

# Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

February 12, 2014

Agenda Item 2j

## Resolution No. 3735, Revised

**Subject:** RM2 Safe Routes to Transit (SR2T) Fifth Cycle Grant Program.

**Background:** Regional Measure 2 (RM2) includes \$20 million for a Safe Routes to Transit (SR2T) program and designates joint management by TransForm and the East Bay Bicycle Coalition (EBBC). MTC serves as the government agency sponsor for this program. To date, approximately \$15 million in funding has been awarded to 41 projects over four grant cycles, after adjustments for project savings and failures.

The Call for Projects for the fifth and final cycle of grant funding was released on July 10, 2013. One-on-one consultation was provided for interested applicants. Thirty (30) applications totaling approximately \$12.3 million were submitted in response to the Call for Projects.

For the first round of scoring, a 17-member Advisory Committee (see Attachment 1) reviewed applications from outside their jurisdictions and recommended six of the highest scoring projects without further evaluation by the committee. Twelve more of the applications were advanced to the second round of evaluation, in which Advisory Committee members ranked all applications and considered factors as geographic and modal equity, and improving bicycle and pedestrian access to transit for low-income individuals.

Based on the final evaluation, the Advisory Committee recommends that MTC approve RM2 funding for 14 projects totaling \$4.8 million. Attachment 2 includes the list of all applications and funding recommendations.

**Issues:** This is the last cycle of the Safe Routes to Transit program. However, should cost savings from previous cycles of SR2T be returned to the program, the Advisory Committee recommends that MTC apply those funds to the following projects, listed in order of priority funding:

Primary Project Sponsor	Project Title	Capital or Planning	Recommended Additional Funding Amount
BART	West Oakland BART Bike Station	Capital	\$415,000
City of Oakland	Access Improvements to Lake Merritt BART Station	Capital	\$63,589
San Francisco MTA	Balboa Park Station Access and Safety	Capital	\$36,479
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$515,068</b>

**Recommendation:** Refer MTC Resolution No. 3735, Revised to the Commission for approval.

**Attachments:** Attachment 1 –Evaluation Panel and Advisory Committee  
Attachment 2 – List of Project Funding Requests and Recommended Grant Awards  
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**Attachment 1**  
**Evaluation Panel and Advisory Committee**

SR2T Advisory Committee Members for Funding Cycle 5

<b>Organization/Agency</b>
AC Transit
City of East Palo Alto
East Bay Bicycle Coalition
Former BART Planner
Marin County Bicycle Coalition
Marin Department of Public Works
Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Oakland Public Works
San Francisco Bicycle Coalition
San Francisco County Transportation Authority
San Francisco Municipal Transportation Agency
San Mateo County Transit District
Solano County Transportation Authority
Solano Napa Commuter Information
TransForm
City of Walnut Creek
West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee

**Attachment 2**  
**List of Project Funding Requests and Recommended Grant Awards – Cycle 5**

<b>Project Sponsors</b>	<b>Project Name</b>	<b>Capital / Planning</b>	<b>Amount Requested</b>	<b>Recommended Award</b>
AC Transit	Webster Street Stop and Streetscape Improvements	Capital	\$745,360	\$0
AC Transit	Bus Bulb Parklet Design Standards and Guidelines Manual	Plan	\$100,000	\$100,000
AC Transit	Design Standards and Guidelines Manual for Safe and Efficient Multi-modal Transit Stops and Corridors	Plan	\$100,000	\$100,000
BART	West Oakland BART Bike Station	Capital	\$415,000	\$0
BART	Daly City BART Station Improvements	Capital	\$600,000	\$0
City of Albany	Albany Transit Wayfinding Signage for Bikes and Pedestrians	Capital	\$445,230	\$0
City of Concord	Concord Bike and Pedestrian Access to Transit	Plan	\$200,000	\$200,000
City of East Palo Alto	University Bayshore Complete Streets Plan	Capital	\$200,000	\$0
City of East Palo Alto	University Overcrossing Stage 2 Bicycle Component	Capital	\$750,000	\$0
City of El Cerrito	San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan and Complete Streets Plan	Plan	\$100,000	\$100,000
City of Napa	Napa Valley Vine Trail Gap Closure and Transit Connection	Capital	\$483,000	\$0
City of Oakland	Access Improvements to Lake Merritt BART Station	Capital	\$342,110	\$278,521
City of Oakland	Rockridge BART Access Improvements	Capital	\$472,000	\$472,000
City of Richmond	Carlson Boulevard Crosstown Connection Project	Capital	\$500,000	\$500,000
City of San Jose	St. John Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Boulevard	Capital	\$500,000	\$0
City of San Rafael	Regional Transportation System Enhancements	Capital	\$500,000	\$0
City of South San Francisco	South San Francisco Caltrain Station Ped and Bike Underpass Plan	Capital	\$200,000	\$200,000

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City of Sunnyvale	Intermodal Transit Station Secure Electric Bike Locker Parking	Capital	\$107,200	\$0
City of Sunnyvale	Sunnyvale and Lawrence Caltrain Station Ped Access Improvements	Capital	\$441,130	\$0
City of Union City	Sidewalk Gap Closure Alvarado Niles Rd to Union Landing	Capital	\$650,000	\$0
City of Vacaville	Allison Priority Development Bike Ped Improvements	Capital	\$265,000	\$0
City of Vallejo	Curtola Parkway Class I Bike Path	Capital	\$978,750	\$750,000
City of Walnut Creek	Complete Streets	Capital	\$309,050	\$0
Marin Department of Public Works	San Quentin Village Safe Access Gap Closure and Transit Stop Improvement Project	Capital	\$750,000	\$750,000
San Francisco MTA	Balboa Park Station Access and Safety	Capital	\$315,000	\$278,521
San Francisco MTA	Citywide Bicycle Wayfinding System	Capital	\$440,000	\$0
San Francisco MTA	Long Term Bicycle Parking	Plan	\$200,000	\$200,000
Santa Clara Valley TA	Eastridge Transit Center Sidewalk Gap Closure Signal Modification	Capital	\$375,000	\$0
Santa Clara Valley TA	Countywide Pedestrian Access to Transit Plan	Plan	\$100,000	\$100,000
Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit District	Regional SMART Pathway College Ave to Guerneville Rd	Capital	\$750,000	\$750,000
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$12,333,830</b>	<b>\$4,779,042</b>

Date: December 21, 2005  
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ABSTRACT

MTC Resolution No. 3735, Revised

This resolution adopts the Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program.

The following attachment is provided with this resolution:

Attachment A — RM2 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program Fund Recipients

This resolution was revised by Commission Action on July 25, 2007, to include the second cycle projects for the RM2 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program.

This resolution was revised by Commission Action on July 28, 2010, to include the third cycle projects for the RM2 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program.

This resolution was revised by Commission Action on December 21, 2011, to include the fourth cycle projects for the RM2 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program. This resolution supersedes MTC Resolution No. 3932.

This resolution was revised by Commission Action on February 26, 2014, to include the fifth cycle projects for the RM2 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program.

Further discussion of this action is contained in the Programming and Allocations Committee Summary Sheet dated December 14, 2005, July 11, 2007, July 28, 2010, December 14, 2011, and February 12, 2014.

Date: July 27, 2005  
W.I.: 1255  
Referred by: PAC

RE: Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION  
RESOLUTION NO. 3735

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

WHEREAS, Streets and Highways Code Sections 30950 *et seq.* created the Bay Area Toll Authority (“BATA”) which is a public instrumentality governed by the same board as that governing MTC; and

WHEREAS, on March 2, 2004, voters approved Regional Measure 2, increasing the toll for all vehicles on the seven state-owned toll bridges in the San Francisco Bay Area by \$1.00, with this extra dollar funding various transportation projects within the region that have been determined to reduce congestion or to make improvements to travel in the toll bridge corridors, as identified in SB 916 (Chapter 715, Statutes of 2004), commonly referred as Regional Measure 2 (“RM2”); and

WHEREAS, RM2 establishes the Regional Traffic Relief Plan and lists specific capital projects and programs and transit operating assistance eligible to receive RM2 funding as identified in Streets and Highways Code Sections 30914(c) & (d); and

WHEREAS, RM2 assigns administrative duties and responsibilities for the implementation of the Regional Traffic Relief Plan to MTC; and

WHEREAS, BATA shall fund the projects of the Regional Traffic Relief Plan by transferring RM2 authorized funds to MTC; and

WHEREAS, MTC adopted policies and procedures for the implementation of the Regional Measure 2 Regional Traffic Relief Plan, which specifies the allocation criteria and project compliance requirements for RM 2 funding (MTC Resolution No. 3636); and

WHEREAS, the RM2 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program is identified as capital project number 20 under RM 2 and is a competitive grant program available to public agencies including transit operators, cities, and counties; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation and Land Use Coalition and the East Bay Bicycle Coalition and MTC developed a process and criteria to be used in the selection of the RM2 Safe Routes to Transit grant recipients to be funded with Regional Measure 2 funds; and

WHEREAS, Attachment A to this resolution, attached hereto and incorporated herein as though set forth at length, lists the recommended grant recipients and the correlated funding amounts; and

RESOLVED, that MTC approves MTC staff's review of the RM2 Safe Routes to Transit Grant applications; and be it further

RESOLVED, that MTC approves the list of grant recipients and their associated funding amounts as set forth in Attachment A; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that encumbrance of the Safe Routes to Transit grants require a subsequent action, whereby MTC allocates the RM2 funds specific to each grant recipient consistent with the provisions of the Regional Measure 2 Regional Traffic Relief Plan Policy and Procedures as set forth in length in MTC Resolution No. 3636.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



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Jon Rubin, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at the regular meeting of the Commission held in Oakland, California, on December 21, 2005.

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Attachment A  
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Cycle 1 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program Projects

Primary Project Sponsor	Project Title	Capital or Planning Project	Award
AC Transit	AC Transit TransBay Expanded Bike Access*	Capital	\$180,000 \$0
AC Transit	AC Transit Bicycle Parking Plan	Planning	\$100,000
BART	BART C2 Rail Car Reconfiguration Project	Capital	\$581,000
City of Albany Community Development Department	El Cerrito/Albany Ohlone Greenway Safety Project	Capital	\$807,000
City of Berkeley	Downtown Berkeley BART Bikestation	Capital	\$496,784
City of Fairfield	Union Avenue/Suisun Train Station Enhancement Program	Capital	\$300,000
City of Oakland CEDA Redevelopment	MacArthur Transit Hub Streetscape Improvement Project Phase II	Capital	\$398,800
City of Oakland Public Works Department	MacArthur BART Station Bicycle Access Project Phase I	Planning	\$30,000
San Francisco Department of Parking & Traffic	Improved Bicycle Access to 16th Street BART Station	Capital	\$195,000
San Francisco Municipal Railway	Balboa Park Station Intermodal Connections	Planning	\$200,000
San Francisco Municipal Railway	Market Street Safety Zone Calming	Capital	\$600,000
Valley Transportation Authority	Santa Clara Transit Center–Pedestrian/Bike Crossing	Planning	\$50,000
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$3,938,584</b> <b>\$3,758,584</b>

\* Project was deleted from the program subsequent to adoption.

Cycle 2 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program Projects

<b>Primary Project Sponsor</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Capital or Planning Project</b>	<b>Award</b>
City of Pittsburg; Contra Costa County	Bailey Road Transit Access Improvement Project	Capital	\$650,000
San Francisco MTA; BART	Balboa Park Ocean Avenue Pedestrian/Bicycle Connections	Planning	\$181,280
BART	BART Electronic Bicycle Locker Gap Closure Project	Capital	\$200,000
BART; City of San Leandro	Bay Fair BART Station Area Improvement Plan	Planning	\$100,000
Contra Costa County; BART	Contra Costa Centre/Pleasant Hill BART Shortcut Path and Wayfinding Project*	Capital	<del>\$300,000</del> \$0
San Francisco MTA; SF Department of Public Works	Mission & Geneva Pedestrian Improvements	Capital	\$940,500
City of San Rafael	Puerto Suello Hill Path to San Rafael Transit Center Connector Project	Capital	\$600,000
City of Richmond; City of El Cerrito	Richmond/Ohlone Greenway Gap Closure—Class I Access to Transit	Planning	\$200,000
City of Berkeley, BART	Safe Routes to Ed Roberts Campus/Ashby BART	Capital	\$325,000
San Francisco MTA	24 <sup>th</sup> St. & Mission BART Station Area Access Improvements	Capital	\$450,000
<b>TOTAL</b>			<del><b>\$3,946,780</b></del> <b>\$3,646,780</b>

\* Project was deleted from the program subsequent to adoption.

Cycle 3 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program Projects

<b>Primary Project Sponsor</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Capital or Planning Project</b>	<b>Award</b>
San Francisco MTA	Balboa Park Station Connections Project Phase II	Capital	\$722,000
BART	Bay Fair BART Safety and Security Improvement Project	Planning	\$196,077
City of Berkeley	Berkeley/AC Transit Ped and Bike Access Improvements*	Capital	\$498,820 \$371,187
City of San Leandro	Downtown San Leandro BART Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Project*	Capital	\$750,000 \$400,000
San Francisco MTA	Glen Park Area Bicycle Project	Capital	\$168,000
City of Santa Rosa	Highway 101 Bicycle/Pedestrian Overcrossing	Planning	\$100,000
City of Oakland	MacArthur Station Bicycle Access Project Phase II	Capital	\$242,500
San Francisco MTA	Market Street Multi-Modal Transportation Improvements Study	Planning	\$200,000
Richmond Community Redevelopment Agency	Nevin Avenue Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements: BART to Civic Center	Capital	\$750,000
VTA	VTA Pilot Bike Sharing Implementation	Capital	500,000
West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee	West Contra Costa/Albany Transit Wayfinding Plan	Planning	\$69,000
<b>TOTAL</b>			<del>\$4,196,397</del> <b>\$3,718,763</b>

\* Projects realized savings due to lower costs or revised scope.

Cycle 4 RM2 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program Projects

<b>Primary Project Sponsor</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Capital or Planning Project</b>	<b>Award</b>
City of Oakland	19 <sup>th</sup> Street/Uptown Bikestation	Capital	\$531,000
San Francisco MTA	Bicycle-Transit System Integration	Planning	\$180,000
City of Richmond	Overcoming Physical Barriers to Safe Routes to Transit	Capital	\$501,829
San Francisco MTA	Polk Street Bicycle Gap Closure	Capital	\$584,000
City of San Jose	Safe Pathways to Diridon Station	Capital	\$675,000
Santa Clara Valley TA	Santa Clara Caltrain Station Pedestrian and Bicycle Access Tunnel	Capital	\$675,000
City of Emeryville	Star Intersection and San Pablo Avenue at 40th Street Transit Hub Bicycle/Pedestrian Improvements	Capital	\$450,000
City of San Bruno	Transit Corridor Pedestrian and Bike Connection Project	Capital	\$500,000
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$4,096,829</b>

Cycle 5 RM2 Safe Routes to Transit Grant Program Projects

<b>Primary Project Sponsor</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Capital or Planning</b>	<b>Award</b>
City of Oakland	Rockridge BART Access Improvements	Capital	\$472,000
AC Transit	Design Standards and Guidelines Manual for Safe and Efficient Multi-modal Transit Stops and Corridors	Plan	\$100,000
City of Richmond	Carlson Boulevard Crosstown Connection Project	Capital	\$500,000
Sonoma Marin Area Rail Transit District	Regional SMART Pathway College Ave to Guerneville Rd	Capital	\$750,000
City of El Cerrito	San Pablo Avenue Specific Plan and Complete Streets Plan	Plan	\$100,000
San Francisco MTA	Long Term Bicycle Parking	Plan	\$200,000
Santa Clara Valley TA	Countywide Pedestrian Access to Transit Plan	Plan	\$100,000
City of South San Francisco	South San Francisco Caltrain Station Ped and Bike Underpass Plan	Capital	\$200,000
City of Concord	Concord Bike and Pedestrian Access to Transit	Plan	\$200,000
City of Vallejo	Curtola Parkway Class I Bike Path	Capital	\$750,000
AC Transit	Bus Bulb Parklet Design Standards and Guidelines Manual	Plan	\$100,000
Marin Department of Public Works	San Quentin Village Safe Access Gap Closure and Transit Stop Improvement Project	Capital	\$750,000
City of Oakland	Access Improvements to Lake Merritt BART Station	Capital	\$278,521
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<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>\$4,779,042</b>

Additional Cycle 5 RM2 Safe Routes to Transit  
Grant Program Fund Recipients Should Savings Accrue to the Program (in priority order)

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