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SUBJECT: MEASURE M MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAM ANNUAL UPDATE - NORTH COUNTY SUBREGION

ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATION

RECOMMENDATION

CONSIDER:

- A. APPROVING the programming of an additional \$5,183,184 within the capacity of Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) - Active Transportation Program, and reprogramming project funds previously approved to meet the project schedule, as shown in Attachment A; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the Chief Executive Officer or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and/or amendments for approved projects.

ISSUE

Measure M MSPs are included in the Measure M Expenditure Plan, attached to the Measure M Ordinance. All MSP funds are limited to capital projects. This update allows the North County subregion and implementing agencies to approve new eligible projects for funding and revise the project scope of work, project budgets, and schedule for previously funded projects. Funds are programmed through Fiscal Year (FY) 2028-29. The Board's approval is required to update the project list (Attachment A), which serves as the basis for Metro to enter into agreements and/or amendments with the respective implementing agencies.

BACKGROUND

Based on the amount provided in the Measure M Expenditure Plan, a total amount of \$200.13 million was forecasted to be available for programming for the subregion for FY 18 to FY 30. In prior actions, the Board approved programming \$108.55 million in support of 30 projects. Therefore, \$91.58 million is available to the subregion for programming as part of this update. To date, \$34.41 million (38% of programmed funds) has been expended. Five projects have been completed and three of these projects are in the close-out audit process. Staff will continue working with the implementing agencies to advance the delivery of all projects.

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

DISCUSSION

The jurisdictional requests for updates presented herein were proposed by the cities and approved/forwarded by the Subregion. Metro staff worked closely with the North County Transportation Coalition (NCTC) JPA and the implementing agencies on project eligibility reviews of the proposed projects for this update, including changes to the scope of work/schedule and/or funding requests, as applicable.

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

Active Transportation Program (expenditure line 52)

This update includes funding adjustments to two existing and two new projects as follows:

Lancaster

- Program \$4,913,184 in FY 29 for MM4501.23 - Equitable Complete Streets for Challenger Way Corridor project. This new project includes improvements that will add wider protected bikeways and a raised median with native plantings with left-turn access along the entire length of the corridor. Additional street lighting will be installed along the corridor, where required, and the existing pavement along the corridor will be rehabilitated. This project will likely decrease VMT. The funds will be used for the project's construction phase.

Santa Clarita

- Program \$270,000 in FY 28 for MM4501.24 - Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Safety Detection project. The new project will install AI cameras at strategic locations to enhance trail-user safety and provide additional trail use data. The camera will also communicate with the traffic signal to improve timing when cyclists are detected. This project will likely decrease Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT). The funds will be used for the project's Plan, Specifications and

Estimates (PS&E) and construction phases.

LA County

- Reprogram previously approved \$1,000,000 for MM4501.13 - Lake Los Angeles Pedestrian Plan Implementation Phase 1 project. The funds are programmed as follows: \$50,000 in FY 20, \$300,000 in FY 21, \$300,000 in FY 22, \$100,000 in FY 23 and \$250,000 in FY 28. This existing project includes the design of a Class I bike path on 17th Street East, a new parking lane, curb, gutter, and sidewalk on Avenue Q. Additionally, it includes street crossing improvements such as ADA-compliant curb ramps, pedestrian-activated warning systems, etc. This project will likely decrease VMT. The funds will be used to complete the project's PS&E phase.
- Reprogram previously approved \$600,000 to FY 28 for MM4501.16 - 30th Street West Active Transportation Improvements project. This existing project includes the design of the installation of Class IV buffered bikeways and sidewalks along 30th Street West between Avenue H and Avenue N-8. This project will likely decrease VMT. The funds will be used to complete the project's PS&E phase.

DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT

Programming of Measure M MSP funds to the Subregion projects will not have any adverse safety impacts on Metro's employees or patrons. The recommended projects will result in improved safety for pedestrians, bicyclists and people accessing transit.

FINANCIAL IMPACT

In FY 27, \$16.3 million is budgeted in Cost Center 0441 (subsidies budget - Planning) for the Active Transportation Program (Project #474701), \$6.7 million is budgeted in Cost Center 0441 (Subsidies to Others) for the Transit Program (Project #474102), and \$2.1 million is budgeted in Cost Center 0442 (Highway Subsidies) for the Highway Efficiency Program (Project #475504). Upon approval of this action, staff will reallocate necessary funds to appropriate projects within Cost Centers 0441 and 0442. Since these are multi-year projects, Cost Centers 0441 and 0442 will be responsible for budgeting the cost in future years.

Impact to Budget

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

EQUITY PLATFORM

The North County subregion comprises three cities and the adjacent unincorporated area of Los Angeles County. Seventeen percent of census tracts in the subregion are designated as Equity Focus Communities (EFCs). Cities within the subregion where most census tracts are EFCs include

Lancaster (32% designated as EFCs) and Palmdale (29% designated as EFCs).

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

VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED OUTCOME

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

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

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

IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS

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

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

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

ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board can elect not to approve the additional programming of funds or scope of work and schedule changes for the Measure M MSP projects for the North County subregion. This is not recommended as the Subregion developed the proposed projects in accordance with the Measure M Ordinance, Guidelines, and Administrative Procedures which may delay the development and delivery of the projects.

NEXT STEPS

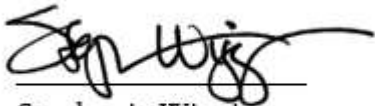
Metro staff will continue to work with the subregion to identify and deliver projects. Funding Agreements will be executed with those who have funds programmed in FY 27. Program/Project updates will be provided to the Board annually.

ATTACHMENT

Attachment A - Active Transportation Program Project List

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North County Subregion
Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Plan - Active Transportation Program (Expenditure Line 52)

	Agency	Project ID No.	Project/Location	Funding Phases	Note	Pror Alloc	Alloc Change	Current Alloc	Prior Year Prog	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28	FY 2028-29
1	Lancaster	MM4501.05	Sierra Hwy: Avenue J to Avenue L	Construction	Audit	\$ 1,240,486		\$ 1,240,486	\$ 1,240,486					
2	Lancaster	MM4501.23	Equitable Complete Streets for Challenger Way Corridor	Construction	New		4,913,184	4,913,184	-					4,913,184
3	Palmdale	MM4501.06	Avenue R Complete Street & Safe Routes to School Proj	PS&E, ROW Construction		2,695,140		2,695,140	2,695,140					
4	Palmdale	MM4501.21	Avenue Q Corridor Improvements (Sierra Hwy. to 35th St. East)	PS&E, ROW Construction		10,613,804		10,613,804	-		1,843,800	2,312,500	6,457,504	
5	Santa Clarita	MM4501.10	Sierra Highway Sidewalk Improvements: Scherzinger Lane to Skyline Ranch Road	PS&E Construction	Audit	624,000		624,000	624,000					
6	Santa Clarita	MM4501.11/ MM4501.14	Valencia Industrial Center Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements	PS&E	Cancel	117,943		117,943	117,943					
7	Santa Clarita	MM4501.17	Newhall Area Bicycle Facility	PS&E Construction	Cancel	126,763		126,763	126,763					
8	Santa Clarita	MM4501.18	Saugus Phase I: Bouquet Canyon Trail to Central Park	PS&E, ROW Construction		1,129,130		1,129,130	641,418	487,712				
9	Santa Clarita	MM4501.24	Bicycle and Pedestrian Trail Safety Detection	PS&E Construction	New		270,000	270,000	-				270,000	
10	LA County	MM4501.12	Elizabeth Lake Road Bikeways	PS&E ROW	COMPL	20,741		20,741	20,741					
11	LA County	MM4501.13	Lake Los Angeles Pedestrian Plan Implementation Phase 1: 170th St. E, Avenue N, 165th St. E, Avenue N-8, 180th St. E, Avenue P-8, 160th St. E, Avenue Q	PS&E	Chg	1,000,000		1,000,000	750,000				250,000	
12	LA County/ Lancaster	MM4501.16	30th Street West Active Transportation Improvements	PS&E	Chg	600,000		600,000	-				600,000	
13	LA County	MM4501.22	The Old Rd over Santa Clara River Phase II - ATP Project *	Construction		8,700,000		8,700,000	-			6,000,000	2,700,000	
Total Programming Amount						\$ 26,868,006	\$ 5,183,184	\$ 32,051,190	\$ 6,216,490	\$ 487,712	\$ 1,843,800	\$ 8,312,500	\$ 10,277,504	\$ 4,913,184



Measure M Multi-year Subregional Program North County Subregion

Planning and Programming Committee
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North County Subregion

- Four Multi-Year Subregional Programs (MSP) available to Subregion
 - Active Transportation Program (expenditure line 52)
 - Transit Program (expenditure line 64)
 - Highway Efficiency Program (expenditure line 81)
 - Subregion Equity Program (expenditure line 68)
- Funds are limited to Capital projects
 - Environmental Phase and forward

Los Angeles County Transportation Expenditure Plan

(2015 \$ in thousands)

ATTACHMENT A

Groundbreaking Sequence
(Exceptions Noted)

For Reference Only	Project (Final Project to be Defined by the Environmental Process)	Notes	Schedule of Funds Available		Subregion*	2016 - 2027 Local, State, Federal, Other Funding 2015\$	Measure M Funding 2015\$	Most Recent Cost Estimate 2015\$**	Modal Code
			Ground-breaking Start Date†	Expected Opening Date (3 year range)					
	Multi-Year Subregional Programs		1 st yr of Range						
47	Metro Active Transport, Transit 1st/Last Mile Program	p	FY 2018	FY 2057	sc	\$0	\$857,500	\$857,500	H
48	Visionary Project Seed Funding	p	FY 2018	FY 2057	sc	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000	T
49	Street Car and Circulator Projects	k,p	FY 2018	FY 2022	sc	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000	T
50	Transportation System and Mobility Improve. Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	sb	\$0	\$293,500	\$293,500	H
51	Active Transportation 1st/Last Mile Connections Prog.		FY 2018	FY 2057	w	\$0	\$361,000	\$361,000	H
52	Active Transportation Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	no	\$0	\$264,000	\$264,000	H
53	Active Transportation Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	gc	\$0	TBD	TBD	H
54	Active Transportation Program (Including Greenway Proj.)		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$231,000	\$231,000	H
55	Active Transportation, 1st/Last Mile, & Mobility Hubs		FY 2018	FY 2057	oc	\$0	\$215,000	\$215,000	H
56	Active Transportation, Transit, and Tech. Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	lvm	\$0	\$32,000	\$32,000	T
57	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	lvm	\$0	\$133,000	\$133,000	H
58	Bus System Improvement Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000	T
59	First/Last Mile and Complete Streets		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$198,000	\$198,000	H
60	Highway Demand Based Prog. (HOV Ext. & Connect.)		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$231,000	\$231,000	H
61	I-805 Corridor "Hot Spot" Interchange Improvements		FY 2018	FY 2057	gc	\$240,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,240,000	H
62	Modal Connectivity and Complete Streets Projects		FY 2018	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$202,000	\$202,000	H
63	South Bay Highway Operational Improvements		FY 2018	FY 2057	sb	\$800,000	\$500,000	\$1,100,000	H
64	Transit Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	no	\$500,000	\$88,000	\$588,000	T
65	Transit Projects		FY 2018	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$257,100	\$257,100	T
66	Transportation System and Mobility Improve. Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	sb	\$0	\$350,000	\$350,000	H
67	North San Fernando Valley Bus Rapid Transit Improvements	p,s	FY 2018	FY 2023	sc	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000	T
68	Subregional Equity Program	p,s	FY 2018	FY 2057	sc	TBD	TBD	\$1,198,000	T/H
69	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 1 (All Subregions)	l,p	FY 2020	FY 2022	sc	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	T
70	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 2 (All Subregions)	l,p	FY 2030	FY 2032	sc	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	T
71	Active Transportation Projects		FY 2033	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$136,500	\$136,500	H
72	Los Angeles Safe Routes to School Initiative		FY 2033	FY 2057	oc	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	H
73	Multimodal Connectivity Program		FY 2033	FY 2057	oc	\$0	\$239,000	\$239,000	H
74	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 3 (All Subregions)	l,p	FY 2040	FY 2042	sc	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	T
75	Arterial Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	no	\$0	\$726,130	\$726,130	H
76	BRT and 1st/Last Mile Solutions e.g. DASH		FY 2048	FY 2057	oc	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	T
77	Freeway Interchange and Operational Improvements		FY 2048	FY 2057	oc	\$0	\$195,000	\$195,000	H
78	Goods Movement (Improvements & RR Xing Elim.)		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$33,000	\$33,000	T
79	Goods Movement Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	no	\$0	\$104,000	\$104,000	T
80	Goods Movement Projects		FY 2048	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$81,700	\$81,700	T
81	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	no	\$0	\$128,870	\$128,870	H
82	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$534,000	\$534,000	H
83	Highway Efficiency, Noise Mitig. and Arterial Projects		FY 2048	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$802,800	\$802,800	H
84	ITS/Technology Program (Advanced Signal Tech.)		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$66,000	\$66,000	H
85	LA Streetscape Enhance. & Great Streets Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	oc	\$0	\$450,000	\$450,000	H
86	Modal Connectivity Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	lvm	\$0	\$68,000	\$68,000	H
87	Public Transit State of Good Repair Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	oc	\$0	\$402,000	\$402,000	T
88	Traffic Congestion Relief and Improvement Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	lvm	\$0	\$63,000	\$63,000	H
89	Traffic Congestion Relief/Signal Synchronization		FY 2048	FY 2057	oc	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	H
90	Arroyo Verdugo Projects to be Determined		FY 2048	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$110,800	\$110,800	H
91	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 4 (All Subregions)	p	FY 2050	FY 2052	sc	\$90,000	\$10,000	\$100,000	T
92	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 5 (All Subregions)	p	FY 2060	FY 2062	sc	\$0	\$100,000	\$100,000	T
93	Multi-Year Subregional Programs Subtotal					\$1,430,000	\$10,253,700	\$12,879,700	
94	GRAND TOTAL					\$21,011,027	\$31,243,641	\$53,450,669	

September 2026 Recommendation

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Recommended Projects

This update includes funding adjustments to two existing and two new Active Transportation projects.



City of Palmdale - Avenue R Complete Streets and Safe Routes to School Project

* Images are for illustrative purposes only.

Next Steps

- Execute Funding Agreements with the implementing agencies to initiate projects
- Continue working with the Subregion to identify and deliver projects
- Return to the Board annually for Program/Project updates