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AGENDA ITEM 5b
TAC Meeting
May 7, 2026

DATE: April 29, 2026
TO: Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
FROM: Brendan Byrd, Executive Director
SUBJECT: **Additional Requests for 2026 Transportation Development Act (TDA)
Article 3, Bicycle and Pedestrian 2% Funds**

STAFF REPORT

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Staff's Recommended Action:

1. Introduce the item as an action item;
2. Allow staff to present the item;
3. Allow each agency to present their proposals;
4. Receive public comment;
5. Discuss item and consider making the motion:

“ I move that the TAC recommend the HCAOG Board approve the Bicycle and Pedestrian 2% allocation requests as discussed by the TAC .”

Staff Summary:

Pursuant to HCAOG's adopted Rules and Regulations for the Administration of the Transportation Development Act, 2% of the available Transportation Development Act (TDA) Local Transportation Funds (LTF) is set aside for the exclusive use of projects aiding bicyclists and pedestrians.

50% of the yearly allocation is reserved in a set-aside fund intended for use if at any time an urgent regional priority projects come up. A total of \$101,870.15 plus interest of \$16,616.33 was

received in 2025. After reserving 50% into the set aside fund, the available allocation for this year is \$59,243.24. The new balance of the reserve is \$649,879.86. Previously the reserve amount was set for \$500,000, however, based on recent discussion with the TAC there will be a future revision to the HCAOG TDA Rules that will increase the reserve amount to \$1,000,000.

At the April TAC meeting, the TAC recommended that the Cities of Eureka and Arcata be funded for their projects, for a total cumulative amount of \$29,774. These funding requests have since been approved by the Board, which leaves a total of \$29,469.24 available for request for the 2026 TDA funds.

Since the April TAC meeting, HCAOG has received two additional requests for the available remaining 2% TDA funding, one from the City of Arcata and one from the Humboldt Transit Authority. The City of Arcata is requesting up to six-months of bridge-funding for their bikeshare program, due to the fact that funding distributions through the Carbon Reduction Program are delayed (and reimbursements cannot be retroactive). Arcata’s request is to anticipate a funding need for up to six months, therefore the required funding needed from the 2% TDA could come in lower. The Humboldt Transit Authority is requesting funding for 10 bike racks to be installed on their Class C Cutaway buses. Both funding requests are summarized below and are eligible project requests under HCAOG’s adopted TDA rules (Operations and Maintenance of Regional Bike Facilities). Full copies of the funding requests are included as attachments.

Claimant	Project Title	Amount Requested
City of Arcata	Bikeshare Program	\$21,000
Humboldt Transit Authority	10 Bike Racks for Class C Cutaway Buses	\$22,170
Total Requests:		\$43,170
Total Remaining Budget:		\$29,469.24
Difference:		(\$13,700.76)

As shown in the table, the two requests are for an amount in excess of the remaining funds. The TAC has several options to consider with the additional fundings requests, including:

- Deny the claims as they were received after the posted project due date (March 24th). Staff will note that this option is not recommended, and HCAOG has a historical practice of allowing claims to come in ‘as requested’ if the initial solicitation resulted in project requests below the funding capacity.
- Provide funding for one or both projects in an amount not to exceed the remaining funding capacity (\$29,469.24).
- Provide full funding for both projects and reduce the amount of 2026 total 2% TDA funds added to the reserve. Staff will note that this option would reduce the total amount of 2026 TDA funding being added to the reserve, and the new reserve balance would be \$636,179.10 (down from the currently projected \$649,879.86).

Staff are requesting that the TAC review and discuss the additional project requests and make a funding recommendation for the HCAOG Board to consider at the May meeting.