

STAFF REPORT



MEETING DATE:	August 31, 2023
SUBJECT:	Approve the Fiscal Year 2023/24 Comprehensive Budget
AGENDA ITEM:	9
STAFF CONTACT:	Jessica Carlson, Chief Fiscal Officer

SUMMARY:

SRTA's comprehensive budget (attached) for fiscal year (FY) 2023/24 estimates \$23,948,967 in revenue and \$21,102,079 in expenditures. Not included in the expenditure total are the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) approved projects to date, which carry an available balance for reimbursement of \$5,143,069. Construction and project planning delays impact the timing of invoices delivered to SRTA for reimbursement. Some or all of these projects may not be completed within the fiscal year.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the board of directors approve the FY 2023/24 Comprehensive Budget.

DISCUSSION:

A comprehensive budget was created to consolidate all revenues and expenditures into one cohesive document. Existing budgeting processes, including the annual overall work program (OWP) and Transportation Development Act (TDA) budgets are limited on the activities they include, so the comprehensive budget presents a picture of the agency's financial position as a whole.

Staff prepared a comprehensive budget for FY 2023/24 that consolidates the agency's activities into three categories: General Building and Rental; Capital and Transit Operations; and Planning. 'General Building and Rental' includes rental incomes and building expenses. Under 'Capital and Transit Operations,' revenues and expenditures are reported for public transportation, transit capital programs, transit operations, and streets and roads allocations. Finally, 'Planning' revenue and expenditures are based on SRTA's most recently adopted Overall Work Program. Planning revenue is displayed by fund source and planning expenditures are broken down by: OWP work element; the source of funding; and budget category (i.e., personnel, consultants, and services and supplies).

Budget highlights are as follows:

General Building and Rental – Suite 100 has a fully executed rental agreement spanning the entire fiscal year. The rental agreement for Suite 201 currently expires October 21, 2023, and is under negotiations. A building reserve fund is budgeted into the TDA disbursements to cover the costs of maintaining the real property of the agency. Current reserve balances can be found in the quarterly budget staff reports. Building improvement projects related to Suite 100 heat, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) systems replacement and parking lot sealant/painting are needed over the next year. Staff is waiting for cost estimates for this work from our architectural and engineering consultant.

Capital and Transit Operations - Transportation Capital and Transit funding to the region is largely monitored by SRTA. Programs, such as the Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP), State of Good Repair (SGR), and TDA, are included in this activity category. The TDA Loan fund is also included and provides transit related funding for board approved expenditures to SRTA and its members. SRTA used the fund for building repairs (which were completed in FY 2021/22) and is currently paying back the TDA loan fund at \$57,336 annually.

As part of California's state budget for FY 2023/24, Governor Newsom and the state legislature agreed on new programs to address the transit "fiscal cliff" for public transportation funding. This includes a new formula-based Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) and Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP). In preliminary estimates, each Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) receives \$300,000 off-the-top from the TIRCP program, plus additional formula funding from both the TIRCP and the ZETCP. For the Shasta Region in FY 2023/24, \$9,425,969 is estimated for the TIRCP and \$991,204 from the ZETCP. Over \$21.5 million in allocations are estimated from both programs through FY 2026/27. Staff is waiting for guidance on these new programs.

Planning - SRTA is continuing forward many planning efforts from last year into the current year, with some additions. SRTA applied for two discretionary Senate Bill (SB) 1 grants, competing with other MPOs from across the state. Low-Stress Shasta (\$500,000) will continue active transportation planning (ATP) grant work with regional partner agencies, and the Shasta Planning Data Dashboard (\$690,702) would support efforts to acquire, consolidate and share transportation data for all modes via an online dashboard and to provide a comprehensive, data-driven, and easy-to-use decision-making tool.

ALTERNATIVES:

The board of directors may modify the FY 2023/24 Comprehensive Budget, provided that such changes are consistent with Caltrans, Federal Highway Administration, and Federal Transit Administration agreements and funding revenues. The board of directors may request additional information and continue this item to a future meeting.

FISCAL & POLICY COMMITTEE REVIEW:

///The Fiscal & Policy Committee met on August 31, 2023, and concurs with the staff recommendation.///

FISCAL IMPACT:

The FY 2023/24 Comprehensive Budget of \$23,948,967 in revenue and \$21,102,079 in expenditures is based on projections of the current year's activities. Should anticipated grant funds not be awarded, or revenues decrease for any reason, the board of directors may eliminate work tasks and/or reallocate funds as desired.

Sean Tiedgen, AICP, Executive Director

Attachments: FY 2023/24 Comprehensive Budget

SRTA Comprehensive Budget Fiscal Year 2023/24

ANTICIPATED REVENUES

	<i>Final FY 2022/23 Budget from year- End Report</i>	Proposed FY 2023/24 Budget	
			% increase from prior fiscal year
General Building and Rental	54,898	57,296	4%
Capital and Transit Operations	15,961,083	17,424,277	9%
Planning	4,475,855	6,467,394	44%
TOTAL REVENUES	20,491,836	23,948,967	17%

ANTICIPATED EXPENDITURES

	<i>Final FY 2022/23 Budget from year- End Report</i>	Proposed FY 2023/24 Budget	
			% increase from prior fiscal year
General Building and Rental	57,857	59,582	3%
Capital and Transit Operations	14,710,483	15,041,375	2%
Planning	4,052,157	6,001,122	48%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	18,820,497	21,102,079	12%

Revenue Detail

	Final FY 2022/23 Budget from year- End Report	Proposed FY 2023/24 Budget	Notes / % increase from prior fiscal year
General Building and Rental			
Total Rental Fund	54,898	57,296	Rental Agreements 2023/24; Suite 201 lease amendment effective November 1, 2023.
General Building and Rental	54,898	57,296	4%
Capital-Transit Operations			
Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP)	0	9,425,969	These capital programs are awaiting final estimates and awards. They are not included in the revenue total, and are shown for informational purposes at this time. REAP 2.0 budget does not include the \$112,195 set-aside for SRTA admin expenses.
Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP)	0	991,204	
Regional Early Action Plan (REAP 2.0)	0	2,131,714	
Total Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP)	567,537	1,067,996	Section 99313 population based estimated allocation for LCTOP, all fiscal years through 2022
Total Local Transportation Fund (LTF) for Sub Recipients	10,385,820	9,458,399	RABA + CTSA + Local Streets and Roads
Non-Motorized Program	471,076	599,819	Non-Motorized Program is funded through the TDA Budget, per Board policy
Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)	2,010,557	2,580,000	Estimate from SRTA 2023 FTIP. FY 2022/23 RSTP allocation \$2,409,442 received in prior fiscal year
State of Good Repair (SGR)	832,540	1,107,501	
State Transit Assistance (STA)	1,693,553	2,610,562	
Capital and Transit Operations	15,961,083	17,424,277	9%
Planning			
Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)	1,092,720	1,324,395	Does not include matching toll credits
Federal Transportation Administration (FTA) 5303	123,469	126,006	Does not include matching toll credits
SRTA Local Transportation Fund (LTF)	765,190	974,563	
Planning, Programming, and Monitoring	313,041	498,654	
North State Super Region	15,500	14,913	Membership dues will need to be collected this FY to cover administration costs
SB1 Formula Funding	492,879	470,042	Does not include matching toll credits
SB1 Discretionary Grant (Competitive)	0	1,190,702	Low-Stress Shasta and Shasta Planning Data Dashboard; NEW - Not yet awarded
State Highway Account (SHA)	205,685	129,327	
Strategic Partnerships - State Route 273 Corridor Plan	1,125,000	648,824	SRTA and Caltrans portions of the SPR grant
Caltrans Sustainable FTA 5304 - North State Intercity Bus to Rail	288,276	248,374	
Non-Motorized Program - On OWP	200,000	150,000	Low-Stress Shasta consultant expenses
Regional Early Action Plan (REAP) 2.0	54,095	69,445	Waiting on execution of Standard Agreement with Housing and Community Development (HCD)
Indirect Cost Allocation (201.99%)		1,962,851	FY 2023/24 ICAP Rate approved 5/15/2023
Planning	4,475,855	6,467,394	44%
TOTAL REVENUES	20,491,836	23,948,967	17%

Expense Detail

	Final FY 2022/23 Budget from year- End Report	Proposed FY 2023/24 Budget	Notes / % increase from prior fiscal year	
General Building and Rental				
Building Loan Principal Payment	57,857	59,582	Building Loan Balance: \$ 529,444	
Building Repairs and Maintenance - Proposed Projects	0	tbd	These projects are currently seeking board approval. Initial estimates are \$90,000 - \$200,000, depending on the approved solution. Final costs dependant on bids received.	
Suite 100 HVAC repair/replacement and Installation				
Parking lot resurfacing and striping				
General Building and Rental	57,857	59,582	3%	
Capital-Transit Operations				
Transportation Development Act (TDA) Loan Fund	57,336	57,336	Annual payment to the TDA Loan fund for funds borrowed by SRTA	
TDA Payments				
Redding Area Bus Authority (RABA)				
RABA - State Transit Assistance (STA) Funds	1,386,008	2,380,424	In FY 22/23, RABA's transit obligation was heavily offset by one-time COVID grants. Average pre-covid LTF allocation for RABA (FYE 2018-2020) \$1,647,933.	
RABA - Local Transportation Funds (LTF)	392,439	1,734,875		
Total RABA	1,778,447	4,115,299		
City of Anderson - Streets and Roads	593,415	560,083		
City of Redding - Streets and Roads	5,078,505	2,816,884		
City of Shasta Lake - Streets and Roads	612,204	483,259		
County of Shasta - Streets and Roads	3,709,257	3,404,646		
CTSA - Dignity Health (DHCL)	501,208	458,652		
Total TDA Payments	12,273,036	11,838,823		
State Transit Assistance (STA) Reserve Payments	307,546	230,138		
State Transit Assistance (STA) Reserve Funded Requests	35,000	115,773	RABA's Veterans Affairs Route 15 (\$90,000), Beach Bus for 2023 season (\$25,773)	
Non-Motorized Program	471,076	599,819		
Total Allocation Payments	13,051,658	12,668,780	SRTA LTF for Admin included in Planning activity category	
Subrecipient Payments				
State of Good Repair (SGR), Section 99313	1,033,965	865,215	Includes remaining unused funds from prior years and FY 23/24 estimate \$289,425	
RABA Fiscal Year 2023/24 Proposed Projects		249,465	Equipment for Bus Shelters and FY 23/24 Maintenance and Supplies	
DHCL Fiscal Year 2023/24 Proposed Projects		30,000	Security Equipment for Fleet Maintenance and Storage Yard	
Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP), Section 99313	567,524	993,426	Includes remaining unused funds from prior years and FY 22/23 submitted projects \$443,135	
RABA Fiscal Year 2022/23 Proposed Projects		66,150	RABA All Electric Van Replacement Local Match	
DHCL Fiscal Year 2022/23 Proposed Projects		376,985	Shasta Connect Sunday Expansion and CTSA Expanded Service	
Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)	3,802,383	5,143,069	Budget is available balance on approved projects 2018-2023 funds	
City of Anderson 2023/24 Proposed Projects		174,376	Pavement Repair	
City of Redding 2023/24 Proposed Projects		1,587,982	Street Maintenance	
City of Shasta Lake 2023/24 Proposed Projects		175,465	Street Maintenance	
County of Shasta 2023/24 Proposed Projects		456,619	Intermountain Area Overlay	
Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP)	0	0	These capital programs are awaiting final estimates and awards. They are not included in the expenditure total, and are shown for informational purposes at this time. No subrecipient cooperative agreements have been executed at the time of this report.	
Zero-Emission Transit Capital Program (ZETCP)	0	0		
Regional Early Action Plan (REAP 2.0)	0	0		
Capital and Transit Operations	14,710,483	15,041,375	2%	*excludes RSTP budgeted expenses

Expense Detail Cont'd

	Final FY 2022/23 Budget from year- End Report	Proposed FY 2023/24 Budget	Notes / % increase from prior fiscal year
Planning			
Expenses by Work Element			Current OWP: 22/23 Formal Amendment #5, approved 5/10/2023 Planning funds are fully programmed by grant award, regardless of annual estimated expenditures. Unused funds are carried over into the next fiscal year. All work elements include indirect cost allocations
701.01 Development of Regional Transportation Plan (RTP)	341,748	353,510	
701.03 Performance Measures	35,535	47,842	
701.09 Air Quality	13,109	35,009	
701.11 Traffic Data Collection	26,886	56,766	
701.15 Sustainable Community Strategies (SCS) Dev 21/22	228,264	179,325	
701.16 Sustainable Community Strategies (SCS) Dev 22/23	238,146	254,065	
701.17 Sustainable Community Strategies (SCS) Dev 23/24	0	194,480	New Work Element
702.01 Transportation Improvement Program (TIPS)	130,616	106,382	
702.02 Overall Work Program (OWP) Development	244,111	258,931	
702.03 Grant Writing	13,594	31,360	
703.01 Active Transportation Planning	306,556	280,676	
703.01(CS) Active Transportation Planning - Complete Streets	21,732	22,167	2.5% of all FHWA planning funds need to be dedicated to complete streets projects.
703.07 Low-Stress Shasta	0	733,213	New Work Element, competitive grant awaiting funding announcements.
704.01 Public Information	73,772	160,093	
705.02 GIS Applications	44,145	77,755	
705.05 Regional Travel Demand Model	159,617	133,780	
705.06 Shasta Planning Dashboard	0	806,360	New Work Element, competitive grant awaiting funding announcements.
706.02 Transit Planning	170,040	221,905	
706.06 Greenhouse Gas	30,774	56,946	
707.01 FHWA Corridor Studies	81,165	66,613	
707.03 Plug-in (PEV)	35,284	131,149	
707.04 Goods & Freight	11,194	23,861	
707.09A SR273 Northern Section Multimodal Corridor Plan	630,116	549,973	SRTA portion of the grant
707.09B SR273 Southern Section Multimodal Corridor Plan	500,000	331,563	Caltrans portion of the grant; Consultant expenses reimbursed by SRTA invoice to Caltrans
707.10 North State Intercity Bus to Rail Plan	325,625	446,491	
707.11 Pit River Tribe Long Range Transportation Plan	148,626	150,745	No SRTA funds or staff time committed to this project. Administrative only.
707.12 Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0	62,128	79,466	\$112,195 approved for SRTA admin set-aside through FY 25/26
708.03 Management of TDA	103,835	116,026	SSTAC, Unmet transit needs report, TDA Budget, etc.
708.04 Transit & CTSA Administration	57,530	79,757	
801.01 North State Super Region (NSSR)	18,009	14,913	Staff time and indirect costs to administrate NSSR meetings and collaboration
Total Expenses by Work Element	4,052,157	6,001,122	48%

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SRTA Local Transportation Fund (LTF)	765,190	1,112,562	Budgeted LTF expenditures in Overall Work Program (OWP)
Planning, Programming, and Monitoring	313,041	465,925	Low Stress Shasta \$233,213 and SR 273 Multimodal Corridor Plan \$232,712 local match funds
North State Super Region (NSSR)	12,750	14,913	Expenses in excess of NSSR dues and sponsorships paid by SRTA Admin LTF funds
SB1 Formula Funding	492,879	470,042	Coordinated Transit (701.15), Disadvantaged Communities Investment Strategy (701.16), Regional Transit Service Planning and Implementation (701.17) Plans
SB1 Discretionary Grant (Competitive)	0	1,190,702	Low-Stress Shasta \$500,000 and Shasta Planning Data Dashboard \$690,702 NEW - <i>Not yet awarded</i>
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Regional Early Action Plan (REAP 2.0)	54,095	69,445	
Total Expenses by Fund Source	5,173,105	4,540,368	-12%
Salaries and Benefits & Indirect Costs for Reimbursement	3,440,267	3,129,076	-9%
Consultants	1,264,509	2,821,887	123%
Support Services, Conferences, Marketing, etc.	10,443	50,159	380%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	18,820,497	21,102,079	12%