

TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, March 27, 2025 TIME: 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. LOCATION: ICTC Offices 1503 N. Imperial Ave., Suite 104 El Centro, CA 92243

CHAIRPERSON: CITY OF IMPERIAL

VICE-CHAIR: CITY OF CALEXICO

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CITIES OF BRAWLEY, CALEXICO, CALIPATRIA, EL CENTRO, HOLTVILLE, IMPERIAL, WESTMORLAND, IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT AND COUNTY OF IMPERIAL Introduction

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

- 2. Adoption of Minutes for February 27, 2025. **ACTION** Requesting a motion to adopt 3. **Caltrans Updates/ Announcements** Presented by Caltrans Staff 4. **SCAG Updates/ Announcements** Presented by SCAG Staff 5. **ICTC Updates / Announcements** Presented by ICTC Staff Transit Updates 1. 2. **Transportation Planning Updates** • State/Federal Funded Project Obligation Updates 24/25 6. Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) & Surface Transportation WORKSHOP Block Grant (STBG) Call for Projects Presented by SCAG Staff **Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates** 6. All
- 7. General Discussion / New Business

8. Adjournment

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The next meeting of the ICTC TAC is tentatively scheduled for April 24, 2025. For questions you may call Marlene Flores at (760) 592-4494 or contact by email at <u>marleneflores@imperialctc.org</u>

2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES FOR FEBRUARY 27, 2025

Requesting a motion to adopt



1503 N. IMPERIAL AVE., SUITE 104 EL CENTRO, CA 92243-2875 PHONE: (760) 592-4494 FAX: (760) 592-4410 **TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

February 27, 2025

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Juan Manuel Cabrera
Lily Falomir

Present:

Gloria Moreno Patricia Ramirez Hector Salcedo Melanie Amarillas Fernando L. Williams Ramiro Barajas Marco Coronel Adolfo Garcia Manuel Ortiz

Others:

Michael Marlene Cesar B Bryan C Alejand Frank S Rebecca Joe Loy

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The meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. A quorum was present, and introductions were made. There were no public comments made.

- 1. A motion was made to adopt the minutes for January 23, 2025 (Falomir/Ortiz), Motion Carried.
- 2. 2025 Call for Projects – Project Prioritization Framework – Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) -FFY 2026/27 to FFY 2027/28 (Presented by ICTC Staff)

ICTC staff forwarded this item to the Technical Advisory Committee for discussion and recommendation to submit to the ICTC Management Committee and Commission after public comments, if any:

- 1. Approve 2025 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Call for Projects Nominations Schedule;
- 2. Approve the Project Prioritization Framework for the 2025 Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Call for Project Nominations;
- 3. Direct staff to convene an evaluation committee to score and rank the projects; and,
- 4. Direct staff to return with a list of recommended projects for approval by the Commission.

A motion was made to approve the Action Item. (Atondo/Barajas) Motion Carried.

3. Caltrans Updates / Announcements

(Presented by Caltrans Staff)

- March 6th Deadline to submit justification for inactive projects. To find the list of inactive projects, follow the link: <u>https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/projects/inactive-projects</u>
- March 14th Deadline for California Transportation Commission (CTC) requests. Please see the link for more information: March 14, 2025 Deadline for California Transportation Commission (CTC) Requests. Please see the link below to review the schedule of deadlines and prepare requests for California Transportation Commission (CTC) approval during May 15-16, 2025, CTC meeting. https://dot.ca.gov/media/dotmedia/programs/financialprogramming/documents/2025_external_preparation_schedule.pdf
- Quality Assurance Program expires in April 9th and May 28th for Calexico and El Centro. For more information, please contact Frank Safaie at 619-985-2444.
- October 1st. Bridge Investment Program Planning Application Deadline. Further details are available at this link: <u>https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/bip/</u>
- Key Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) Further details are available at this link: https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity
- Local agencies must comply with all Title VI requirements (LAPM Section 9.2). Title VI compliance is subject to review at any time. <u>https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/local-civil-compliance/title-vi</u>
- Ms. Villarino from District 11 Small Business Team invited all to register for the next Imperial Valley Procurement and Resource Fair happening on April 2, 2025, from 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM.

4. SCAG Updates / Announcements

(Presented by SCAG Staff)

- Mr. Salgado talked about the 2025 SCAG Scholarship Program. For more information, please visit the link: <u>https://scag.ca.gov/scholarship</u>

5. ICTC Updates / Announcements

(Presented by ICTC Staff)

- a. Transit Updates
- Ms. Flores provided an update regarding the new Intermodal Transportation Center on the East Port. ICTC is working with Caltrans staff on project award documentation. More information in the coming months.
- Ms. Flores stated that the Intermodal Transportation Center in Downtown Calexico will be having a groundbreaking on February 28th.
- Ms. Flores shared information about the new Border Express Route.
- Ms. Flores shared information about the UTN survey going on.
- b. Transportation Planning Updates
 - State/Federal Funded Project Obligation Updates 24/25

ICTC TAC 02/27/25

6. Cities and County Planning / Public Works Updates: Updates were given by the agencies.

7. General Discussion / New Business

No new business was discussed.

The next TAC meeting will be on March 27, 2025, at 10:00 a.m., via Zoom for the public and in person at the ICTC offices.

The meeting adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

3. Caltrans Updates/Announcements Presented by Caltrans Staff

California Department of Transportation

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Date: March 2025

To: ICTC Commission

From: ANN FOX Caltrans District 11 Director

Subject: DISTRICT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Informational

April 3, 2025. Imperial Valley Procurement and Resource Fair.

April 8, 2025. 1:00 – 4:00 pm. <u>California Mexico Border Relations Council</u> Meeting. El Centro. Will provide more information when available.

Federal Update.

Caltrans is working with US Department of Transportation including Federal Highway Administration, Federal Transit Administration, and Federal Rail Administration. As the new Administration appointees fill in, we will share information.

Please join California's Transportation Reauthorization Work Group to help us determine priorities in the next bill. More information <u>here</u>. Sign up for biweekly updates federalliaison@dot.ca.gov.

Projects

District 11 Truck Parking and Medium/Heavy Duty ZEV Charging Station Site Assessment. California Senate Bill 671 Clean Freight Corridor Efficiency required identification of freight corridors and the infrastructure needed to support zero-emission medium and heavy-duty vehicles. In July 2024, Caltrans a completed feasibility study that identified potential sites and conceptual plans for truck parking facilities with medium and heavy duty Zero Emission Vehicle charging stations in San Diego and Imperial counties.

Status: The Project Initiation Document (PID) is on hold. PID efforts will restart in July of this year.

Calexico East Land Port of Entry Joint Operations Systems. As the lead planning cross border planning agency, Caltrans works with ICTC and the Federal Government to improve reliability of cross border trade, reduce congestion, and reduce pollution at the

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California Mexico border. This project will create a commercial vehicle appointment system at the Calexico East Port of Entry. If successful, the pilot could be scaled to other POEs and potentially implemented at both northern and southern border POEs across the United States.

Status: The Project Initiation Document (PID) is on hold. PID efforts will restart in July of this year.

Calexico West Port of Entry (POE) Travel Corridor Improvements. To improve the accessibility to Calexico West Port of Entry and mobility on city streets (including SR-111 and SR-98), Caltrans will soon complete a study with short- and long-term strategies. The short-term strategy introduces operational improvements for the new Calexico West Port of Entry (POE) focusing on channeling all southbound (SB) West POE traffic to Cesar Chavez Boulevard (Blvd) restricting entrance from the City of Calexico local street, 2nd Street (St), into the Calexico West POE. The long-term strategy proposes the realignment of 2nd Street with a 2nd Street Overcrossing bridge positioned above the existing at grade Cesar Chavez Blvd.

Status: The Project Study Report-Project Development Support to be completed by April 2025.

SR-86 and Dogwood Road Intersection Widening and Installation of Traffic Signals. Currently in design phase with a tentative updated construction start date of October 2025. Coordination with County of Imperial. Improvements are part of the mitigation measures listed under the Environmental Impact Report for the Imperial Valley Mall, the Imperial Valley Commons, and the Plaza at Imperial Valley.

SR-186 Highway Realignment and Construct New Bridge over the All-American Canal (AAC). The project will replace the existing structure crossing the AAC (carrying SR-186 traffic) with a new segmental concrete bridge, including standard 12-foot lanes, 8-foot shoulders, 6-foot sidewalks, and concrete barrier railing in each direction. Access for AAC maintenance and operation will be improved. Replacement of existing bridge structure was requested by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (BOR). Ongoing coordination with U.S. BOR, Imperial Irrigation District, Quechan Tribe of the Fort Yuma Indian Reservation, and International Boundary and Water Commission (IBWC).

Status: The Categorical Exclusion/Categorical Exemption (Environmental Document) was approved in January 2025. The Project Report is in circulation. The Project Report to be completed by April 2025.

SR-98 Pavement Rehabilitation. Caltrans ensures the reliability and maintenance of the State Transportation System. This is a SHOPP pavement preservation anchor asset project along SR-98 (22-lane miles). Also included in the scope of the project is lighting rehabilitation, sign panel replacement, upgrades to Americans with Disabilities Act

(ADA) curb ramps, flashing beacons, census stations, traffic signals, complete street improvements, and replacing existing safety systems.

Status: Project is in the Project Approval & Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase with scheduled completion of December 2025.

SR-86, SR-111, and SR-115 Curb Ramps & Complete Streets. Caltrans ensures the reliability and maintenance of the State Transportation System. This is a SHOPP Complete Streets anchor asset project on various routes. Proposed complete streets improvements include fixing existing sidewalk, new sidewalk, and potentially new class II bike lanes. Satellite asset improvements include ADA curb ramp upgrades, lighting systems and traffic signal upgrades, overhead sign structure rehabilitation, roadside sign panel replacements, new enhanced visibility crosswalks, and guardrail upgrades. The project also proposes additional improvements to pavement including micro-surfacing or cold-plane and overlay for the traveled way and shoulders to preserve and extend the service life of segments on the SR-115 existing roadway.

Status: Project is in the Project Approval & Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase with scheduled completion of July 2025.

Pavement Preservation. The purpose of this project is to extend the service life of the existing asphalt concrete (AC) pavement by placing a Microsurfacing seal coat. For locations that have damaged AC, the AC will be removed and replaced by a Cold Planing (grinding) operation and the placement new the AC Pavement. Other work includes re-striping, upgrading roadway signs, shoulder backing and placing rumble strips to enhance safety. Start of construction in August 2025. (11-2N178: IMP-8-PM 0/10: HM-1)

Pavement Preservation. The purpose of this project is to extend the service life of the existing asphalt concrete (AC) pavement by placing a Microsurfacing seal coat and placing a thin rubberized hot mixed (RHMA) asphalt concrete (AC) at various locations. Locations that have damaged AC, will be removed and replaced by cold planing and placing a new layer of AC. Other work includes re-striping, upgrading roadway signs, shoulder backing and placing rumble strips to enhance safety at Various Locations. Start of construction in Spring 2025 (11-2N197: IMP-111-PM 23.5/32.1: HM-1: Pavement Preservation at Various Locations).

Safety Improvement Project. The purpose of this projects is to mainly enhance safety for motorists by Installing rumble strips and pavement markings (re-stripe) to prevent run-off-the road collisions. The project is currently in construction and near completion. Status: Start of construction Spring 2025. (11-2N204: IMP-8-PM R36.4/R39.5 and SD-8-PM 2.9/11.7: HM4 Safety Project.)

Safety Improvement Project. The purpose of the project is to extend the service life of the existing asphalt concrete (AC) by placing a Microsurfacing seal coat. Other improvements include pavement marking and striping, rumble strips and shoulder backing. The project is going thru the award process and expect to be in construction in the summer of 2025. (11-2N230: IMP-86-PM 4.5/8.5 and 20.4/21.39. HM-1 Pavement Preservation).

Bridge Preservation. The purpose of this project is to repair two culvert boxes/bridges to extend their service life and to increase their service efficiency. The project is currently advertised and going thru the award process. The project is expected to be in construction in the summer of 2025. (11-2N147: IMP-111-PM 50.56/52.43. HM-3)

Safety Project. The purpose of this projects is to mainly enhance safety for motorists by Installing rumble strips and pavement markings (re-stripe) to prevent run-off-the road collision and cross over collision prevention. The project is currently going thru the award process and expect to be in construction in the summer of 2025. (11-2N226: IMP-98 PM 0/57: HM4)

Safety Project. The purpose of this projects is to mainly enhance safety for motorists by Installing rumble strips and pavement markings (re-stripe) to prevent run-off-the road collision and cross over collision prevention. Other work includes installing roadway signs. The project is currently going thru the award process and expect to be in construction in the summer of 2025. (11-2N225: IMP-78-PM 0/34 and SD-78 PM 16/95. HM4).

Pavement Preservation. The purpose of this project is extend the service life of the existing asphalt concrete (AC) by a placing a Microsurfacing seal coat and to further improve the ride quality. Other work includes placing rumble strips to prevent run-off-the road collision and cross over collision prevention and placing pavement delineation (re-stripe). The project is currently going thru the award process and expect to be in construction in the summer of 2025. (11-2N228: IMP-78-PM 0/13. HM-1)

Pavement Preservation. The purpose of this project is to improve the pavement condition and to extend the service life of the existing asphalt concrete (AC) at various ramps by placing a Microsurfacing seal coat. Other work includes shoulder backing, pavement delineation (re-striping), install roadway signs at ramps. This stand-alone ramp pavement project completes all of the remaining ramps along IMP-8. This project is currently going thru the award process and it is expected to be in construction in the summer of 2025. (11-2N176: Microsurfacing Ramps at IMP-8-PM R50.3/R96.7).

DISTRICT 11 LOCAL ASSISTANCE (DLAE) REPORT

*****GRANTS*****

Select Grant Funding Opportunities are listed below. Please click on below grant links for additional information on deadlines, qualifications, submittal information, etc.

U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Grant Opportunities

The USDOT website provides a DOT Discretionary Grants Dashboard, which is a great tool that your local agency can use to find grant opportunities in various areas such as: Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART), Rural Opportunities to Use Transportation for Economic Success (ROUTES), and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant programs, just to name a few. In the link provided below, you can filter for your agency specifics to narrow down grant opportunities. Directions, deadlines, and links to apply are <u>HERE</u>.

Bridge Investment Program (BIP)

The Bridge Investment Program is a competitive, discretionary program that focuses on existing bridges to reduce the overall number of bridges in poor condition, or in fair condition at risk of falling into poor condition.

* \$9.62 billion of funding available.

* 8/2025 is the deadline for large bridge project grant applications for Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2026.

* Click link <u>HERE</u> for further information.

Key Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)

To provide stakeholders with more visibility on upcoming funding opportunities, DOT is publishing a list of anticipated dates for upcoming Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for key programs. This list is not comprehensive and will be updated periodically with additional programs and revised dates as appropriate.

Some key programs and their deadlines:

Rural and Tribal Assistance Pilot Program

This program awards grants for either the hiring of staff or the procurement of expert firms to provide financial, technical, and legal assistance with project-related planning and design phase activities.

- * \$27 million of funding available.
- * April 17, 2025 is deadline when application portal closes.
- * Click link <u>HERE</u> for more information.

Safe Streets & Roads for All (SS4A)

This program Empowers tribal, local, and regional efforts to save lives and reduce serious injuries on our roadways.

* \$2 billion of funding available.

- * The FFY 2025 Notice of Funding Opportunity is expected to be released March of 2025.
- * Click link <u>HERE</u> for more information.

Buses and Bus Facilities Program

Funding to operate fixed route bus service to replace, rehabilitate, and purchase buses and related equipment and to construct bus-related facilities including technological changes or innovations to modify low- or no- emission vehicles or facilities.

- * \$1.5 billion in funding available.
- * Anticipated opening in Spring of 2025.
- * Click link <u>HERE</u> for more information.

Pilot Program for Transit Oriented Development

Funding for efforts associated with an eligible transit project for which the project sponsor will seek funding through FTA's Capital Investment Grants Program. TOD focuses growth around transit stations to create compact, mixed-use communities with easy access to jobs and services.

- * \$14 million in funding available.
- * Anticipated opening in Summer of 2025.
- * Click link <u>HERE</u> for more information.

Charging & Fueling Infrastructure grants

Funding to strategically deploy publicly accessible electric vehicle charging infrastructure and other alternative fueling infrastructure.

- * \$2.5 billion funding available over five years.
- * Anticipated opening in Fall of 2025.
- * Click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

Further NOFO grant details are available at this link – Key Notices of Funding Opportunity | US Department of Transportation

Title VI Nondiscrimination Program

Local agencies must comply with all Title VI requirements (LAPM Section 9.2). Title VI compliance is subject to review at any time. https://dot.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/local-civil-compliance/title-vi

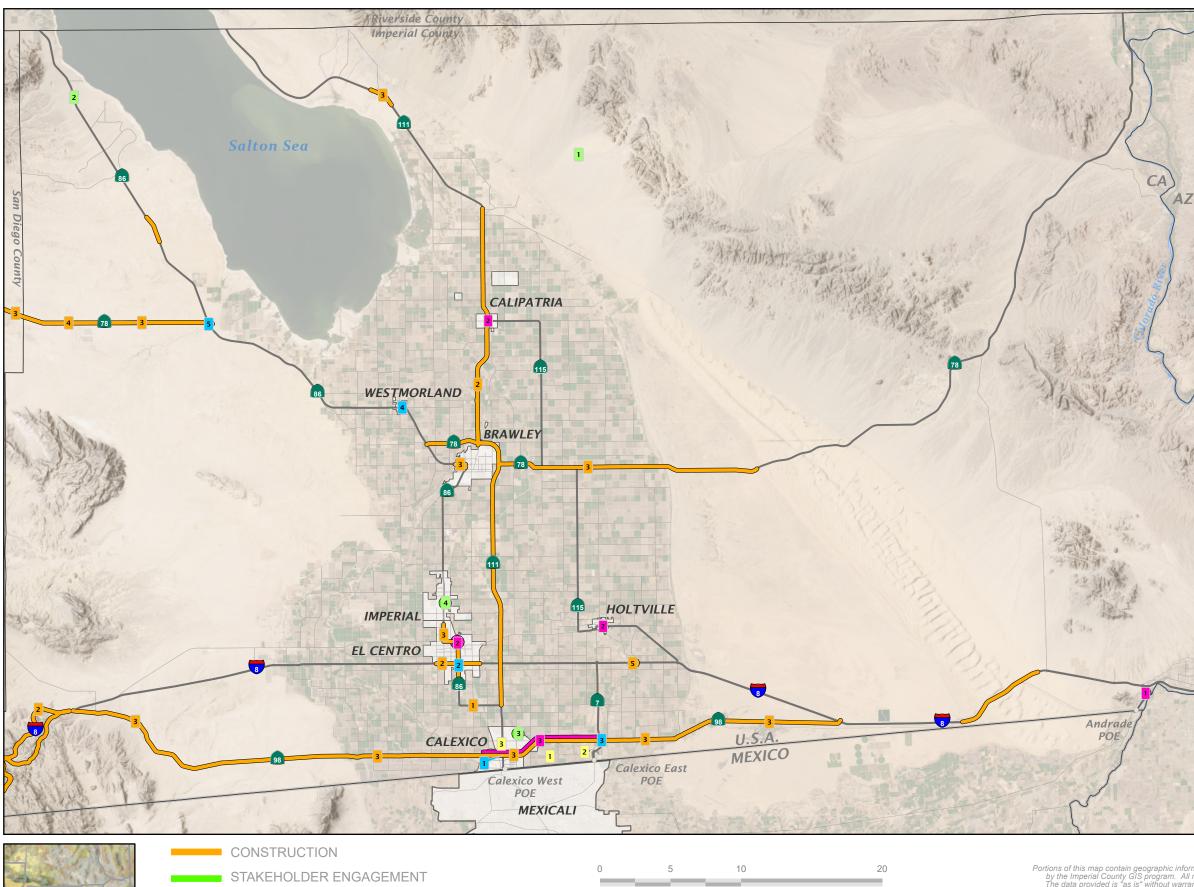
Note from the Caltrans Office of the Federal Liaison:

Caltrans has received many inquiries from transportation partners regarding recent national news, actions and Executive Orders. As soon as Caltrans hears from our federal partners (e.g., Federal Highway Administration), every effort will be made to keep you informed. Caltrans will provide updates whenever more definitive federal guidance is available.

Please see the Caltrans Local Assistance Blog (LAB), which has additional resources and updates. LocalAssistanceBlog.com

IMPERIAL COUNTY

STATUS OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS





PROJECT DELIVERY MAINTENANCE AND TRAFFIC OPERATIONS PLANNING AND LOCAL ASSISTANCE



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Date:03/12/2025

CONSTRUCTION

1. SR-86 and Dogwood Road Widening and Signals Construction Date Autumn 2025

2. I-8 and SR-111 Highway Maintenance Beginning Dec 2024 and Summer 2025

3. SR-86, SR-111, SR-98, SR-78 Highway Maintenance Construction starting throughout 2025

4. SR-78 Pavement Preservation Construction starting July 2025

5. I-8 Microsurfacing at Ramps Construction starting August 2025

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

1. Lithium Valley Project MOU Draft and CEC Coordination

2. Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians Improvements at SR-86 / Black Diamond Rd

3. City of Calexico Travel circulation improvements and PID

PROJECT DELIVERY

1. SR-186 All-American Canal Bridge Env Document Project Report to be finalized March 2025

2. ADA Curb Ramps & Complete Streets on SR-115, 86, 111 Begin design by end of 2025

3. SR-98 Pavement Rehabilitation Begin Design by February 2026

MAINTENANCE & TRAFFIC OPS

1. El Centro Traveled Way - Brush Control and Crack Sealing

2. El Centro Functional/Marking Crew - Sign maintenance and refreshing pavement markings

3. Midway Traveled Way Crew - Crack sealing and drain cleaning

4. Brawley Traveled Way Crew - Sweeping and brush control, paving

5. SR86/Customs & Border Protection Checkpoint Expansion Awaiting ICTC/CBP electing to proceed with Environmental Process

PLANNING & LOCAL ASSISTANCE

1. Feasibility Studies: Truck Parking and ZEV Charging Project Initiation Document to be completed June 2026

2. Calexico East Land Port of Entry Joint Operations Systems Project Initiation Document to be completed June 2026

3. Calexico Travel Corridor Improvements

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4. SCAG Updates/Announcements

Presented by SCAG Staff



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Memorandum

Re:	Southern California Association of Government's (SCAG) Report
From:	David Salgado, Government Affairs Officer (GAO)
To:	ICTC Committee and Management Meeting
Date:	March 12, 2025

The following is a summary of the SCAG Executive Director's Report and/or Federal and State Legislature Staff Report for the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC) Management Committee and Regular Commission meeting for the month of MARCH 2025.

1. 2025 SCAG Scholarship Program Now Open—Apply Today!!

The 2025 SCAG Scholarship Program is now open. The program, in partnership with the California Transportation Foundation, provides nine \$4,000 scholarship awards for high school or community college students from the SCAG region. Students of any field of study are invited to apply; however, preference is given to applications that demonstrate a commitment to community planning, regional planning, urban planning, civil engineering, political science, public administration, sustainable development, or other related fields.

To apply for the SCAG Scholarship Program or for more information, visit the SCAG Scholarship Program website. To read about the 2024 SCAG Scholarship Program winners, visit SCAG News. **Applications are due electronically by Friday, March 21.** If you have questions about the program, please contact Rachel Wagner at <u>wagner@scag.ca.gov</u>.

2. 2025 Regional Conference & General Assembly

Join SCAG for the <u>2025 Regional Conference and General Assembly</u>, May 1-2 at the JW Marriott in Palm Desert. This year, SCAG will celebrate its 60th anniversary. SCAG has worked with the region's leaders to plan for a brighter future for Southern California since 1965.

Attend the 2025 Regional Conference and General Assembly and join regional leaders from the public and private sectors to share best practices and lessons learned and work toward common goals. At the event, SCAG members can access all the <u>benefits of membership</u> while networking with panelists and SCAG staff to learn about resources and tools available to support the region's collective success. The Regional Conference and General Assembly also offers an annual opportunity to represent local causes at the regional scale, including voting on SCAG's new leadership and budget for the coming fiscal year.



<u>Register online</u> today to join SCAG in celebrating the 60th anniversary of regional planning in Southern California while looking to the next 60 years and beyond

3. Surface Transportation Block Grant and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program Guidelines Now Available!

On March 6, the SCAG Regional Council approved the federal fiscal year 2026-27 and federal fiscal year 2027-28 Surface Transportation Block Grant program (STBG) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement program (CMAQ) Program Guidelines. The upcoming call for project nominations will make an estimated \$1.2 billion available for eligible transportation projects in the SCAG region in federal fiscal years 2026-27 and 2027-28.

The new program guidelines incorporate learnings from the previous call for project nominations, streamline the application process, and establish project categories that reflect goals and strategies from the <u>Connect SoCal 2024</u> Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy and the 2024-25 SCAG presidential and Regional Council priorities and objectives. These updated guidelines also prioritize federal performance management areas, consider presidential executive orders and U.S. Department of Transportation policy changes, prioritize projects that reduce particulate matter 2.5 air pollution (in alignment with federal guidance), and ensure timely information about the funding opportunity and related requirements for eligible applicants. SCAG developed the program guidelines in coordination with county transportation commissions, outlining SCAG's project selection process for federal STBG and CMAQ funding.

These Federal Highway Administration programs fund transportation projects and programs based on unique eligibility criteria. The STBG program funds transportation projects to preserve and improve conditions and performance of highways, bridges, and public roads; pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure; and transit capital projects. The CMAQ program funds transportation projects and programs that reduce congestion and improve air quality for areas that do not meet the <u>National Ambient Air Quality Standards</u> for ozone, carbon monoxide, or particulate matter (i.e., nonattainment areas) and for former nonattainment areas that are now in compliance (i.e., maintenance areas).

SCAG will host virtual program workshops on March 12 and 18 to engage with interested applicants. County transportation commissions will also host their own workshops. Applicants should coordinate with their county transportation commissions to ensure their project applications align with county priorities.

The online application will be available from March 31 through May 16. Award recommendations will be presented to the SCAG Regional Council by December 2025.



4. Connect SoCal Program Environmental Impact Review Receives National Award

SCAG will receive an award for "Outstanding Environmental Analysis Document" from the Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP) for the Program Environmental Impact Report for the <u>Connect</u> <u>SoCal 2024</u> Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy (RTP/SCS). The AEP is one of the largest and most well-respected organizations for public- and private-sector environmental planners and California Environmental Quality Act practitioners in the State of California. The AEP comprises nine local chapters and over 2,000 members throughout the state, publishing the "<u>CEQA Statute and Guidelines</u>" each year.

This is the first time SCAG has received state recognition for its environmental analyses for an RTP/SCS. SCAG staff will attend the AEP Conference in Oxnard on April 7 to receive the award. SCAG won a 2023 AEP award winner for its <u>Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 1.0</u> Development Streamlining project, which developed a series of guidance materials on streamlining options or exemptions under CEQA and other state laws as part of SCAG's efforts to accelerate housing production.

5. 2024 Sustainable Communities Program – Active Transportation and Safety Award List Approved

On Dec. 5, the Regional Council approved the 2024 Sustainable Communities Program (SCP) – Active Transportation and Safety Project List and Contingency Project List. The 2024 SCP – Active Transportation and Safety awards include active transportation-related plans and quick-build projects that support the implementation of mobility policies included in the Connect SoCal 2024 Regional Transportation Plan/Sustainable Communities Strategy. Projects will be funded through the state's Active

Transportation Program (ATP) Cycle 7 regional funds, a federal Safe Streets and Roads for All grant, and SCAG matching state funds (to address the ATP Cycle 7 budget cuts). A total of 40 applications were evaluated, with 13 projects selected for funding. Unfortunately, no project applications were submitted for Imperial County. SCAG Staff held numerous presentations and met directly with potential applicants in Imperial County. More information about the 2024 SCP – Active Transportation and Safety Project List and Contingency Project List can be found on SCAG News.

5. ICTC Updates/Announcements Presented by ICTC Staff



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Memorandum

Date:March 21, 2025To:ICTC Commission MeetingFrom:David Aguirre, Executive DirectorRe:Executive Director's Report

The following is a summary of the Executive Director's Report for the ICTC Commission meeting on March 26, 2025.

- 1) Unmet Transit Needs Survey and hearing/meeting information: Section 99401.5 of the Public Utilities Code states that: "The Transportation Planning Agency shall hold at least one public hearing pursuant to 99238.5, for the purpose of soliciting comments on the Unmet Transit Needs that may exist within the jurisdiction." Unmet Transit Needs that are determined to be "Reasonable to Meet" by ICTC may be established by providing transit services directly, by contracting for new transit services, or the expansion of existing services. In recent years, the public hearings have been held in the March to May time frame at the ICTC Offices in El Centro, at approximately 3:00 p.m. ICTC is required to select the Hearing Panel from the elected official members of the Commission. Additionally, staff is collecting the public's feedback by completing a survey on the ICTC website at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/UTN25-26 by 5 p.m. on March 17, 2025. The feedback collected will be stated on the record at the hearing date and time established by the Commission. Flyers for the survey are attached to the report. The public hearing will take place on April 7, 2025, at 3:00 pm at ICTC's Office and the findings meeting is proposed to take place on April 28, 2025.
- 2) CMAQ and STBG Call for Projects: ICTC in accordance with SCAG guidelines will be implementing a call for projects for the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG). SCAG is anticipated to approve its CMAQ and STBG at its February 2025 Regional Council Meeting. The funding years associated with this call for projects is FFY 2026-27 and FFY 2027-28. ICTC will be updating its program guidelines to incorporate SCAG guideline provisions and is anticipating beginning its call for projects in March 2025. ICTC is anticipating adopting its scoring framework at the March 2025 Commission Meeting. SCAG's is anticipated to open its call for project nominations on March 31, 2025, and its project submittal deadline is May 16, 2025. SCAG is anticipating adoption of the CMAQ/STBG Guidelines at its March 6, 2025, Regional Council Meeting. This item was taken to the ICTC TAC in February and was presented to the Management Committee and Commission respectively in March 2025.
- 3) Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center (ITC): A new Intermodal Transportation Center in the City of Calexico has been part of ICTC's long range transit planning. The new Calexico ITC will serve as a regional mobility hub that will accommodate bus bays for Imperial Valley Transit in addition to private bus companies, taxis and farm labor buses. ICTC previously received a Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality federal program fund to complete the environmental and design plans of the new Calexico ITC. The environmental and design phase has been completed. Right of Way Acquisition for the project has been completed. ICTC was awarded multiple grants to complete the required construction efforts for the project. ICTC received grant awards from the Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) 2.0, Active Transportation Program (ATP) and Rebuilding American

Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) Grant and Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending Programs. ICTC recently completed the construction procurement efforts, and a contract award was issued to Hazard Construction. The project is anticipated to take a year to complete. We had a successful groundbreaking ceremony on February 28, 2025, at 11 a.m. at the project site. The Contractor is working on obtaining the required city permits prior to starting construction activities.

- 4) New Border Express Route starting February 10, 2025: Staff have coordinated the implementation of a demonstration route that will operate Monday through Friday at select times between the 3rd and Paulin Bus Stop to the Calexico East POE. This is being demonstrated in anticipation of a larger scale route associated with the upcoming transit facility that is anticipated to begin when the new East POE facility is completed. There is also an additional IVC Express Trip embedded in the new service which will help alleviate some of the congestion we see on some of our IVC Express trips. Staff will be providing updates as it pertains to the development of the service.
- 5) **2nd Street/Anza Road Bridge Rehabilitation Project:** ICTC is working with Caltrans to develop an approach towards proceeding with the development of the required environmental and engineering phases for the rehabilitation 2nd Street/Anza Road Bridge Project. **More information is anticipated to be shared in the coming months.**
- 6) **IVT Ride Service Modifications:** IVT Ride is a dial-a-ride service that is available to seniors (55 years of age or older) and persons with disabilities in the communities of Calexico, Heber, El Centro, Imperial and Brawley. The service primarily operates in an intracity capacity with the exception of the communities of El Centro, Imperial and Heber and the Westshores service which travels to the city of Brawley or the Coachella Valley. The Westshores service is also available to the general public. Due to continuing declining ridership on all IVT Ride services, staff are exploring the possibility of modifying the service to provide trips to the general public but still provide priority to the senior population. The possible modification would enable the service to capture additional passengers and implement a microtransit-like service in various communities. The possible modification would also require financial investment in technology and the development of a passenger web and mobile application. Staff anticipate bringing the further evaluated concept to the Management Committee and Commission in the coming months. Staff are also pursuing funding opportunities to facilitate the possible transition of the service. Staff provided the Commission with a presentation on August 28, 2024, with further details. There was consensus to proceed with the software development and hardware acquisition. This item received approval to proceed to further development by the commission. ICTC has received state funding to complete the software and hardware upgrades for the project. ICTC Staff are currently working on developing a plan to conduct outreach (including in-person presentations and surveys) to the public about possible service modifications. ICTC is working on redeveloping the service logo, in addition to building the mobile software for anticipated use. The project is proposed to go live in July 2025.
- 7) **Transit Comprehensive Operational Analysis:** Staff was able to secure grant funding to complete a Transit Comprehensive Operational Analysis (COA). The COA is a comprehensive evaluation of ICTC's existing transit services while also presenting evaluation findings and recommendations to further improvement of ICTC's existing public transit system. ICTC intends to evaluate all ICTC operated services in addition to incorporating an assessment of the feasibility of intercity passenger rail. Staff recently released the Request for Proposals to the public issued a contract award in October 2024. The analysis is anticipated to take a year to complete. The project has kicked off and outreach efforts are underway.
- 8) Calexico East Port of Entry Intermodal Transportation Center: ICTC was recently awarded \$12.6 million by the California State Transportation Agency (CalSTA) through its Transit Intercity Rail Capital Program (TIRCP) to acquire, design and construct a transit facility at the Calexico East Port of Entry (POE). The goal of the Calexico East POE Intermodal Transportation Center is to create a transformative transportation hub that integrates various modes of transportation including public transit buses. The facility is anticipated to offer amenities such as shade, seating, bicycle parking, signage, and travel guidance, addressing the current lack of amenities and transportation options for pedestrians crossing the border at the Calexico East POE. Additionally, this project will bring four new zero emission vehicles to provide public transit services to the area. The project will have several phases with an estimated completion date in 2030. ICTC is working with Caltrans Staff on project award document completion. More information to come in the coming months.

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- 9) Imperial Mexicali Binational Alliance (IMBA): The IMBA Strategic Planning and regular meetings were held on January 9, 2025, in the City of Mexicali at the CDEM Offices. The rotation of Chair and Vice-Chair was done during the Strategic Planning Meeting. IMBA's 2025 Chair is Abel Graciano representing the Mexicali Region and Vice-Chair is David Aguirre from ICTC representing the Imperial County Region. The next IMBA is scheduled to be held in Imperial County on May 15, 2025, at the ICTC offices.
- 10) Electronic Fare Payments: ICTC is currently pursuing the implementation of an electronic fare payment system to its fixed route transit services. The system would allow all of its fixed route buses to take card payments in addition to its existing cash payment system. ICTC is working on securing the grant funds to implement this project. More information to come in the coming months.
- 11) Reap 2.0 Subregional Partnership Program: ICTC was awarded a total of \$274,133 in funding from the Reap 2.0 Subregional Partnership Program to provide technical support to our local agencies with housing planning and to facilitate housing production. ICTC has notified each of our member agencies about the funding availability. Several cities have expressed interest in the funding and staff is working with each of the agencies to further evaluate their proposed projects. Final projects have been identified and awarded by the commission. ICTC is working on next steps with the proposed agencies and SCAG. A project kickoff meeting was held with SCAG and the funding awardees.
- 12) Calexico Microtransit Service Calexico On Demand: ICTC submitted a grant application for the Clean Mobility Options (CMO) program in October of 2020. The grant application was submitted to provide a clean energy microtransit service in the city of Calexico. In early 2021, ICTC was notified of its grant award of \$1 Million to fund the pilot microtransit service. The microtransit service currently operates as an on-demand service available to provide trips to the general public within the boundaries of the city of Calexico. The award required that ICTC fund and operate the service for a minimum of 4 years. ICTC partnered with Via Transportation, an experienced transportation operator to operate the service. ICTC and Via began the development of the project including service criteria, marketing information, and operational criteria. ICTC obtained approval from the CMO program to commence the service. ICTC kicked off the service on January 9th, 2023. Further information about the service can be viewed on the website: https://city.ridewithvia.com/calexico-ondemand. ICTC was awarded an additional \$500,000 to be utilized for operations of the service and additional service hours through the CMO program in late 2023. *ICTC was recently awarded a grant from the Low Carbon Transit Operations Program in the amount of \$520k to continue funding operations for the service. ICTC also received an additional funding commitment to further continue the service beyond the current grant funding received.*
- 13) Active Transportation Program, Cycle 7: The California Transportation Commission (CTC) has released the Active Transportation Program (ATP) guidelines as of March 22, 2024. Approximately \$568 Million funding will be available for fiscal years 2025/26 through 2028/29 statewide. Applications were due to CTC by June 17, 2024. Imperial County applicants were asked to submit a copy of their applications to the Imperial County Transportation Commission (ICTC). For a copy of the adopted ATP guidelines please refer to Active Transportation Program Guidelines directly at: https://doi.ca.gov/programs/local-assistance/fed-and-state-programs/active-transportation-program/cycle7.

In addition, only applicants that submit applications to the statewide ATP will be eligible for Regional ATP funds. Imperial County anticipates approximately \$1.1 million in ATP Cycle 7 Regional Funds will be available for all applicants that are not successful in the statewide call. There might also be additional funding available for quick build type projects. ICTC staff have developed an ATP factsheet for reference to both funding opportunities. Also, the Regional Active Transportation Plan adopted by ICTC is a valuable resource for agencies seeking funding through ATP Cycle 7. The document outlines priorities for each jurisdiction within Imperial County and was developed with significant input from the public. This input likely reflects the needs and preferences of the local community, making it a valuable tool for agencies seeking to align their grant proposals with the region's priorities. The ATP document is on the ICTC website at https://www.imperialcc.org/assets/documents/transportation-plans-and-studies/ICTC-ATP_Final-Document_2022.02.28_Reduced-Size.pdf

ICTC received correspondence indicating five (5) applications for the Imperial County Region. Applications were

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submitted by the City of El Centro, Imperial County Office of Education, Heber Public Utility District, City of Calipatria and City of Holtville.

As a result of the State of California's budget deficit the ATP program overall funding was reduced significantly. Funding was anticipated to be \$568 Million overall but was ultimately reduced to approximately \$168 Million. Also, because of the budget deficit and associated cuts, the anticipated Imperial County Regional Share was reduced to approximately \$300k. The CTC has released the scoring for all submitted projects. The Imperial County Region was not awarded a statewide award; however, statewide applications will be eligible for regional share consideration. Of the five Imperial County projects, the highest scoring project was submitted by the Imperial County Office of Education. The recommendation for the award was presented to all ICTC committees and the commission in February 2025. SCAG is scheduled to present the Regional ATP to the Regional Council for final approval on April 3, 2025. This step is crucial for formalizing the program and initiating the funding process for selected projects.

14) **2024 Local Partnership Program, Cycle 5:** The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill 1) created the Local Partnership Program (LPP) as a program to reward and incentivize local or regional transportation agencies that have sought and received voter approval of taxes or that have imposed fees, which taxes or fees are dedicated solely for transportation improvements. The program is implemented by the California Transportation Commission (CTC). The CTC adopted the 2024 LPP Program Cycle 5 Guidelines on August 15-16, 2024. As a result of the adoption of the Cycle 5 Guidelines the Call for Projects has opened. The LPP Grant funds require a one-to-one match. The Imperial County Region's estimated allocation amount for FY 2025/26 is \$524million and \$520 million for FY2026/27 for a total of \$1,044 million. There is also a competitive program that is administered by the CTC. Guidelines for the program can be found at https://catc.ca.gov/-/media/ctc-media/documents/programs/senate-bill-1/2-bi-4-12-draft-2024-lpp-competitive-guidelines-red-line-v8.pdf

In the past call for projects, ICTC staff proposed options to TAC members for the distribution of the LPP funds. The distribution calculations proposed were Option 1- Population and Maintained Mileage Based Distribution and Option 2- Using a Flat Distribution in addition to Population and Maintained Mileage Distributions. The proposed distribution is similar to the Local Transportation Authority (LTA) formula distribution.

On August 22, 2024, the TAC committee members reviewed and ultimately recommend Option 2 to be forwarded to the Commission for approval and to authorize ICTC to open the Call for Projects for the Local Partnership Formulaic Program Cycle 5. On August 28, 2024, the Commission approved TACs recommendation. *The Competitive Call for Projects for the CTC opened on August 16, 2024, with a deadline of November 20, 2024, for submittal to the CTC. All agencies with the exception of the city of Westmorland were able to submit a project to the CTC for consideration. Most agency projects were approved by the CTC during the January 2025 meeting. The city of Imperial and Brawley have submitted their packages to the CTC for consideration at the March 2025 meeting. Project Allocations will take place in the coming months as needed by the cities/county.*

- 15) **Bus Stop Improvement Project:** Staff are working on developing a bus stop improvement project across multiple cities throughout the county. The project consists of installing various bus shelters and potentially other amenities. ICTC will be coordinating with the various cities to complete the development. ICTC released the Request for Proposals for design services for the project. ICTC is looking to begin design services soon and have construction take place within FY23-24/FY24-25. The contract was awarded at the April Commission meeting. ICTC has already participated in a kickoff meeting with the consultant and all of the effected agencies. The project design is ongoing and is anticipated to be completed in the next few months. ICTC obtained additional funding to incorporate additional bus stop locations. The new location designs are being incorporated into the overall project design. The 65% percent improvement plans have been completed and were distributed to participating agencies. ICTC has received agency comments, and the comments have been forwarded to the consultant for incorporation into the project improvement plans. The improvement plans are being finalized to obtain 90% completion level.
- 16) Imperial County EV Charging Infrastructure Feasibility Study: ICTC recently submitted a grant application under the Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) to prepare a Countywide EV Charging Infrastructure Feasibility Study. The project will aim to identify strategic locations within the county for EV Charging Infrastructure. Caltrans is currently developing a similar project for locations along State facilities. Staff is currently working

on the development of the Scope of Work for the project to proceed to the issuance of a Request for Proposals. Staff reviewed the proposed SOW with the ICTC TAC to obtain additional feedback. Staff is anticipating releasing the RFP in the coming weeks.

- 17) **ICTC/IVT Operations and Maintenance Facility**: ICTC staff has engaged with the proposed property owner's representative about ICTC's interest in the property. ICTC has also communicated with the city of El Centro regarding action items that would need to take place to facilitate the goal of the project. ICTC has also communicated with grant agencies and our Zero Emission Bus Plan engineering consultant to develop a preliminary site plan of the proposed improvements. Next steps include executing a Letter of Intent with the property owner, continuing coordination with the city of El Centro, and to begin conducting the required environmental studies like a Phase 1 Site Assessment. ICTC will also continue to work on grant opportunities to fund the acquisition of the property. *A preliminary site plan has been prepared and was shared with the commission. ICTC was recently informed that it had received a funding commitment for the completion of the design/environmental phases of the project. ICTC is working towards completing a phase 1 site assessment for the proposed site. ICTC has obtained NEPA clearance from the FTA for the acquisition of the project. ICTC is working to finalize FTA compliance in the coming weeks.*
- 18) Imperial Valley Resource Management Agency receives a Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) program award: The HHW program provides Imperial Valley residents with the opportunity to dispose of HHW properly and free of charge. The IVRMA was notified in December that it was awarded the HHW grant for FY 2025/2026 and FY 2026/2027 in the amount of \$100,000. This is the first time that IVRMA has secured this grant. The award will allow IVRMA to continue to provide HHW services to its residents. More information regarding the HHW program. including residential drop-off locations. can be found the website on at https://www.ivrma.org/programs/household-hazardous-waste-program.
- 19) Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending (CPFCDS): ICTC recently received an award of 4.1 million dollars to be utilized towards the Calexico Intermodal Transportation Center Project. The project has already received awards from the RAISE, ATP and REAP 2.0 programs. We would like to thank our local, State and Federal Partners and Congressman Raul Ruiz for their continued support of the project, ICTC and the Imperial County. ICTC would also like to congratulate the cities of Imperial and El Centro, the County of Imperial and the Imperial Irrigation District on their awards. ICTC will continue to work with all the awardees to ensure that their projects are programmed to enable the use of the project funding. IID has completed its project with the assistance of the city of Holtville.
- 20) Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBG), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Program (CMAQ) 2024 Call for Projects – FFY 2023-2024 to FFY 2025/2026: The STBG, CRP and CMAQ Call for Projects began on November 9, 2023. Applications were due on Friday, January 26, 2024, at the ICTC office. All agencies were provided with guideline documentation and were encouraged to submit potential projects.

Program	Applicants	TotalValueRequestedbyApplicants
CMAQ	City of Imperial	\$388,000
STBG	City of Imperial, City of Brawley and City of El	\$2,416,000
	Centro	
CRP	ICTC – City of Imperial	\$1,083,000

Due to the number of projects submitted, ICTC was able to evaluate all projects internally without utilizing the normal process which involves all cities participating in the scoring and ranking process. ICTC recommended projects to SCAG as part of the final submittal process. SCAG recently approved the list of projects anticipated to receiving funding. The project list is as follows:

Program	Applicants	Total	V	alue
		Requested	by	All
		Applicants		

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CMAQ	City of Imperial – Aten Blvd Sidewalk	\$388,000
	Installation Phases 1 through 3	
STBG	City of Imperial – P Street Rehab	\$519,000
STBG	City of El Centro – S. Imperial Avenue Utility	\$520,000
	Relocations	
STBG	City of Brawley – Western Avenue	\$599,000
	Improvements	
CRP	ICTC – EV Charger Study	\$150,000
CRP	City of Imperial – EV Charger Installation	\$622,000
	Phases 1 and 2	

ICTC staff will be working with local agency staff and programming all approved projects in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP). Several projects have already started development for use of the grant funds.

- 21) Calexico East Port of Entry Bridge Widening Project: The Project proposes to widen the bridge over the All-American Canal at the U.S./Mexico border approximately 0.7 miles south of State Route (SR) 7. The project proposes widening the existing structure by adding four lanes: Two New Northbound Auto Lanes and Two New Northbound Commercial Vehicle Lanes. In May 2018, Caltrans and ICTC received \$3,000,000 from the California Transportation Commission and the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) to complete the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA/ED) for the project. In June 2018, Caltrans completed a Project Initiation Document (PID). In Fall of 2018, the PA/ED phase was initiated by Caltrans, technical studies for the National Environment Policy Act (NEPA) document under Caltrans as the NEPA lead are in progress and is scheduled for completion in May 2020. In December 2018, ICTC was awarded \$20 million under the U.S. Department of Transportation's BUILD discretionary grant program to complete the Design-Build construction phase. ICTC subsequently received TCEP in the amount of \$7.4 Million for construction efforts. The design portion of the project is complete. The project construction is underway, and construction was anticipated to be completed at the beginning of 2023 but suffered delays due to the issuance of the presidential permit. Approximately 87% of construction efforts have been completed. The project was temporarily placed on hold for 6 months due to the issuance of the presidential permit to relocate the border fence. The Presidential Permit was received on July 7, 2023. On November 15, 2023, GSA, ICTC, and regional partners celebrated the completion of Stage 1 of the project with a Ribbon Cutting celebration. ICTC Executive Director David Aguirre led the ceremony. Speakers included ICTC Chair Mike Goodsell, CBP Calexico Port Director Roque Caza, GSA Pacific Rim Region Public Buildings Service Deputy Regional Commissioner Amanda Sweeney, FHWA Senior Project Engineer Tay Dam, Caltrans District 11's South County and Trade Corridor Director Nikki Tiongco, CTC Commissioner Clarissa Reyes Falcon, and Head Counsel of the Mexican Consulate in Calexico Tarcisio Montes de Oca. The event concluded with the anticipated Ribbon Cutting followed by media opportunities. For additional information regarding this project visit the ICTC website at: https://www.imperialctc.org/projects/calexico-eastport-of-entry-bridge-expansion. Stage 3 of the project, which consisted of the completion of improvements to the passenger vehicle lanes, is now complete. Stage 4 of the project is now complete, which consisted of retrofitting activities and roadway striping. The final project improvements, which consisted of the reinstallation of new bolts under the existing bridge section was completed in early August 2024. The project construction efforts are now complete, and the project is now in closeout phase.
- 22) EV Charger Installation Project: Staff are working on developing an EV charger installation project across multiple cities throughout the county. ICTC will be coordinating with the various cities to complete the development. *It is anticipated that the project will be completed within FY24-25/25-26.*
- 23) Forrester Road Project Study Report (PSR): Caltrans District 11 has been working on a project report on behalf of ICTC. The PSR will analyze safety and operation improvements along Forrester Road between I-8 and SR86/SR78. Other improvements include the Westmorland bypass. A meeting to discuss the draft PSR took place at the ICTC offices on Wednesday, March 29, 2023, at 9 a.m. Further updates to the PSR are anticipated along with additional meetings to discuss the updated PSR. The updated PSR was recently completed, and the PSR was presented to the management committee and commission in September 2024.

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24) State Route 86 (Northbound) Border Patrol Checkpoint: State Route 86 (Northbound) Border Patrol Checkpoint: In August 2017 following a year of coordination, Caltrans, the County of Imperial and ICTC met with CBP management and operations staff achieved consensus for a new conceptual alternative prepared by Caltrans. The LTA Board met on September 27, 2017; staff presented the Board with a fund request for \$1.3 million from the 5% Regional Highway Set-Aside from the Measure D allocations. A Consultant Agreement with AECOM for design and construction engineering was approved by the LTA on February 28, 2018. Following our ICTC Board meeting in late September 2020, ICTC has initiated a traffic study as required by Caltrans. Design work has been delayed due to Border Patrol's concern related to their ability to provide additional funding necessary to meet their operational requirements. On Wednesday, March 17, 2021, ICTC received confirmation from Border Patrol Headquarters in Washington D.C. that they wish to proceed with the original Canopy Design that is similar to Interstate 8 Pine Valley Checkpoint.

As discussed, and confirmed with Border Patrol, ICTC will only provide the remaining funds we had available (February 2021) of approximately \$1.3 million to complete the traffic study, 100% design plans, construction of the canopy, lighting related to the canopy, and traffic related improvements required by Caltrans. Border Patrol is committed to paying for all other construction-related costs and Border Patrol will lead the construction contract. Border Patrol, Caltrans and ICTC are having weekly meetings toward completing design plans. CBP will be working with Caltrans to obtain environmental clearance once funding for construction is obtained. The improvement plans have been prepared in the final draft form and have been submitted to Caltrans for review. Caltrans has provided review comments on the improvement plans. ICTC will work with the design engineer to complete the required updates. Environmental studies and Caltrans submittal are pending submittal by CBP. ICTC's consultant has finalized the project improvement plans and CBP will proceed with developing environmental documents and pursue funding for the construction of the facility.

25) **Regional Active Transportation Program**: ICTC staff has been working with staff from the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) in the development of the Active Transportation Program (ATP) guidelines. The ATP is funded from various federal and state funds including the federal Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), State Highway Account, and Safe Routes to Schools (SR2S). The approved California Transportation Commission 2023 ATP (Cycle 6) program guidelines divide the funds into state and regional shares. State funds are available through a competitive application process. Applicants that are unsuccessful at the state level are considered for regional funds. Regional ATP funds are administered by the Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPO). SCAG is Imperial County's MPO. Per SCAG's 2023 ATP Regional Guidelines, county transportation commissions may assign up to 20 points to each statewide project application deemed consistent and meeting eligibility requirements. ICTC staff has completed the adoption process of the scoring methodology. ICTC staff received state scoring of ATP applications from Imperial County and presented staff recommendations to TAC members on December 15, 2022. Projects are underway at various stages by the agencies. Staff recommendations were approved at the January Commission meeting. See the table below for further information.

Regional ATP Projects				
Agency	Project Name	Total ATP Funds Requested		
City of Calipatria	Bonita Place Pedestrian Safety Project	\$997,000		
City of El Centro	Pedestrian Improvement Project – various locations on Main Street	\$1,200,000		
ICTC	Pedestrian Improvements for the Calexico	\$1,073,000		
	Intermodal Transportation Center	\$1,075,000		
	TOTAL Regional ATP funds	\$3,270,000		

26) Orchard Road & SR115 Traffic Concept Report: During the Commission meeting of September 2022, the Commission asked ICTC staff to follow up on the SR 115 Transportation Concept Report (TCR). ICTC staff has conducted meetings with Caltrans and County Public Works staff during the week of October 17th. ICTC staff, in partnership with County and Caltrans staff, are continuing discussions for short term options to deter trucks from using Orchard Road. The parties are also expected to discuss long-term options as well. More information will be shared as discussions continue.

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- 27) San Diego & Imperial Counties Sustainable Freight Strategy: San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) and ICTC received a Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning Grant for a Sustainable Freight Implementation Strategy for both counties. The goal with the strategy is to help transition the freight sector in San Diego and Imperial Counties to sustainable technologies, operations, infrastructure over the next 30 years. The strategy will systematically implement multimodal freight projects and policies, seek to pilot innovation technologies, create a workforce development toolkit, and identify potential funding sources for implementation. The area of study includes communities adjacent to major freight infrastructure in San Diego and Imperial Counties. Environmental justice areas, as defined by AB617, will be a particular focus and include the Portside Environmental Justice Communities, the International Border Community, and Calexico-El Centro-Heber corridor. This plan kicked off in February 2022 and was completed in February 2024. Public engagement was instrumental in the creation of this strategy. Participants of Imperial County included County Public Works department, Work Force Development, Comité Civico del Valle, Imperial Valley Economic Development Corporation, among others. Strategy outcomes were presented to SANDAG and ICTC groups as well as community organizations such as IMBA and AB617. The study is posted to the ICTC website at: https://www.imperialctc.org/assets/san-diego-imperial-counties-sustainable-freight-implementation-strategyfinal-report-2024-02-01.pdf
- 28) **State and Federal Local funding Obligations:** Projects programmed in programmed in Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2019/2020 were fully obligated according to Caltrans Local Assistance. Beginning October 1, 2020, agencies can move forward with request for authorization (RFA) for Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ), Surface Transportation Block Grant program (STBG) programmed in FFY 2020/2021. Other state funding also included in the Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP) include the Active Transportation Program (ATP).
- 29) State Legislation for Transportation Funding SB 1 Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA): According to the California League of Cities, overall local streets and roads allocations to cities and counties from the Highway Users Tax Account (HUTA) and the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) are projected to climb 14.8% in the current fiscal year, 2021-22, above last year, reflecting a rebound from peak impacts of the pandemic in 2020. For the budget year 2022-23, allocations are projected to grow 10.8% over the current year. This presumes that if the scheduled July 1 cost-of-living fuel tax increase is suspended, the Legislature will backfill any revenue impacts to local governments as leaders have pledged. The estimates are based on new statewide tax revenue estimates released by the California Department of Finance with the Governor's 2022-23 Proposed Budget. The county estimates were prepared in collaboration with the California State Association of Counties.

For RMRA remittance advice by cities visit: <u>https://www.sco.ca.gov/ard_payments_rmra_cities.html</u> For RMRA remittance advice by counties visit: <u>https://www.sco.ca.gov/ard_payments_rmra_counties.html</u>

30) Funding Opportunities:

- LPP Cycle 5 Call-for-Projects: LPP Cycle 5 is expected to include about \$72M/per year made up of Federal and State funding. The funding/programming years include the 25/26 and 26/27 fiscal years.
 - Schedule and major milestones can be found at: <u>https://catc.ca.gov/-/media/ctc-media/documents/programs/senate-bill-1/2-bi-4-12-draft-2024-lpp-competitive-guidelines-red-line-v8.pdf</u>
- For a complete list of California specific grant opportunities go to <u>https://www.grants.ca.gov/</u>.
 - Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 through FY 2026 Bridge Investment Program, Planning and Bridge Project Grants
- For a complete list of federal transportation grant opportunities go to <u>https://www.transportation.gov/bipartisan-infrastructure-law/key-notices-funding-opportunity</u>.

31) Meetings/trainings attended on behalf of ICTC Executive Director and staff:

Various project specific meetings are held throughout the month.

- February 27, 2025 ICTC TAC Meeting at the ICTC Offices
- February 27, 2025 CTC Town Hall Meeting, planning discussion via Microsoft Teams
- February 28, 2025 Groundbreaking Ceremony for the Calexico ITC in the City of Calexico
- March 3, 2025 Imperial Valley Transit Quarterly Meeting: Ops, Safety, Dispatch, and Maintenance

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- March 4, 2025 California Public Records Act Update 2025 Webinar (attended by Cristi Lerma)
- March 5, 2025 ICTC Social Services Transportation Advisory Council Meeting at the ICTC offices
- March 5-7, 2025 CalCOG Leadership Forum in Sacramento, CA (attended by Gustavo Gomez, David Aguirre)
- March 6, 2025 PERMA Board of Directors Meeting via zoom meeting (attended by Michelle Bastidas)
- March 6, 2025 SCAG Regional Council Meeting in Los Angeles (attended by Commissioner Goodsell)
- March 10, 2025 SCAG Legislative/Communications & Memberships Committee (LCMC) zoom meeting
- March 11, 2025 Caltrans District 11- Right of Way Training at the ICTC offices
- March 12, 2025 ICTC Management Committee Meeting at the ICTC offices
- March 12, 2025 AB 617 Community Steering Committee Meeting via zoom meeting
- March 13, 2025 Imperial Mexicali Binational Alliance (IMBA) Meeting at the ICTC offices
- March 13, 2025 LTA Oversight Committee Meeting at the ICTC offices
- March 13, 2025 State of the County Address in Holtville, CA
- March 14, 2025 Self Help Counties Coalition (SHCC) Meeting via zoom meeting
- March 14, 2025 SCAG Regional Council District 1 Elections at the ICTC/SCAG offices
- March 17, 2025 Caltrans Super Staff Meeting in San Diego D11 office

FFY24/25 Federal Funded Project Obligation List

Updated on 3/21/2025

Agency	Project ID	Project Title	Funding Type	Programming Phase	Federal Amount in FY 2024/25 (in 000's)	Obligation Status/ Note:
					2024/25 (in 000's)	
Brawley	IMP220608	B Street from Eastern Avenue to Palm Avenue	STBG	CON	\$456	
Brawley	IMP230701	Main Street & 8th street Improvements	HSIP	CON	\$208	
Brawley	IMP230702	Dogwood Rd & Mead Rd. Roadway Improvements	HSIP	CON	\$692	
Brawley	IMP240703	Western Avenue Improvement Project (HWY 86 to Main Street)	STBG	CON	\$599	
Calipatria	IMP220603	South Brown Avenue Roadway and Pedestrian Facilities Improvement Project between Main Street/SR115 to Church Street.	CMAQ	CON	\$1,649	EPSP
Calipatria	IMP220610	Main Street Roadway Improvements Project between Lake Avenue and International Boulevard.	STBG	CON	\$298	EPSP
El Centro	IMP220604	Imperial Ave. Traffic Signal Synchronization Project from Ocotillo Dr. to Main St.	CMAQ	CON	\$570	Design phase
El Centro	IMP220611	S. Imperial Avenue Extension Phase III from Danenberg Dr. to Manuel Ortiz Ave.	STBG	CON	\$2,195	
Holtville	IMP220612	West 9th Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements Project Between Melon Road and Olive Avenue	CPFCDS 29	R/W	\$871	

Holtville	IMP220612	West 9th Street Bicycle and Pedestrian Improvements Project Between Melon Road and Olive Avenue	STBG	CON	\$587	EPSP
Imperial City	IMP240701	Aten Boulevard Sidewalk Installation Project Phase II, Between Myrtle Road and Old SR- 86	CMAQ	CON	\$112	Ending professional improvement plan
Imperial City	IMP240702	EV Chargin Station of EV Purchase, Phase II	CRP	CON	\$311	Ending professional improvement plan by the end of February
Imperial County	IMP220607	Main Street Improvements from SR 111 to Memphis Ave. (South Side) and Isis Avenue Improvements from Main St. to Third St. in the Community of Niland	CMAQ	CON	\$1,163	
Imperial County	IMP220614	Bowker Road Rehabilitation from McCabe Rd. to Ross Rd.	STBG	CON	\$1,666	EPSP
Imperial County	IMP230107	Bowker Road Improvements from Jasper Road to Calexico City Limits	STBG	CON	\$511	
Imperial County	IMP230901	Brandt Road Bridge Project at Alamo River; Replace 73-year old timber bridge with new, single span bridge to current County road standards, and improve operational of the road and bridge crossing.	CMAQ	CON	\$518	
Imperial County	IMPL507	Grouped Projects for Bridge Rehabilitation and Reconstruction - HBP Program (projects are consistent with 40CFR part 93.126 exempt tables 2 categories - widening narrow pavements or reconstructing bridges (no additional travel lanes) - Toll Credits used	HBP 30	CON	\$5,279	

ICTC	IMP100101	Planning, Programming, and Monitoring (PPM) funds to pay for eligible staff and program expenses for ICTC	STIP	CON	\$279	
ICTC	IMP160410	Construction of an Intermodal Transportation Center in downtown Calexico inclusive of sidewalk improvements on Rockwood Avenue between 1st Street to 3rd Street.		CON	\$3,563	
ICTC	IMP230401	Installation of EV Charging Stations at various locations in Imperial Valley	CRP	CON	\$403	It is anticipated that the project will be completed within FY 24- 25/25-26.
ICTC	IMP240603	Imperial County Region Electric Vehicle (EV) Charging Station Feasibility Study	CRP	CON	\$150	Staff is anticipating releasing the RFP in the coming weeks.
					\$22,080	

CON- Construction
PE- Design
R/W- Right of Way

RFA- Request for Authonization

CMAQ- Congestion Mitigation Air Quality STBG- Surface Transportation Block Grant

FY24-25 State Funded Project Obligation List

Updated on 3/21/2025

Agency	Project ID	Project Name	Funding Type	Programming Phase	State Amount in FY 2024/25 (in 000's)	Obligation Status/ No
County	IMP230703	Sidewalk improvements on Heffernan Avenue from 14th street to 11th street.	ATP		\$909	
Calipatria	IMP230703	City of Calipatria - Bonita Place Pedestrian Safety Project	ATP MPO	CON	\$909	
El Centro	IMP230704	City El Centro Pedestrian Improvement Project	ATP MPO	CON	\$1,200	
					\$3,018	

CON- Construction	
PE- Design	
R/W- Right of Way	
RFA- Request for Allocation	
ATP- Active Transportation Program	
LPP- Local Partnership Program	

6. 2025 Call for Projects – Project Prioritization Framework – Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) and Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) -FFY 2026/27 to FFY 2027/28

Action

PROJECT PRIORITIZATION FRAMEWORK FOR IMPERIAL COUNTY

SCAG STBG/CMAQ PROGRAM



The Southern California Association of Government (SCAG) intends to issue a SCAG region Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) /Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Call for Project Nominations in March 2025. The SCAG guidelines require CTCs to perform an initial project screening and evaluation, then submit project nominations to SCAG for regional evaluation and project selection. This document describes the Imperial County Transportation Commission's (ICTC) project prioritization framework for SCAG's 2025 Call for Projects Nominations.

Project Prioritization Framework

- A. The ICTC Regional criteria and scoring rubrics are provided in Exhibit 1, and the schedule is presented in Exhibit 3. Projects will be prioritized based on project scores. Eligible projects can achieve up to 100 points. Project scores will be converted into recommendation categories: **Highly Recommended, Recommended, Contingency List**, and **Not Recommended**. To achieve an overall Highly Recommended determination, projects must achieve a score of at least 85 points. To achieve an overall Recommended determination, projects must achieve a score of at least 70 and less than 85 points. To be considered for the Contingency List, projects must achieve a score of at least 55 points. Projects that achieve a score of less than 55 or are ineligible will be determined to be Not Recommended.
- B. The Project Prioritization Framework including regional criteria and scoring rubrics will be presented to the ICTC Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and policy board for review, comment, and approval.
- C. The recommended project prioritization list will be presented to the ICTC Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and policy board for review, comment, and approval.
- D. The approved ICTC project prioritization list will be forwarded to SCAG.

	Exhibit 1: ICTC Regional Criteria and Scoring Rubrics	
	Criteria	Possible points
1.	Eligibility : Project meets federal and regional eligibility requirements. Ineligible projects will not be recommended.	Pass/Fail
2.	County Priorities: Project is consistent with local and county-wide planning documents and/or studies. Project is included in an approved planning or programming document. Projects recommended in approved planning and/or programming documents will receive higher scores.	0 to 25
3.	Community/Stakeholder Engagement: Project demonstrates community support from priority populations defined as being located within federally	0 to 20

	TOTAL	100
6.	Leveraging / Continuity / Other Factors: Project leverages other funding sources. Earlier project phases were funded in prior cycles and should receive continued support. STBG/CMAQ funds are needed to fully fund a regionally significant project. Other factors of overriding concern.	0 to 15
5.	Regional Priorities: Project is a Tier 1 Regional Priority based on the SCAG STBG/CMAQ Program Guidelines. No = 0 points; Yes = 10 points.	0 or 10
4.	Deliverability and Readiness: Project demonstrates readiness within the programming period. Implementing agency has sufficient capacity and technical expertise to meet deadlines. Projects with milestone dates that are fully identified in the application for all project phases including Preliminary Engineering (PA&ED and PS&E) ROW acquisition and Construction as appropriate for the project will score higher. A description of proposed activities to ensure and/or accelerate completion of the project as proposed in the schedules should be provided to increase the score.	0 to 30
	 a. Responses to public outreach, including comments received at public meetings or hearings, feedback from community workshops, survey responses, plan development etc.; and/or b. Endorsement by a community-based organization. Projects that demonstrate community support through a variety of means will receive higher scores. 	
	designated Areas of Persistent Poverty and Historically Disadvantaged Communities. Community support may be determined through a variety of means, including (but not limited to):	

After completing the Project evaluation, the total score achieved per the ICTC Regional Criteria and Scoring Rubric, will be converted into recommendation categories. (see Table 1 below).

Table 1. ICTC Regional Scoring Rubric		
Recommendation Categories	Possible Points	
Highly Recommended	100-85	
Recommended	85-70	
Contingency List	70-55	
Not Recommended	55-0	

Once the score is converted into recommendation categories, ICTC will submit project nominations to SCAG based on **Highly Recommended**, **Recommended**, **Contingency List**, and **Not Recommended**. Based on the SCAG CMAQ/STBG guidelines Appendix E Detailed Scoring Rubric, projects which receive a **Highly Recommended** recommendation will receive **50 points**, projects that are **Recommended** will receive **40 points**, projects that are in the **Contingency List** will receive **20 points**, and project **Not Recommended** will receive **0 points**. See below Table 2. (Appendix E of the SCAG CMAQ/STBG Guidelines).

Table 2. SCAG's Detailed Scoring Rubric for CTC Prioritization

CTC Prioritization	
Prioritized in the CTC list as Highly Recommended	50 Points
Prioritized in the CTC list as Recommended	40 Points
Prioritized in the CTC Contingency List 20 Point	
Not recommended	

Exhibit 2: ICTC STBP/CMAQ Program Schedule ¹		
	Start	Finish
ICTC Project Prioritization Framework (Due to SCAG; includes Board approval)	January 2025	March 28, 2025
SCAG Call for Projects Process adheres to SCAG application process; application submitted to SCAG through online portal. NOTE: Applicants will not be able to submit applications after the 5/16/25 deadline.	March 31, 2025	May 16, 2025
ICTC Project Prioritization Process (Process uses ICTC Regional Criteria and Scoring Rubrics; applications submitted directly via the online SCAG portal are evaluated). ICTC Project Priority List due to SCAG on August 1, 2025	May 19, 2025	August 1, 2025

Exhibit 3: 2025 STBG/CMAQ Call for Projects Schedule		
January 23, 2025 (Thursday)	ICTC Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) reviews preliminary draft 2025 SCAG CMAQ & STBG Guidelines.	
February 27, 2025 (Thursday)	TAC reviews and approves the 2025 CMAQ & STBG Call for Projects Schedule and Project Prioritization Framework (PPF).	
March 12, 2025 (Wednesday)	SCAG-hosted Workshop- TIME 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.	
March 12, 2025 (Wednesday)	Management Committee reviews and approves the ICTC 2025 CMAQ & STBG Call for Projects Schedule and Project Prioritization Framework.	
March 18, 2025 (Tuesday)	SCAG-hosted Workshop- TIME 10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.	
March 26, 2025 (Wednesday)	ICTC Board reviews and approves the ICTC 2025 CMAQ & STBG Call for Projects Schedule and Project Prioritization Framework.	
March 31, 2025 (Monday)	SCAG Call for Projects Nomination period begins including the ICTC PPF process. The Approved 2025 ICTC PPF and SCAG CMAQ & STBG Guidelines and link to the online application will be posted on the ICTC website. (each local agency will need to sign up for an account to access the application on the SCAG portal)	

¹ Based on the updated schedule included in the February 5, 2025, SCAG PowerPoint Presentation

March 27, 2025 (Thursday)	SCAG – County Specific Workshop 10 a.m. This workshop will take place as part of the TAC meeting.
May 16, 2025 (Friday)	SCAG Call for Projects Nomination ends. Project applications deadline is 5:00 pm. (Applications are submitted to SCAG online portal)
May 19, 2025 (Monday)	Project selection evaluation process begins based on the ICTC Project Prioritization Framework.
June 19, 2025 (Thursday)	ICTC Project Prioritization Framework Scoring and Ranking Documentation Due to ICTC.
June 26, 2025 (Thursday)	ICTC Project Prioritization process ends (ICTC staff generates list of projects designated as Highly Recommended , Recommended , Contingency List , or Not Recommended for funding based on eligible applicant evaluation and ranking). Eligible Applicants will meet to complete the ranking process.
July 9, 2025 (Wednesday)	Management Committee reviews and approves project prioritized list recommendations.
July 9, 2025 (Wednesday)	Applicant Executed Resolutions (for match commitment) due to ICTC.
July 23, 2025 (Wednesday)	ICTC Board reviews and approves project prioritized list recommendations.
August 1, 2025 (Friday)	ICTC submits Project Prioritized List to SCAG.

Attachment 1- Supplemental Questionnaire

(to be submitted via Jotform link in SCAG application Database)

Deliverability and Readiness

Council/Board Resolution

Projects must be approved by the local agency submitting the project application through Council or Board resolution. Adopted resolutions should be included in the application under "Supplemental Questionnaire" through the Jotform link. Please upload your resolution. If a resolution has not been adopted by May 16, 2025, application deadline, a draft resolution should be included. Resolutions must indicate:

- Project name and requested amounts by funding source.
- The local match amount and the source and type of funds. If more than one project is included in the resolution, the local match amount and the source and type of funds should be provided for each project.
- Opportunity for public comment was provided at a public meeting.
- Project is in compliance with the local agency's planning process such as included in the circulation element of the local agency's general plan.
- Project is included in an adopted pavement management plan (rehabilitation projects only).
- Local agency commits to completing the project based on the project schedule included in the application to avoid losing funds to the "use-it-or-lose-it" provisions of AB 1012.

A sample resolution is provided in Attachment 2.

IF YOU INCLUDE A DRAFT RESOLUTION, INDICATE THE EXPECTED ADOPTION DATE.

Attachment 2: SAMPLE RESOLUTION

BEFORE THE (NAME OF CITY/COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCIL/BOARD) RESOLUTION NO. 2025-___

In the Matter of:

ICTC RESOLUTION SUPPORTING

(SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) / CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ)) FUNDING, PROJECT MILESTONE DATES, AND TIMELY USE OF FUNDS.

WHEREAS, the (City/County/District) is eligible to apply for and receive Federal and State transportation funds including (STBG/CMAQ) funds; and

WHEREAS, AB 1012 requires that state and federal funds be expended in a timely manner; and

WHEREAS, the (City/County/District) desires to ensure that its projects are delivered in a timely manner to avoid losing funds for non-delivery; and

WHEREAS, it is understood by the (City/County/District) that failure for not meeting project milestone dates for any phase of a project may jeopardize federal or state funding to the Region; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the (Council/Board/District) hereby agrees to ensure that all project milestone schedules for all project phases will be met or exceeded, and:

- a. The opportunity for public comment was provided at a public meeting;
- b. Local funds in the amount of \$_____ from _____ (source and type of funds) will be used to leverage the federal funds for the project;
- Project(s) is consistent with the _____ (plan: i.e., circulation element of the agency's general plan) planning process;
- d. Project(s) is consistent with the adopted pavement management plan (for rehabilitation projects only).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that failure to meet project milestone schedules may be deemed as sufficient cause for the Imperial County Transportation Commission Policy Board to terminate funding and reprogram the funds as deemed necessary.

THE FOREGOING RESOLTION was passed and adopted by the (Council/Board/District) on ______, 2025.

AYES: NOES: ABSTAIN: ABSENT ATTEST: Signed: _____

Mayor, City of (-----) Chair, Board of (-----) Chair, (----) Board

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution of the (Council/Board/District) duly adopted at a regular meeting thereof held on the _____ day of _____,2025.

Signed:

(-----, City/County Clerk)