



Transportation Committee

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Agenda Item No. 10

2021 Active Transportation Program Update

Information

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Attachments: No

1. Issue:

The California Transportation Commission (CTC) initiated the development of the 2021 Active Transportation Program (ATP) in November. The CTC will gather input on the guidelines, scoring rubrics, and application materials for this competitive funding program until March 2020.

2. Recommendation:

None, this item is for information only.

3. Background/Analysis:

The ATP was created by Senate Bill 99 in 2013 to fund projects and programs that will increase biking and walking. The ATP is a highly competitive program jointly managed by the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the California Transportation Commission (CTC). Metropolitan planning organizations like SACOG distribute a portion of these funds through a competitive process, with all final regional recommendations subject to approval from the CTC. SACOG works with El Dorado County Transportation Commission and Placer County Transportation Planning Agency to develop and implement the Regional ATP.

4. Discussion/Analysis:

The CTC initiated the 2021 ATP development with a kick-off workshop on November 12, 2019. The 2021 ATP funds will be available across four years: state fiscal years 2021-2022, 2022-2023, 2023-2024, and 2024-2025. Though the fund estimate has not been released for the 2021 ATP, CTC staff shared that it is expected to be similar to the 2019 ATP--\$220 million for the statewide ATP competition, \$11.5 million for SACOG's Regional ATP competition. SACOG has developed region-specific guidelines to distribute our share of ATP since the first competitive program in 2014. Though the schedule is still draft, SACOG would need to submit region-specific ATP guidelines in April 2020 for adoption by the CTC in May.

CTC staff is scheduling workshops throughout the state to hear from cities, counties, community groups, and other planning partners to develop the final 2021 ATP Guidelines, applications, and related funding round materials. Agencies may comment on the CTC's and Caltrans' proposed changes, suggest new areas for revision, and share their experiences with past ATP competitions at these workshops. The CTC will adopt the final 2021 ATP Guidelines and approve the statewide call for projects at their March 25, 2020, meeting. State ATP applications are expected to be due in June 2020.

5. Fiscal Impact/Grant Information:

This item has no fiscal impact to SACOG's operating budget other than already budgeted staff time in the agency's overall work program.

6. This staff report aligns with the following SACOG Work Plan Goals:

7 - Deliver Key High-Profile Transportation Projects