

August 1, 2007

South Coast Measure D Renewal Policy Development Committee

Agenda Item #3.B.ii.

State Proposition 1B

At the July 11 committee meeting, a concern was expressed that some members of the public are under the impression that the passage of Proposition 1B last November would result in adequate funding for the region’s major transportation projects, such as the Highway 101 6 lane widening on the South Coast, and therefore the renewal of Measure D was not necessary. The committee asked SBCAG staff to explain what funding could be expected from Proposition 1B for Santa Barbara County.

At \$19.9 billion, Proposition 1B—the Highway Safety, Traffic Reduction, Air Quality and Port Security Fund of 2006--was the largest of the four bond propositions that comprised the Governor’s \$37 billion infrastructure package on the ballot last fall. SBCAG staff has provided the committee with a primer on the bond’s sub-programs on the attached pages. Important points to take away from this information about Prop 1B are:

- * Nearly all of the funding from Prop 1B that could be used for regional transportation projects which benefit Santa Barbara County has already been allocated by the California Transportation Commission, SBCAG board and Caltrans. Projects receiving funding are:

Facility	Segment	Purpose	Phase	Amount	Prop 1B Program
Hwy 101	Milpas\Cabrillo Hot Springs Project	Widening\operational improvements	Construction – close shortfall	\$7.9 mil.	STIP Augmentation
Hwy 101	Carp Creek Bridge – Sycamore Creek Bridge	Widen from 4 to 6 lanes	Prelim Eng	\$9.45 mil.	STIP Augmentation
Hwy 101	Santa Maria River Bridge	Widen from 4 to 6 lanes	Final design	\$2.1 mil. (includes SLO Co. & Caltrans share)	STIP Augmentation
Hwy 101	Linden Ave\Casitas Pass Interchanges	Reconstruct interchanges & close Via Real Frontage Road gap	Construction	\$29.2 mil.	STIP Augmentation & non-Prop 1B STIP funds
Hwy 101	Hollister\Cathedral Oaks Interchange	Reconstruct Interchange & UPRR Bridge	ROW	\$.06 mil.	STIP Augmentation
Hwy 101	Carrillo St. Northbound On-ramp	Reconstruct ramp\add ramp meter	Construction	\$1.3 mil.	STIP Augmentation
Hwy 101	Mussel Shoals (Ventura Co.) to Casitas Pass Road (Carpinteria)	Widen from 4 to 6 lanes	Eng., Env., Construction	\$151.5 mil. (includes Ventura Co. share)	CMIA & STIP Augmentation
UPRR - Amtrak	Siding upgrade and extension	North Santa Barbara County	Eng., Env., Construction	\$11.45 mil.	Caltrans Intercity Rail
UPRR - Amtrak	Sidings in Santa Barbara & Ventura Counties	Between Moorpark & SB	Env., Eng.	\$6.87 mil.	Caltrans Intercity Rail

- * The South Coast 101 widening has definitely received a positive boost from the current Measure D program and Prop 1B. A 6 mile widening on the south end of the corridor that will start construction in 2011 is fully funded from Prop 1B. Measure D and state gas taxes are funding the most challenging 1 mile segment on the north end, in downtown Santa Barbara. It will begin construction in 2008. So the 16 mile 4 lane section will be reduced to approximately 10 miles between Carpinteria and Santa Barbara. Preliminary engineering for that 10 mile gap will begin using Prop 1B funds this month. These two projects move the 101 widening from a hoped-for project to something we can accomplish in the near term if Measure D 2008 passes and we can leverage state and federal funds to close the \$425 million funding shortfall for the 10 mile gap.
- * The \$1.0 billion State-Local Partnership program was included in the bond to provide a leveraging opportunity to counties with transportation sales tax programs and encourage the passage of transportation sales taxes. If Measure D 2008 doesn't pass, we will lose this opportunity.
- * Our cities and the County will receive approximately \$5.0 mil. from Prop 1B to provide a match to federal funds used for bridge rehabilitations. Cities and transit agencies will also receive a "lump sum" allocation of funding from Prop 1B, distributed according to formula, for projects of their choosing. The distribution is expected to be spread over 3-4 years. Our estimate is:

Local Streets & Roads (to local agencies)	\$22.0 million
Transit Agency Improvements (to transit agencies).	\$26.0 million

- * The total amount of Prop 1B funding received in the county, for regional projects and local formula programs, is approximately \$279 million (including the \$151.5 million for the Mussel Shoals (Ventura) to Casitas Pass Road (Carpinteria) 6 lane widening project). This \$279 million represents 1.4% of the \$19.9 billion program; interestingly, Santa Barbara County is about 1.4% of the State's population.
- * Prop 1B is one-time funding. We still have an estimated transportation funding shortfall of about \$2.0 billion countywide over the next 30 years.

PROPOSITION 1B SUMMARY
\$19.9 Bil. State Transportation Bond Passed by Voters on November 7, 2006
Prepared by SBCAG Staff – July 26, 2007

Funding (x\$100,000)	Program	Purpose	How Allocated	Funding for Projects in Santa Barbara County
\$4,500	Corridor Mobility Improvement Account	To relieve congestion by expanding capacity, enhancing operations, and improving travel times in high congestion corridors.	<p>California Transportation Commission (CTC) developed and adopted guidelines and allocated funds after reviewing project nominations submitted by Caltrans and regional agencies. CTC awarded all funds for this program on February 28, 2007.</p> <p>All projects nominated must be in a regional transportation plan.</p> <p>Projects must meet all of the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Is nominated by Caltrans and the regional agency OR there is a commitment of supplemental funds to the project from state, local federal sources to fully fund the project. 2. Can commence construction or implementation no later than Dec. 31, 2012 3. Improves mobility in high congestion corridors by improving travel times or reducing the number of daily vehicle hours of delay, improves connectivity of the state highway system between rural, urban, suburban areas, or improves operation or safety of a highway road or segment. 4. Improves access to jobs, housing, markets, and commerce. <p>Geographic balance will be achieved by the CTC allocating 60% of funds to south county projects, 40% to north county projects (S.B. is a south county).</p>	SBCAG received \$131.5 million to widen Highway 101 to 6 lanes from Mussel Shoals (Ventura County) to Casitas Pass Road (Carpinteria)
\$1,000	State Route 99 Corridor	Safety, operational enhancements, rehabilitation, or capacity improvements along the 400 mile Route 99 corridor	Available to Caltrans	Not applicable to Santa Barbara County
\$3,100	Ports, Infrastructure, Security and Air Quality			
	\$2,000 to Trade Corridors Improvement Fund	Improvements to federally designated trade corridors of national significance	CTC to allocate to projects after considering trade infrastructure and goods movement plans that have been adopted by state and regional agencies	TBD: Targeted to rail and highway lines in/out of Southern California ports and the border region.
	\$1,000 to reduce emissions and improve air quality	Emissions reductions from activities related to the movement of freight long trade corridors	Funds to be allocated by state Air Resources Board to reduce emissions in California's trade corridors	TBD: APCD & SBCAG are monitoring program developments
	\$100	Port, Harbor & Ferry Terminal Security	Available to the Office of Emergency services to be allocated as grants for port, harbor, and ferry terminal security improvements.	City of Santa Barbara could compete for grants

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\$200	School Bus Retrofit and Replacement for Air Quality	Reduce children's exposure to emissions	(No agency is identified to select projects —will need follow -up legislation)	TBD: APCD is monitoring program developments
\$2,000	State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Augmentation	Highway and capital transit projects	75% of funds distributed to regional agencies for project selection, 25% to Caltrans per the STIP statutory formula; concurrence required by the CTC on project selection.	SBCAG's formula share was \$16.2 million and it, along with \$29 million in other non-Prop 1B STIP funds received by formula were programmed by the SBCAG board on March 15, 2007 to Highway 101 South Coast projects, except for \$386k for the Hwy 101 Santa Maria River Bridge ; Caltrans also programmed \$19.9 million to the Mussel Shoals\Casitas Pass 6 lane project for engineering support costs and \$1.3 million to the Santa Maria River Bridge for final design. CTC concurred on all of the above on June 7, 2007.
\$4,000	Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement and Service Enhancement	For rehabilitation, safety, modernization, capital service enhancement or expansion, new capital projects, bus rapid transit improvements, or rolling stock procurement, rehabilitation or replacement		
	\$400	Caltrans Intercity Rail Improvement	Available to Caltrans for intercity rail projects, of which \$125 million shall be used for the procurement of intercity rail cars and locomotives	\$6.87 million for prelim eng. for rail siding between SB and Ventura; \$11.45 mil. for rail siding eng. & const. in North County.
	\$3,600	Transit Agency Improvements	50% of the funds shall be distributed by the controller to transit agencies based on farebox returns, 50% to transit agencies based on population (same method used to distribute STA funds).	SBCAG region expected to receive approx. \$20.5 mil. based on population and \$5.6 mil. based on farebox revenue. S.C.\MTD\$15,200,000 SMAT \$6,600,000 COLT \$3,100,000 S.Y.\Cuy. \$1,200,000
\$1,000	State Local Partnership Program	Primarily a matching program for agencies with transportation sales tax programs, though other sources may be used as a match.	CTC to allocate over 5 years. Dollar for dollar match with local funds to eligible projects nominated by applicant transportation agencies. No criteria set at this time for how matching funds allocated. This program will require legislation to determine matching criteria.	If Measure D is renewed, would be a leveraging opportunity.

Funding (x\$100,000)	Program	Purpose	How Allocated	Funding for Projects in Santa Barbara County
\$1,000	Transit System Safety, Security & Disaster Response Account	Transit safety and disaster preparedness	Allocation process to be determined by legislative statutes for capital projects that provide increased protection against a security and safety threat, and to develop a disaster response transportation system that can move people, goods, emergency personnel and equipment after a disaster.	TBD
\$125	Local Seismic Retrofit Program	Directed at the 497 local bridges still to be seismically retrofitted	Provides the 11.5% match for federal bridge funding available for bridge repairs	There are approx. 10 bridges in S.B. county that will receive funding.
\$250	Highway-Railroad Crossing Safety	High priority grade separations and railroad crossing safety improvements	Available to Caltrans. A dollar for dollar non-state match is required.	Funding unlikely for SB County; funds to be directed to grade separations in counties with tracks that connect to ports of LA\Long Beach resulting in excessive delays for motorists due to high train frequency
\$750	Highway Safety, Rehabilitation and Preservation		Caltrans administers program and the CTC allocates funds.	
	\$500	Augment Caltrans' maintenance and operations program (SHOPP)	Caltrans will likely select projects through SHOPP prioritization process.	Funds will be directed at Intelligent Transportation System Improvements & Rehab, primarily in major urban counties.
	\$250	Traffic light synchronization and other tech-based projects to improve safety, operations and effective capacity of local streets	Unknown how funds will be distributed. Caltrans charged with program development.	Cities should update synchronization plans in anticipation of a statewide competitive application process.
\$2,000	Local Streets and Roads	For roadway maintenance and rehabilitation, traffic safety, and congestion relief	Appropriated by the state Controller. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$1 bil. or 50% to counties. 75% based on vehicles registered in the county, 25% based on % of the county road miles in the state versus S.B. county • \$1 bil. or 50% to cities based on population relative to city population in the state (\$400k minimum) 	\$12.4 (est.) to County of Santa Barbara; \$9.7 million(est.) to cities in Santa Barbara County County \$12,400,139 Buellton \$400,000 Car. \$460,149 Goleta \$984,442 Guad. \$400,000 Lompoc \$1,357,984 S.B. \$2,904,584 S.M. \$2,849,232 Solvang \$400,000
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