



MAY 2018

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director's Report provides focused updates on Alameda CTC's work to improve transportation throughout Alameda County. This report provides status updates on key activities, including capital projects management and express lane operations; planning, policy and program implementation; finance and contracting; and programming and project controls. In addition, it contains brief summaries of advisory committee and agency activities.

This monthly update provides a synopsis of transportation project and program implementation funded with local, regional, state and federal funds.

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Project Updates Measure BB Capital Projects Delivery Plan update

In November 2014, the passage of Measure BB — Alameda County's third voter-approved local sales tax — provided the funding necessary to initiate many regionally significant projects throughout the county. In March 2016, after discussions with jurisdictions and considering factors such as deliverability, congestion relief and other project benefits, Alameda CTC identified 20 projects to be sponsored and implemented directly by Alameda CTC. Each project's regional significance and multi-jurisdictional characteristics were also factors in identifying priority projects within Alameda CTC's approved Capital Project Delivery Plan.

The past two years have yielded notable achievements including the approval of the East Bay Greenway's California Environmental Quality Act environmental document; the release of the SR-84 Widening and SR-84/I-680 Interchange Improvements draft environmental document; the award of the I-680 Express Lanes project for a construction contract of over \$100 million, which broke ground in April 2018; the approval of over \$60 million in regional, state and federal funding; and the approval of professional engineering service contracts in excess of \$70 million.

These early local investments have positioned Alameda CTC's projects to be competitive for external funding for future project phases such as design and construction. Alameda CTC was recently recommended to be awarded over \$187 million in funding from Senate Bill 1 to construct two projects for the Global Opportunities at the Port of Oakland Program: 7th Street Grade Separation (East) and Freight Intelligent Transportation System. Congestion relief, improved goods movement, improved safety and job growth are just some of the benefits these major capital investments will bring to the region.

For project updates, visit the **Projects** web page.



Alameda CTC Commissioner/Supervisor Scott Haggerty, Mayor Lily Mei of Fremont, Alameda CTC Chair/Supervisor Richard Valle, Caltrans District 4 Acting Director Jim Davis and Alameda CTC Executive Director Arthur L. Dao (l. to r.) at the I-680 Sunol Express Lanes groundbreaking.

Planning and Program Updates

Multimodal corridor projects

Alameda CTC has embarked on two high-priority multimodal corridor projects: the San Pablo Avenue Corridor Project and the East 14th Street/Mission and Fremont **Boulevard Multimodal Corridor** Project. Three countywide modal plans approved in 2016 and the AC Transit Major Corridors Study all identified these corridors as critical multijurisdictional arterials serving transit, goods movement, auto, bicycle and pedestrian needs.

In addition, significant local land use and transportation planning efforts and economic development initiatives have focused on these corridors, where major development is underway and anticipated for the future. The projects will identify and initiate the development process for short- and long-term implementable improvements for all modes of transportation.



San Pablo Avenue corridor in the City of Berkeley.

The San Pablo Avenue Corridor

Project is a two-county initiative, in partnership with the Contra Costa Transportation Authority and the West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee. It traverses four cities in Alameda County (Oakland, Emeryville, Berkeley and Albany) and three cities in Contra

Costa County (El Cerrito, Richmond and San Pablo). It provides northsouth connections for communities throughout the inner East Bay, paralleling I-80 as it connects multiple mixed-use neighborhoods and communities to job and activity centers.

The East 14th Street/Mission and Fremont Boulevard Corridor is

a critical interjurisdictional arterial that traverses five jurisdictions in Alameda County (San Leandro, Unincorporated Alameda County, Hayward, Union City and Fremont) generally running parallel to I-880. The surrounding transportation network includes a parallel BART line connecting to various regional destinations, two major Bay crossings (San Mateo and Dumbarton bridges), as well as major commute corridors to the Tri-Valley including Niles Canyon (SR-84) and the Sunol Grade (I-680).

Policy News

Alameda CTC Wins Office of **Traffic Safety Grant to Address Rail Safety**

In May 2018, the California Office of Traffic Safety awarded Alameda CTC's Safe Routes to Schools program a grant to deliver much-needed rail safety education and training to Alameda County students. Working in partnership with Operation Lifesaver (the only nationally-recognized rail safety education provider), K-12 students in central Alameda County will receive in-class training during the 2018-19 school year with the goals of reducing trespassing and distracted walking and bicycling along rail corridors, as well as pedestrian and bicyclist collisions and fatalities.

Annual reports released

In May 2018, Alameda CTC also released two annual reports:

The **2017 Annual Report** highlights key transportation



programs and projects funded by Measure B, Measure BB and Vehicle Registration Fees. The **I-680**

Southbound Express Lane FY2016-17 Annual Report

includes I-680 Southbound Express Lane milestones, corridor usage, toll rates data and financial information.

Programming Updates Lifeline Transportation Program

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) Lifeline Transportation Program (LTP) provides funding for projects that improve mobility for the region's low-income communities. In January 2018, MTC released the Cycle 5 LTP Guidelines and an estimate of \$4.8 million for eligible transit operations in Alameda County from a mix of State Transit Assistance and Federal Transit Administration Section 5307 funding.

Alameda CTC received a cumulative request for funding totaling \$8.6 million. The applications were scored by a review panel in accordance with MTC's Cycle 5 LTP Guidelines geared toward addressing the mobility needs of low-income residents. Projects typically funded through the Lifeline program include fixed-route transit, transit stop improvements, youth and senior transportation, community shuttles

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and mobility management activities. A final program recommendation of \$4.8 million awarded to various Alameda County transit operators is being considered by the Commission this May, and once approved will be forwarded to MTC.

Paratransit Discretionary Program Guidelines

Alameda CTC finalized the Paratransit Discretionary Program Guidelines for the upcoming call for projects. The paratransit funds are awarded through a competitive process to programs that address needs beyond Americans with Disabilities Act-mandated paratransit or city-based programs. These funds are designed to complement local Measure B and Measure BB funding dedicated to more traditional tripprovision services (e.g., taxi subsidies, door-to-door services, etc.).

In April, the Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee (PAPCO) provided guidance on paratransit investments. PAPCO prioritized mobility management types of activities that improve consumers' ability to access services and/or improve coordination between programs. Mobility management activities enhance people's travel options and access to services, promote awareness and education, effectively communicate information to the public, improve coordination and partnerships to fill gaps in service and meet mobility needs cost effectively and efficiently.

Alameda CTC will accept applications in fall 2018 for Paratransit Discretionary Grant Program funds for a five-year programming window, FY2019-20 through FY2023-24.

Finance Updates

FY2018-19 annual budget approval

During April, the Commission approved a budget update for FY2017-18, which updated fund balances based on prior-year audited financial statements and reflected changes in needs since the original budget was adopted and the I-580 Express Lanes 20-Year Expenditure Plan. Also, the finance team continued budget development work for FY2018-19. Staff is accumulating expenditure needs and identifying funding sources for the upcoming fiscal year. The proposed FY2018-19 budget is before the Commission for approval in May.

On March 30, Alameda CTC hosted a successful, well-attended Business Opportunities and Networking Event in Hayward for firms in Alameda County. Alameda CTC Chair Richard Valle kicked off the event.

Alameda CTC shared contracting opportunity information regarding upcoming projects, programs and other activities, provided information related to the agency's updated Local Business Contract Equity Program and provided a networking opportunity for firms to connect with each other and agency staff.

Contracting opportunities

Alameda CTC or its sponsor agencies anticipate upcoming solicitation of statements of qualifications, bids and/ or proposals for the following:

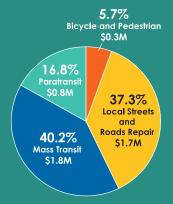
- Professional services contracts related to:
 - Express Lane System Manager/ Program Support
 - o Toll Lanes System Integrator Services for I-580 Express Lanes

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Transportation Investments

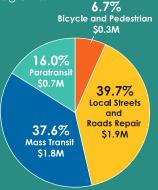
Measure BB Program Distributions

Measure BB direct local distributions began in April 2015 and total over \$207.4 million; \$4.6 million was distributed in February 2018.



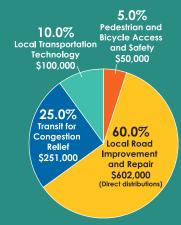
Measure B Program Distributions

Measure B direct local distributions have totaled more than \$976.5 million since 2002. In February 2018, over \$4.7 million was distributed for four programs.



Vehicle Registration Fee

Since 2011, Alameda CTC has distributed nearly \$48.2 million for local road repair; over \$1.0 million was collected in February 2018.



Agency Activities



In May, Alameda CTC is scheduled to participate in the following events:

in Berkeley during a BikeMobile visit.

- BikeMobile events and school visits:
 - o May 1 Granada High, Livermore
 - o May 2 Bret Harte Middle, Hayward
 - May 3 Rosa Parks, Berkeley
 - o May 4 Kennedy Elementary, Newark
 - May 5 Malcolm X Springfest, Berkeley
 - o May 8 Park Elementary, Hayward
 - May 9 Dayton Elementary, San Lorenzo
 - May 10 Castro Valley High, Castro Valley
 - o May 11 Achieve Academy, Oakland
 - May 12 Alameda Bike Fest at Ruby Bridges Elementary, Alameda
 - May 15 Joseph Azevado Elementary, Fremont
 - o May 17 Kolb Elementary, Dublin
 - May 20 Livermore Wine Country Street Festival, Livermore
 - o May 23 Dublin High, Dublin
 - May 26 Martin Luther King, Jr. Civic Center Park, Berkeley
 - May 30 Party at the Park, Cesar Chavez Park, Oakland
- May 2 Older Americans Month Celebration, Oakland
- May 3 Senior Health and Wellness Resource Fair, Castro Valley Senior Center
- May 9 Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce's 2020 Forum, Pleasanton
- May 10 Dedication of Peladeau Park, Emeryville
- May 12 Age Friendly Health Expo, Fremont
- May 16-18 WTS Annual Conference, San Diego, CA
- May 25 United Seniors of Alameda County Annual Convention, Oakland
- May 30 Tri-Valley Council
 Transportation Roundtable, Dublin

Other News

Alameda CTC projects receive \$187.4 M in SB 1 grant funding

Through two Senate Bill 1 competitive grant programs, several projects proposed by Alameda CTC and partners that are in the Alameda County Rail Strategy were recently awarded funding. The rail strategy was developed in 2017 to establish an overarching freight and passenger rail approach that supports freight and passenger rail efficiencies and reduces impacts on local communities.

On May 16, 2018, the California **Transportation Commission** unanimously approved the following awards from the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program: \$175 million will fund the 7th Street Grade Separation Project (East) sponsored by Alameda CTC, the California Department of Transportation and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC); and \$12.4 million will fund the Freight Intelligent Transportation System sponsored by Alameda CTC and MTC (see the **press release**). In addition, \$4.2 million will fund the Quiet Zone Safety Engineering Measures project sponsored by the City of Emeryville.

The 7th Street Grade Separation project, which will replace an existing railroad underpass between I-880 and Maritime Street to increase clearance for trucks and improve a shared pedestrian/bicycle pathway, also received \$7.9 million in Senate Bill 1 Local Partnership Program formulaic funding in March 2018.

Through the Senate Bill 1 Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program, the California State Transportation Agency awarded the Capitol Corridor Joint Powers Authority \$80 million for the Northern California Corridor Enhancement Program that will evaluate opportunities to increase ridership and speeds between Oakland and San Jose and address rail connectivity needs in Alameda County.

Committee Activities

Advisory committees

May advisory committee highlights include the following:

May 10 – The Alameda County
Technical Advisory Committee
(ACTAC) approved the Lifeline
Transportation Program Cycle 5
project list. ACTAC members also
received updates on the Local Business
Equity Program, the Project Initiation
Document Work Plan and Senate Bill 1,
and preliminary results for the 2018
Level of Service Monitoring Study.

May 21 – The Paratransit Advisory and Planning Committee (PAPCO) approved the FY2018-19 Paratransit Direct Local Distribution Program Plans recommendation. PAPCO members received presentations on the Community Resources for Independent Living Accessible Van Share Program and the 2018 Comprehensive Investment Plan Paratransit Program as well as reports from the East Bay Paratransit Program, Independent Watchdog Committee and other American Disabilities Act and transit advisory committees.

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- Express Lane Toll
 Revenue Forecasting
- o 27th Street Complete Streets
- o East 12th Street Bikeway
- Construction Contracts:
 - Berkeley Southside Pilot Transit Lanes
 - o Rapid Bus Corridor Upgrades
 - o East 12th Street Bikeway

For more information, visit the Contracting Opportunities web page.