

STAFF REPORT



MEETING DATE: June 25, 2019
SUBJECT: Approve Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Projects Selection
AGENDA ITEM: 14
STAFF CONTACT: Kathy Urlie, Senior Transportation Planner

SUMMARY:

In accordance with SRTA's Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) policies, staff solicited project nominations from local agency partners for use of Fiscal Year (FY) 2018/19 RSTP exchange funds for board of directors' consideration of approval. The recommended projects, per Attachment A, include some county carryover funding from last year's RSTP exchange process.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the board of directors:

1. Approve RSTP exchange funds for local agency partners projects as enumerated in Attachment A; and
2. Authorize the executive director to execute RSTP exchange Sub-recipient Cooperative Agreements (SCAs) amendments with each local agency partner for the receipt of RSTP exchange funds.

DISCUSSION:

SRTA receives RSTP funds that may be used for a variety of highway, bridge, transit, and pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure projects. It is SRTA's longstanding practice to exchange federal RSTP funds for state exchange funds to reduce administrative burdens and allow funds to be used for local streets and roads. SRTA receives approximately \$1.7 - \$1.9 million annually, which is distributed to the county of Shasta and the cities of Anderson, Redding, and Shasta Lake based on population. The county of Shasta directly receives an additional \$672,168 annually from the state.

The table below illustrates how SRTA's \$1,888,469 apportionment of FY 2018/19 RSTP exchange funds would be distributed.

Jurisdiction	FY 2018/19 Formula RSTP ¹
SRTA (RASL) ²	\$15,000
Anderson ²	\$134,407
Redding	\$1,329,770
Shasta Lake	\$147,173
County ³	\$262,119
Total ²	\$1,888,469

¹ City/County funds allocated by population based on 1-1-2019 Dept. of Finance population estimates, released 5-1-2019. Annual allocation updated based on Caltrans FY 2018-19 exchange agreement apportionment amount, 4-10-2019.

² Anderson target reduced by \$15,000 for 1st annual installment to SRTA for 12-year RASL match commitment. SRTA amount reflects \$15,000 allocation towards RASL due to undermatch.

³ Does not include the amount (\$672,168) the county exchanges each year directly with the state.

At its April 24, 2018, meeting, the board of directors revised SRTA's RSTP policies to include an annual projects nomination process. Once the board of directors approve projects for RSTP use, local jurisdictions enter into an SCA with SRTA for using and requesting reimbursement for the funds.

On May 8, 2019, SRTA staff solicited project nominations for 2018/19 RSTP exchange funding. Attachment A summarizes the submissions received from all four local agencies. The projects are placed in priority order, by local agency, for approval consideration.

As all submitted projects are eligible for RSTP exchange funding, SRTA staff recommends approving the RSTP exchange funds to the local agencies per the amounts enumerated for projects in Attachment A. Attachment A also includes county carryover funding (\$296,283) from last year's cycle that is recommended for use on the Gas Point/Park Drive Improvement Project in Cottonwood—a project nominated last year by the county.

The city of Anderson's allocation was reduced by \$15,000. The state reduced SRTA formula funding shares by \$180,000 when the city did not fully fund its \$500,000 match commitment on the successful Redding to Anderson Six Lane (RASL) grant. To minimize impacts to the city, Anderson proposed repaying the funds with annual \$15,000 installments over twelve years. SRTA will use these funds for future State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) projects.

Following board of directors' approval of the project nominations, SRTA staff will follow-up with each local agency partner to sign an SCA amendment for the pass-through of the RSTP exchange funds. Since RSTP SCAs are in place for last year's combined 2016/17 and 2017/18 fund use, staff recommends amending the agreements to add the new 2018/19 funds and approved projects. After completing projects, or project phases, the local agencies will submit project invoices for reimbursement of eligible expenses.

ALTERNATIVES:

The board of directors may alter staff recommendations by adding, subtracting, and/or modifying projects and amounts. This may potentially be necessary in the future to meet requisite performance measures. Alternatively, notwithstanding this process, the board of directors has reserved the right to allocate outside the formula allocation process. Regarding the city of Anderson undermatch, the board of directors may choose a different repayment schedule or amount.

OTHER AGENCY INVOLVEMENT:

Local agency partners participated in the SRTA call for RSTP exchange projects, submitting various candidate projects for consideration. *///The Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) concurs with the staff recommendations.///*

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no direct fiscal impact to SRTA. Based on current board of directors' policy, SRTA passes through RSTP exchange funds to the jurisdictions for eligible transportation project uses.

Daniel S. Little, AICP, Executive Director

Attachment: A – Summary of Jurisdictional RSTP Exchange Project Submissions for 2018-19 Funds

Attachment A
Shasta Nominations

FY 2018-19 Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) Exchange Funds and
FY 2016-17 and FY 2017-18 Carryover Funding Project Recommended Programming

Agency/Project Name	RSTP Exchange Request	Total Estimated Cost	Year of Expenditure
Redding: General Street Maintenance	\$1,329,770	\$3,500,000	2019/20
Shasta Lake: 2019/20 General Street Maintenance	\$147,173	\$596,250	2019/20
County: Olinda Road Widening from Sammy Lane to Greenleaf Lane	\$262,119	\$1,300,000	2019/20
Anderson: Anderson Heights Cape Seal Project	\$134,407	\$155,000,000	2019/20
Total	\$1,873,469	\$160,396,250	
County¹: Carryover Gas Point/Park Dr. Improvement (Cottonwood) – New Sidewalks and Improved Traffic Signal Function	\$296,283	\$1,500,000	2019/20

¹ County remainder of FY 2016-17 and 2017-18 allocation originally designated for Front Street Project (\$300,000) redirected to Gas Point/Park Drive Improvement Project.