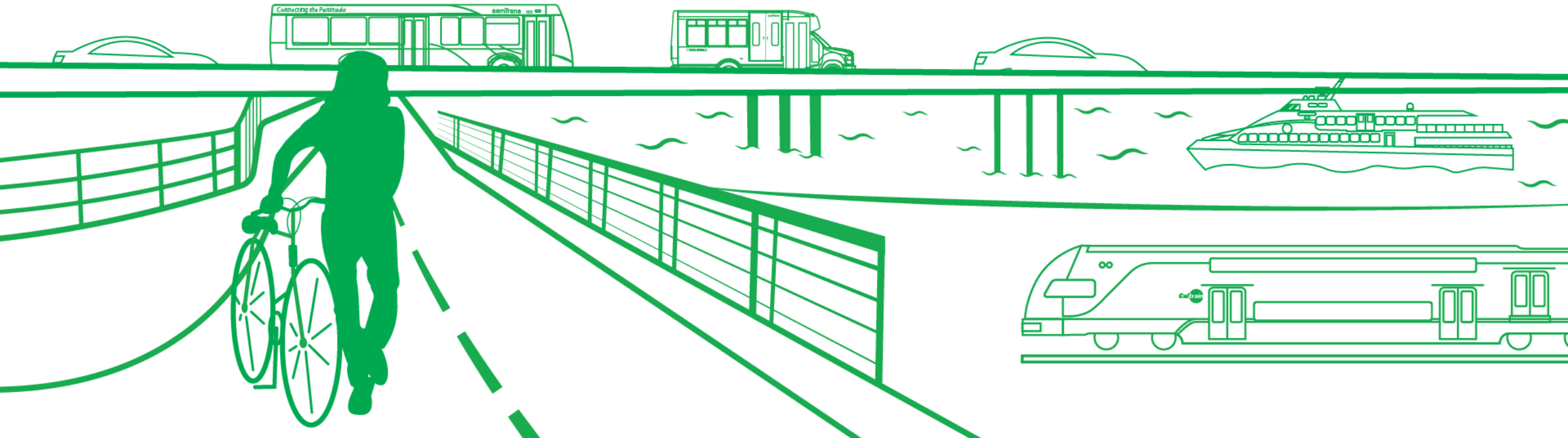




SAN MATEO COUNTY
**Transportation
Authority**

2025 Highway Program Call for Projects

Stakeholder and Applicant Workshop
July 16, 2025



AGENDA

1. Program Overview & Funding
2. Project Eligibility
3. Application Process and Materials
4. Evaluation Criteria
5. Key Policy Highlights
6. Schedule
7. Contacts & Links



PROGRAM OVERVIEW & FUNDING

- Focus is to reduce congestion, improve throughput and safety on most critical commute corridors
- Measure A dedicates **27.5%** of revenue for the Highway Program
 - 17.3% for Key Congested Areas (KCA)
 - 10.2% for Supplemental Roadways (SR)
- Measure W dedicates **22.5%** of revenue for the Highway Program
 - 21.5% for highway infrastructure
 - 1% for transportation demand management



PROGRAM OVERVIEW & FUNDING

- TA Board adopted the Short Range Highway Plan (SRHP) and Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) in June 2021
- TA Strategic Plan 2025-2029 adopted in December 2024 updated the evaluation criteria and program guidelines
- Large amount of funding for local arterials and main streets multimodal congestion and safety projects available with the adoption of the updated Supplemental Roadways Candidate Project List in June 2025



PROGRAM OVERVIEW & FUNDING

Available Funding for the 2025 CFP

Funding Track	Available Funding
Measure A: (KCA & SR)	\$120 million (KCA: \$45m / SR: \$75m)
Measure W	\$80 million
Total	Up to \$200 million

- Project requests must be for work ready to proceed within 12 months of receiving the funding award



PROGRAM OVERVIEW & FUNDING

New Geographic Funding Distribution Targets

- Small/Coastal – 15%
- Mid/Large – 50%
- Countywide Significance – 35%

Funding will be assigned to projects in the applicable geographic category first, should there be additional funding available then the remaining categories can receive the additional funding which will be assigned based on the final application score.



PROGRAM OVERVIEW & FUNDING

New Projects of Countywide Significance Definition

Projects are eligible for consideration if they meet at least two of the following screening criteria:

1. Project serves a significant amount of person throughput, inclusive of all modes
2. Project serves a significant amount of inter-county traffic
3. Project significantly improves connections between two or more geographic areas of the county
4. Project is a priority component of a countywide or regional multijurisdictional effort



PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

Funding Track	Eligible Projects
Measure A: (KCA & SR)	KCA and SR projects identified in the 2004 TEP. Additional SR projects not included in the 2004 TEP must be approved in the updated Candidate Supplemental Roadways Project List (Exhibit C)
Measure W	Eligible candidate projects will be focused on highway and interchange facilities, including Highway 101, Highway 280, and other highways and their interchanges. Eligible candidate projects can include bicycle and pedestrian components or facilities that are incorporated into and enhance safety for a larger highway or interchange project.

- Maintenance/rehabilitation are not eligible costs
- Complete Streets projects that focus on multimodal congestion and safety improvements are eligible but cannot be strictly bicycle and pedestrian in nature



APPLICATION PROCESS & MATERIALS

Notice of Intent to Submit – Due by August 1st

- Sponsors must fill out the form linked below to indicate the intent to submit a project
- Information will be used to set up a Dropbox link to upload all application and materials (no paper materials will be accepted)
- Required pre-submittal meetings week of August 4-8, 2025

[Click Here for the Notice of Intent Survey Link](#)

APPLICATION PROCESS & MATERIALS

Materials Needed will be Posted on the TA CFP Webpage:

1. Fillable Word Application
 - Note space limits for responses
 - Attachment checklist: Plans, photos, data backup, Letters of Support, etc.
2. Program Guidelines
 - Note instructions for cover letter and non-supplantation of funds statement
 - Exhibit A – TA Strategic Plan 2025-2029 Guidelines
 - Exhibit B/C – Eligible Projects
 - Exhibit D – Evaluation Criteria (Forthcoming - will be emailed to applicants)
3. Highway CFP Resolution Template
4. All workshop materials and recording



APPLICATION PROCESS & MATERIALS

Application Submittal – Due by September 12thth by 4:00 PM

- For each project application, all materials must be uploaded to a specific DropBox link that will be provided after filling out the NOI survey.
- It is the responsibility of each sponsor to confirm with TA staff regarding the receipt of all materials – TA staff will review applications for completeness as received. Submit early!
- Email Patrick Gilster for confirmation at gilsterp@samtrans.com
- **Late or incomplete applications will not be accepted**



EVALUATION CRITERIA

Evaluation Criteria set by TA Strategic Plan 2025-2029

Categories	Pre-Env Phases (PLAN, ENV)	Post-Env Phases (PS&E, ROW, CON)
Need	50%	25%
Effectiveness	N/A	40%
Equity & Community Engagement	30%	25%
Readiness	10%	5%
Funding Leverage	10%	5%

- Note that “Need” scores are NOT provided as in prior cycles, applicants need to justify individual projects
- Exhibit D with full scoring breakdown will be emailed to applicants who fill out the NOI survey



KEY POLICY HIGHLIGHTS

- Minimum of 10% match required for each phase of work
- Measure A/W can only fund up to 50% of a total project cost for projects of Countywide Significance and up to 75% for local projects
- Sponsor performance on past awards will be reviewed
- Projects must remain active and meet timely use of funds and attribution requirements
- Construction and Landscape/Close-out must be requested together
- Staff time is eligible – make sure to include all costs!



KEY POLICY HIGHLIGHTS

Major Projects Advancement Policy

For projects over \$25M, sponsor must:

- Present to the TA Board & Community Advisory Committee upon completion of the PE/ENV or PAED prior to requesting Final Design funds to better highlight major TA investments for long-term support
- Information must include project needs, benefits, impacts, and realistic cost/funding plan through CON approved by TA staff

For applicable projects, this will be required at the November Draft Program meeting



SCHEDULE

Call for Projects Issued after TA Board Meeting	July 11, 2025
Call for Projects Workshop: Virtual via Zoom (will be recorded)	July 16, 2025
Notify TA of Intent to Submit	August 1, 2025
Mandatory Pre-submittal Meetings with TA Staff	August 4-8, 2025
Project Applications due	September 12, 2025
Evaluation Period	September/October 2025
Informational item to TA Board on Draft Program of Projects	November 6, 2025
TA Board approves proposed Program of Projects	December 4, 2025



CONTACTS & LINKS

- **General Application Questions:**

- Patrick Gilster, Director of Planning & Fund Management:
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Highway Call for Projects Materials

<https://www.smcta.com/2025HighwayCFP>

