionally significant projects will be spent in Santa Barbara County. An accurate project description, including scope and funding allocated, must be listed in the FTIP before federal funds can be expended on the project.

DISCUSSION:

As the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for Santa Barbara County, SBCAG is responsible for preparing and adopting the Federal Transportation Improvement Program. The FTIP identifies all federally funded highway, transit and other surface transportation projects in the county, along with their federal funding sources, that are scheduled for implementation in the next six years. The FTIP serves as the sole reference document that the federal government, Caltrans and the public can review to understand where, when and how federal transportation funds are being spent in Santa Barbara County, including those that SBCAG does and does not have programming discretion over. The FTIP requires periodic amending following its quadrennial adoption to reflect changes such as project additions, deletions, scope revisions and securing of additional federal funds by SBCAG and other agencies. The federal government requires that significant changes to the cost, scope or schedule of a project be approved through a formal amendment to the FTIP voted on by the SBCAG Board.

Member Agencies

Buellton ■ Carpinteria ■ Goleta ■ Guadalupe ■ Lompoc ■ Santa Barbara ■ Santa Maria ■ Solvang ■ Santa Barbara County

This staff report includes a formal amendment for the projects described below.

Federal Safe Routes to School Program



The Federal Safe Routes to School program is intended to improve conditions for children in kindergarten through eighth grade, to safely walk and bicycle to school. Physical improvements must be located within a two-mile radius of a school. Safe Routes projects are 100% federally funded with no local match required.

Caltrans released the list of selected projects to be funded from the third cycle of the program. Four projects sponsored by jurisdictions in Santa Barbara County were successful in receiving \$1.37 million in Federal Safe Routes to School funding.

All four projects must be amended into the FTIP in order for the agencies to be reimbursed for the work associated with the project.

Agency	Project Description	Federal Funding Amount
Lompoc	Provide community education and outreach; recruit SRTS taskforce members; hold "walk n' roll" to school encouragement as part of International Walk to School and Bike to Work and School Months; conduct SRTS pedestrian and bicycle education and trainings; increase traffic enforcement in school zones	\$402,800
Lompoc	Construct sidewalks, curb ramps, and bulb-outs at various locations	\$388,500
Santa Barbara	Construct sidewalks, curb and gutter, curb ramps, pedestrian refuge islands; minor safety lighting on Clifton St. between Salinas St. and Canada St.	\$225,000
County of Santa Barbara	Construct sidewalk, curb and gutter on the South side Clark Ave. from west of SR 135 to east of Norris St.	\$350,000
	Total	\$1,366,300

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve Amendment #13 to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program to add Federal Safe Routes to School funding to projects in Santa Barbara County.

COMMITTEE REVIEW: None.

Attachments:

- Attachment A – Federal Safe Routes to School Back-up List
- Attachment B – EZ Trak FTIP Report – Amendment #13
- Attachment C – Amendment #13 Resolution 11-24

Attachment A - Amendment #13

SBCAG 2011 FTIP Lump Sum Project Listings - Federal Safe Routes To School Program

Agency	Location/Description	FY	PE	RW	CONST	Project Cost	Local	SRTS	Total
Lompoc	In Lompoc, Construct Sidewalk and curb ramps at various locations along school routes.	2009/10	\$ 30,000		\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000
		2011/12	-	-	\$ 348,780	\$ 348,780	\$ -	\$ 348,780	\$ 348,780
County of Santa Barbara	In Santa Barbara County, construct pedestrian pathway and curb ramps along the West side of San Ysidro Road, from just south of Montecito Union School (MUS) to Highway 101.	2011/12	-	-	\$ 392,750	\$ 392,750	\$ -	\$ 392,750	\$ 392,750
Lompoc	NEW PROJECT: At various schools in Lompoc, Provide community education and outreach; recruit SRTS taskforce members; hold "walk n' roll" to school encouragement as part of International Walk to School and Bike to Work and School Months; conduct SRTS pedestrian and bicycle education and trainings; increase traffic enforcement in school zones	2011/12	\$ 402,800			\$ 402,800	\$ -	\$ 402,800	\$ 402,800
Lompoc	NEW PROJECT: In Lompoc, Construct sidewalks, curb ramps, and bulb-outs at various schools (Local funds programmed for CON)	2013/14	\$ 42,000		\$ 354,500	\$ 396,500	\$ 8,000	\$ 388,500	\$ 396,500
Santa Barbara	NEW PROJECT: In Santa Barbara, Construct sidewalks, curb and gutter, curb ramps, pedestrian refuge islands; minor safety lighting on Clifton St. between Salinas St. and Canada St.	2013/14	\$ 28,500	\$ 12,500	\$ 35,300	\$ 76,300	\$ 20,000	\$ 56,300	\$ 76,300
		Beyond			\$ 168,700	\$ 168,700	\$ -	\$ 168,700	
County of Santa Barbara	NEW PROJECT: Construct sidewalk, curb and gutter on the South side Clark Ave. from west of SR 135 to east of Norris St.	2012/13	\$ 92,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 291,900	\$ 388,900	\$ 38,900	\$ 350,000	
TOTAL			\$ 595,300	\$ 17,500	\$ 1,591,930	\$ 2,204,730	\$ 66,900	\$ 2,137,830	\$ 2,204,730

**Santa Barbara County Association of Governments
2011 Federal Transportation Improvement Project List**

SBCAG ID **SRTS** Implementing Agency **Various Agencies**

SBCAG ID # **SRTS** Last Revised **Amendment 13**
 Project Manager **Mickie Wickersham** Phone **(805) 549-3074**
 Estimated Total Project Cost **\$1,673,230** RTP ID Number **n/a**
 Project Title **Safe Routes To School**

Fiscal Year	Revenue Source	Engineering	Right of Way	Construction	Total Revenue
09/10	SRTS			\$30,000	\$30,000
11/12	SRTS			\$1,144,330	\$1,144,330
12/13	Loc Funds - County Funds			\$38,900	\$38,900
12/13	SRTS			\$350,000	\$350,000
13/14	Loc Funds - City Funds			\$28,000	\$28,000
13/14	SRTS			\$444,800	\$444,800
14/15	SRTS			\$168,700	\$168,700
		\$0	\$0	\$2,204,730	\$2,204,730

Project Description
 For infrastructure related projects that will substantially improve the ability of students to walk and bicycle to school. Projects are consistent with the applicable classifications under 23 CFR 771.117(c) and (d).

Federal Total Cost **\$2,204,730**

Previously Approved FTIP

SBCAG ID # **SRTS** Last Revised **Adoption**
 Project Manager **Mickie Wickersham** Phone **(805) 549-3074**
 Estimated Total Project Cost **\$1,673,230** RTP ID Number **n/a**
 Project Title **Safe Routes To School**

Fiscal Year	Revenue Source	Engineering	Right of Way	Construction	Total Revenue
07/08	SRTS			\$86,000	\$86,000
08/09	SRTS			\$7,000	\$7,000
09/10	SRTS			\$80,000	\$80,000
10/11	SRTS			\$1,121,450	\$1,121,450
11/12	SRTS			\$378,780	\$378,780
		\$0	\$0	\$1,673,230	\$1,673,230

Project Description
 For infrastructure related projects that will substantially improve the ability of students to walk and bicycle to school. Projects are consistent with the applicable classifications under 23 CFR 771.117(c) and (d).

Federal Project Total Cost **\$1,673,230**

A RESOLUTION OF THE SANTA BARBARA
COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

AMENDING THE 2011 FEDERAL)
TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT)
PROGRAM TO ADD FEDERAL SAFE ROUTES)
TO SCHOOL FUNDING TO THE 2011 FTIP)

RESOLUTION NO. 11-24

WHEREAS, Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations, part 450, and Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations, part 613, require the preparation and updating of a Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) by the Metropolitan Planning Organization; and

WHEREAS, the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments (SBCAG) has been designated as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for Santa Barbara County; and

WHEREAS, SBCAG, through the conduct of a continuing, comprehensive, and coordinated transportation planning process with applicable federal requirements, has prepared a 2011 FTIP; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 FTIP has been prepared in cooperation with state and local government agencies including Caltrans, local transit operators; and the Air Pollution Control District; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 FTIP must be consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan adopted pursuant to Government Code Section 6508; and

WHEREAS, the 2011 FTIP projects have been developed from the 2001 RTP, 2003 CMP, 2008 RTP and 2010 STIP; and

WHEREAS, all projects proposed for federal funding or approval under Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations and the Federal Transit Act must be included in a transportation improvement program; and

WHEREAS, because Santa Barbara County attained the federal eight-hour ozone standard, it is no longer required to follow air quality conformity measures nor the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP) as required by the federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Section 7401 et seq.); and

WHEREAS, the 2011 FTIP was made available for public review and members of the public were given a reasonable opportunity to review the 2011 FTIP before it was adopted by the SBCAG Board on September 20, 2010; and

WHEREAS, revisions to the FTIP requested by Caltrans in order to incorporate the FTIP into the statewide FTIP by the end of the federal fiscal year were adopted by the SBCAG Board on September 20, 2010 after public review;

WHEREAS, the 2011 FTIP is financially constrained and funds needed to complete the 2011 FTIP are reasonably expected to be available.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the SBCAG Board of Directors amends the 2011 FTIP to include the changes identified in the Staff Report Item 7H, November 17 2011.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SBCAG Board of Directors finds that development of the 2011 FTIP was made in accordance with public involvement procedures originally adopted by SBCAG on November 10, 1994 and updated on March 24, 2002 and December 20, 2007; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SBCAG Board of Directors finds that 2011 FTIP is consistent with metropolitan planning regulations from 23 Code of Federal Regulations Part 450; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SBCAG Board of Directors finds that the amended 2011 FTIP is consistent with the 2008 RTP.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the 2011 FTIP as amended is financially constrained and funds needed to complete the 2011 FTIP are reasonably expected to be available.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that because Santa Barbara County attained the federal eight-hour ozone standard, the 2011 FTIP is not required to follow air quality conformity measures nor the applicable State Implementation Plan (SIP) as required by the federal Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. Section 7401 et seq.); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the inclusion of any federally-funded projects in the 2011 FTIP, including all amendments, constitutes the federal project selection procedures for Santa Barbara County, and any projects programmed in the FTIP may proceed to implementation without further project selection action by SBCAG.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 17TH day of November 2011 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

ATTEST:

Jim Kemp
Executive Director

Joe Armendariz, Chair
Santa Barbara County
Association of Governments

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Bill Dillon
Chief Assistant County Counsel