

STAFF REPORT

TO: TTAC

SUBJECT: FY 2005-06 STA Apportionments

MEETING DATE: N.A.

AGENDA ITEM: N.A.

STAFF CONTACT: Bob Perkins

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the FY 2005-06 State Transit Assistance (STA) Fund Apportionments.

DISCUSSION:

Attached for your review are the State Transit Assistance (STA) apportionments for FY 2005-06. The total amount estimated to be available this fiscal year is \$1,453,149: \$1,142,479 in PUC Section 99313 funds and \$310,670 under PUC Section 99314. Section 99313 funds are apportioned to the four transit service areas in Santa Barbara County based on population, and Section 99314 funds are apportioned directly to transit operators based on fare revenues.

STA funds may be used by local agencies for public transit and transportation planning purposes with priority given to public transit. Qualifying transit operators can use STA monies for transit operations, transit capital and planning purposes. STA monies may be used for transit operations only if claimants satisfy the STA qualifying criteria mandated under PUC Section 99314.6 (the statute requires that operating cost per revenue vehicle hour in the latest year for which audited data is available may not exceed the previous year ratio by more than the CPI). Entities that do not meet the qualifying criteria can claim STA for transit capital projects and/or transportation planning, or may request that funds be reserved for no more than two years for future allocation when the qualifying criteria can be met. There are no restrictions on STA for transit capital purposes.

Local agencies are required to amend their **2005-06** TDA claim forms if they choose to claim STA funds. Claimants are asked to work cooperatively when developing their individual claims so that the total claims filed from each apportionment area do not exceed the apportionment reported for that area.

Claims for STA funds are due to SBCAG by September 30, 2005.

APPORTIONMENT OF STA FUNDS (FY 2005-06)

PUC SECTION 99313 (Population Based Apportionments)				
Apportionment Area	Eligible Claimants	Population	% of Total Population	FY 2005-06 Apportionments
South Coast	Easy Lift			
	SBMTD			
	Santa Barbara	90,518		
	Carpinteria	14,340		
	Goleta	30,679		
	County	69,759		
	<i>Subtotal</i>	205,296	48.966%	\$559,430
Santa Maria Valley	SMOOTH			
	Santa Maria	88,793		
	Guadalupe	6,296		
	County	34,589		
	<i>Subtotal</i>	129,678	30.930%	\$353,370
Lompoc Valley	Lompoc	42,320		
	County	17,623		
	<i>Subtotal</i>	59,943	14.298%	\$163,345
Santa Ynez & Cuyama Valleys	Buellton	4,552		
	Solvang	5,429		
	County:			
	S.Y.Valley Uninc.	13,013		
	Cuyama Valley	1,349		
	<i>Subtotal</i>	24,343	5.806%	\$66,334
Total		419,260	100.00%	\$1,142,479

PUC SECTION 99314 (Revenue Based Apportionments)	
Claimant	FY 2005-06 Apportionments
County	\$608
Lompoc	\$7,655
Santa Maria	\$15,857
Solvang	\$1,823
SBMTD	\$284,727
Total	\$310,670

Population figures from DOF (January 2005)