

South Bay Cities Council of Governments

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TO: SBCCOG Steering Committee

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SUBJECT: South Bay Highway Program Quarterly Update

Adherence to Strategic Plan:

Goal A: Environment, Transportation, and Economic Development. Facilitate, implement, and/or educate members and others about environmental, transportation, and economic development programs that benefit the South Bay. Strategy 5 – Actively pursue opportunities for infrastructure funding for member agencies.

Quarterly Report

The SBCCOG provides assistance to Metro in the development and oversight of projects funded within the Measure R South Bay Highway Program (SBHP). The SBCCOG responsibilities are administered consistent with a cooperative agreement between the two agencies and the SBCCOG-adopted SBHP Implementation Plan. The agreement requires the SBCCOG to submit to Metro a quarterly report and invoice for applicable services.

Since the previous SBHP update in April 2016, the SBCCOG Lead Agencies continued to implement numerous studies and projects. All local agencies are current in submitting their monthly and quarterly reports (see Exhibit A – October 2016 SBHP Project Progress / Risk Report which will be handed out at the meeting).

Projects at Risk

SBHP projects typically must be completed within the term described in the SBHP funding agreement that is executed at the beginning of an SBHP program by the lead agency and Metro. The standard term of the agreement is five years. No funds are in danger of expiring this quarter.

FY2017-18 Metro Budget Request Update

SBCCOG and Metro staff have been working with local agencies to prepare the Metro Budget Request for consideration by the SBCCOG Board at its November 17, 2016 meeting. The cooperative agreement between SBCCOG and Metro requires that the annual Metro Budget Request be submitted by the end of December for the subsequent fiscal year. Metro staff typically seeks Metro Board approval of the request during the Spring in order for the funding to be available beginning July 1, the beginning of Metro's fiscal year.

Update of the SBHP Implementation Plan

The 2016 SBHP Implementation Plan Update was approved by the SBCCOG Board of Directors on September 22, 2016. The updated Plan incorporates new policies adopted by the SBCCOG board including project eligibility, funding shares and maximums, project prioritization and

selection, funding agreement amendment processing, project management training, and SBHP orientations for South Bay elected officials.

SBHP Project Management Course

More than 30 South Bay staff participated in the SBCCOG's 12-hour SBHP Project Management Course. Sessions were held on October 6, 13, 20 and 27. The course presented by Iteris, Inc. and System Metrics Group was highly rated by participants.

Transportation Matching Fund Development

The Measure R expenditure plan provides approximately 50% of the funding needed to complete currently identified SBHP candidate projects. A provision of the SBCCOG/Metro SBHP funding agreement scope of work includes a task for SBCCOG to develop matching funds strategies. Should Measure M be approved, it will augment Measure R until 2039 and replace the current SBHP funding after the Measure R 2039 expiration date. The plan would also include multi-year regional and sub-regional funding programs that for South Bay lead agencies to fund emerging Complete Streets, Green Streets and active transportation priorities on their streets. In locations where a combination of SBHP and Mobility funds can be integrated without increasing vehicular delays, these funding programs could also allow SBHP funds to be leveraged by attracting federal, state and regional matching funds.

Exhibit A – October 2016 SBHP Project Progress / Risk Report will be available at the meeting