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DATE November 1, 2017
TO GCTD Board of Directors
FROM Vanessa Rauschenberger, Director of Planning and Marketing *vr*
SUBJECT **Discussion of Priorities for SB 1 State of Good Repair Funding**

SUMMARY

The Road Repair and Accountability ACT (Senate Bill 1) will provide more than \$760 million annually in new funding for transit projects statewide. For transit, Senate Bill 1 funds will support the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP), the State Transit Assistance (STA) Program (including the State of Good Repair (SGR) program), as well as and the Commuter Rail and Intercity Rail Programs.



According to the recently released formal draft State of Good Repair (SGR) guidelines, transit operators must provide a “project list” to Caltrans by January 19, 2018, with a board resolution approving the list. Staff is seeking feedback from the Board of Directors, as it develops a recommended list for the Board to Consider at the December 2017 meeting.

STA / STATE OF GOOD REPAIR (SGR)

SB 1 provides for both an increase in the STA apportionments (which can be used for transit capital and operations) as well as a new State of Good Repair (SGR) set-aside with funds also apportioned using the STA formula. The purpose of this program is to provide capital assistance for transit agencies to help public transit operators reach and maintain a “state of good repair.”

Caltrans has just released formal draft guidelines for the SGR funds which can be used as follows:

- Transit capital projects or services to maintain or repair a transit operator’s existing transit vehicle fleet or transit facilities, including the rehabilitation or modernization of the existing vehicles or facilities.
- The design, acquisition and construction of new vehicles or facilities that improve existing transit services.
- Transit services that complement local efforts for repair and improvement of local transportation infrastructure. These funds are distributed to the transit operators based on the STA formula.

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An important requirement in the draft guidelines is that transit operators must provide a list of FY 17/18 projects by January 19, 2018, with a board resolution approving the list. The list does not need to be constrained to the apportionment, but must show costs at least as much as the apportionment. Should an agency miss this deadline, it will permanently lose part of its apportionment for the year. Caltrans must approve the eligibility of the projects on the list, and the list can be amended in the future, subject to Caltrans approval. Future Project lists will be due each year in September.

FUNDING

Based on the provisions of AB 1113 which passed this year, the STA transit operator apportionment will include all operators that are eligible to receive TDA Article 8 funds, which includes the Gold Coast Transit District. It is expected that GCTD's STA funding will increase (approx. double) to the current STA apportionment. While this is welcome news, GCTD's STA FY16-17 allocation was just \$146K (0.6% of annual budget).

It should be noted that SB1 will provide a significantly larger share of STA funds directly to VCTC to distribution for Transit purposes in Ventura County. As discussed last month as part of the Strategic Planning Discussion, VCTC will soon be determining priorities for the distribution of the countywide apportionment of SB1 Transit funds. To ensure GCTD's funding needs are known, this process will also help GCTD communicate its funding needs to VCTC as well as Caltrans.

TIMELINE

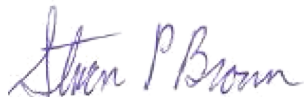
The timeline for developing GCTD's project list is as follows:

- Caltrans Formal Draft Guidelines Released– **October 6, 2017**
- GCTD Board of Directors Provides Feedback on Project List – **November 1, 2017**
- Caltrans Issues Final Guidelines – **Mid-November, 2017**
- GCTD Board of Directors Adopts Final Project List – **December 6, 2017**
- Transit Agency Project List Due to the Caltrans – **January 19, 2018**
- SCO Allocates SGR Funds for the Quarter (FY 2017-18) – **May 2018**

RECOMMENDATION

Provide feedback to staff on Priorities for SB 1 State of Good Repair funding. Based on feedback, staff will develop a formal project list as required by the draft SGR Guidelines.

GENERAL MANAGER'S CONCURRENCE



Steven P. Brown
General Manager

Attachment A: POTENTIAL PROJECTS for "STA/State of Good Repair" PROJECT LIST

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**Gold Coast Transit District
 POTENTIAL PROJECTS for “STA/State of Good Repair” PROJECT LIST**

Eligible Project Category	GCTD’s Potential Projects for STA/SGR Project List
Preventative Maintenance	Preventative maintenance, Bus Rehabilitation, Bus Life-Extension and Near-Zero Emission Engines Replacements, Maintenance Systems
Vehicle Replacements	GCTD has a fleet of 56 buses, 26 paratransit vehicles and 20+ service/relief vehicles. As outlined in the GCTD Fleet Management Plan / Transit Asset Management draft standards, as these vehicles approach the end of their useful life, GCTD will need to identify funding to purchase replacement vehicles. Note: Purchase of relief vehicles may include electric or hybrid options as CNG sedans are no longer available.
Security Equipment and Systems	Facility Security Measures including camera systems, lighting, security fencing, security systems and radio systems, and alarm equipment.
Maintenance Facilities and Equipment	Facility construction related expenditures (including bond payments*) <i>*Eligibility is to be determined</i>
Passenger Stations / Facilities	Bus stop lighting and ADA retrofit at bus stops and transit facilities, including bus stop repair and maintenance (700+ bus stop maintained by member jurisdictions).