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STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT: FY 2004-2005 TDA/LTF Apportionments

MEETING DATE: February 19, 2004

AGENDA ITEM: 7B

RECOMMENDATION:

Receive and file the estimated apportionments of Local Transportation Funds to local agencies for the 2004-2005 fiscal year.

DISCUSSION:

As the Regional Transportation Planning Agency for Santa Barbara County, SBCAG is responsible for apportioning and allocating funds made available under the state Transportation Development Act (TDA).

TDA provides funds under two separate funding programs: Local Transportation Fund (LTF) and State Transit Assistance Fund (STAF). LTF revenues are apportioned among the local agencies on the basis of population. Population figures come from the California Department of Finance estimates for January 2003 (this is a revised or adjusted January figure released by the DOF each year in May or June and is always the most current available estimate when apportionments are made). STA funds are apportioned in part on the basis of the population of each of the four transit service areas within the county and in part on the basis of each transit operator's fare receipts.

As usual, FY 2004-2005 STA funds will not be apportioned until the State Controller furnishes SBCAG with a final estimate. It is anticipated that STA funds will be apportioned after August when this estimate is received.

LTF revenues are generated from 1/4 cent of the state sales tax. The Auditor-Controller has estimated that a total of \$13,537,838 in LTF funds will be available for allocation next year. This estimate reflects an increase of more than \$200,000 over the amount allocated in the current year.

LTF revenues can be used for public transit, paratransit, pedestrian and bikeway projects, transportation planning and, under certain circumstances, for street and road purposes. The estimated apportionments to each jurisdiction are shown on the attached table by purpose.

The recommended LTF apportionments were approved by the Transportation Technical Advisory Committee (TTAC). Staff will issue the necessary documents and guidelines to local agencies for claiming funds (a summary of important dates follows the apportionment table).

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Member Agencies

Buellton ■ Carpinteria ■ Goleta ■ Guadalupe ■ Lompoc ■ Santa Barbara ■ Santa Maria ■ Solvang ■ Santa Barbara County

**Transportation Development Act
Local Transportation Fund (LTF)
Apportionments
2004-2005**

CLAIMANTS	Population ¹	% of Total Population	Maximum Apportionment ²	Bike & Ped. Funds (2%)	Planning Funds (2%)	Article 4.5 (5%)	Available for Articles 4 & 8
Buellton	4,210	1.0261160%	\$138,914	\$2,778	\$2,723		\$133,413
Guadalupe	6,275	1.5294247%	207,051	4,141	4,058		188,910 *
Lompoc	41,850	10.2002267%	1,380,890	27,618	27,065		1,326,207
Santa Maria	82,100	20.0104805%	2,708,987	54,180	53,096		2,471,625 *
Solvang	5,450	1.3283449%	179,829	3,597	3,525		172,707
SB County (Unincorp. North County)	66,060	16.1009473%	2,179,720	43,594	42,723		2,040,034 *
SMOOTH (S. M. Valley CTSA)						\$193,397	
So. Co. Claimants (See Below)	204,340	49.8044599%	6,742,447	134,849	132,152	323,772	6,151,674
T o t a l	410,285	100.0000000%	\$13,537,838	\$270,757	\$265,342	\$517,169	\$12,484,570
SOUTH COUNTY CLAIMANTS							
SBMTD	204,340		\$6,283,826		\$132,152		\$6,151,674
Easy Lift			323,772			\$323,772	
Carpinteria	14,400	3.5097554%	9,504	\$9,504			
Goleta	28,788	7.0165860%	18,998	\$18,998			
Santa Barbara City	90,500	22.0578378%	59,723	59,723			
SB County (Unincorp. South County)	70,652	17.2202807%	46,624	46,624			
T o t a l	204,340	49.8044599%	\$6,742,447	\$134,849	\$132,152	\$323,772	\$6,151,674

¹ January 2003 Department of Finance figures.

² TDA revenue estimate from County Auditor-Controller, January 2004.

* Adjusted to provide funding for SMOOTH (Santa Maria Valley CTSA).

SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT DATES FOR LTF/STAF CLAIMANTS

- January:** County Auditor-Controller furnishes SBCAG with an estimate of funds to be generated in the Local Transportation Fund within the county in the upcoming year.
- January/
February:** SBCAG holds public hearings to receive input on the existence of unmet transit needs.
- April 1:** Claimants file annual LTF claims with SBCAG.
- April/May:** SBCAG makes findings concerning the existence of unmet transit needs that can be reasonably met.
- June 17:** SBCAG approves LTF allocations and conveys instructions to the County Auditor and to claimants.
- July:** County Auditor reports to SBCAG actual LTF revenues received during the prior fiscal year. SBCAG advises prospective claimants if unallocated funds are available.
- August:** State Controller sends revised STAF estimate to SBCAG.
- August/
September:** SBCAG advises claimants of STAF apportionments.
- September/
October:** Claimants file STAF claims with SBCAG.
- October 1:** Article 8(a) (e.g., non-transit) claimants submit expenditure reports to State Controller (Section 6665).
- October 1:** SBCAG submits annual report to State Controller (Section 6660).
- October/
November:** SBCAG approves STAF allocations.
- December 31:** Annual fiscal audits are due to the State Controller (Section 6664).