

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Programming and Allocations Committee**

May 12, 2010

Item Number 2d

Resolution No. 3888, Revised

- Subject:** American Recovery and Reinvestment Act: Revisions to the FTA Section 5311 (Nonurbanized) Program
- Background:** On February 17, 2009, President Obama signed into law the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA), which included funding for grants under the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5311 Nonurbanized Program. This program provides formula funding to states for the purpose of supporting public transportation in nonurbanized areas.
- Caltrans is the designated recipient of ARRA FTA Section 5311 funds and is responsible for administering the program on behalf of FTA. Caltrans requested that MTC develop a program of projects for the Bay Area's portion of ARRA Section 5311 funds, totaling approximately \$2.1 million.
- In Resolution 3888, MTC programmed \$300,000 to the Solano Transportation Authority/Solano Paratransit for the purchase of four replacement vehicles to serve the intercity travel needs of rural Solano County residents.
- Due to economic pressures and declining revenues, Solano Paratransit was dissolved on July 1, 2009 and the responsibility for intercity paratransit was transferred to the individual transit agencies in Solano County.
- The Solano Transportation Authority requested that MTC re-program the ARRA Section 5311 funds to the City of Dixon and the City of Vallejo because these agencies are providing expanded intercity paratransit service to rural Solano County residents in response to the dissolution of Solano Paratransit. Dixon has expanded their REDI-RIDE service to connect Dixon (a nonurbanized area) to Vacaville and Davis. Vallejo is planning to implement new Runabout service that will better serve ADA passengers traveling between Benicia, Vallejo, and the unincorporated area of Fairfield near Solano Community College (also a nonurbanized area).
- The Solano Transportation authority requested that MTC program \$225,000 to the City of Dixon for the purchase three replacement vehicles, and \$75,000 to the City of Vallejo for the purchase of one replacement vehicle. Staff concurs with this request, and the request has been approved by Caltrans and FTA.
- Issues:** None.
- Recommendation:** Refer Resolution No. 3888, Revised to the Commission for approval.
- Attachments:** MTC Resolution No. 3888, Revised.

Date: February 25, 2009
W.I.: 1512
Referred by: PAC
Revised: 03/25/09-C
05/26/10-C

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 3888, Revised

This resolution adopts the programming for the FTA Section 5311 (Nonurbanized Formula) funds to be apportioned via the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The program contains the FTA Section 5311 project listing that is to be funded with FY 2008-09 ARRA program funds for inclusion in the 2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP).

The resolution includes the following attachment:

Attachment A - Program of Projects

This resolution was revised on March 25, 2009 to modify the ARRA Program of Projects as listed on Attachment A to match the actual FTA Nonurbanized Area Formula fund appropriation and to slightly modify the project description for the Sonoma County Transit project.

This resolution was revised on May 26, 2010 to transfer \$300,000 in funds from the Solano Transportation Authority/Solano Paratransit to the City of Dixon and the City of Vallejo.

Further discussion of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 FTA Section 5311 Program is contained in the MTC Executive Director's Memorandum to the Programming and Allocations Committee dated February 11, 2009, the Deputy Executive Director's Memorandum to the Commission dated February 25, 2009, and the Programming and Allocations Committee Summary sheet dated May 12, 2010.

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W.I.: 1512
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RE: American Recovery and Reinvestment Act: FTA Section 5311 (Nonurbanized) Program

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 3888

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code Section 66500 et seq.; and

WHEREAS, MTC is the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area region (the region) and is required to prepare and endorse a Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) which includes a list of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA) funded projects; and

WHEREAS, MTC is mindful of the timely use of funds established in the ARRA; and

WHEREAS, MTC has developed, in consultation with interested transportation providers, an ARRA FTA Nonurbanized Area Formula Program of Projects for the San Francisco Bay Area, attached hereto as Attachment A, and incorporated herein as though set forth at length; and

WHEREAS, MTC has identified a set of projects for amendment into the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), as set forth in Attachment A of this Resolution, incorporated herein as though set forth at length; and

WHEREAS, the 2009 TIP will be subject to public review and comment; now therefore
be it

RESOLVED, that MTC adopts the ARRA FTA Nonurbanized Area Formula Program of Projects as listed on Attachment A; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that projects in Attachment A will be amended into in the 2009 TIP, subject to the final federal approval of the amendment; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director of MTC is authorized and directed to modify the ARRA Program of Projects as listed on Attachment A to match the actual FTA Nonurbanized Area Formula fund appropriation; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that Attachment A may be revised from time to time by approval of MTC's Programming and Allocations Committee; and, be it further

RESOLVED that the Executive Director shall forward a copy of this resolution, and such other information as may be required, to Caltrans, and to other such agencies as may be appropriate.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Scott Haggerty, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at the regular meeting of the Commission held in Oakland, California, on February 25, 2009

Attachment A
American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)
FTA Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula - Program of Projects

Applicant	Project Name	Project Description	ARRA Sect. 5311 Program
City of Dixon	Municipal Service Center Replacement	Replace Transit Department facilities, including transit offices, dispatch center, bus storage, maintenance garage, and employee break area, as part of the City of Dixon Municipal Service Center (MSC) replacement project. The current MSC is no longer suited for occupation due to age and condition of facilities. The plans for the project have been approved and are ready to bid.	\$381,676
Marin Transit / West Marin Stagecoach	Three (3) Vehicle Replacements	Purchase three (3) replacement vehicles for use on the West Marin Stagecoach.	\$389,631
Sonoma County Transit	Compressed Natural Gas Replacement Project	Fund the replacement of two (2) 40-foot heavy duty compressed natural gas powered transit coaches.	\$460,388
City of Dixon	Three (3) Vehicle Replacements	Purchase three (3) replacement vehicles for expanded Read-Ride service between Dixon, Vacaville and Davis.	\$225,000 (3)
City of Vallejo	One (1) Vehicle Replacement	Purchase one (1) replacement vehicle for new Runabout service between Benicia, Vallejo, and the unincorporated area of Fairfield near Solano Community College.	\$75,000 (3)
City of Dixon	Preventive Maintenance	Preventive Maintenance for the city's fleet of paratransit vehicles.	\$48,000
City of Rio Vista	Preventive Maintenance	Preventive Maintenance for the city's fleet of transit vehicles.	\$75,000
San Mateo County Transit District	Preventive Maintenance	Preventive maintenance for fixed route (Route 294) and demand response (SamCoast) service in the rural area of the coastside of San Mateo County.	\$228,794 (1)
Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority	Preventive Maintenance	Preventive Maintenance for fixed route bus service on Route 68, outside of the urban boundary within Santa Clara County.	\$228,794 (2)
Total Programming			\$2,112,283
Total Available			\$2,112,283
Difference			\$0

(1) San Mateo County Transit District preventive maintenance project increased from \$200,000 to \$228,794 on 3/25/09 to account for the actual FTA Nonurbanized Area Formula fund appropriation, which was \$57,588 greater than estimated.

(2) Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority preventive maintenance project increased from \$200,000 to \$228,794 on 3/25/09 to account for the actual FTA Nonurbanized Area Formula fund appropriation, which was \$57,588 greater than estimated.

(3) Due to the dissolution of Solano Paratransit in July 2009, \$300,000 originally awarded to Solano Transportation Authority/Solano Paratransit for four (4) vehicle replacements was transferred to the City of Dixon and the City of Vallejo on 5/26/10.