



Board Report

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PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE JULY 16, 2025

**SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF THE CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY
IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT
PROJECT RANKING RECOMMENDATIONS**

ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee to submit to the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) the project ranking recommendations for Los Angeles County for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funding for federal fiscal year 2027 through 2028 (Attachment A).

ISSUE

On March 31, 2025, the SCAG released a call for nominations inviting agencies within Los Angeles County to submit applications for CMAQ and STBG funding apportionments available for the SCAG region for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2027 through FFY 2028. Metro staff, along with two representatives from area Councils of Governments, have reviewed and ranked applications for Los Angeles County and are seeking Board approval of the project rankings. SCAG will further review and prioritize the applications and will make the final project funding awards at the November 2025 Regional Council (RC) Meeting.

BACKGROUND

The CMAQ Program is a federal funding source for transportation projects and programs designed to reduce congestion and enhance air quality in areas that do not meet the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone, carbon monoxide, or particulate matter (nonattainment areas), as well as in former nonattainment areas that are now in compliance (maintenance areas). The STBG program is another federal funding source that may be utilized for projects that preserve and improve the conditions and performance of highways, bridges, and public roads, along with pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure, and transit capital projects.

In 2021, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) jointly mandated the State of California to comply with the administration process for CMAQ and STBG funds. CMAQ and STBG funds were previously allocated to County Transportation Commissions

(CTC) based on a population-based formula. The corrective action required by the FHWA and FTA replaces the current federal transportation funding sub-allocations by population or mode to cities and counties with a performance-based approach and modifies the project selection process, so federally funded transportation projects are chosen by SCAG as the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) instead of by Metro as the CTC.

The CMAQ Program and STBG Program Guidelines, adopted by the SCAG RC on March 2025, established the framework for project selection and allocation of CMAQ and STBG funds within the SCAG region. These guidelines outline the SCAG-administered project selection process in compliance with federal requirements for the CMAQ and STBG programs.

As part of the 2025 SCAG Call for Projects, all County Transportation Commissions (CTCs) in the SCAG region, which includes Metro, will assist in the process by providing initial project screening using the Board adopted project evaluation and ranking criteria described below. Following the Board's adoption of the ranked projects for Los Angeles County this July, SCAG staff will then evaluate all nominations against program criteria and recommend a list of projects and funding amounts for final SCAG Regional Council approval of the selected projects.

SCAG is responsible for the development of the call for project nominations process, oversight, and final project selection. SCAG has established performance-based nomination targets to guide the nomination submittals from each county within the SCAG region. For the CMAQ and STBG funds available through this call for projects, Los Angeles County's target is approximately \$660 million. This funding target will only guide the nomination submittals from each county; it is not a guaranteed funding level nor a nomination ceiling.

DISCUSSION

The SCAG guidelines require each county to adopt and apply a Project Prioritization Framework consisting of criteria to evaluate and rank each project. Projects were evaluated into four categories: Highly Recommended, Recommended, Contingency List, and Not Recommended.

On March 27, 2025, the Board adopted the following four criteria to be used to evaluate and rank projects submitted in Los Angeles County:

1. **Eligibility:** Potential implementing agencies and projects must be eligible for CMAQ and/or STBG funds.
2. **Alignment with Metro Plans and Policies:** Projects must support adopted Metro plans, policies, and objectives.
 - a. Given the Metro Board's commitment to provide world-class mobility options during the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games, priority will be given to the projects that support the Games Mobility Concept Plan.
3. **Community/Stakeholder Engagement:** Project nomination applications must demonstrate community support. Community support may be determined through a variety of means, including

(but not limited to):

- a. Responses to public outreach, including comments received at public meetings or hearings, feedback from community workshops, survey responses, etc., and/or Endorsement by community-based organizations.
- b. Subregional support. Endorsement by a Council of Government or Subregional Board.

4. Deliverability and Readiness: Implementing agencies must demonstrate sufficient capacity and technical expertise to meet deadlines. Projects must demonstrate readiness and the ability to obligate the funds within the programming period.

- a. To maximize the timely obligation of CMAQ/STBG funds and to provide maximum mobility benefits to support the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games, priority will be given to projects that can be delivered (i.e., open to public use) before June 2028.

To ensure transparency in the project ranking process, two representatives from the Council of Governments (COG) reviewed and ranked the applications submitted for Los Angeles County. The two COG representatives were nominated and affirmed by the COG Executive Directors. The two COG representatives and three Metro staff reviewed all 105 applications and met to review and discuss their project rankings. The project ranking recommendations included in Attachment A were developed through a consensus of the five-member review panel. This collaboration provided enhanced transparency in the evaluation and ranking of all projects seeking CMAQ/STBG funding. Ultimately, SCAG will further review and prioritize the applications to make the final decisions on project funding awards.

Project Rankings

105 applications from 34 agencies, including Metro, seeking approximately \$2.03 billion, were submitted in Los Angeles County. The Metro projects identified for funding were existing projects with Board approval and were eligible to spend CMAQ and STBG. The evaluation panel reviewed and evaluated the applications using the Metro Board adopted Prioritization Framework criteria described above and assigned one of four categories: Highly Recommended (49 projects totaling \$1.52 billion), Recommended (28 projects totaling \$415 million), Contingency List (22 projects totaling \$237 million), or Not Recommended (6 projects totaling \$33 million). Attachment A lists (in alphabetical order by agency) the overall ranking for each application submitted and identifies the subregion and modal category.

DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

Approval of this item will have no direct impact on the safety of Metro customers or employees. However, as some of the projects eligible for these funds include safety enhancements, avoiding potential risks to maintaining the grant funding helps to ensure the timely realization of the projects' anticipated safety benefits.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

Adoption of the recommendations would allow Metro to take action to potentially secure up to \$2.03 billion for Metro and subregional projects. Although SCAG has targeted \$660 million, this funding target will only guide the nomination submittals from each county, it is not a guaranteed funding level, nor does it set a nomination ceiling.

Impact to Budget

Projects approved by the SCAG Regional Council for funding will be programmed in the 2027 FTIP consistent with adopted FTIP Guidelines.

EQUITY PLATFORM

CMAQ and STBG funds aim to provide a flexible funding source for state and local governments to support transportation projects and programs that reduce congestion and enhance air quality in areas that do not meet the National Ambient Air Quality Standards. The Board's action will help secure funding from a program designed to advance transit and other multimodal plans, programs, and infrastructure improvements within lower-resourced communities, areas of concentrated poverty, historically disadvantaged communities, and areas with diminished or lost service.

Nearly all Metro EFCs overlap with one or more of the indicators included in SCAG's mapping tool used to identify Areas of Persistent Poverty and Historically Disadvantaged Communities in the evaluation of Community Economic Development. Census tracts identified as Areas of Persistent Poverty are similar to Metro's EFCs in that they are determined using socioeconomic factors, including a significant percentage of the population living in poverty.

The adopted project ranking criteria in the CMAQ/STBG Call for Nominations process require applicants to demonstrate direct and/or indirect benefits to Metro Equity Focus Communities (EFCs). These benefits include air quality improvements, infrastructure for safer active transportation and improvements to local transit services. The types of projects funded through the CMAQ/STBG Call include improvements to local transit, clean transportation technology, and transportation demand management strategies.

VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED OUTCOME

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

While the agency remains committed to reducing VMT through transit and multimodal investments, some projects may induce or increase personal vehicle travel. However, these individual projects aim to ensure the efficient and safe movement of people and goods. Although the highway project improvements under the STBG may not directly contribute to the achievement of the Board-adopted VMT Reduction Targets, the VMT Targets were developed to account for the cumulative effect of a

suite of programs and projects within the Metro region, which individually may induce or increase VMT. Additionally, Metro has a voter-approved mandate to deliver multimodal projects that enhance mobility while ensuring the efficient and safe movement of people and goods. As part of these ongoing efforts, this item is expected to contribute to further reductions in VMT.

This item supports Metro's systemwide strategy to reduce VMT by providing funding to enhance transit systems and to support various multimodal plans, programs, and infrastructure improvements throughout the region. These investment activities will benefit and further encourage transit ridership, ridesharing, and active transportation. Metro's Board-adopted VMT reduction targets were designed to build on the success of existing investments, and this item aligns with those objectives.

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

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

Approval of these recommendations will support the following Strategic Plan Goals:

Goal 3: Enhance communities and lives through mobility and access to opportunity by securing funding that will conduct planning, create and enhance programs, and build infrastructure that accelerates infill development that facilitates housing supply, choice, and affordability, affirmatively further fair housing, and reduce VMT.

Goal 4: Transform LA County through regional collaboration and national leadership by facilitating partnerships to deliver transportation projects with significant geographic or regionwide benefits.

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board may choose not to approve the recommended actions. Staff does not recommend this alternative because SCAG requires each County Transportation Commission (CTC) to adopt project rankings of CMAQ/STBG projects, which could jeopardize funding for projects in Los Angeles County.

NEXT STEPS

Upon Board approval of these recommendations, staff will transmit the project ranking for Los Angeles County to SCAG by the August 1, 2025, deadline.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment A - Project Rankings for CMAQ/STBG Funding for Los Angeles County

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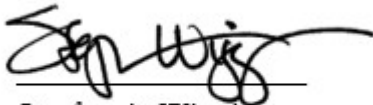
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Attachment A

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PROJECT NOMINATION LIST FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY*

Subregion	ID#	Agency	Project Title	2028 Games	Project Type	CMAQ Funds Requested	STBG Funds Requested	Ranking
N/A	LACFP16	Access	ADA Complementary Paratransit Services and Southern Region (Avalon) facility rehabilitation	YES	TRANSIT	\$ -	\$ 283,167,097	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP59	Bell Gardens	Citywide Zero Emissions Master Plan	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 266,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP58	Bell Gardens	Bell Gardens Pedestrian Bridge Over I-710 & LA River	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,382,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Arroyo Verdugo	LACFP14	Burbank	Olive Avenue Bridge Replacement	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 20,436,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP41	Commerce	City of Commerce Transit Battery Electric Bus and Infrastructure Deployment Project	NO	TRANSIT	\$ 20,955,475	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Westside	LACFP67	Culver City	Culver City Transit Center Future Visioning Study	NO	TRANSIT	\$ -	\$ 500,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Westside	LACFP9	Culver City	Better Overland & Safer Fox Hills	NO	ATP	\$ 34,836,000	\$ 4,624,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Arroyo Verdugo	LACFP91	Glendale	North Verdugo Multi-Modal Improvements Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 2,392,000	\$ 22,308,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
South Bay	LACFP63	Hermosa Beach	Roadway System Pavement Rehabilitation	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 2,560,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
San Fernando Valley	LACFP40	L.A. City	Mission Mile Sepulveda: Visioning for a Safe and Active Community	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 32,000,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP12	L.A. City	Valley Bl Multi Modal Transportation Improvements	NO	ATP	\$ 22,400,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
San Gabriel Valley South Bay	LACFP108	L.A. County	Los Angeles 28 Olympics	YES	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 5,825,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
South Bay	LACFP102	L.A. County	I-110 Congestion Mitigation Improvements	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 1,270,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP70	L.A. County	Atlantic Boulevard Traffic Corridor Improvement Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 1,026,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP92	L.A. County	Cesar Chavez Avenue Mobility Improvements	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,213,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP94	L.A. County	Floral Drive Mobility Improvements	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,213,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP52	L.A. County	Norwalk Boulevard Vision Zero Pedestrian Safety Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,213,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP53	L.A. County	VZ-City Terrace Complete Streets Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 4,669,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP32	L.A. County	East Rancho Dominguez Pedestrian Safety Enhancements	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 1,150,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP60	L.A. County	Eastern Avenue Mobility Improvements	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,213,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP51	L.A. County	Whittier Boulevard Mobility Enhancements	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 3,098,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP69	L.A. County	Altadena Integrated Smart Intersections	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 4,351,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Las Virgenes/Malibu	LACFP74	L.A. County	Cornell Road Bike Turnouts Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,213,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP90	L.A. County	Atlantic Boulevard Mobility Improvements	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,213,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP71	L.A. Metro	Mobility Wallet - Phase 4	YES	ATP	\$ 20,000,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP95	L.A. Metro	2028 Games Metro Mobility Hubs	YES	ATP	\$ -	\$ 55,000,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP100	L.A. Metro	2028 Games Customer Experience Improvements at Downtown LA Stations Project	YES	TRANSIT	\$ -	\$ 73,624,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP104	L.A. Metro	2028 Games Washington/Flower Multimodal Mobility Improvements	YES	ATP	\$ 13,273,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP110	L.A. Metro	2028 Games A and E Lines Operational Improvements Project	YES	TRANSIT	\$ -	\$ 87,183,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP107	L.A. Metro	2028 Games Transportation Demand Management Implementation Project	YES	TRANSIT	\$ 10,000,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP103	L.A. Metro	Transit Signal Priority and Automated Traffic Signal Performance Measures Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 23,017,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP3	L.A. Metro	Los Angeles Metro Charging Infrastructure and Zero Emission Bus Project	NO	TRANSIT	\$ 104,623,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP73	L.A. Metro	Metro Rail Operations – D Line Subway Extension Project	YES	TRANSIT	\$ 37,700,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP72	L.A. Metro	Metro Rail Operations – A Line Extension Glendora to Pomona	YES	TRANSIT	\$ 98,600,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP4	L.A. Metro	I-10 ExpressLanes Extension Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 68,000,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Metro	LACFP98	L.A. Metro	Vermont Transit Corridor	YES	TRANSIT	\$ 106,399,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP44	La Puente	La Puente Plaza Park Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,390,500	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
North County	LACFP54	Lancaster	SR-14 (SR-138) Highway Equity Corridor Improvements Program - Avenue M Interchange Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 29,428,257	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP61	Long Beach	Pacific Ave Cycle Track Project	YES	TRANSIT	\$ -	\$ 15,000,000	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP31	Long Beach	Harbor Scenic Drive Enhancements	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 26,965,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP18	Long Beach Transit	Long Beach Transit Clean Fleet and Service Expansion for LA28 and Beyond	YES	TRANSIT	\$ 15,103,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

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Arroyo Verdugo	LACFP15	Pasadena	Phase #2: Eight Fuel Cell Electric Buses for the Pasadena Transit System Legacy Project #MoreServiceLessEmissions	NO	TRANSIT	\$ 11,775,426	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Arroyo Verdugo	LACFP55	Pasadena	Villa Street Complete Street Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 7,126,665	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
North County	LACFP11	Santa Clarita Transit	Transit Maintenance Facility Solar Panel and Energy Storage Upgrades	NO	TRANSIT	\$ 4,603,559	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
San Fernando Valley North County	LACFP8	SCRRA	Metrolink Antelope Valley Line Capital and Service Improvements Phase 1	NO	TRANSIT	\$ 205,690,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP48	SGV COG	Glendora Avenue & Grand Avenue Complete Streets Project	NO	ATP	\$ 710,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP78	SGV COG	Glendora People Movement Project	NO	ATP	\$ 16,962,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP47	SGV COG	Arrow Highway & Cambridge Avenue Improvements Project	NO	ATP	\$ 1,000,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
South Bay	LACFP87	Torrance	Connect Torrance Microtransit	NO	TRANSIT	\$ 4,000,000	\$ -	HIGHLY RECOMMENDED
Westside	LACFP66	Culver City	Culver City Bus Facility Partial Electrification Project	NO	TRANSIT	\$ 11,000,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Westside	LACFP20	Culver City	Culver City Hydrogen Bus Project	NO	TRANSIT	\$ 4,232,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP83	El Monte	El Monte Traffic Mitigation Operations Center	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 5,624,518	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP49	Industry	Plan for Hydrogen Fueling Station	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 400,000	RECOMMENDED
South Bay	LACFP62	Inglewood	Olympic Games Route Network Implementation and I-Line Improvements	YES	HIGHWAY	\$ 14,645,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP23	L.A. City	SR 710 Huntington Dr. Multi Modal Transportation Improvements	NO	ATP	\$ 2,000,000	\$ 3,000,000	RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP29	L.A. City	Rock the Boulevard	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 35,000,000	RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP21	L.A. City	Western Our Way: Walk and Wheel Improvement Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 15,500,000	RECOMMENDED
San Fernando Valley	LACFP39	L.A. City	Connecting Canoga Park Through Safety and Urban Cooling Improvements	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 15,000,000	RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP38	L.A. City	Broadway-Manchester Active Transportation (ATP) Equity Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 38,701,000	RECOMMENDED
San Fernando Valley	LACFP27	L.A. City	Osborne Street: Path to Park Access Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 12,000,000	RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP5	L.A. City	Eastern Ave Multi Modal Transportation Improvements	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 12,500,000	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP113	L.A. County	Arizona Avenue/Monterey Pass Road/Fremont Avenue Traffic Corridor Improvement Project (N-S)	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 5,622,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP24	L.A. County	Ford Boulevard Traffic Corridor Improvement Project (N-S)	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 899,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP109	L.A. County	1st Street TSSP and ITS Improvements (E-W) Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 4,179,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP111	L.A. County	East Los Angeles Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Enhancements Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 324,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP80	L.A. County	Olympic Boulevard ITS Improvements Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 902,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP50	L.A. County	City Terrace Drive Traffic Corridor Improvement Project (E-W)	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 811,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP34	L.A. County	Whittier Boulevard ITS Improvements Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 363,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP75	L.A. County	Cesar Chavez Avenue TSSP and ITS Improvements Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 1,186,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP84	L.A. County	Eastern Avenue Traffic Corridor Improvement Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 932,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Las Virgenes/Malibu	LACFP115	L.A. County	Santa Monica Mountains Integrated Smart Intersections	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 1,984,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP85	L.A. County	Olympic Boulevard Mobility Improvements	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,213,000	RECOMMENDED
Gateway Cities	LACFP77	L.A. County	Floral Drive Traffic Corridor Improvement Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ 120,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
Arroyo Verdugo	LACFP30	Pasadena	Hydrogen to Go: Fueling Olympic Transit Expansion Project (H2GO)	YES	TRANSIT	\$ 23,798,086	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP13	San Dimas	San Dimas Avenue & Puddingstone Drive Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvement Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 7,619,569	RECOMMENDED
North County	LACFP10	Santa Clarita Transit	Regional Mobility Hub Upgrades	YES	TRANSIT	\$ -	\$ 1,033,145	RECOMMENDED
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP86	SGV COG	San Gabriel Valley Bus Corridor Transit Improvement Project	YES	TRANSIT	\$ 14,366,000	\$ -	RECOMMENDED
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP114	Alhambra	Alhambra Backbone Bicycle Network Project	NO	ATP	\$ 32,533,000	\$ -	CONTINGENCY
Las Virgenes/Malibu	LACFP116	Calabasas	Calabasas Clean Transportation Project	NO	TRANSIT	\$ -	\$ 442,650	CONTINGENCY
South Bay	LACFP19	Carson	Dominguez Channel Active Transportation Corridor & Community Bikeway Access Improvement Project	NO	ATP	\$ 11,523,839	\$ -	CONTINGENCY
South Bay	LACFP82	Carson	Victoria Street Enhancement Corridor and A Line/J Line Transit Oriented Development Project	YES	TRANSIT	\$ -	\$ 8,817,987	CONTINGENCY

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South Bay	LACFP65	Hawthorne	Hawthorne Complete Stret Arterial Upgrade Project	YES	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 7,000,000	CONTINGENCY
Central	LACFP81	Housing Authority of L.A.	Wilmington Avenue Safety Improvement Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 5,796,597	CONTINGENCY
Gateway Cities	LACFP117	Housing Authority of L.A.	Watts Cultural Trail Extension Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 3,000,000	CONTINGENCY
Gateway Cities	LACFP42	Industry	City of Industry Valley Boulevard Mobility Enhancement Project	NO	ATP	\$ 8,477,677	\$ -	CONTINGENCY
Central	LACFP28	L.A. City	Normandie Beautiful: Creating Neighborhood Connections in South LA	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 13,500,000	CONTINGENCY
San Fernando Valley	LACFP37	L.A. City	MAT Sepulveda First Last Mile - G Line	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 7,000,000	CONTINGENCY
San Fernando Valley	LACFP89	L.A. City	SRTS Panorama City Elementary School Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 7,900,000	CONTINGENCY
Central	LACFP96	L.A. City	112th and Flourney Elementary Schools Safety Improvements Project	NO		\$ -	\$ 5,600,000	CONTINGENCY
Central	LACFP97	L.A. City	SRTS Center City Schools Neighborhood Safety & Climate Resilience Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 13,900,000	CONTINGENCY
North County	LACFP76	L.A. County	The Old Rd over Santa Clara River and SPT CO Bridge et al Phase 2	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 20,000,000	CONTINGENCY
South Bay	LACFP88	L.A. County	Westmont West Athens Pedestrian Improvements Phase 2	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,213,000	CONTINGENCY
Central	LACFP25	L.A. County	The Mobility Hub @ Los Angeles General Medical Center	NO	TRANSIT	\$ 35,000,000	\$ -	CONTINGENCY
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP105	Monterey Park	Floral Drive Pedestrian Safety Improvement Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 3,098,550	CONTINGENCY
North County	LACFP57	Palmdale	Rancho Vista Boulevard Grade Separation Project	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 10,000,000	CONTINGENCY
Gateway Cities	LACFP112	Paramount	West Santa Ana Branch Bikeway Phase III	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 7,130,000	CONTINGENCY
San Gabriel Valley	LACFP43	Pomona Valley Transportation Authority	Operations Assistance for Get About Service and Funding/Fare Subsidies for Microtransit Program	NO	TRANSIT	\$ 4,725,000	\$ -	CONTINGENCY
North County	LACFP33	Santa Clarita	Sierra Hwy Bridge Rehab	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 24,000,000	CONTINGENCY
South Bay	LACFP64	Torrance	City of Torrance - Traffic Signal Safety Improvements (Phase 2)	NO	HIGHWAY	\$ -	\$ 5,126,000	CONTINGENCY
Central	LACFP99	L.A. City	Alexandria Avenue Elementary School Neighborhood Safety Improvements Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 2,500,000	NOT RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP101	L.A. City	Liechty Middle and Neighborhood Elementary Schools Safety Improvement	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 14,100,000	NOT RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP93	L.A. City	SRTS Carver Middle, Ascot Avenue and Harmony Elementary Schools Project	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 6,950,000	NOT RECOMMENDED
San Fernando Valley	LACFP45	L.A. City	Parthenia Infrastructure Improvements	NO	ATP	\$ -	\$ 1,770,000	NOT RECOMMENDED
Central	LACFP106	L.A. City	Los Angeles River Phase IV Bike Path	NO	ATP	\$ 4,214,000	\$ -	NOT RECOMMENDED
South Bay	LACFP79	L.A. World Airport (LAWA)	Microtransit for the LAX Workforce	NO	TRANSIT	\$ -	\$ 3,600,000	NOT RECOMMENDED
				TOTAL REQUESTED		\$ 977,112,580	\$ 1,050,427,017	

* Agencies are shown in alphabetical order by ranking group.



APPROVAL OF CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT PROJECT RANKING RECOMMENDATIONS

Planning and Programming Committee

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Metro

RECOMMENDATION

AUTHORIZE the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) or their designee to submit to the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) the project ranking recommendations for Los Angeles County for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG) funding for federal fiscal year 2027 through 2028 (Attachment A).

BACKGROUND

- The Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) Regional Council established the framework for project selection and allocation of CMAQ and STBG funds
- Metro is tasked to assist in the process by providing initial project screening of LA County applications using the Board-adopted project evaluation and ranking criteria
- SCAG staff will evaluate all nominations against program criteria and recommend funding amounts for SCAG Regional Council approval of the selected projects.
- Los Angeles County's target for the CMAQ and STBG funds available through this call process is approximately \$660 million.



BACKGROUND

- In Los Angeles County, 105 applications from 34 agencies, including Metro, seeking approximately \$2.03 billion were submitted.
- To ensure transparency in the project ranking process, two representatives from the Council of Governments (COG) reviewed and ranked the applications submitted for Los Angeles County.
- The following four criteria were used to evaluate and rank projects submitted in Los Angeles County:
 1. Eligibility
 2. Alignment with Metro Plans and Policies
 3. Community/Stakeholder Engagement
 4. Deliverability and Readiness

NEXT STEPS

- Upon Board approval of these recommendations, staff will transmit the project ranking for Los Angeles County to SCAG by the August 1, 2025, deadline.