STAFF REPORT

SUBJECT:

Draft 2020 State Transportation Improvement Program Fund Estimate

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Discussion Only

SUMMARY:

The State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) is a five-year capital improvement program of transportation projects, funded with revenues from the State Highway Account and other funding sources. The California Transportation Commission (CTC) will release a draft 2020 STIP fund estimate at its June 26 meeting. The 2020 STIP will cover Fiscal Years 2020/21 through 2024/25, however, nearly all of the funding capacity will be in Fiscal Years 2022/23 through 2024/25.

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FISCAL IMPACT:

None at this time.

BACKGROUND:

The CTC adopts a new STIP every two years. The STIP is a five-year capital improvement program of transportation projects on and off the State Highway System, funded with revenues from the State Highway Account and other funding sources. As part of the STIP development process, each region in California is required to develop a Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) which consists of the region's priorities for funding through the STIP. Concurrent with the RTIP development at the regional level, Caltrans works to put together the Interregional Transportation Improvement Program (ITIP), consisting of interregional priorities set by Caltrans in collaboration with the regions. Caltrans merges the region's RTIPs and Caltrans' ITIP into the statewide document, the STIP, and submits it to the CTC for approval.

The STIP is generally our region's largest source of capital funding besides the Measure K program. STIP funding may be used for highway/roadway widening, traffic operational improvements and transit capital improvements. All project development phases from environmental through construction are eligible for funding. A new project must have a Project Study Report (PSR) or equivalent to support the programming of project costs.

2020 STIP Fund Estimate Expectations

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It should also be noted that in May, the SJCOG Board approved a recommendation to advance the PA&ED phase of the I-205 Widening Project using approximately \$12.5 million in other federal, state, and local funds. As such, the \$12.5 million in STIP funds previously programmed for this project in Fiscal Year 2020/21 would be available for discussion. Those funds could be assigned to the PS&E phase of the I-205 Widening Project, or could be applied to a different project.

Tentative 2020 STIP Schedule

The 2020 STIP final schedule and fund estimate are planned for adoption by the CTC at their August 14-15, 2019 meeting. SJCOG staff will be evaluating project candidates for the 2020 STIP shortly after the CTC adoption of the fund estimate. The intention is to have projects selected by October 2019, with SJCOG Board adoption of the 2020 RTIP in November 2019, and submission to the CTC by the December 2019 deadline. A tentative schedule of the 2020 STIP development process is shown below:

Milestone	Anticipated Date
CTC Adopts Fund Estimate	August 14, 2019
Development of SJCOG Staff Recommendations	August 15 - October 15, 2019
Preparation of Draft RTIP document	September - November, 2019
30-Day Public Notice of Comment Period to Newspapers	October 9, 2019
30-Day Public Comment Period Begins	October 16, 2019
TAC Adoption of Draft RTIP	November 4, 2019
Public Hearing and SJCOG Board Adoption of Draft RTIP	November/December 2019
RTIPs and ITIPs due to Caltrans	December 13, 2019
CTC publishes staff recommendations	February 28, 2020
CTC adopts STIP	March 2020

ATTACHMENTS:

None

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