

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Programming and Allocations Committee**

April 11, 2007

Item Number 3c

Resolution No. 3807

Subject: Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating Assistance Program for FY 2007-08

Background: MTC's RM2 Policies and Procedures state that MTC will adopt a project specific budget for RM2 operating funds prior to the beginning of each fiscal year. This budget sets the amount of RM2 operating assistance each operator can claim in the next fiscal year. The budget is project specific, and is based on project need and readiness, RM2 restrictions such as inflationary increases, and MTC programming actions for projects with multiple claimants. This action sets the budget for FY 2007-08.

The proposed budget for FY 2007-08 includes \$29.3 million for eight operating and planning projects in RM2 as well as marketing and public outreach support for the program (see chart in Attachment A). Of this, \$24.6 million is dedicated to on-going operations. This compares to \$7.4 million during the first year of RM2 (FY 2004-05), and the maximum amount of roughly \$48 million annually when the Operating program reaches full maturity. Escalation of 1.5% is allowed for some operations projects; however, this escalation will end once the program reaches its statutory maximum of 38% of RM2 revenue generations. It is estimated that escalation will end fiscal year 2009-10. No new services are anticipated to start in FY 2007-08.

Of the \$29.3 million programmed for FY 2007-08, \$4.8 million is proposed for Marketing RM2 Projects. Of this amount, \$750,000 will be used for regional All Nighter (Owl) Service marketing, sponsored by AC Transit, and the City of Vallejo/Solano Transportation Authority's reapplication of funds that won't be spent this fiscal year. Another \$500,000 will be used for RM2 capital projects, specifically Real-time Transit and Safe Routes to Transit. The remaining \$3.5 million will launch TransLink® implementation and support market penetration on AC Transit, BART, Golden Gate Transit, Muni and Caltrain.

The remaining five operating projects have not yet been constructed or finalized and include: Napa VINE service to Vallejo; Dumbarton Rail; augmented ferry service to Alameda/Oakland/Harbor Bay; new ferry service to South San Francisco; and new ferry service to Albany/Berkeley.

Issues: The allocations of RM2 funds for operations are subject to farebox requirements as established in MTC's RM2 Policies and Procedures.

Recommendation: Refer MTC Resolution No. 3807 to the Commission for approval.

Attachments: MTC Resolution No. 3807

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Date: April 25, 2007
W.I.: 1255
Referred by: PAC

ABSTRACT

Resolution No. 3807

This resolution adopts the Regional Measure 2 (RM2) Operating Assistance Program for FY 2007-08.

Further discussion of this action is contained in the Programming and Allocations Committee Summary Sheet dated April 11, 2007.

Date: April 25, 2007
W.I.: 1255
Referred by: PAC

RE: Adoption of FY 2007-08 RM2 Operating Assistance Program

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
RESOLUTION NO. 3807

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the regional transportation planning agency for the San Francisco Bay Area pursuant to Government Code § 66500 *et seq.*; 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, which increased the toll for all vehicles on the nine 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 (“RM 2”); and

WHEREAS, RM 2 establishes the Regional Traffic Relief Plan and identifies specific projects eligible to receive RM2 funding for operating assistance as identified in Sections 30914(d)(3) & (4) of the California Streets and Highways Code; and

WHEREAS, BATA shall fund the projects of the Regional Traffic Relief Plan by bonding or transfers to MTC; and

WHEREAS, RM 2 assigns administrative duties and responsibilities for the implementation of the Regional Traffic Relief Plan to MTC; and

WHEREAS, MTC has developed guidelines for the programming and use of the RM2 funds for operating support of transit projects, and

WHEREAS, these guidelines state that MTC will adopt a project specific budget for RM2 operating funds prior to the beginning of each fiscal year, now, therefore be it

RESOLVED, that MTC adopts a program that establishes RM2 operating subsidy amounts for FY 2007-08, as outlined in Attachment A and incorporated herewith as though set forth at length.

METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Bill Dodd, Chair

The above resolution was entered into by the Metropolitan Transportation Commission at a regular meeting of the Commission held in Oakland, California on April 25, 2007.

FY 2007-08 RM-2 Operating Allocation Plan

Project #	Project Name	Operator	Route	Allocation Amount (1)
1	Richmond Bridge Express Bus	Golden Gate Transit	Route 40	2,195,925
3	Express Bus North	Vallejo	Enhanced I-80 Express bus	1,217,465
		ECCTA	Route 300	531,835
		CCCTA	Route 980	414,090
		Fairfield/Suisun Transit	Route 40 & Route 90	711,035
		Golden Gate Transit	Route 72	151,264
		Golden Gate Transit	Route 75	145,339
		WestCat	Route 30Z/JPX	249,294
		Total		
4	Express Bus South	AC Transit	TransBay Bay Bridge	3,420,322
		AC Transit	Hayward/San Mateo Corridor	3,637,657
		AC Transit	Dumbarton Corridor	1,724,348
		WestCat	Hercules Transbay	226,294
		Total		
9	Vallejo Ferry	Vallejo	Augmented Ferry Service to	2,740,500
10	Owl Service	AC Transit	Owl operations	1,138,949
		CCCTA	Owl operations	297,550
		LAVTA	Owl operations	101,500
		MUNI	Owl operations	187,501
		SamTrans	Owl operations	101,500
		Total		
11	MUNI Metro 3rd Street	SF MUNI	Metro 3rd Street extension	2,500,000
12	AC Transit Rapid Bus Corridor	AC Transit	Enhanced Bus Service in the Berkeley/Oakland/San Leandro Corridor	3,000,000
14	WTA planning	WTA	Planning and operations	3,000,000
N/A	RM2 Marketing	MTC	Operating/Capital Projects	1,250,000
N/A	TransLink® Launch (public outreach, fare incentives)	MTC	AC Transit, BART, Golden Gate Transit, Muni, Caltrain	3,500,000
Grand Total			29,333,284	

Notes: 1. The amounts listed reflect the RM-2 base subsidy, with certain projects subject to a 1.5% annual escalation rate.