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AGENDA ITEM 5a
HCAOG Board Meeting
August 17, 2017

DATE: August 1, 2017
TO: HCAOG Policy Advisory Committee (PAC)
FROM: Debra Dees, Associate Planner
SUBJECT: **FY 2016-17 Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP)**

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. Receive public comment;
4. Discuss item and consider making the motion:
"I move that the PAC recommend the HCAOG Board approve the FY 2016-17 RSTP allocations."

Staff Summary:

The RSTP was established by California State Statute utilizing Surface Transportation Program (Federal) Funds (§133 of USC Title 23). Annually, HCAOG and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) execute an RSTP agreement to exchange these federal RSTP funds for state funds, thus eliminating the administrative burden of processing federal funds and some federal requirements for use of the funds.

The RSTP allocation for the 2016-17 cycle is \$1,150,510. The distribution of RSTP funds includes a Regional Apportionment (\$262,188) and an Excess Fund Apportionment (\$888,322).

From the Regional Apportionment (\$262,188), \$100,000 is taken off of the top and allocated to Humboldt County in exchange for an annual dedication of \$200,000 of County Local

Transportation Funds to transit agencies supporting capital improvements. The remaining Regional Apportionment amount (\$162,188) is then apportioned to the four former Federal Aid Urban (FAU) recipients, based on percentages set in the 1990s:

23.8% Arcata 46.6% Eureka 14.6% Fortuna 15.0% McKinleyville

From the Excess Fund Apportionment (\$888,322), funds are taken off the top for the Small Agency Program, and the remaining funds are apportioned to the FAU communities using the same percentages from the 1990s. The Small Agency Program amount is based on the percentage of the population of the four small cities (Blue Lake, Ferndale, Rio Dell and Trinidad) in the region, as well as populations of tribes that are members of the TAC (Blue Lake Rancheria, Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria, Hoopa Valley Tribe, Karuk Tribe, Trinidad Rancheria, and the Yurok Tribe).

Population data for the small cities is taken from the California Department of Finance Table E-1. Population data for the tribal areas was provided by the Humboldt County Tribal Transportation Commission. Funds dedicated to tribes have been allocated since the 2007-08 RSTP cycle. The County has agreed to administer the funds for a single project.

The enclosure, "FY 2016-17 RSTP Administrative Policy and Allocation," provides program background, the FY 2016-17 Regional Apportionment breakdown, and an RSTP claim form.

The Technical Advisory Committee has reviewed the FY 2016-17 RSTP Administrative Policy and Allocation and has forwarded a recommendation of approval.