METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

Major Project Advancement Policy

SPUR Digital Discourse

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MAP Components

Funding Strategy

Full funding plans for MAP projects

Identify and prioritize discretionary funding requests

Policy Reinforcements

Benefit/cost

Equity

Land use

Connected mobility

Risk Management

Evaluate and monitor risks from early project development through construction including risks related to network coordination

Objective:

- Support implementation of Plan Bay Area 2050

- Deliver the Bay Area's major transportation projects

- Seek to achieve regional coordination on federal, state, and regional discretionary funding requests for regionally significant projects

- Develop MTC's role in risk management and ensure consistency with regional policies

Requirements for Inclusion in the MAP

To be included in the MAP, a project must be:

- seeking competitive federal, state, or other grant opportunities consistent with MTC's Federal BIL and state TIRCP strategies; **and**

- included in Plan Bay Area 2050.
    - Tier 1 projects above $1 billion.
    - Tier 2 projects above $1 billion (for project development phases and funding opportunities only)
    - Programmatic categories with specific projects below $1 billion (approved or consistent with Plan Bay Area 2050 Tier 1) that exceed $1 billion when combined

Completed projects, fully funded projects or projects not seeking competitive federal, state or other grants are not eligible for the MAP. Inclusion in the MAP is not necessary or appropriate for all projects.

Principles: Risk Management and Policy Reinforcements

- Use project readiness and deliverability, cost and schedule risk, connectivity, and operational sustainability as considerations for sequencing of projects

- Recognize and reflect major project cost and schedule risks and incorporate appropriate contingency costs.

- Do not duplicate existing risk management or oversight efforts but focus on risk early in the project development pipeline

- Projects in the MAP should align with Plan Bay Area 2050 guiding principles and other regional policies , including the TOC policy currently under development

Process for Moving Projects Between Levels

- Projects are assigned MAP Levels based on the requirements specified.

- When changes to cost, funding, scope or schedule occur that may warrant a Level reassignment, MTC staff will review and may recommend an amendment to the MAP to reassign a project into a different Level.

- Future movement between Levels will be informed by the Risk Management Program and Policy Reinforcements, once these are adopted into the MAP through a stage gate process.

- This process may include a project screening to ensure alignment with Plan Bay Area guiding principles and commitments to equity and to identify Governance/Contingency/Connected Mobility/Operating Funding Plan challenges for sponsor to address prior to inclusion.

Timeline and Engagement Strategy

- Input welcome from SPUR Digital Discourse Participants and Public

- Ongoing engagement/coordination with transit operators and County Transportation Authorities

- Engagement with federal, state and local funding partners and sponsors. Additional engagement and outreach to be developed.

- **MAP funding framework** expected to be presented for approval in **October 2022**

- Recommendations on **Policy and Risk components** to be presented in **late 2022** and proposed for inclusion in MAP