



Member Agencies: Cities of Avenal, Corcoran, Hanford and Lemoore, County of Kings

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MEETING

Agenda: Kings County Association of Governments
Technical Advisory Committee

Place: In-Person
Kings County Association of Governments
339 W. D Street, Suite B
Lemoore, CA 93245

Zoom Meeting
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Time: 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 14, 2024

**KINGS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
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IV. MISCELLANEOUS:

V. ADJOURNMENT: Next meeting scheduled for September 11, 2024.



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TO: KCAG Technical Advisory Committee
FROM: Teresa Nickell, KCAG Regional Planner
DATE: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT: FY 2024-25 State of Good Repair Program Project List

Introduction

The State of Good Repair (SGR) Program is one of several programs from Senate Bill (SB) 1 that provides about \$68,976,500 million in annual proceeds to transit operators in California, funded from a portion of the New Transportation Improvement Fee on vehicle registrations due on or after January 1, 2018. SGR funds will pay for eligible transit maintenance, rehabilitation, and capital projects with the goal to keep transit systems in a state of good repair, leading to cleaner transit vehicle fleets, increased reliability and safety, and reduced greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants. Funds in this account are appropriated annually by the state legislation to the State Controllers Office for allocation in accordance with Public Utilities Code (PUC) formula distributions established through the State Transit Assistance Program, to be distributed with 50% allocation to local transit operators based on fare-box revenue (Section 99314) and 50% to Regional Entities based on population (Section 99313).

RTPAs are responsible for calculating the available allocation for each project sponsor/recipient agency applying for funds pursuant to PUC Section 99313 or population formula share. Applications for projects seeking funds pursuant to PUC Sections 99313 and 99314 must be approved by KCAG. The KCAG Executive Director is the Authorized Agent approved by KCAG Board resolution for the State of Good Repair program, on file with the State Department of Transportation.

Program Project List

The Kings County Area Public Transit Agency's (KCAPTA) FY 2024-25 State of Good Repair apportionment is \$240,158. KCAPTA proposes to rebuild eleven (11) CNG engines using \$240,158 of SGR funds in addition to State Transit Assistance (STA) funds. This project is eligible under PUC 99212.1(c) for "transit services to maintain or repair a transit operator's existing transit vehicle fleet or transit facilities, including the rehabilitation and/or modernization of the existing vehicles or facilities." KCAPTA will review the project for approval by resolution to verify their project list in August.

Corcoran's FY 2024-25 State of Good Repair apportionment is \$39,620. Corcoran's proposal will be to purchase and install a new wheelchair lift in either a 22-passenger bus or a 16-ambulatory passenger bus with 2 wheelchairs, in accordance with the PUC eligibility rules for "the rehabilitation of existing vehicles".

Draft Resolution No. 24-09 approves the distribution of the FY 2024 State of Good Repair funds allocated for the eligible transit projects as proposed by the transit operators in Attachment "A".

Recommendation

KCAG staff recommends that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee adopt Resolution No. 24-09 approving the distribution of the FY 2024-25 State of Good Repair Program allocations for the transit projects included in the regional FY 2024-25 State of Good Repair Program Project List.

**BEFORE THE KINGS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVING THE)
FISCAL YEAR 2024-25 PROGRAM)
PROJECT LIST FOR THE STATE OF)
GOOD REPAIR PROGRAM)**

**RESOLUTION NO. 24-09
RE: FY 2024 SGR PROGRAM
PROJECT LIST**

WHEREAS, Senate Bill (SB 1), the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017, established the State of Good Repair (SGR) program to fund eligible transit maintenance, rehabilitation, and capital project activities that maintain the public transit system in a state of good repair; and

WHEREAS, Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) is an eligible project sponsor and may receive and distribute State of Good Repair funds to eligible project sponsors (local agencies) under its regional jurisdiction for eligible transit capital projects; and

WHEREAS, KCAG concurs with and approves the attached project list for the FY 2024-25 State of Good Repair Program funds (Attachment "A" hereto).

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee that the fund recipient agrees to comply with all conditions and requirements set forth in the Certification and Assurances document and applicable statutes, regulations and guidelines for all SGR funded transit capital projects.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee hereby authorizes the Executive Director to submit a request for Scheduled Allocations of the SB 1 State of Good Repair funds and to execute the related grant applications, forms and agreements.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted on a motion by Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____, at a regular meeting held on the 28th day of August 2024, by the following vote:

**AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:**

**KINGS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

Chair

WITNESS, my hand this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Terri King, Executive Director

ATTACHMENT "A"

Annual List of Projects
FY 2024-25 State of Good Repair Program

Sub-Recipient	Project Title	Project Description	Project Location	Total Project Cost State of Good Repair Funds	Total Project Cost State Transit Assistance Fund & Other Funds (Non-SB1)	
1	KCAPTA	CNG Bus Repairs	Rebuild 11 bus engines to increase the service life of each bus	Kings County	\$240,158	\$1,842 STA
2	City of Corcoran	H-type Bus Rehabilitation	Purchase and install new wheelchair lift on 22-passenger bus or 16-ambulatory passenger with 2 W/C	Kings County	\$39,620	None
24-25 SGRP Regional Funding - Total Project Costs				\$279,778 SGR	\$1,842 Total STA	



TO: KCAG Technical Advisory Committee
FROM: Terri King, Executive Director
DATE: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT: Final 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program and Air Quality Conformity Analysis

Introduction

Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) is a federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Kings County region and is required to biennially adopt a Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) as part of the formal process in applying for federal funds from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA). Projects requiring federal funding, a federal action, or projects that are considered regionally significant must be included in the FTIP.

The FTIP must also be found to conform to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for the attainment of air quality standards and the FTIP must be financially constrained. KCAG must prepare and adopt updated conformity documents to reflect the FTIP and the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP).

Final 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

The 2025 FTIP includes the ongoing projects from the prior federally approved 2023 FTIP, as amended. The FTIP provides a priority list of projects to be delivered during a four-year period. Prior and later years are included for information purposes and projects listed may be moved into any year of the four-year period by subsequent FTIP amendments as funding allows. The FTIP includes a financial plan that demonstrates financial constraint for both the capital and operational costs on an annual basis.

Final Air Quality Conformity Analysis

Kings County is part of the San Joaquin Valley, which is a non-attainment area for several pollutants. Failure to meet air quality requirements could result in a lapse of federal funding for non-exempt projects. Therefore, prior to adopting the 2025 FTIP, KCAG must make a finding that the FTIP projects do not cumulatively result in an increase of vehicle emissions of non-attainment pollutants or their precursors. The Air Quality Conformity Analysis assures that the final 2025 FTIP and adopted 2022 RTP projects meet the air quality emission budgets established by the State Implementation Plan (SIP).

Public Comment Period

KCAG staff released the draft 2025 FTIP and corresponding Air Quality Conformity Analysis for the required 30-day public review and comment period from June 24, 2024 to July 24, 2024. A public hearing was held before the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee on July 24, 2024, to hear and consider comments. No comments were provided on the draft 2025 FTIP and three comments were received from Caltrans on the Air Quality Conformity Analysis. All comments

received have been responded to and necessary changes have been incorporated into the final documents. The Final 2025 FTIP and Air Quality Conformity Analysis will be presented to the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee for approval on August 28, 2024. Copies of the proposed Final 2025 FTIP and Air Quality Conformity Analysis are attached and can be found on the KCAG website at: https://www.kingscog.org/2025_ftip and <https://www.kingscog.org/airq>.

Recommendation

KCAG Staff recommends that the KCAG Technical Advisory Committee recommend that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee approve the Final 2025 FTIP, and Air Quality Conformity Analysis with the adoption of Resolution No. 24-10.

**BEFORE THE KINGS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

**IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING THE 2025)
FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT)
PROGRAM, AND CORRESPONDING)
AIR QUALITY CONFORMITY ANALYSIS)**

RESOLUTION NO. 24-10

**RE: 2025 FTIP AND AIR
QUALITY CONFORMITY**

WHEREAS, the Kings County Association of Governments (KCAG) is a Regional Transportation Planning Agency and a Metropolitan Planning Organization, pursuant to State and Federal designation; and

WHEREAS, federal planning regulations require that Metropolitan Planning Organizations prepare and adopt a short range Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) for their region; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (2025 FTIP) has been prepared to comply with Federal and State requirements for local projects and through a cooperative process between the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), the State Department of Transportation (Caltrans), principal elected officials of general purpose local governments and their staffs, and public owner operators of mass transportation services acting through the KCAG forum and general public involvement; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 FTIP program listing is consistent with: 1) the 2022 Regional Transportation Plan; 2) the 2024 State Transportation Improvement Program; and 3) the corresponding Conformity Analysis; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 FTIP contains the MPO's certification of the transportation planning process assuring that all federal requirements have been fulfilled; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 FTIP meets all applicable transportation planning requirements per 23 CFR Part 450; and

WHEREAS, KCAG has integrated into its metropolitan transportation planning process, directly or by reference, the goals, objectives, performance measures, and targets described in other State transportation plans and transportation processes, as well as any plans developed under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 53 by providers of public transportation, required as part of a performance-based program; and

WHEREAS, projects submitted in the 2025 FTIP must be financially constrained and the financial plan affirms that funding is available; and

WHEREAS, the MPO must demonstrate conformity per 40 CFR Part 93 for the RTP and FTIP; and

WHEREAS, the corresponding Conformity Analysis supports a finding that the 2025 FTIP and 2022 RTP meet the air quality conformity requirements for ozone and particulate matter; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 FTIP does not interfere with the timely implementation of the Transportation Control Measures; and

WHEREAS, the 2025 FTIP conforms to the applicable SIPs; and

WHEREAS, the documents have been widely circulated and reviewed by KCAG advisory committees representing the technical and management staffs of the member agencies; representatives of other governmental agencies, including State and Federal; representatives of special interest groups; representatives of the private business sector; and residents of Kings County consistent with public participation process adopted by KCAG; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was conducted on July 24, 2024 to hear and consider comments on the 2025 FTIP and the corresponding Conformity Analysis.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee adopts the 2025 FTIP and corresponding Conformity Analysis.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the KCAG Transportation Policy Committee finds that the 2025 FTIP is in conformity with the requirements of the Federal Clean Air Act Amendments and applicable State Implementation Plans for air quality.

The foregoing Resolution was adopted on a motion by Commissioner _____, seconded by Commissioner _____, at a regular meeting held on August 28, 2024, by the following vote:

AYES:
NOES:
ABSTAIN:
ABSENT:

**KINGS COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TRANSPORTATION POLICY COMMITTEE**

Chairman

WITNESS, my hand this _____ day of _____, 2024.

Terri King, Executive Director



TO: KCAG Technical Advisory Committee
FROM: Terri King, Executive Director
DATE: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT: Regional Early Action Planning Grants of 2021 (REAP) 2.0 – Local Suballocation Grant Program Call for Projects

Introduction

The California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) in collaboration with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research, the Strategic Growth Council, and the California Air Resources Board established the Regional Early Action Planning Grants of 2021 (REAP 2.0) program. The purpose of REAP 2.0 program grant funds is supporting transformative planning and implementation activities such as accelerating infill and affordable housing development; reducing vehicle miles traveled; and increasing transit ridership, walking, and biking as primary modes of transportation.

REAP 2.0 allocates \$560 million, with 85% allocated directly to Metropolitan Planning Organizations and is specifically designed to provide MPOs and other eligible entities with tools and resources to help implement and advance plans, primarily by pursuing greenhouse gas emission reduction targets through land use and transportation strategies. KCAG's original region maximum award was \$2,060,590. KCAG submitted both REAP 2.0 applications for the initial advance allocation of \$206,059 and the remaining \$1,854,531 full application. With the FY 2024-25 State Budget cuts to the REAP 2.0 program, KCAG's revised maximum allocation is now \$1,939,379.

The REAP 2.0 initial application funds were used to conduct equitable targeted outreach to develop the local REAP 2.0 program, and to administer the program through August 2026. The use of the full application of REAP 2.0 funds is to suballocate to local agencies for projects or planning activities that would meet the criteria of the REAP 2.0 program through a KCAG Local Suballocation Grant Program. The three primary objectives of the REAP 2.0 program that each application for suballocated funds must meet for eligibility include the following:

- Accelerating infill development that facilitates housing supply, choice, and affordability,
- Affirmatively furthering fair housing, and
- Reducing vehicle miles traveled

KCAG REAP 2.0 Local Suballocation Grant Program

KCAG developed a REAP 2.0 Local Suballocation Grant Program that includes suballocation formula targets, a project application, application scoring criteria and methodology, and application guidelines. The KCAG Commission approved the scoring criteria and methodology, application, and suballocation formula at its meeting on June 23, 2023. On September 26, 2023, HCD and State partners approved the Full Application that included the Local Suballocation Grant Program.

Suballocation Formula Targets

Suballocation formulas must consider geographic equity. KCAG staff developed, and the KCAG Commission approved, a suballocation formula that is being used as targeted amounts per local jurisdiction. The suballocation formula provides a base amount, with the remaining allocation split between percentage of population and percentage of Regional Housing Need Allocation (RHNA) numbers. Project proposals received from non-profit housing agencies would count toward the suballocation formula target of the jurisdiction in which the project is located.

Jurisdiction	Minimum	50% Population	50% RHNA	Total	Percentage
Avenal	\$100,000	\$54,611	\$18,117	\$172,728	10.0%
Corcoran	\$100,000	\$87,555	\$46,762	\$234,317	13.5%
Hanford	\$100,000	\$240,481	\$362,775	\$703,256	40.6%
Lemoore	\$100,000	\$108,654	\$152,315	\$360,969	20.8%
County	\$100,000	\$125,359	\$36,691	\$262,050	15.1%
Total	\$500,000	\$616,660	\$616,660	\$1,733,320	100.0%

REAP 2.0 Local Suballocation Grant Program Call for Projects

Now that the State Budget issue for the REAP 2.0 program has been resolved, HCD has confirmed that KCAG can release a call for projects for KCAG's REAP 2.0 Local Suballocation Grant Program. The Call for Projects is expected to be released on August 26, 2024, with applications due on October 25, 2024. KCAG will conduct a workshop in September, following the call for projects, to review the application process with potential applicants. Attached is KCAG's proposed REAP 2.0 Local Suballocation Grant Program application and program guidance.

Recommendation

This is an informational item.