



Staff Report

September 10, 2019

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Town Council
FROM: Britton Snipes, Town Engineer/Public Works Director
DATE: September 3, 2019
RE: Keep Placer County Moving update

Recommendation

Receive a presentation on a transportation funding strategy being undertaken by Placer County Transportation Planning Agency labeled "Keep Placer County Moving".

Issue Statement and Discussion

Placer County Transportation Planning Agency (PCTPA) is currently examining the need to develop a local source of funding for transportation projects in South Placer County. Three billion dollars (\$3 billion) is needed in South Placer County over the next 30 years to fund traffic congestion improvements. A funding gap was created when the state and federal governments changed the matching requirements for federal grants from 90 percent to 50 percent over the past few years. Planned growth in the South County region previously paid for the local match for state and federal funding as the local development community pays the legal maximum of nearly \$2 Billion for their fair share of impacts on local roadways. As the funding formula changed, this leaves a funding gap of over \$1 billion, locally. If South Placer does not find a source of funding for this gap, traffic congestion will increase exponentially due to growth in the Sacramento Region, movement of goods and services and pass through traffic between the Bay Area and Lake Tahoe.

The previous attempt to pass a sales tax, Measure M in 2016, narrowly failed, primarily because the eastern part of the County did not sufficiently support the tax. Had Measure M just been focused on the South Placer Region it would have passed at nearly 68 percent. One of the items that PCTPA is exploring is the is a transportation sales tax district for the Southern portion of the County. However, this takes an act of the California State Legislature which PCPTA and a coalition of other counties is currently pursuing. A proposed district boundary might include the cities of Roseville, Rocklin Lincoln and town of Loomis, but boundaries are not yet solidified. Twenty-six (26) counties in California have their own dedicated transportation sales tax measures and it has become almost impossible for Placer to compete against those other "self-help" counties for state and federal funding.

Recent polling of South Placer voters conducted by PCTPA showed strong support for a potential Measure, however, Loomis residents were less supportive than surrounding cities. As PCTPA examines the need for the proposed transportation sales tax district, it is important that our residents fully understand the local need for the tax measure and the benefits to the Town.

The revenue generated by a potential sales tax measure will fund existing planned capacity-increasing transportation projects: major highway projects such as the additional three phases of the 80/65 Interchange Safety and Design Improvements, alternative transportation projects (bike/ped), transit funding, complete streets and safe routes to schools improvements.

The proposed expenditure plan for the potential transportation sales tax (Attachment A) includes the expansion of the Horseshoe Bar Road interchange as a project. The likelihood of the Town having adequate funding for that project without the sales tax measure is highly unlikely.

Attachments

A. Propose Expenditure Plan

PCTPA/SOUTH PLACER DRAFT TRANSPORTATION SALES TAX DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION INVESTMENT PLAN (Revised Draft-March 2019)

Category	Project	Total Project Cost	Estimated Funding from Other Sources (in millions)	Shortage	Sales Tax Contribution (in millions)	Percentage of Sales Tax Revenue	Sources of Other Revenues/ Matching Funds	Annual Amount Sales Tax Revenues (in millions)
MAJOR HIGHWAY PROJECTS <i>Environmental, design, right of way, and construction</i>	TOTAL MAJOR HIGHWAY PROJECTS	\$ 1,514.0	\$ 831.0	\$ 683.0	\$ 683.0	53.4%	Various	
	I-80/SR 65 Interchange Phases 2-4	\$ 395.0	\$ 100.0	\$ 295.0	\$ 295.0		State/federal matching funds, developer fees	
	SR 65 Widening Galleria Blvd to Lincoln Blvd	\$ 115.0	\$ 70.0	\$ 45.0	\$ 45.0		Developer fees	
	Placer Parkway	\$ 595.0	\$ 570.0	\$ 25.0	\$ 25.0		Developer fees, Sutter Co fees	
	Baseline Road Widening	\$ 70.0	\$ 60.0	\$ 10.0	\$ 10.0		Developer fees	
	I-80 Auxiliary Lanes	\$ 29.0	\$ 6.0	\$ 16.0	\$ 23.0		State/federal matching funds	
	Interchange Program I-80/Rocklin Road	\$ 110.0	\$ 25.0	\$ 85.0	\$ 85.0		Developer fees	
	I-80/Horseshoe Bar SR 65/Nelson Lane	\$ 200.0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.0		None	
	Financing for Early Construction	\$ 200.0	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 200.0		None	
	TOTAL SENIOR/DISABLED TRANSIT, BICYCLE/PEDESTRIAN AND COMMUTER IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 538.1	\$ 346.2		\$ 191.9	15.0%	All Transit, Bicycle/Ped and Commuter Improvements	
ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS <i>Senior/Disabled/Other Transit Environmental, design, right of way, construction, capital projects and operation</i>	Senior/Disabled Transit Enhancements	\$ 99.0	\$ 35.0		\$ 64.0	5.0%	Transit Funds	
	Various Countywide	\$ 139.2	\$ 75.2		\$ 64.0	5.0%	State/federal matching funds	
	TOTAL COMMUTER IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 300.0	\$ 236.0		\$ 64.0		Various	
	Commuter Bus Enhancements	\$ 75.0	\$ 43.0		\$ 32.0	5.0%	Cap & Trade, transit funds	
LOCAL PROJECTS <i>Local traffic congestion hot spots and matching funds for local transportation priorities</i>	Capital Corridor Rail/Bus Rapid Transit	\$ 225.0	\$ 193.0		\$ 32.0		Cap & Trade, transit funds	
	TOTAL DISTRICT	\$ 768.9	\$ 441.4		\$ 327.4			\$ 10.9
	City of Lincoln	\$ 135.6	\$ 72.4		\$ 63.2			\$ 2.1
	Town of Loomis	\$ 23.0	\$ 13.1		\$ 9.9	25.6%	State and Federal Funds (Reduced due to SB1)	\$ 0.3
	City of Rocklin	\$ 179.9	\$ 109.2		\$ 70.7			\$ 2.4
City of Roseville	\$ 303.2	\$ 145.5		\$ 157.8			\$ 5.3	
Placer County	\$ 127.2	\$ 101.3		\$ 25.9			\$ 0.9	
COMPETITIVE PROJECTS PROGRAM <i>Transportation improvements</i>	Various Countywide	\$ 143.9	\$ 79.9		\$ 64.0	5.0%	State/federal matching funds, developer fees	
TRANSPARENCY, OVERSIGHT, AND ADMINISTRATION		\$ 12.8	\$ -		\$ 12.8	1.0%	None	\$ 0.4
TOTAL PROGRAM		\$ 2,978	\$ 1,699		\$ 1,279	100.00%		