

HUMBOLDT COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

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AGENDA ITEM 7b

TAC Meeting December 5, 2024

DATE: November 21, 2024

TO: Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)

FROM: Beth Burks, Executive Director

SUBJECT: FY 2024-25 Overall Work Program (OWP) & Budget Amendment #2

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 TAC recommends the HCAOG Board approve the FY 2024-25 OWP & Budget Amendment #2."

Staff Summary:

Annually, Regional Transportation Planning Agencies are required to develop and submit an Overall Work Program (OWP). HCAOG's OWP & Budget outline regional transportation planning activities to be accomplished between July 1 and June 30 of the state fiscal year with a focus on its transportation goals and objectives. The OWP is intended to provide a comprehensive overview of transportation planning and regionally significant activities.

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) requests an amendment to the OWP if funding, schedules, work products, or other items change. Amendment #2 includes the following significant changes to the adopted FY 2024-25 OWP:

1. Inclusion of new Work Element 24: Partnering Assets and Authorities for Comprehensive Transit (PAACT) funded by the Caltrans FY 2024-25 Sustainable

Transportation Planning Grant: Strategic Partnerships - Transit program. HCAOG is the primary applicant; Humboldt Transit Authority (HTA) is the secondary applicant. The grant award is \$479,500 and local matches total \$62,150 (11.47%), for an estimated total project cost of \$541,650. A significant portion of the local match will be expended in future fiscal years. The project will focus on building strong working relationships among HCAOG, HTA, other transit and mobility-service providers, Caltrans, local tribes, cities, and county agencies in order to plan transportation and land use together, considering socio-economic and equity factors and funding mechanisms.

- 2. Benefit cost changes. This includes updates to health and dental insurance costs, employer retirement contribution, CalPERS unfunded accrued liability (UAL), and the outgoing Executive Director's vacation payout.
- 3. Additional funding source of \$19,407 in Work Element 5 for the remaining Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRRSAA) funds. This money will pass through HCAOG for supplemental tribal pavement management plan work to be done by a consultant.
- 4. Staffing changes. This amendment includes the removing the current executive director from quarters 3 and 4 and estimates for costs for an interim executive director in quarter 3 and a new executive director in quarter 4.
- 5. Carryover funds from Fiscal Year 2023-24. The amendment includes carryover RPA and PPM funds from the prior fiscal year in the amount of \$42,830.

Other changes to direct expense projections and funding sources have been made. Funding changes affecting work elements are shown on the Budget Summary Review and Budget Summary Sheet pages enclosed with this staff report and can be found on pages 21-24 in the OWP.

The total budget is being revised from \$4,459,145 to \$5,143,134 an increase of \$683.989.