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2018 COMPREHENSIVE INVESTMENT PLAN (2018 CIP)

NOTICE OF CALL FOR PROJECT NOMINATIONS

To All Interested Parties:

The Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) is initiating a call for project nominations for its 2018 Comprehensive Investment Plan (2018 CIP). The 2018 CIP will program funding anticipated for fiscal years 2017-18 through 2021-22.

Alameda CTC is responsible for planning, funding and delivering transportation projects and programs within Alameda County. This includes the programming of federal, state, regional and local transportation funding. The CIP is Alameda CTC's near-term strategic planning and programming document through which fund sources administered by Alameda CTC are programmed through a consolidated process to maximize investments towards critical transportation infrastructure and program operations needs that are essential for developing and maintaining the county's transportation system.

The 2018 CIP Project Nomination period will open Thursday, September 1, 2016 and close Monday, October 31, 2016. Eligible applicants with projects that are implementation ready for fiscal years 2017-18 through 2021-22 should apply during this time. Alameda CTC's 2018 CIP programming and allocation recommendations will be considered by the Commission in late spring 2017.

Eligible Projects

- Eligible projects, programs and plans ("projects") proposed for funding through the 2018 CIP must be included in the 2016 Countywide Transportation Plan (CTP).
- Eligible projects must meet the eligibility requirements of the funding sources and programs that are ultimately programmed by Alameda CTC.
- Eligible capital projects may include (but are not limited to):
 - Local street and road improvements
 - Bicycle and/or pedestrian infrastructure improvements, including new facilities, gap closure, and safety improvements
 - Capital improvements near schools
 - Highway capital investments

- Freight, ferry, rail and intermodal projects that facilitate the movement of goods, services and people
- Transit infrastructure enhancements and expansion
- Safety or modernization improvements to transit centers, stations or facilities
- Transportation improvements that provide greater transit access for residents of low-income and disadvantaged communities
- Technology improvements such as Intelligent Transportation System, signal timing, transit signal priority, innovative uses of technology as it pertains to improvement and maintain the transportation system
- Eligible non-capital projects may include (but are not limited to):
 - Plans such as bicycle and pedestrian master plan updates
 - Feasibility studies
 - Safety education, training, enforcement and promotional programs
 - Transportation demand or traffic management programs
 - Travel Training and Mobility Management programs (programs typically targeted towards seniors and people with disabilities)
 - Transit or shuttle operations
 - Rideshare programs

Eligible Applicants

Eligible applicants (direct recipients) of funds programmed through the CIP are limited to the following:

1. Cities of Alameda, Albany, Berkeley, Dublin, Emeryville, Fremont, Hayward, Livermore, Newark, Oakland, Piedmont, Pleasanton, San Leandro, Union City
2. County of Alameda
3. Transit agencies Altamont Corridor Express (ACE), Alameda-Contra Costa Transit District (AC Transit), San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit District (BART), Livermore Valley Transportation Authority (LAVTA), Union City Transit, and San Francisco Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA)
4. East Bay Regional Parks District (EBRPD)
5. Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC)
6. Non-profit organizations (*exclusively for programs targeted towards seniors and people with disabilities and if the non-profit provides letter(s) of support from local agency and/or transit provider to confirm service coordination and project support*)

Entities that are not identified above as eligible direct recipients may be eligible to receive CIP funds as sub-recipients by partnering with an eligible direct recipient that is willing to pass through the funds to a sub-recipient. Exceptions allowing other entities to directly receive funds may be granted by Alameda CTC on a case-by-case basis.

Fund Estimate

At this time, a total of approximately \$161.3 million is anticipated to be available for programming through the 2018 CIP, as follows:

CIP Principal Program	Fund Sources	5-year CIP Fund Estimate
Bicycle and Pedestrian Program	MB Bike/Ped Countywide Discretionary MBB Bike/Ped Grant Program MBB Three Major Trails VRF Bike/Ped Safety Program Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S) Capital	\$23.8M
Transit Program	MB Express Bus MBB Innovative Transit Program VRF Transit for Congestion Relief Program	\$33.9M
Transit Center for Development Program	MB Transit Center Development Program	\$2.5M
Community Development Investment Program	MBB Community Development Investment Program	\$25.6M
Paratransit Program ²	MB Special Transportation for Seniors and People with Disabilities MBB Coordination and Service Grants	\$3.7M
Technology, Innovation and Development	MBB Technology, Innovation, and Development	\$6M
Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) ²	TFCA County Program Manager	\$3.6M
Federal One Bay Area Grant Cycle 2 (OBAG 2): PDA Supportive Transportation Investments Local Streets and Roads (LSR) Federal Aid Secondary (FAS) ¹	Federal Surface Transportation Program (STP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Federal STP Federal STP	\$40.4M \$20M \$1.8M
Total 2018 CIP Fund Estimate		\$ 161.3M
<p>Table Note:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> California statutes provide for the continuation of minimum funding levels to counties, guaranteeing their prior FAS shares for rural county roads. The County of Alameda is the only eligible recipient of FAS funding. For the Paratransit and TFCA programs, the CIP fund estimate shown is limited to two years of anticipated funding. 		

Other Requirements

- Funding awards are limited to the maximum awards identified below:

- i. Feasibility studies, plans and other studies maximum award of \$100,000.
 - ii. Shuttle and transit operations maximum award of \$500,000 per year.
- The minimum required local match is 11.47% for capital projects and program operations and 50% for transit operations and plans and studies. For non-profit organizations, exceptions to the matching requirements may be granted by Alameda CTC on a case-by-case basis.
 - The minimum funding request is generally \$100,000 per project, but exceptions may be considered on a case-by-case basis. Note project selection through the CIP will be focused on selecting robust projects that yield significant benefits to the countywide transportation system.
 - Programming of federal OBAG 2 funding is to adhere to the requirements of Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) [Resolution No. 4202](#).
 - Other funding requirements may be included in the various Program Guidelines of the CIP and may supersede the [CIP Programming Principles](#) or other requirements described herein.

Application Process

Project nominations for the 2018 CIP will be through an online grant application system. Once applicants create a system user account they will be able to create, manage and submit multiple project applications. For multiple project nominations, project sponsors will be asked to prioritize each project in respect to the total number of nominations i.e. Priority 1 of 4 nominations. Note that three application forms will be available for the 2018 CIP targeting different project types: (1) OBAG 2 LSR Program, 2) Paratransit Program and (3) General 2018 CIP (for all other project types).

Complete project nominations (submitted online applications with attachments) are due no later than Monday, October 31, 2016. Only project nominations submitted through the online application system will be accepted and the system will automatically close at 11:59 p.m. on October 31st.

Alameda CTC will be hosting two 2018 CIP application workshops:

- **Thursday, September 8, 2016, 1:30 – 3:00 p.m.**
This workshop will focus exclusively on the online General 2018 CIP and OBAG 2 LSR applications and provide an interactive overview of online system, including how to create an account and submit an application. Note there is a separate workshop (below) that will cover the application for Paratransit Program funding.
- **Tuesday, September 13, 2016, 10:30 -11:30 a.m.**
This workshop will focus exclusively on the online application for Paratransit Program funding (for projects targeted towards seniors and people with disabilities). This workshop will provide an interactive overview of the online system, including how to create an account and submit an application.

Selection Process

Project sponsors will not be applying for a specific fund source through the 2018 CIP nomination process. Rather, Alameda CTC will evaluate submitted projects based on the Commission-approved CIP project selection criteria (project need and benefits, readiness, sustainability, matching funds and any fund source-specific criteria) and match successful candidate projects with the appropriate fund source(s). Only project applications that demonstrate the project or project phase can be implemented within the time period of fund availability and in accordance with the requirements of the identified fund source(s) will be recommended for funding.

Schedule

July 28, 2016	Approval of the 2016 CIP Update
September 1, 2016	2018 CIP call for project nominations opens
September 8, 2016	Application workshop for General 2018 CIP and OBAG 2 LSR application forms
September 13, 2016	Application workshop for Paratransit Program application form
October 31, 2016	2018 CIP applications due
Fall 2016 – Spring 2017	Alameda CTC develops 2018 CIP
Late Spring – Early Summer 2017	Alameda CTC adopts final 2018 CIP

Resources

Resources for the 2018 CIP call for project nominations, including a link to the online application can be accessed from the Alameda CTC's website at: http://www.alamedactc.org/app_pages/view/19025

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