



Authorize Request for Proposals for the US-50 Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan

Consent

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**Attachments:** Yes

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**Referring Committee:** Transportation

**1. Issue:**

Staff is seeking authorization to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) to develop the US-50 Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan (CMCP).

**2. Recommendation:**

At the time of this writing, the Transportation Committee has not met and reviewed this item. Staff recommends that the board act to: authorize staff to release an RFP to develop the US-50 CMCP and authorize the Executive Director to select a vendor and negotiate and execute a contract.

**3. Background/Analysis:**

SACOG will lead the US-50 CMCP (US-50 CMCP, or Corridor Plan) in collaboration with Caltrans District 3, El Dorado County Transportation Commission (EDCTC), Sacramento Transportation Authority (STA), Sacramento Regional Transit (SacRT), and partner agencies along the corridor from West Sacramento to Pollock Pines. SACOG staff are recommending the release of a Request for Proposals (RFP) to solicit proposals from qualified consultants to support the US-50 CMCP.

The US-50 CMCP will be consistent with CTC's 2018 Comprehensive Multimodal Corridor Plan Guidelines, and Caltrans' Corridor Planning Guidebook. This will be the first such plan led by SACOG, with previous efforts led by Caltrans District 3. The US-50 CMCP is required for transportation projects along the corridor to compete for future SB-1 funded CTC Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) funding Cycles, and can also support projects applying to other state and federal funding programs, including the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP), Local Partnerships Program (LPP), Active Transportation Program (ATP), and Transit and Intercity Capital Program (TIRCP).

SACOG, in partnership with Caltrans District 3, applied for a Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Caltrans Strategic Partnerships Planning Grant to develop the US-50 CMCP. The Corridor Plan application was awarded \$500,000.

**4. Discussion/Analysis:**

With project partners, SACOG will contract with a consulting firm to analyze existing transportation trends, adopt performance metrics, identify projects, and evaluate and prioritize them in a strategic list of projects that advance SCCP and other state funding program performance criteria. The US-50 CMCP will analyze

transportation projects based on regionally-selected performance measures that improve safety, reduce congestion, improve accessibility, support the economy, reduce greenhouse gases/vehicle miles traveled, and support efficient land use.

US-50 offers an opportunity to develop a multimodal list of project priorities that improve connectivity and overcome barriers for travelers across the region, including people walking and bicycling, public transit and passenger rail riders, passenger vehicles, and goods movement. The Corridor Plan will identify projects along US-50 and parallel roadways, as well as active transportation and transit networks. The US-50 CMCP will provide the opportunity to strategically analyze other critical parallel transportation corridors, including the American River Parkway, and SacRT Gold Line, for connections and improvements for transit riders and people walking and bicycling.

The Corridor Plan will incorporate strategies from both SACOG's MTP/SCS and EDCTC's Regional Transportation Plan, as well as other relevant regional planning efforts such as the Regional Trail Network, Next Generation Transit Study, and the Regional Transit Network plan. SACOG is currently working with Caltrans to refine the scope of work for the RFP. The key tasks are summarized in Attachment A.

A selection committee will review the consultant proposals and make a recommendation for which consultant/team to hire. The final scope of work and contract will be negotiated as an agreement between the selected consultant/team and SACOG as the contract administrator, with input over the course of the project from the Board of Directors, Caltrans, partner agencies, and other stakeholders.

## **Attachments**

Attachment A Summary of Project Tasks

## **5. Fiscal Impact/Grant Information:**

The effort will be funded through the awarded \$500,000 in FHWA SP&R Part I funds from Caltrans, and 33 percent local match funding from SACOG Transportation Development Act. The contract period will extend through June 30, 2026, and it is not to exceed \$600,000. Staff and consultant costs supporting this effort are included in the FY 2023-2024 budget adopted by the board.