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AGENDA ITEM 6b
TAC Meeting
February 6, 2025

DATE: January 29, 2025
TO: Technical Advisory Committee (TAC)
FROM: Debbie Egger, Interim Executive Director
SUBJECT: **FY 2025-26 Overall Work Program (OWP) & Budget Draft**

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:
"The TAC recommends that the HCAOG Board approve the Draft Overall Work Program & Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-26."

Staff Summary:

Annually, each Regional Transportation Planning Agency in the state is required to develop and submit an Overall Work Program (OWP). The OWP & Budget outlines 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 should include regionally significant activities.

The OWP is the primary management tool for HCAOG and contains a description of the activities to be undertaken in the coming fiscal year along with detailed budget information. A draft OWP is due to Caltrans by February 28 for review and comment before it is formally approved by the Board.

In addition to our annual responsibilities, HCAOG's work will largely focus on grant implementation. HCAOG was successful in securing several grants which will continue in FY 2025-26. The grants include Work Element (WE) 20 - Humboldt Multimodal and Vibrant Neighborhoods Planning, WE 21 - REAP 2.0, WE 22 - Safe Streets and Roads for All – Regional Vision Zero Action Plan, WE 23 - Siting Analysis for North State Hydrogen Fueling Station Network, and WE 24 - STPG Partnering Assets and Authorities for Comprehensive Transit (PAACT).

No new work elements have been added to the FY 2025-26 OWP, but one inclusion worth noting is a new task that has been added to Work Element 14 Global Climate Change – Sea Level Rise. The HCAOG Board directed staff to explore if HCAOG would be a good fit for the Regional Climate Committee and have a position at HCAOG for the Climate Program Manager. This position would be promotional only within HCAOG's staff, which would allow for a more flexible start date. If the adoption does not happen as anticipated, the individual would continue their current position at HCAOG until the Climate Program is launched.

The Information Element has not been updated since the last OWP. This will be updated with input from Caltrans prior to finalizing the OWP.

The Draft FY 2025-26 OWP has been prepared in compliance with Caltrans' most recent handbook for Regional Transportation Planning as necessary in order to receive federal and state transportation planning funds and has a total budget of **\$4,409,029**.

Staff seeks discussion and suggestions from the TAC about any requested changes to the OWP and Budget, and ultimately a recommendation of approval to the HCAOG Board.