

#### **Board Report**

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PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE MAY 14, 2025

SUBJECT: MEASURE M MULTI-YEAR SUBREGIONAL PROGRAM UPDATE - WESTSIDE

CITIES SUBREGION

**ACTION: APPROVE RECOMMENDATIONS** 

#### RECOMMENDATION

#### CONSIDER:

- A. APPROVING programming of \$2,709,031 within the capacity of Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program (MSP) Subregional Equity Program (Expenditure Line 68), as shown in Attachment A; and
- B. AUTHORIZING the CEO or their designee to negotiate and execute all necessary agreements and/or amendments for approved projects.

#### **ISSUE**

Measure M MSP funding is included in the Measure M Expenditure Plan, which is an attachment to the Measure M Ordinance. All MSP funds are limited to capital projects. This update approves new eligible projects for Subregional Equity Program (SEP) funding allocations for the Westside Cities Subregion. Funds are programmed through Fiscal Year (FY) 2027-28. The Board's approval is required to update the project list (Attachment A), which serves as the basis for Metro entering into agreements and/or amendments with the respective implementing agencies.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Based on the amount provided in the Measure M Expenditure Plan, a total amount of \$60.74 million was forecasted to be available for programming for the Westside Cities Subregion from FY 2017-18 to FY 2027-28. In prior actions, the Board approved programming of \$46.9 million in support of 17 projects for the Subregion's MSP Five-Year Plan, programming funds in the Active Transportation 1<sup>st</sup> /Last Mile Connections Program (Expenditure Line 51), shown in Attachment B. To date, \$2.1 million has been expended and one project has been completed and currently in closeout audit process. The \$13.84 million remaining funding includes the \$6.69 million that's available under the SEP (Expenditure Line 68) for programming from FY 2023-24 to FY 2027-28. This is the first request from the Subregion to program the SEP funds.

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In line with the Board adopted Measure M Master Guidelines (the Guidelines), agencies requesting MSP funds must provide documentation demonstrating community support, project needs, and multimodal transportation benefits that enhance safety, support traffic mobility, economic vitality, and enable a safer and well-maintained transportation system. Cities and councils of governments lead and prioritize all proposed transportation improvements, including procurement, the environmental process, outreach, final design, and construction. Each agency, independently and in coordination with their subregion, undertakes its jurisdictionally determined community engagement process specific to the type of transportation improvement they seek to develop. These locally determined and prioritized projects represent the needs of cities and the Subregion.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Metro staff collaborated with the Westside Cities Council of Governments (WSCCOG) and implementing agencies to review requests submitted by the Subregion for the SEP. During staff review, Metro required a detailed project scope of work to confirm project eligibility, and establish the program nexus during project reviews, including but not limited to project location information and limits, length, elements, phases, total estimated expenses and funding requested, and schedules. Final approval of funds for the projects shall be contingent upon the implementing agency demonstrating the eligibility of each project, as required in the Measure M Master Guidelines. Staff expect the collection of the project details in advance of Metro Board action to enable the timely execution of project Funding Agreements for approved projects. Additionally, all projects are subject to a close-out audit after completion, per the Guidelines.

#### Subregional Equity Program (Expenditure Line 68)

#### WSCCOG

- Program an additional \$33,445 in FYs 25 to 28 for MM4801.01 Planning Activities to support the Subregion's Measure M MSP Development Process.
- Program \$1,714,932 in FYs 26 and 27 for the 2028 Westside Subregional Bus Infrastructure
  Network Project, a priority project in time for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The
  project will design and construct quick-build bus infrastructure, using low-cost materials to
  allow for quick implementation and to inform future treatments on segments of Sepulveda
  Blvd, Santa Monica Blvd, and La Cienega/Jefferson Blvd. This project will likely decrease
  Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT) by reallocating road space from private automobiles to public
  buses. The funds will be used for the project's plans, specifications and estimates (PS&E) and
  construction phases.

The WSCCOG has requested that \$500,000 is advanced after execution of the Funding Agreement. The WSCCOG has requested the advance to maintain smooth cash flow and prevent any delays in payments to the consultant that may disrupt the project's progress and schedule for this priority project of the Subregion. This is the first Measure M MSP project that the WSCCCOG will be the project implementation.

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#### Culver City

• Program \$960,654 in FYs 26 and 27 for the 2028 Westside Subregional Bus Infrastructure Network Project, a priority project in time for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The city is to design quick-build bus infrastructure using low-cost materials to allow for quick implementation and to inform future treatments on segments of Sepulveda Blvd, and La Cienega/Jefferson Blvd. This project will likely decrease VMT by reallocating road space from private automobiles to public buses. The funds will be used for the project's PS&E phase, and anticipate requesting additional MSP funding for the construction phase when ready.

#### **DETERMINATION OF SAFETY IMPACT**

Programming of Measure M MSP funds to the Westside Cities Subregion projects will not have any adverse safety impacts on Metro's employees or patrons.

#### FINANCIAL IMPACT

In FY 2024-25, \$5.02 million is budgeted in Cost Center 0441 (subsidies budget - Planning) for the Measure M MSP - Transit Program (Project #474102). Upon approval of this action, staff will reallocate necessary funds to appropriate projects within Cost Center 0441. Since these are multi-year projects, Cost Center 0441 will be responsible for budgeting the cost in future years.

#### Impact to Budget

The sources of funds for these projects are Measure M Transit Construction 35%. This fund source is not eligible for Metro bus and rail operations expenses.

#### **EQUITY PLATFORM**

The Westside Cities Subregion comprises five cities and the adjacent unincorporated area of Los Angeles County. Seven percent of census tracts are defined as Equity Focus Communities (EFCs) in the Subregion, and these are located in the City of LA and West Hollywood.

The Westside Cities Subregion proposed bus infrastructure projects will enhance multimodal transportation options. They will help ensure adequate bus service and increase connectivity for the Westside communities, to support a car-free, transit-first 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games for visitors and core customers alike. Additionally, these infrastructure upgrades will result in time savings and improved experience for core customers that rely on Metro to access jobs, open space, and other essential services. The infrastructure improvements would provide a faster and more reliable transit connection between major job hubs such as UCLA, Culver City, Santa Monica, and LAX. Crucially, the La Cienega Blvd/Jefferson Blvd and Sepulveda Blvd/UCLA infrastructure improvements would provide faster North-South transit connections, including between the Metro D Line and E Line, where no rapid transit currently exists, thus filling major gaps in high-quality transit service on the Westside. These connections will enable core customers to save time commuting and access more employment opportunities.

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#### **VEHICLE MILES TRAVELED OUTCOME**

VMT and VMT per capita in Los Angeles County are lower than national averages, the lowest in the SCAG region, and on the lower end of VMT per capita statewide, with these declining VMT trends due in part to Metro's significant investment in rail and bus transit.\* Metro's Board-adopted VMT reduction targets align with California's statewide climate goals, including achieving carbon neutrality by 2045. To ensure continued progress, all Board items are assessed for their potential impact on VMT.

As part of these ongoing efforts, this item is expected to contribute to further reductions in VMT. This item supports Metro's systemwide strategy to reduce VMT through planning activities that will improve and further encourage transit ridership, ridesharing, and active transportation. The details of how specific projects may impact Metro's VMT reduction targets are shared in the "Discussion" section of this report. Metro's Board-adopted VMT reduction targets were designed to build on the success of existing investments, and this item aligns with those objectives.

\*Based on population estimates from the United States Census and VMT estimates from Caltrans' Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS) data between 2001-2019.

#### **IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS**

The recommendation supports the following goals of the Metro Vision 2028 Strategic Plan:

Goal 1: Provide high-quality mobility options that enable people to spend less time traveling by alleviating the current operational deficiencies and improving mobility along the projects.

Goal 4: Transform LA County through regional collaboration by partnering with the Council of Governments and the local jurisdictions to identify the needed improvements and take the lead in developing and implementing their projects.

#### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The Board can elect not to approve the programming of funds for the Measure M MSP projects for the Subregion. This is not recommended as the Subregion developed the proposed projects in accordance with the Measure M Ordinance, Guidelines, and Administrative Procedures which may delay the development and delivery of the projects.

#### **NEXT STEPS**

Metro staff will continue to work with the Subregion to identify and deliver projects. Funding Agreements will be executed, and Program/Project updates will be provided to the Board annually.

#### **ATTACHMENTS**

Attachment A - Subregional Equity Program Project List
Attachment B - Active Transportation 1st/Last Mile Connection Program Project List

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## Westside Cities Subregion Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Plan - Subregional Equity Program (Expenditure Line 68)

	Agency	Project ID No.	Project/Location	Funding Phases	Note	Prior Alloc	Alloc Change	Current Alloc	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26	FY 2026-27	FY 2027-28
			Planning Activities for									
			Measure M Multi-Year	Planning								
1	WSCCOG	MM4801.01	Subregional Program ^	Development	New		\$ 33,445	\$ 33,445	\$ 13,378	\$ 6,689	\$ 6,689	\$ 6,689
			2028 Westside Subregional	PS&E								
2	WSCCOG	MMXXXX.01	Bus Infrastructure Network	Construction	New		1,714,932	1,714,932 *		1,286,199	428,733	
			2028 Westside Subregional									
3	Culver City	MMXXXX.02	Bus Infrastructure Network	PS&E	New		960,654	960,654		720,490	240,164	
				Total Programming A		Amount	\$2,709,031	\$2,709,031	\$ 13,378	\$2,013,378	\$ 675,586	\$ 6,689

<sup>^</sup> Subregion Planning Activities (0.5%) for Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program.

<sup>\*</sup> Includes funding advancement of \$500,000 to the WSCCOG.

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		Planning Activities for	Diamaia										
1 WSCCOG		Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program ^	Planning Development		\$ 270,237		\$ 270,237	\$ 94,989		\$ 84,415	\$ 45,833	\$ 45,000	
1 W3CCOG	101014601.01	La Cienega & Rodeo Drive	Development		\$ 210,231		φ 210,231	φ 94,969		\$ 64,415	φ 45,655	\$ 45,000	
	MM4801.02/	Purple Line Stations -											
		Pedestrian and Wayfinding											
2 Beverly Hills	MM4801.04	FLM Improvements	Construction		2,973,186		2,973,186			2,973,186			
		0 1 10 11 111/2	0001										
2 Culver City		Overland Class II and IV with	PS&E		0.40.400		0.40,400	0.40, 400					
3 Culver City	MM4801.05	Pedestrian Improvements	Construction		842,496		842,496	842,496					
		Microtransit/First Last Mile											
4 Culver City	MM4801.06	Service Program	Equipment/Vehicle		100,000		100,000				100,000		
		Washington Transit/Mobility	PS&E										
		Lanes + Circulator/First-Last	Equipment/Vehicle										
5 Culver City	MM4801.07	Mile Service Program	Construction	Compl	742,495		742,495	742,495					
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C. Culver City		Sepulveda Corridor Mobility Lane Project	Construction		798,364		798,364			798,364			
6 Culver City	MM4801.17	Lane Project	Construction		790,304		790,304			790,304			
		Move Culver City Eastern											
7 Culver City	MM4801.19	Segment Project	Construction		620,302		620,302			620,302			
		Brentwood Walkability											
		Enhancements (San Vicente	PS&E										
8 LA City	MM4801.08	Blvd: Bundy to Bringham)	Construction		2,561,297		2,561,297		120,000	1,530,000	911,297		
		Connect Del Rey Stress-Free	PS&E										
9 LA City		Bicycle Enhanced Corridor	Construction		6,212,768		6,212,768		878,768	3,515,070	1,818,930		
5 LA Oity	WIWI-001.03	Dicycle Efficienced Comaci	Construction		0,212,700		0,212,700		070,700	3,313,070	1,010,000		
0 LA City	MM4801.10	Expo Bike Path Gap Closure	Construction		3,168,000		3,168,000				3,168,000		
		Santa Monica to Westwood											
		Stress-Free Bicycle Enhanced											
1 LA City	MM4801.11	Corridor	Construction		10,406,584		10,406,584		1,681,317	6,725,267	2,000,000		
		Westwood Boulevard Safety	PS&E								4 000 000		
2 LA City	MM4801.20	and Mobility Project	Construction		9,600,000		9,600,000				1,600,000		8,000,00
		Broadway Protected Bikeway:	PS&F										
3 Santa Monica		5th Street - 26th Street	Construction		1,311,471		1,311,471	361,709		68,291	281,471	600,000	
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		Colorado Protected Bikeway:	PS&E										
4 Santa Monica	MM4801.13	5th Street - 17th Street	Construction		500,000		500,000	150,000	350,000				
		Stewart & Pennsylvania											
5 Santa Monica			Construction		804,000		804,000	804,000					
oanta Monica	10101114	Calcty Elmandement Floject	Construction		004,000		004,000	004,000					
		Wilshire Active Transportation	PS&E										
6 Santa Monica	MM4801.15	Safety Project	Construction		3,062,589		3,062,589	124,250	110,000	861,750	966,589	1,000,000	
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West		Willoughby, Vista, Gardner	PS&E		1 126 402		1 126 402				250,000	105 005	600.40
7 Hollywood	MM4801.16	Greenways	ro&E		1,136,403		1,136,403				250,000	195,905	690,49
West		Fountain Ave Protected Bike											
8 Hollywood	MM4801.18	Lanes	PS&E		1,785,160		1,785,160		1,211,000	574,160			
		<b>Total Programming Amount</b>			\$46,895,352	\$ -	\$46,895,352	\$3,119,939	\$4,351,085	\$17,750,805	\$11,142,120	\$ 1,840,905	\$ 8,690,498

<sup>^</sup> Subregion Planning Activities (0.5%) for Measure M Multi-Year Subregional Program.

# Measure M Multi-year Subregional Program Westside Cities Subregion

Planning and Programming Committee May 14, 2025



## **Westside Cities Subregion**

- Two Multi-Year Subregional Programs (MSP)
  - Active Transportation 1<sup>st</sup>/Last Mile Connections Program (expenditure line 51)
  - Suregional Equity Program (expenditure line 68)
- Limited to Capital projects
  - Environmental Phase and forward

#### Los Angeles County Transportation Expenditure Plan

(2015 \$ in thousands)

#### ATTACHMENT A

Groundbreaking Sequence (Exceptions Noted)

4	Project			le of Funds ailable	on	2016 - 2067 Local, State,		Most Recent	용
Reference Only			Ground-		gio	Federal,	Measure M	Cost	ပိ
ě	(Final Project to be Defined by the Environmental Process)	ψ	breaking	Expected Opening Date		Other 2015\$		Estimate	Modal
For Ref		Notes	Start Date		Subregi	Funding 2015\$	20104	2015\$**	ŝ
Œ	Multi-Year Subregional Programs	ı		1 <sup>st</sup> yr of Range	Н	20104			┡
47	Metro Active Transport, Transit 1st/Last Mile Program	р	FY 2018	FY 2057	SC	\$0	\$857,500	\$857,500	н
48	Visionary Project Seed Funding	p	FY 2018	FY 2057	SC	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000	т
49	Street Car and Circulator Projects	k,p	FY 2018	FY 2022	sc	\$0	\$35,000	\$35,000	T
50	Transportation System and Mobility Improve. Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	sb	\$0	\$293,500	\$293,500	н
	Active Transportation 1st/Last Mile Connections Prog.		FY 2018	FY 2057	w	\$0	\$361,000	\$361.000	н
	Active Transportation Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	nc	\$0	\$264,000	\$264,000	н
	Active Transportation Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	gc	\$0	TBD	TBD	н
	Active Transportation Program (Including Greenway Proj.)		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$231,000	\$231,000	н
	Active Transportation, 1st/Last Mile, & Mobility Hubs		FY 2018	FY 2057	cc	\$0	\$215,000	\$215,000	н
56	Active Transportation, Transit, and Tech. Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	lvm	\$0	\$32,000	\$32,000	т
	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2018	FY 2032	lvm	\$0	\$133,000	\$133,000	н
58	Bus System Improvement Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$55,000	\$55,000	т
59	First/Last Mile and Complete Streets		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$198,000	\$198,000	н
60	Highway Demand Based Prog. (HOV Ext. & Connect.)		FY 2018	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$231,000	\$231,000	н
61	I-605 Corridor "Hot Spot" Interchange Improvements ®		FY 2018	FY 2057	gc	\$240,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,240,000	н
	Modal Connectivity and Complete Streets Projects		FY 2018	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$202,000	\$202,000	н
63	South Bay Highway Operational Improvements		FY 2018	FY 2057	sb	\$600,000	\$500,000	\$1,100,000	н
64	Transit Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	nc	\$500,000	\$88,000	\$588,000	Т
	Transit Projects		FY 2018	FY 2057	av		\$257,100	\$257,100	т
	Transportation System and Mobility Improve. Program		FY 2018	FY 2057	sb		\$350,000	\$350,000	н
	North San Fernando Valley Bus Rapid Transit Improvements	p,s		FY 2023	SC	\$0	\$180,000	\$180,000	Т
		p,s		FY 2057	SC	TBD	TBD	\$1,196,000	T/H
		l,p		FY 2022	SC		\$50,000	\$50,000	Т
	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 2 (All Subregions)	l,p		FY 2032	SC	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	T
71			FY 2033	FY 2057	av	\$0	\$136,500	\$136,500	н
	Los Angeles Safe Routes to School Initiative		FY 2033	FY 2057	cc		\$250,000	\$250,000	н
73			FY 2033	FY 2057	nc	\$0	\$239,000	\$239,000	Н
74	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 3 (All Subregions)	I,p		FY 2042	SC	\$0	\$50,000	\$50,000	Т
	Arterial Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	nc	\$0	\$726,130	\$726,130	Н
	BRT and 1st/Last Mile Solutions e.g. DASH		FY 2048	FY 2057	CC	\$0	\$250,000	\$250,000	Т
	Freeway Interchange and Operational Improvements		FY 2048	FY 2057	CC	\$0	\$195,000	\$195,000	Н
78			FY 2048	FY 2057	sg	\$0	\$33,000	\$33,000	Ι
	Goods Movement Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	nc	\$0	\$104,000	\$104,000	Ţ
	Goods Movement Projects		FY 2048 FY 2048	FY 2057	av	\$0 80	\$81,700	\$81,700	Ţ
	Highway Efficiency Program			FY 2057	nc		\$128,870	\$128,870	Н
	Highway Efficiency Program		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg	\$0 80	\$534,000	\$534,000	н
	Highway Efficiency, Noise Mitig. and Arterial Projects		FY 2048 FY 2048	FY 2057 FY 2057	av	\$0 \$0	\$602,800 \$66,000	\$602,800 \$66,000	Н
	ITS/Technology Program (Advanced Signal Tech.)		FY 2048	FY 2057	sg				Н
	LA Streetscape Enhance. & Great Streets Program Modal Connectivity Program		FY 2048 FY 2048		cc lvm	\$0 \$0	\$450,000 \$68,000	\$450,000 \$68,000	Н
	Modal Connectivity Program Public Transit State of Good Repair Program		FY 2048 FY 2048	FY 2057	cc	\$0 \$0	\$68,000 \$402,000	\$08,000 \$402,000	Т
	Traffic Congestion Relief and Improvement Program		FY 2048 FY 2048	FY 2057 FY 2057	lvm	\$0 \$0	\$402,000 \$63.000	\$402,000 \$63,000	h
	Traffic Congestion Relief and Improvement Program  Traffic Congestion Relief/Signal Synchronization		FY 2048	FY 2057	cc	\$0 \$0	\$50,000 \$50,000	\$50.000	Н
	Arroyo Verdugo Projects to be Determined		FY 2048	FY 2057 FY 2057	av	\$0 \$0	\$50,000 \$110.600	\$50,000 \$110,600	Н
	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 4 (All Subregions)	р	FY 2050	FY 2052	SC		\$10,000	\$100,000	7
	Countywide BRT Projects Ph 5 (All Subregions)	p		FY 2062	SC	****	\$100,000	\$100,000	ļ,
	Multi-Year Subregional Programs Subtotal	P	11 2000	F1 2002	SC	\$1,430,000		\$100,000	_
94	GRAND TOTAL					\$21,011,027	\$31,243,641	<b>\$</b> 53,450,669	
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## May 2025 Recommendations

### **CONSIDER:**

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# **Recommended Projects**

#### Westside Metro Rail Network (2028) and Priority WSCCOG Bus Corridors - Feb. 2025

WESTSIDE CITIES COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



## **Next Steps**

- Execute Funding Agreements with the implementing agencies to initiate projects
- Continue working with the Subregion to identify and deliver projects
- Return to the Board annually for Program/Project updates