

REPORT TO SHASTA COUNTY RTPA

SUBJECT	MEETING DATE	ITEM NUMBER
Conduct Public Hearing and Consider Adoption of the 2006/07 Overall Work Program (OWP)	04/25/06	5

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Agency:

- 1) Hold a public hearing to take testimony on the proposed 2006/07 Overall Work Program (OWP);
- 2) Authorize the Chairman to sign the Certifications and Assurances for Federal Transit Administration (FTA) assistance programs;
- 3) Authorize the Executive Officer to make minor non-financial administrative changes to the 2006/07 Overall Work Program as needed;
- 4) Adopt Resolution No. 06-05, certifying compliance with Federal Joint Urban Transportation Planning regulations; and
- 5) Adopt the 2006/07 Overall Work Program.

SUMMARY

The 2006/07 Overall Work Program is required for Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO) to receive state and federal planning funds. The OWP has been developed in cooperation with the cities, RABA, Caltrans, and Shasta County. The OWP incorporates all comments received from the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), FTA, Caltrans District 2, and Caltrans Headquarters. Adoption of the OWP requires certifications that work is performed consistent with federal requirements (OWP page 63).

DISCUSSION

State and federal regulations governing the metropolitan transportation planning process require the development of an annual budget by each (MPO) called the Overall Work Program (OWP). The OWP defines the tasks to be accomplished, the type and amount of funding, and the participants in the transportation planning process. The 2006/07 OWP has been prepared after receiving and incorporating input from the cities, county, RABA, and Caltrans. The 2006/07 OWP has been reviewed by the funding agencies, which include the FHWA, FTA, and Caltrans. Funding Agency comments and responses have been included in the final draft. Federal law requires that the OWP also contain compliance certifications including one stating that none of the funds received are used for lobbying purposes.

The 2006/07 OWP includes funding to prepare, monitor, and implement all planning documents and processes required to receive state and federal funds. This includes the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP), bike and aviation plans, unmet transit needs, and the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). This OWP includes funds to comply with the Air Quality Conformity rules that go into effect if Shasta County is designated a federal non-attainment area. Updating the 2003 Public Involvement Plan is also incorporated into this budget.

These processes and plans are considered the "core" or basic functions of the RTPA. Agency staff, under the direction of the Executive Officer, is responsible for carrying out these functions. Other local agencies participate as stakeholders by attending meetings, providing data, and commenting on the work prepared by staff. These core functions are funded 100% from Federal Planning funds and Transportation Development Act (TDA) resources.

Non-core requests from local agencies are funded in accordance with the Agency's adopted Policy 5-1. This policy determines priorities if requests exceed funding. The policy addresses how competing projects are evaluated, accountability measures, and required deliverables.

The OWP includes several special projects using carry-over funding: Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) review, GIS development, Blueprint Planning effort, State Traffic Impact Fee (TIF)/Interchange studies, South County region TIF/Interchange studies, GIS mapping for City of Shasta Lake, traffic signal analysis, and the I-5 coordinated planning effort. A number of these projects will be produced with consultant assistance.

Total funding for the Work Program is \$1,246,361. A breakdown of the funding is presented in the following table:

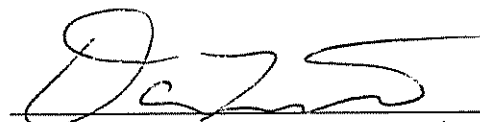
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	FHWA PL	TDA	FTA	INKIND/RES	TOTAL	CONSULTANT	F.ASSETS/ EXPENSES
RTPA	\$ 543,893	\$ 265,140	n/a	\$ 0	\$ 809,033	\$ 221,500	\$ 74,500
County	\$ 53,771	\$ 5,327	n/a	\$ 1,639	\$ 60,737	\$ 0	\$ 25,000
Redding	\$ 174,028	\$ 5,338	n/a	\$ 17,209	\$ 196,575	\$ 62,500	\$ 14,500
Shasta Lake	\$ 26,395	\$ 284	n/a	\$ 3,135	\$ 29,815	\$ 20,000	\$ 0
Anderson	\$ 12,686	\$ 1,255	N/a	\$ 388	\$ 14,330	\$ 0	\$ 0
RABA	\$ 44,265	\$ 5,735	\$ 76,022	\$ 9,849	\$ 135,871	\$ 50,000	\$ 23,250
TOTALS	\$ 855,038	\$ 283,079	\$ 76,022	\$ 32,222	\$ 1,246,361	\$ 354,000	\$ 137,250

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT

Funding agencies are the FHWA, FTA, and Caltrans. Participating agencies are the cities of Anderson, Redding, and Shasta Lake, Redding Area Bus Authority and Shasta County. This item was presented at the TAC meeting of April 11, 2006. TAC recommends approval of the OWP.

FINANCING

Total funding for the OWP is \$1,246,361. This amount is made up of \$855,038 in FHWA funds, \$283,079 in TDA funds, \$76,022 in FTA funds, and \$32,222 in "in-kind" local match. Section III of the OWP contains a financial summary.



Daniel S. Little, Executive Officer

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Attachment: A) Resolution No. 06-05 Adopting the 2006/07 OWP
 B) Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Email
 C) Caltrans District 2 Letter
 D) Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Email
 E) 2006/07 Overall Work Program (OWP)

RESOLUTION NO. 06-05

ADOPTING THE 2006/07 OVERALL WORK PROGRAM AND CERTIFYING COMPLIANCE
WITH FEDERAL JOINT URBAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and Federal Transit Administration (FTA), as a condition to the allocation of federal transportation planning funds, require each metropolitan planning organization (MPO) to annually develop a comprehensive Overall Work Program (OWP) as a planning, programming and budgeting tool for the coming fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the joint urban transportation planning regulations require each MPO to certify that it's planning process is being carried out in conformance with the following federal rules and regulations:

- I. 23 U.S.C. 134 and 135, 49 U.S.C. 5303 through 5306 and 5323(1);
- II. Sections 174 and 176 (c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506 (c) and (d)) (Note - only for Metropolitan Planning Organizations with non-attainment and/or maintenance areas within the metropolitan planning area boundary);
- III. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Title VI Assurance executed by California under 23 U.S.C. 324 and 29 U.S.C. 794;
- IV. Section 1101(b) of the Transportation Equity Act for the 21st Century (Pub. L. 105178 112 Stat. 107) regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in the FHWA and FTA funded projects (FR Vol. 64 No. 21, 49 CFR part 26); and,
- V. The provision of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-336, 104 Stat 327, as amended) and the U.S. DOT implementing regulations (49 CFR 27, 37 and 38).

WHEREAS, the draft Overall Work Program has been reviewed and is found to conform to the above federal planning regulations and to reflect the priorities, scope of work, and level of effort desired for regional transportation planning for fiscal year 2006/07; and

WHEREAS, the draft Overall Work Program was submitted to state and federal funding agencies for review, comments, and recommendation; and

WHEREAS, comments and recommendations of funding agencies and the Intermodal Planning Group have been received and incorporated into the final Overall Work Program draft.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Overall Work Program for 2006/07 is approved and adopted.

FURTHER, BE IT RESOLVED that Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency certifies that the transportation planning process is being carried out in conformance with all applicable federal requirements.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 25th day of April, 2006, by the Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency.

Glenn Hawes, Chairman
Shasta County Regional
Transportation Planning Agency

Sue Crowe

From: Thomas L. Hays
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2006 9:03 AM
To: Sue Crowe; Dan Little
Subject: FW: OWP Comments

FYI Dan and Sue, looks like we have some revisions to do in the OWP based on Paul's comments below in order to access some new money (5316?). Dan you might consider sending Paul an E Mail to let him know you are in charge.

Thomas

-----Original Message-----

From: Page, Paul (TRO-09) [mailto:Paul.Page@fta.dot.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, March 28, 2006 8:56 AM
To: Dan J. Kovacich; Thomas L. Hays
Subject: RE: OWP Comments

Hi Dan:

My main comment at this point is to discuss how the OWP will meet new SAFETELU requirements. In this fiscal year, the "JARC" program will have funding available as the 5316 program. This means that in 2006 the State and other urban area designated recipients will need to: 1) conduct a competition for projects, 2) create a "JARC" plan or a Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan, and 3) award grants. All of this work doesn't have to happen this year, but grants won't be awardable this year without completion of items 1 and 2. The open question is who will be assigned the responsibility of doing a competition and plan within Shasta County. Up to ten (10) percent of that money may be used for administrative costs, such as developing a coordinated plan. California will be receiving \$2,875,082 in JARC 2006 for small urban areas, and which will also need to be competitively awarded to rural grantees, at least one of whom is in Shasta County. Another \$1,392,047 is available for rural areas of population less than 50,000.

In 2007, FTA Sections 5310, 5311, 5316 and 5317 will require that projects be developed from a locally-derived Coordinated Transportation Plan created by or on behalf of designated recipients. The 2007 draft OWP seems to be quiet on the question of how this will be met. This question has to be initially raised in this year's OWP since by the time of the next draft OWP for 2007-8, the Coordinated Plan should already be well-developed.

SAFETELU also has a new program for tribal areas, which may include funding in Shasta County, and for Growing/High Density States. It would be interesting to discuss how the State may handle these programs.

Thanks, Paul.

From: Thomas L. Hays [mailto:thays@co.shasta.ca.us]
Sent: Wednesday, February 22, 2006 12:50 PM
To: Page, Paul (TRO-09)
Subject: RE: IPG and Coordinated Transportation

Hi Paul, your timing is great, we are just wrapping up the draft OWP and have generated tasks for this PEA but needed a better understanding of this item of what is really involved, your attachment helps points the way and a discussion on this at the IPG will help as well.

Nice to hear from you,

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Senior Planner

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March 22, 2006

Mr. Daniel S. Little, Executive Officer
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Dear Mr. Little:

We are in receipt of the Draft FY 2006/07 Shasta County Regional Transportation Planning Agency (SCRTPA) Overall Work Program (OWP) and have circulated the document to various Department of Transportation (Department) units. Several reviewers complimented SCRTPA on its professional presentation of planning efforts. The following is a compilation of the recommended and suggested modifications for the Draft FY 2006/07 OWP.

Recommended Comment:

Page 43, Work Element 706 – Preparation and Administration of the RTIP and FTIP, please note that Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) PL funds (and other Federal funds in general) cannot be used to pay dues for an organization that is “substantially engaged in lobbying.” The FHWA has ruled that FHWA PL funds cannot be used to pay dues to CalCOG (task 706.05).

Suggested Comments:

Page 16, Transportation Issues – SCRTPA is commended for its discussion of land use planning and its effect on transportation needs, the need for enhanced public transit facilities, and the need for non-motorized transportation options. It is suggested that third bullet on page 16 be modified as follows: “Bicycle and pedestrian facilities need to be improved as funding becomes available in order to *provide infrastructure for and* encourage use of non-motorized modes.”

Page 16, Transportation Issues – Aeronautics staff also appreciated the discussion regarding the role of land use planning and the statement that “Encroachment from incompatible land uses around airports is the single most important issue in aviation transportation planning.”

Page 41, Work Element 705 – Aviation, the Division of Aeronautics was pleased to learn that the County will continue to attend both the Airport Land Use Commission Meetings as well as the Regional Transportation Planning Working Group meetings. Please see the Division’s web site at www.dot.ca.gov/aeronautics for contact information and Division resources such as the Airport Land Use Handbook, Economic Study, and Systems Requirement, and the new Policy element of the California Aviation System Plan (CASP).

Mr. Daniel S. Little
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The SCRTPA is also commended for its public outreach efforts through working group committees, incorporation of native American tribal plans and representatives in planning processes, and transportation plans, and dissemination of the SCRTPA newsletter, the *Transporter*. Additionally, the SCRTPA is acknowledged for identifying which Work Elements incorporate the 2006/07 Federal and California Specific Planning Emphasis Areas.

This concludes the Department's comments for the SCRTPA 2006/07 OWP. Upon SCRTPA approval, please provide signed copies of the FHWA and Federal Transit Assistance Certifications and Assurances with submittal of the Final OWP. Please provide one electronic version and four hard copies of the final, approved document. When the FY 2006/07 OWP has been approved, the OWP Agreement will be provided for signature and approval.

If you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please contact Debbie Ginn, at (530) 225-4671.

Sincerely,

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From: Sosa, Mayela [Mayela.Sosa@fhwa.dot.gov]
Sent: Friday, March 31, 2006 11:39 AM
To: Dan J. Kovacich
Cc: Page, Paul <FTA>; Debbie Ginn (E-mail); Sue Crowe
Subject: Shasta Draft 06-07 OWP--FHWA Comments



SAFETEA-LU
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Dan:

I have completed my review of the subject document. Below are my comments:

- * Thank you for addressing the national and state planning emphasis areas and cross referencing the work elements that relate to each.
- * In general, I did not see any reference to SAFETEA-LU, nor any activities that will be undertaken to meet the new SAFETEA-LU planning provisions. I recommend you review the new planning provisions to determine what additional planning activities you will need to undertake in 06-07 and incorporate these activities into your OWP where appropriate. For your information, I have attached the guidance we have issued on the new SAFETEA-LU planning provisions.

Having no other comments, I look forward to our meeting next Tuesday.

Thank you.
Mayela

<<SAFETEA-LU Planning, AQ, Env of 2 Sep 2005 Interim Guidance.pdf>>

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