

STAFF REPORT



MEETING DATE:	6/26/12
SUBJECT:	Adopt the 2013 Shasta County Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)
AGENDA ITEM:	7
STAFF CONTACT:	Anne Jensen

SUMMARY:

The 2013 FTIP has been prepared in conformance with federal regulations for consideration by the board. Transit and road projects must be included in the FTIP to qualify for federal funding. A public hearing is required.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the board:

1. Hold a public hearing;
2. Approve Resolution No. 12-10 adopting the Shasta County 2013 FTIP; and
3. Authorize the executive director to make technical corrections and/or administrative modifications in response to any late agency comments.

DISCUSSION:

The FTIP is a four-year program, updated every two years, and approved by the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) as the federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the region. The SRTA works directly with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), and Caltrans Headquarters Division of Transportation Programming to prepare funding estimates and schedules that are fiscally constrained (reasonably expected to be available).

The 2013 FTIP programs funds from fiscal year 12/13 to 15/16. FTIP updates (amendments) are routinely needed to reflect changes in funding, approval of federal grants and changes to the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). The 2013 FTIP contains administrative amendment procedures for minor changes to project cost, scope and schedule without formal agency approval (2013 FTIP, Appendix E).

The FTIP financial element (Section 4) is a financial plan that demonstrates fiscal constraint in the transportation planning process. Financial summaries of programming versus revenue are included in Appendix A. The financial tables indicate a total programming capacity of \$150 million for the four year period. A detailed project list is included in Appendix A of the FTIP. Revenues from all expected federal, state, and local sources demonstrate that there are sufficient funds available to implement the proposed improvements.

SRTA Public Participation Plan procedures were followed in the development of the 2013 FTIP. A 30-day public comment period was advertised. Comments were received from Caltrans Headquarters and their suggestions were incorporated into the document.

ALTERNATIVES:

Board discretion to change the FTIP is limited. Federal funding sources listed in the 2013 FTIP are allocated at the discretion of state and federal agencies and these funds cannot be increased or transferred to other priorities. Failure to adopt the 2013 FTIP would result in suspension of federal funds for transit and road projects listed.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) concurs with the staff recommendation. Funding shown in the FTIP reflects extensive agency involvement with other plans and programs such as the Regional Transportation Plan, the Regional Transportation Improvement Program, the STIP, and the Redding Area Bus Authority's Short Range Transit Plan.

FINANCING:

FTIP projects are primarily funded from state and federal sources generated by taxes levied on fuel. The 2013 FTIP programs over \$150 million (funding levels are set by state and federal agencies).

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Daniel S. Little, AICP, Executive Director

Attachments: Resolution No. 12-10
Shasta County 2013 FTIP

The 2013 FTIP has been provided to board members. The FTIP may be viewed on the SRTA website at: http://www.scrtpa.org/RT_FTIP.html

RESOLUTION



RESOLUTION NUMBER:	12-10
SUBJECT:	Adopt the Shasta County 2013 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

WHEREAS, Title 23 USC Sec. 134(j) directs each Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) to develop a Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) every two years ; and

WHEREAS, the Streets and Highways Code Section 182.6(e) and Section 182.7(d) directs each MPO to submit an updated FTIP to the California Department of Transportation by August 1, on even-numbered years; and

WHEREAS, the FTIP is a four-year program of projects prioritized in accordance with federal planning regulations; and

WHEREAS, in order to qualify for certain types of federal funding, projects must be included in a FTIP approved by the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA); and

WHEREAS, the 2013 FTIP includes standards to process administrative modifications for minor changes in project scope, cost and schedule without formal board action (Appendix E); and

WHEREAS, Shasta County is in conformance with federal air quality standards

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency finds the 2013 FTIP:

1. Consistent with metropolitan transportation planning regulations in 23 Code of Federal Regulations Part 450; and
2. Consistent with the 2010 Regional Transportation Plan, which forecasts transportation improvement needs through 2030; and
3. Financially constrained, the enclosed financial summary affirming that funds are available; and
4. Meets Air Quality Conformity; and
5. Does not interfere with the timely implementation of the Transportation Control Measures contained in the State Implementation Plan (SIP); and
6. Prepared in accordance with the SRTA's 2008 Public Participation Plan.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of June, 2012, by the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency.

Leonard Moty, Chair
Shasta Regional Transportation Agency