

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Programming and Allocations Committee**

February 13, 2013

Item Number 2e

MTC Resolution No. 4048, Revised

Subject: FY2012-13 FTA Non-urbanized Area Formula (Section 5311) Program Revisions

Background: The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Non-urbanized Area Formula Program (Section 5311) makes funding available to each state for public transportation projects in non-urbanized areas.

MTC annually develops a regional Program of Projects for submittal to Caltrans. Caltrans then submits a statewide program to FTA for approval. Per Commission policy, MTC's objective is to program capital and operating funds to maintain needed transit services in the rural areas of the MTC region.

Funding Availability

Caltrans recently released the FY2012-13 Section 5311 Non-urbanized Area Call for Projects. MTC has approximately \$2.0 million available for programming in FY2012-13.

Programming Process

In January 2012, MTC developed a two-year (FY2011-12 and FY2012-13) program of projects in accordance with MTC Resolution No. 4036, which states that the region's Section 5311 funds will be distributed to transit operators using a formula based on non-urbanized area population and non-urbanized area route miles.

Consistent with MTC's Section 5311 Funding Objectives and Criteria, staff is now proposing to adjust the FY2012-13 program based on the available revenues. The actual amount of FY2012-13 funds available (\$2.0 million) exceeds the estimate used to develop the program in January 2012 (\$1.2 million). The primary reason for the increase is that under the new federal surface transportation authorization (MAP-21), the Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) program was eliminated as a stand-alone program and incorporated into the broader Section 5311 Non-urbanized Area Formula Program, making job access and reverse commute projects eligible activities under the program.

Recommended Program of Projects

MTC staff conferred with the project sponsors to determine how to program the additional FY2012-13 funds. Most operators are receiving FY2012-13 funds for operating support, and elected to apply the additional funds to the same operating projects.

The table below summarizes the proposed programming changes.

Sponsoring Agency	Project	FY13 5311 amount	
		Original	Revised
LAVTA	Routes 2, 11, 12, 20	\$ 42,727	\$ 70,431
Marin Transit	West Marin Stagecoach	\$ 160,834	\$ 265,119
NCTPA	Northern Napa County	\$ 184,074	\$ 303,427
SamTrans	Coastside Demand Response and Rt. 17	\$ 121,939	\$ 201,004
Solano Transportation Authority	Projects TBD	\$ 295,392	\$ 486,924
Sonoma County Transit	Replacement Vehicles (Two 30' CNG Buses)	\$ 320,054	\$ 527,578
VTA	Route 68	\$ 109,449	\$ 180,416
Total		\$ 1,234,469	\$ 2,034,899

Issues: Per the request of the Solano Transportation Authority (STA), MTC provides a target programming amount for all of Solano County. STA is still in the process of developing a program for FY2012-13. Staff expects to provide recommendations on the Solano County programming at the Committee meeting.

Recommendation: Refer MTC Resolution No. 4048, Revised to the Commission for approval.

Attachments: MTC Resolution No. 4048, Revised



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Memorandum

TO: Programming and Allocations Committee

DATE: February 13, 2013

FR: Deputy Executive Director, Policy

RE: FY2012-13 FTA Non-urbanized Area Formula (Section 5311) Solano County Program Revisions

Staff is recommending a revision to the FTA Non-urbanized Area Formula program to add projects for Solano County. As noted in the issues section of item 2e in your committee mailing, the Solano Transportation Authority (STA) was still developing its recommendation, in consultation with the transit operators, for the Section 5311 programming in Solano County at the time of packet publication. STA staff presented the recommended FY2012-13 Solano County Section 5311 program of projects to the Solano County Intercity Funding Working Group on February 6, 2013 and expects to receive STA Board approval on February 13, 2013.

Staff has amended the proposed regional program to include STA's programming request for Solano County's program amount, summarized below and included in the shaded section of the attached MTC Resolution No. 4048 Attachment A.

Recommended Additions to FY 2012-13 Programming:

Applicant	Project Description	Section 5311 Program Amount
Dixon	Operating Assistance (Readi-Ride)	\$ 130,000
Fairfield and Suisun Transit	Operating Assistance (Rt. 30)	\$ 200,000
Rio Vista	Vehicle Equipment (security cameras and AVLs)	\$ 25,000
Rio Vista	Operating Assistance (Delta Breeze)	\$ 68,450
SolTrans	Operating Assistance (Rt. 85)	\$ 63,474
	Total	\$ 486,924

Ann Flemer

Date: January 25, 2012
W.I.: 1512
Referred By: PAC
Revised: 02/27/13-C

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 4048, Revised

This resolution adopts the FY2011-12 and FY2012-13 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Nonurbanized Area Formula (Section 5311) Program of Projects for the San Francisco Bay Area.

The resolution includes the following attachment:

Attachment A - FTA Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula Program FY2011-12
and FY2012-13

This resolution was revised on February 27, 2013 to add FY2012-13 Solano County projects and to adjust the FY2012-13 funding for all projects, due to an approximate \$0.8 million increase in the amount of funding available in FY2012-13.

Further discussion of this action is contained in the MTC Programming and Allocations Committee Summary sheets dated January 11, 2012 and February 13, 2013.

Date: January 25, 2012
W.I.: 1512
Referred By: PAC

Re: Program of Projects in the San Francisco Bay Area for the FY2011-12 and FY2012-13
Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Nonurbanized Area Formula (Section 5311) Funds

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 4048

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

WHEREAS, MTC is the designated metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation (DOT) has adopted rules and regulations (23 CFR 450 and CFR 613) which require that the MPO, in cooperation with the state and publicly-owned operators of mass transportation services, carry on a continuing, cooperative and comprehensive transportation planning process that results in plans and programs consistent with the comprehensively planned development of the urbanized area, as a condition to the receipt of federal capital or operating assistance; and

WHEREAS, Section 5311 Title 49 of the United States Code (formerly Section 18 of the Federal Transit Act (FTA) provides a formula grant program for public transportation projects in areas other than urbanized areas (49 U.S.C. Section 5311); and

WHEREAS, MTC has adopted Resolution No. 4036, which sets forth MTC's FTA Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula Program Funding Objectives and Criteria for the San Francisco Bay Area; and

WHEREAS, MTC has developed, in consultation with interested transportation providers and in accordance with the MTC's Section 5311 Funding Objectives and Criteria, a FY2011-12 and FY2012-13 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; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that MTC adopts the FY2011-12 and FY2012-13 FTA Nonurbanized Area Formula Program of Projects as listed on Attachment A; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director of MTC is authorized and directed to modify the FY2011-12 and FY2012-13 Program of Projects as listed on Attachment A to match the actual FTA Nonurbanized Area Formula fund appropriation; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Executive Director of MTC is authorized and directed to forward a copy of this resolution to Caltrans, and such agencies as may be appropriate.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



Adrienne J. Tissier, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in Oakland, California, on January 25, 2012.

**Federal Transit Administration
Section 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula Program
FY2011-12 and FY2012-13**

FY2011-12 Funding Available:

Apportionments:	\$	1,234,469
Prior Year Carryover:	\$	-
Total Funding Available:	\$	1,234,469

FY 2011-12 Programming:

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Sect. 5311 Program</u>	<u>Local Match</u>	<u>Total Project Cost</u>	<u>Toll Credit*</u>
Dixon	Operating Assistance (Readi-Ride)	\$ 32,038	\$ 492,262	\$ 524,300	\$ -
Fairfield and Suisun Transit	Operating Assistance (Rt. 30)	\$ 78,765	\$ 332,508	\$ 411,273	\$ -
LAVTA	Operating Assistance (Rts. 2, 11, 12, 20)	\$ 40,520	\$ 213,767	\$ 254,287	\$ -
Marin County Transit	Operating Assistance (West Marin Stagecoach)	\$ 213,007	\$ 692,350	\$ 905,357	\$ -
Napa County Transit	Operating Assistance (Northern Napa Co.)	\$ 175,001	\$ 141,285	\$ 316,286	\$ -
Rio Vista	Operating Assistance (Delta Breeze)	\$ 61,344	\$ 260,619	\$ 321,963	\$ -
SamTrans	Operating Assistance (Coastside, Rt. 17)	\$ 114,822	\$ 730,710	\$ 845,532	\$ -
SolTrans	Operating Assistance (Rt. 85)	\$ 107,300	\$ 791,715	\$ 899,015	\$ -
Sonoma County Transit	Vehicle Replacements	\$ 265,115	\$ 34,349	\$ 299,464	\$ -
Sonoma County Transit	Replacement Video Equipment for Fixed Route Fleet	\$ 36,703	\$ 4,755	\$ 41,458	\$ -
VTA	Operating Assistance (Rt. 68)	\$ 109,854	\$ 88,689	\$ 198,543	\$ -
Total Programming		\$ 1,234,469	\$ 3,783,009	\$ 5,017,478	\$ -
Total Available		\$ 1,234,469			
Available for Carryover		\$ -			

FY2012-13 Funding Available:

Apportionments:	\$	1,865,389
Prior Year Carryover:	\$	-
Regional share of statewide SAFETEA balances:	\$	169,510
Total Funding Available:	\$	2,034,899

FY 2012-13 Programming:

<u>Applicant</u>	<u>Project Description</u>	<u>Sect. 5311 Program</u>	<u>Local Match</u>	<u>Total Project Cost</u>	<u>Toll Credit*</u>	<u>Notes</u>
Dixon	Operating Assistance (Readi-Ride)	\$ 130,000	\$ 435,600	\$ 565,600	\$ -	(a)
Fairfield and Suisun Transit	Operating Assistance (Rt. 30)	\$ 200,000	\$ 3,624	\$ 203,624	\$ 100,000	(a)(b)
LAVTA	Operating Assistance (Rts. 2, 11, 12, 20)	\$ 70,431	\$ 56,862	\$ 127,293	\$ -	
Marin County Transit	Operating Assistance (West Marin Stagecoach)	\$ 265,119	\$ 579,287	\$ 844,406	\$ -	
Napa County Transit	Operating Assistance (Northern Napa Co.)	\$ 303,427	\$ 244,968	\$ 548,395	\$ -	
Rio Vista	Vehicle Equipment (security cameras and AVLs)	\$ 25,000	\$ 45,000	\$ 70,000	\$ -	(a)
Rio Vista	Operating Assistance (Delta Breeze)	\$ 68,450	\$ 70,750	\$ 139,200	\$ -	(a)
SamTrans	Operating Assistance (Demand Response, Rt. 17)	\$ 201,004	\$ 162,278	\$ 363,282	\$ -	
SolTrans	Operating Assistance (Rt. 85)	\$ 63,474	\$ 14,124	\$ 77,598	\$ 20,539	(a)(b)
Sonoma County Transit	Vehicle Replacements	\$ 527,578	\$ 272,422	\$ 800,000	\$ -	
VTA	Operating Assistance (Rt. 68)	\$ 180,416	\$ 145,657	\$ 326,073	\$ -	
Total Programming		\$ 2,034,899	\$ 2,030,572	\$ 4,065,471	\$ 120,539	
Total Available		\$ 2,034,899				
Available for Carryover		\$ -				

*Toll Credits do not count toward the total project cost.

Notes:

- (a) Solano County FY2012-13 projects are pending STA Board approval on February 13, 2013.
- (b) Caltrans, the designated recipient of the state's Section 5311 funds, gave Fairfield and Suisun Transit and SolTrans permission to use transportation development credits (toll credits) toward their projects' local share. Per Caltrans' 5311 Handbook, "the effect of utilizing transportation development credits means that FTA, in essence, provides [up to] 100 percent of the total net project cost."