

STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: Programming of LSTP Funds for Fiscal Year 2005/06

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve an FTIP Amendment to:

- 1) Program LSTP funds to local jurisdictions for fiscal year 2005/06.
- 2) Program LSTP funds to the cities of Santa Maria and Santa Barbara in the amount of \$514,000 and \$697,000, respectively, to allow them to invoice for unclaimed funds in FY 97/98 and 98/99.

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DISCUSSION:

Under TEA 21, SBCAG receives annual apportionments of Surface Transportation Program funds of approximately \$4.0 per year. State law (Streets and Highways Code Section 182.6) requires that a portion of the STP funding be apportioned to the urbanized and non-urbanized areas within the county according to a formula included in statute. These "Local STP" apportionments totaling about \$1.9 million are taken off the top of SBCAG's STP apportionment and distributed to each jurisdiction according to its urbanized/non-urbanized area population. The remaining Regional STP apportionments are usually programmed through a competitive process by SBCAG.

Local STP projects are selected by each agency up to their Local STP apportionment amount and programmed by SBCAG in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program. The Local STP apportionments are exchanged annually by SBCAG for state gas tax funds. Payments to local agencies of Local STP amounts are made after an exchange agreement has been executed by SBCAG and Caltrans. The County of Santa Barbara has elected to claim non-urbanized area funds directly from the State. Because the cities of Buellton, Guadalupe and Solvang are designated as non-urbanized areas by statute, the County also claims the apportionment for those jurisdictions and passes it through to them. STP exchange funds are taken from state gas taxes and are, therefore, limited to use on projects specified in Article XIX of the State Constitution. Since exchange funds are non-federal, they may be used to match federally funded projects.

As a way of putting as much unclaimed and unprogrammed funding as possible in the hands of local agencies during a time of financial hardship, SBCAG staff conducted a reconciliation of the Surface Transportation Program (STP). The invoicing status of every Regional STP and Local STP project programmed since 1992 was reviewed and the amount of STP funds exchanged by SBCAG was verified and checked against programming liabilities. SBCAG staff determined that in fiscal years 1997/98 and 1998/99, the agency did receive STP exchange funds from the State

Member Agencies

Buellton ■ Carpinteria ■ Goleta ■ Guadalupe ■ Lompoc ■ Santa Barbara ■ Santa Maria ■ Solvang ■ Santa Barbara County

but the cities of Santa Barbara and Santa Maria never invoiced SBCAG for their Local STP funds for those years. The reconciliation showed that, in those years, all other agencies invoiced for Local STP funding except for those two cities. SBCAG staff recommends programming Local STP in the amount that would have been apportioned in those years, estimated to be \$514,000 for Santa Maria and \$697,000 for Santa Barbara. Programming the funds in the FTIP is required in order for the agencies to claim the funds.

RECOMMENDATION

The chart at the bottom of the staff report summarizes the amount of Local STP funding that SBCAG staff recommends be programmed to each agency in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program for fiscal year 2005/06 and, to the cities of Santa Maria and Santa Barbara for fiscal years 97/98 and 98/99.

Jurisdiction	FY 05/06 LSTP Apportionment
Carpinteria	\$ 54,926
Goleta	\$ 117,508
Lompoc	\$ 172,463
Santa Barbara	\$ 346,707
Santa Maria	\$ 277,374
County (Lompoc Urbanized Area) Claim from SBCAG	\$ 71,801
County (Santa Maria Urbanized Area) Claim from SBCAG	\$ 106,730
County (Santa Barbara Urbanized Area) Claim from SBCAG	\$ 267,130
County (Non-Urbanized Area) Claim from State	\$ 218,215
County (Buellton Non-Urbanized Area) Claim from State	\$ 67,090
County (Guadalupe Non-Urbanized Area) Claim from State	\$ 92,794
County (Solvang Non Urbanized Area) Claim from State	\$ 80,016
TOTAL	\$ 1,872,755

Jurisdiction -- Project	Unclaimed FY 97/98 & 98/99 LSTP Apportionment
Santa Maria – Various Locations	\$ 513,980
Santa Barbara -- Design and construction of sidewalk, bicycle, and other improvement projects as identified by city	\$ 696,606
TOTAL	\$ 1,210,586

FY 2005/06 Local STP Apportionments

Table B1

AREA	AGENCY	ANNUAL APPORTIONMENT (AREA)	Unincorporated Area Pop. Distribution ³	January 1, 2005 Dept. of Finance			
				POPULATION	POPULATION PERCENTAGE	ANNUAL APPORTIONMENT ² (AGENCY)	
Lompoc Urbanized Area	<i>Lompoc Urbanized Area Total</i>	\$ 244,264	12.92%	59,939	70.6%	\$172,463	
	Lompoc City			42,320	29.4%		\$71,801
Santa Maria Urbanized Area	<i>Santa Maria Urbanized Area Total</i>	\$ 384,104	25.06%	122,959	72.2%	\$277,374	
	Santa Maria City			88,793	27.8%		\$106,730
Santa Barbara Urbanized Area	<i>Santa Barbara Urbanized Area Total</i>	\$ 786,272	51.16%	205,279	44.1%	\$346,707	
	Santa Barbara City			90,518	7.0%		\$54,926
	Carpinteria City			14,340	14.9%		\$117,508
	Goleta City			30,679	34.0%		\$267,130
Santa Barbara County Non-Urbanized Areas	<i>Non-Urbanized Area Total</i>	\$ 458,115	10.86%	31,083	47.6%	\$218,215	
	County			14,806	14.6%		\$67,090
	Buellton City			4,552	17.5%		\$80,016
	Solvang City			5,429	20.3%		\$92,794
	Guadalupe City			6,296			

Footnotes:

¹The 2005 population estimates for the cities and urbanized areas are based Dept. of Finance estimate of January 1, 2005, released May 2005

²The annual apportionments shown in this column could be used for programming projects in the 2005 FTIP for FY 05-06

³ Because DOF provides only an estimate of total unincorp. population, and not a breakout by urbanized area, 2000 census unincorporated population percentages are applied to this table.

Other notes:

The Lompoc Urbanized Area includes Vandenberg AFB.

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Table B2 - Funds Claimed from SBCAG vs. State

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Carpinteria	SBCAG	\$ 54,926
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