

STAFF REPORT



MEETING DATE:	September 26, 2024
SUBJECT:	Authorize the Executive Director to Execute Sub-Recipient Cooperative Agreements with Redding Area Bus Authority (RABA) and Dignity Health Connected Living (DHCL) for Distribution of Senate Bill 125 Transit Capital, Operating, and Planning Funds
AGENDA ITEM:	7-8
STAFF CONTACT:	Laurent Beauregard, Assistant Transportation Planner

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the board of directors:

1. Authorize the executive director to execute a Sub-Recipient Cooperative Agreement (SCA) between RABA and SRTA for the distribution of Senate Bill (SB) 125 funds;
2. Authorize the executive director to execute a Sub-Recipient Cooperative Agreement (SCA) between DHCL and SRTA for the distribution of Senate Bill (SB) 125 funds; and
3. Authorize the executive director to make minor administrative amendments as appropriate.

DISCUSSION:

At the December 14, 2024, SRTA Board of Directors meeting, staff received approval to submit an SB 125 short-term initial [allocation package](#) to the California State Transportation Agency. Providing \$21.5 million of transit funding, the SB 125 program requires that SRTA submit an Annual Report, documenting the activities and progress made toward implementation of the projects and operating expenditures, which includes total SB 125 expenditures to date and total amount remaining. The attached draft SCA details how funds will be allocated, managed, and reported as required by the SB 125 guidelines.

ALTERNATIVES:

The board of directors may request additional information and continue this item to the next board meeting.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This SCA will allow for the distribution of over \$21.5 million in SB 125 transit related projects in our region.

Jennifer Pollom, AICP, Senior Transportation Planner

Attachments:

A: Sub-Recipient Cooperative Agreement (draft) – *Not Available for TAC*

B: History of Board Related Items

SENATE BILL 125 (SB 125)

HISTORY OF RELATED SRТА BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA ITEMS

Full staff reports are provided via hyperlink.

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MEETING ON DECEMBER 14, 2023, [AGENDA ITEM #12](#)

APPROVE SENATE BILL (SB) 125 SHORT-TERM CAPITAL PROGRAM AND SRТА-RABA INTERAGENCY AGREEMENT

It is recommended that the board of directors:

1. Approve and authorize the executive director to submit the Senate Bill 125 Short-Term Capital Program initial allocation package of projects totaling \$17,505,155;
2. Authorize the executive director to make minor administrative amendments, as appropriate, in response to CalSTA comments or provide any other necessary information in support of the initial allocation package;
3. Delegate the executive director to execute the necessary agreements with CalSTA to receive funds; and
4. Approve and authorize the executive director to execute an interagency agreement (Attachment B) between SRТА and RABA for the purpose of jointly developing and building a hydrogen station on property owned by RABA.

In FY 23/24, the Shasta Region was allocated \$21,534,813. After consulting with the Redding Area Bus Authority (RABA), and Dignity Health Connected Living, SRТА submitted the following projects for funding by the deadline on December 31, 2023:

- Regional Ridership Retainage and Growth (\$4,675,000);
- RABA Technology Enhancements (\$1,435,000);
- CTSA Coordination (\$500,000);
- RABA Micro Transit Operations (\$1.8M);
- Zero-Emission Vehicle Replacements (\$4,700,200);
- North State Intercity Passenger Transit System (\$2,050,000);
- Expansion of Cycle 3 TIRCP for North State Intercity Bus to Rail (\$2,129,607); and

- SRTA SB 125 Administration (\$215,348)

By motion made and seconded (Watkins/Audette) and passed unanimously, the board of directors took the following actions:

- Staff recommendation Nos. 1, 2, and 3 were approved minus the \$2,129,607 for the "Expansion of Cycle 3 TIRCP for North State Intercity Bus to Rail" project, therefore, only \$15,375,548 in SB 125 funding allocations were approved, leaving \$6,159,265 for allocation at a future date; and
- Staff recommendation No. 4 was pulled for more information and continued to a future meeting.

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MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 26, 2024, AGENDA ITEM #7-8

AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE SUB-RECIPIENT COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS WITH REDDING AREA BUS AUTHORITY (RABA) AND DIGNITY HEALTH CONNECTED LIVING (DHCL) FOR DISTRIBUTION OF SENATE BILL 125 TRANSIT CAPITAL, OPERATING, AND PLANNING FUNDS

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The SRTA Board of Directors has not yet taken action on this item.