

# STAFF REPORT



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| <b>MEETING DATE:</b>  | <b>June 28, 2016</b>                      |
| <b>SUBJECT:</b>       | <b>Correspondence</b>                     |
| <b>AGENDA ITEM:</b>   | <b>5-5</b>                                |
| <b>STAFF CONTACT:</b> | <b>Janie Coffman, Executive Assistant</b> |

Attached is correspondence determined to be of interest to the board of directors:

- May 16, 2016, letter from Caltrans D2 to Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA), regarding FY 2015/16 Overall Work Program, Formal Amendment No. 2.
- May 19, 2016, letter from Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) to the California Department of Transportation, regarding Administrative Modification No. 8 to the Shasta County 2015 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)
- June 8, 2016, letter from Caltrans D2 to Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA), regarding FY 2016/17 Overall Work Program and Overall Work Program Agreement.
- June 10, 2016, letter from Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) to Caltrans Division of Local Assistance, regarding Shasta County Active Transportation Project Proposal for the Park/Hudson Project
- June 10, 2016, letter from Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) to Caltrans Division of Local Assistance, regarding Shasta County Active Transportation Project Proposal for the Burney Safe Route to School Project
- June 10, 2016, letter from Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) to city of Redding, regarding Active Transportation Program grant applications
- June, 2016, Shasta Region Stakeholders Workshop Flyer

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**Daniel S. Little, AICP, Executive Director**

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May 16, 2016

Mr. Dan Little,  
Executive Director, AICP  
Shasta Regional Transportation Agency  
1255 East Street, Suite 202  
Redding, CA 96001

Dear Mr. Little:

Caltrans District 2 is pleased to advise you of our approval of the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) FY 2015/16 Overall Work Program, Formal Amendment No. 2. Enclosed is a copy of the executed Overall Work Program Agreement, Amendment No. 2 confirming this approval. The original documents will now be forwarded to Caltrans Office of Regional and Interagency Planning for activation in our accounting system.

We look forward to continued coordination with the SRTA Board and staff. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your regional planning liaison, Mr. Aaron Casas at (530) 225-4732 or by email at [aaron.casas@dot.ca.gov](mailto:aaron.casas@dot.ca.gov).

Sincerely,

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Kathy Grah, CHIEF  
Office of Community and Regional Planning  
Caltrans District 2

Enclosure

c. Erin Thompson, Caltrans ORIP  
Aaron Casas, Caltrans D2



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May 19, 2016

Mr. Bruce de Terra, Chief  
Department of Transportation  
Division of Transportation Programming, MS 82  
P.O. Box 942874  
Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

Attention: Abhijit Bagde, SRTA FTIP Liaison

Subject: Administrative Modification No. 8 to the Shasta County 2015 Federal  
Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP)

Dear Mr. de Terra:

With the delegated authority provided on January 9, 2012, by Caltrans to the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) to approve administrative modifications to the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP), I hereby approve Administrative Modification No. 8 to the 2015 FTIP. The modification is consistent with metropolitan transportation planning regulations per Title 23 Code of Federal Regulations Part 450. As modified, the 2015 FTIP is financially constrained. Additionally, the modification is consistent with the Regional Transportation Plan. Shasta County is in conformance with federal air quality standards.

Enclosed for your convenience are programming pages of the "modified" and "prior" versions; the summary of changes for this administrative modification; and the grouped project listing.

In summary, the administrative modification makes two grouped project listing changes, as follows:

- **Grouped Projects for Bridge Rehabilitation and Reconstruction – SHOPP Program, CTIPS ID 211-0000-0074:** Caltrans has requested adding \$6.927 million from the new 2016 State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP). Group project modifications include two new listings for bridge replacements and increased funding to another bridge replacement.

The following modifications have been made to this grouped listing:

- Sims Undercrossing Bridge Replacement preliminary engineering has been added in the amount of \$2.010M in FY 2017/18.
- Castle Crags Drive Undercrossing Bridge Replacement preliminary engineering has been added in the amount of \$2.270M in FY 2017/18.
- Hat Creek Bridge No. 06-0084 Bridge Replacement preliminary engineering has been increased \$850,000 to \$2.250M; right of way has increased \$387,000 to \$884,000; and construction has increased \$1.410M to \$6.710M.

- **Grouped Projects for Safety Improvements – SHOPP Collision and Reductions Program, CTIPS ID 211-0000-0075:** Caltrans has requested adding \$2.140 million from the new 2016 SHOPP and \$2.300M from an approved program change request (PCR). Group project modifications include two new listings for safety projects from the 2016 SHOPP and increased funding to another safety project from a PCR.

The following modifications have been made to this grouped listing:

- At 24 locations along Interstate 5 in Shasta County, improvements to reduce maintenance worker exposure, preliminary engineering has been added in the amount of \$560,000 in FY 2017/18.
- Near the O'Brien Rest Area and Undercrossing along Interstate 5, upgrades to potable water system and wastewater systems, preliminary engineering has been added in the amount of \$1.580M in FY 2017/18.
- At various locations along Interstate 5 in Shasta County, improve clear recovery zone, preliminary engineering has been increased \$975,000 to \$2.200M; right of way has increased \$725,000 to \$1.580; and construction has increased \$600,000 to \$6.900M.

An electronic copy will be transmitted by email to you, and the below contact list.

If you have any questions, please contact senior transportation planner Kathy Urlie at (530) 262-6194, or [kurlie@srta.ca.gov](mailto:kurlie@srta.ca.gov).

Sincerely,



For

Daniel S. Little, AICP, Executive Director  
Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (MPO)

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Enclosures: Summary of Changes Spreadsheet  
CTIPS Programming Pages  
Grouped Project Listing for CTIPS 211-000-0074  
Grouped Project Listing for CTIPS 211-000-0075

C: Wade Hobbs – FHWA, CA Division  
Hymie Luden – FTA, Region 9  
Scott Wahl – County of Shasta  
Wendy Lonnberg – Caltrans, District 2

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June 8, 2016

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Shasta Regional Transportation Agency  
1255 East Street Suite 202  
Redding, CA 96001

Dear Mr. Little:

Caltrans District 2 is pleased to advise you of our approval of the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency's (SRTA) FY 16-17 Overall Work Program and Overall Work Program Agreement. Original documents have been forwarded to Caltrans Office of Regional Planning.

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June 10, 2016

Caltrans Division of Local Assistance, MS 1  
Attn: Office of Active Transportation and Special Programs  
PO Box 942874  
Sacramento, CA 94274-0001

Subject: Shasta County Active Transportation Project Proposal for the Park/Hudson Project

To Whom It May Concern:

Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) would like to express strong support for Shasta County's Active Transportation Program (ATP) application for the Park/Hudson Project. The project is consistent with SRTA's Regional Transportation Plan and will close a significant gap in bike routes to the school and surroundings. Encouraging active transportation will also help SRTA, and the county, meet air quality and greenhouse gas reduction goals set by the California Air Resources Board and the region's Sustainable Communities Strategy.

In an effort to encourage active transportation and support state and federal match needs, SRTA has funding available through two separate sources: The Rural Bike Lanes and Sidewalks to Transit Program and or the 2% Transportation Development Act set-aside. The project would be a likely candidate to receive a one-third share of the proposed matching funds under either program because sufficient funds are available and the project strongly aligns with our program criteria. SRTA supports ATP funding for the Park/Hudson Project without reservation. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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June 10, 2016

City of Redding  
Attn: Sarah Grant, Transportation Planner  
777 Cypress Avenue  
Redding, CA 96001

**Re: Support for City of Redding Active Transportation Program (ATP) Grant Applications**

Sarah:

As the designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Shasta Region, Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) is responsible for developing the Regional Transportation Plan, including Sustainable Communities Strategy (SCS). The region's long-range vision and accompanying goals for mobility, safety, equity, public health, and greenhouse gas emission reductions cannot be achieved without targeted active transportation projects.

SRTA has reviewed the following projects and finds them to be wholly consistent with the adopted 2015 RTP:

- Bechelli Lane and Loma Vista Active Transportation Corridor Improvements
- Trinity to Continental Separated Bikeway & Pedestrian Improvements
- West Street Neighborhood School Safety Improvements

The first two projects are included in the 2015 RTP. The West Street Neighborhood School Safety Improvements project is scheduled for amendment into the 2015 RTP list of regional projects at the June 28, 2016, meeting of the SRTA Board of Directors.

All proposed improvements are located on regionally-significant mobility corridors. If selected for funding, they would provide enhanced access to key trip destinations, including employment centers, community services, and schools. Furthermore, the neighborhoods served by the proposed improvements include a high concentration of disadvantaged individuals that are likely to be mobility limited.

For these reasons, SRTA strongly recommends all three projects for ATP funding.

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Daniel S. Little, AICP, Executive Director  
Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (MPO)

# We Need Your Input...

on how to help connect our community with more reliable and less expensive transportation for seniors, people with disabilities, and low-income residents. Please attend this brainstorming session.



## Date

Thursday, July 14, 2016

## Time

10:00am-12:00pm

## Location

City of Redding Community Room  
777 Cypress Avenue  
Redding, CA 96001

## Who

Representatives from the private, non-profit, and public sectors: social service agencies, faith-based organizations, transit/transportation agencies & providers, elected officials, workforce agencies, school districts, health organizations, educational institutions, nursing homes, and other interested parties are encouraged and welcome to participate!



Hosted by the Shasta Regional Transportation Agency (SRTA) and the Center for Business and Policy Research (CBPR), we encourage input on the update of the Shasta region's Coordinated Transportation Plan and look forward to hearing your thoughts and ideas on how to better serve our constituents.

**For more information, please contact SRTA Senior Transportation Planner Kathy Urlie at 530-262-6194 or at [kurlie@sрта.ca.gov](mailto:kurlie@sрта.ca.gov).**



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