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AGENDA ITEM 4d
HCAOG Board Meeting
March 20, 2025

DATE: March 13, 2025
TO: HCAOG Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)
FROM: Debbie Egger, Interim Executive Director
SUBJECT: **FY 2025-26 State Transit Assistance (STA) and State of Good Repair (SGR) Allocations**

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Staff's Recommended Action:

Motion to be approved by consent:

“The PAC moves that the HCAOG Board adopt Resolution 25-06 approving the FY 24-25 State Transit Assistance allocations and Resolution 25-07 approving the FY 24-25 State of Good Repair allocations.”

Staff Summary:

STA Program:

State Transit Assistance Funds may be used by transit agencies for both capital projects and transit operations. For most smaller transit agencies, such as those locally, STA along with Local Transportation Funds are their main sources of operating funds. STA funds are derived from the statewide sales tax on gasoline and diesel fuel. Statute requires that 50% of STA funds be allocated based on population (PUC Section 99313), with the other 50% being performance driven (PUC Section 99314), based upon revenues from the prior year. HCAOG distributes STA funds on a reimbursement basis.

HCAOG's Transportation Development Act (TDA) Rules designate as the first priority an off-the-top STA \$200,000 contingency to fund projects when the State Controller's estimate is more than the actual funds received. This contingency is fully funded, and no additional amounts will be held

for contingency this year. STA allowable uses, claimant eligibility and funding priority for the remaining STA funds are detailed in HCAOG’s TDA Rules and Regulations available on HCAOG’s website.

The California State Controller has provided preliminary estimates in the amount of \$1,352,907 for the region's FY 2025-26 STA allocation, with an additional \$228,766 of Section 99314 funds allocated to operators. Claimants who are allocated STA funds must submit supporting documentation not limited to invoices, reporting, and budget information for reimbursement. HTA will be taking over operations for Arcata & Mad River Transit System (A&MRTS) therefore they will be claiming 99314 funds on behalf of City of Arcata.

The TDA Guidelines California Code of Regulations, Title 21, Section 6664.5 states that the transportation planning agency is required to have performance audits conducted triennially for each public transit system. HCAOG is requesting \$100,000 of the STA funds off the top that will be allocated for the Triennial Performance Audits for fiscal years ending 2023 through 2025.

SGR Program:

On April 28, 2017, Governor Brown signed Senate Bill (SB) 1 known as the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. SB 1 directed \$105 million to the new State of Good Repair (SGR) Program annually. The PUC Section 99313 allocation is based on the latest available annual population estimates from the Department of Finance. PUC Section 99314 allocations are based on the revenue amount for each operator, determined from annual reports submitted to the State Controller.

The SGR Program has a specific goal of keeping transit systems in a state of good repair, including the purchase of new vehicles, and maintenance and rehabilitation of transit facilities and vehicles. SGR Guidelines detail roles and responsibilities for HCAOG and transit agencies requesting funds. The California State Controller’s office has provided preliminary estimates in the amount of \$228,766 for the region’s total FY 2025-26 SGR allocation. HTA will be taking over operations for A&MRTS therefore claim the 99314 funds that were allocated to City of Arcata.

The following table summarizes the recommended allocations.

Program of Projects	STA		Program of Projects	SGR	
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HCAOG			HCAOG		
Priority 2	Triennial Performance Audits	100,000	0	N/A	-
HCAOG Total		\$ 100,000.00	\$ -		\$ - \$ -
Humboldt Transit Authority			Humboldt Transit Authority		
Priority 3	Match Funds for buses	50,000	Fleet Tires	60,000	
Priority 3	Hydrogen Facility Prep and Upgrades	390,000	DAR Fleet Repairs	42,000	
Priority 3	Capital Maintenance	60,000	Vehicle Maintenance & Repairs	132,633	39,675
Priority 4	Bus & Shelter Real-Time Signage	160,000			
Priority 5	HTA Systems Operating Assistance	186,800	228,766		
Priority 5	Passenger Information Systems	152,907			
Priority 5	Shelter Maintenance & Repairs	60,000			
Priority 5	Hydrogen Facility Planning	193,200			
HTA Total		\$ 1,252,907.00	\$ 228,766.00		\$ 234,633.00 \$ 39,675.00
Regional Estimate FY 2025-26 Available:		\$ 1,352,907.00	\$ 228,766.00	Regional Estimate FY 2025-26 Available:	\$ 234,633.00 \$ 39,675.00