MEMBER-DESIGNATED TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

The House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure (T&I) plans to advance surface transportation authorization legislation later this spring, building on H.R. 2, the Moving Forward Act, from the 116th Congress. Chairman Peter DeFazio announced that the T&I Committee will formally accept requests for projects from House Members.

The T&I Committee process for considering member projects is separate and distinct from the House Committee on Appropriations’ process for considering Community Project Funding requests. Projects funded through the surface transportation authorization will be funded directly from the Highway Trust Fund, and they do not require a separate or subsequent appropriation.

Please note:

Congressman Thompson will NOT accept requests for projects outside of California’s Fifth Congressional District.

Only legally eligible entities, including state and local units of government, may request projects.

Project sponsors must comply with all relevant federal laws and regulations.

A request submitted by Congressman Thompson to the Committee does NOT guarantee the project will be funded.

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Project Eligibility

Capital projects eligible under title 23, United States Code, and chapter 53 of title 49, United States Code, are eligible for funding requests under T&I’s project submission process.

The best way to ensure project eligibility is to select projects included in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), as those projects have already been certified as eligible for Federal Highway Administration or Federal Transit Administration funding and do not require further verification of eligibility.

For projects not in the STIP or TIP, additional documentation is required, including verification about whether the project can be added to the STIP or TIP in a reasonable timeframe, whether the project is on a long-range transportation plan, and verification of eligibility for the proposed activity under title 23 or chapter 53 of title 49 by the relevant federal agency.

Further, project sponsors must demonstrate the ability to fully obligate any funds provided within the obligation window, and must demonstrate a proven ability to finance the remaining costs not funded by the Committee, as well as the required non-federal cost share.

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Transparency

All requests submitted by Congressman Thompson to the T&I Committee are posted below. Members will be required to certify that neither they nor their immediate family have a financial interest in the requests made.

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Projects Requested:

Listed below are the projects Congressman Thompson has submitted to the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

Note: The projects are listed in alphabetical order by project sponsor.

Project Name: Airport Boulevard Widening from Regional Parkway to Ordinance Road

Project Sponsor: County of Sonoma

$3,840,000 – Airport Boulevard is a critical route for access to and overall circulation to the Regional Charles M. Schulz (STS) Airport. The proposed project will improve access to job sites at the Airport Business Park and support housing developments near transportation hubs. The project will enhance circulation in the area and provide safe bike and pedestrian facilities.

Project Name: Bus Electrification

Project Sponsor: Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA)

$7,000,000 – this project involves the purchasing of 9 battery electric buses for the region’s public transit system, with the long-term goal of having an all-electric fleet. One bus costs about $770,000.

Project Name: Carquinez Middle School Trail Connection

Project Sponsor: Contra Costa County Public Works Department

$2,500,000 – the project will create a path along Crockett Boulevard separate from the street for pedestrians and bicyclists to travel safely to and from Carquinez Middle School and Willow High School. This project will keep many students a safe distance away from busy, high-speed
traffic along the right shoulder of Crockett Boulevard. Currently students walk along the
guardrail, very close to traffic.

**Project Name: Contra Costa County Mobility for All**

**Project Sponsor: Contra Costa County Public Works Department**

$1,000,000 – This project will install curb ramps and upgrade existing substandard ramps in
disadvantaged communities to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements
quickly and efficiently.

**Project Name: County-wide Chip Seal Program**

**Project Sponsor: County of Lake**

$2,288,000 – The County-wide Chip Seal Project will address 55 miles of County roads rated
“poor” located within the cities and communities of Lakeport, Kelseyville, Cobb Mountain and
Hidden Valley communities and are all located within 5th Congressional District.

**Project Name: Fryer Creek Pedestrian/Bike Bridge**

**Project Sponsor: City of Sonoma**

$350,000 – Construction of a bike and pedestrian bridge over Fryer Creek in Sonoma.

**Project Name: Highway 116/West Cotati Intersection Safety Improvement Project**

**Project Sponsor: City of Cotati**

$2,000,000 – This project will correct a long-standing safety issue and improve bicycle and
pedestrian safety and connectivity. The current intersection skew, compounded by vehicles
waiting to turn on this high-speed undivided highway creates numerous near misses and some
horrific rear-end collisions that can push vehicles into the path of oncoming traffic.

**Project Name: Main Street St. Helena Pedestrian Improvements**
**Project Sponsor: City of St. Helena**

$3,000,000 – this project will replace aging sidewalks with new walkways compliant with ADA standards in St. Helena’s historic downtown. This project is the first step of a larger plan in the city to connect public alleyways and side streets to Main Street.

**Project Name: Napa Valley Forward SR 29 Intersection Improvements**

**Project Sponsor: Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA)**

$6,000,000 (for one roundabout) – this project will make safety and operational improvements to three intersections on SR 29 by installing mini-roundabouts. The project will allow vehicles, bicycles and pedestrians to travel from side streets and safely enter the highway, ultimately relieving traffic congestion on the cross roads and the highway.

**Project Name: Napa Valley Vine Trail – Yountville to St. Helena**

**Project Sponsor: Napa Valley Transportation Authority (NVTA)**

$3,000,000 – this project will prepare engineering plans, conduct environmental studies and acquire Right of Way for an 8.06 mile shared-use path to close a gap between the Town of Yountville and City of St Helena.

**Project Name: San Pablo Avenue Complete Street/Bay Trail Gap Closure**

**Project Sponsor: Contra Costa County Public Works Department**

$7,800,000 – This project extends the San Francisco Bay Trail to the 3.2 mile segment of San Pablo Avenue, which would connect the Rodeo and Crockett communities. The trail would include a concrete barrier between the path and motorists for enhanced pedestrian safety.

**Project Name: San Pablo Avenue Rehabilitation**

**Project Sponsor: City of Pinole**

$742,000 – This project will repair base failures, mill and repave asphalt pavement, improve ADA ramps throughout the project limits, provide a median landing pad for improved pedestrian crossing, provide a bike lane in stretches where the road is wide enough to accommodate a bike.
lane, and stripe with the new standard 6” striping to improve intelligent mobility (aka driverless cars).

**Project Name: State Route 37 and Fairgrounds Drive Interchange Improvements**

**Project Sponsor: Solano Transportation Authority**

$4,000,000 – This project will widen Fairgrounds Drive to include additional northbound through and right turn lanes, reconstruct the State Route 37/Fairgrounds Drive Interchange into a design better suited to handle the level of vehicular and pedestrian traffic, and improve pedestrian and bicycle access by providing bike lanes and pedestrian walkways throughout the entire area.

**Project Name: State Route 37 Corridor Enhancement Program**

**Project Sponsor: Sonoma County Transportation Authority**

$7,000,000 – The project will improve mobility through the addition of a high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane. This will provide a time savings for multiple occupant vehicles that does not currently existing along this corridor.

**Project Name: Toll Plaza Overhead Gantry**

**Project Sponsor: Golden Gate Bridge, Highway & Transportation District**

$5,800,000 – The District is designing a new toll collection system and gantry for the Golden Gate Bridge. The current system has been operational since 2005 and has reached the end of its useful life. The new system will allow the District to comply with California state standards and take advantage of technological improvements in tolling, providing safety and efficiency benefits to the more than 100 thousand vehicles passing over the Bridge each day.

**Project Name: Traffic Signal Controller Upgrades**

**Project Sponsor: Contra Costa Transportation Authority**

$1,270,000 – This project will upgrade the traffic signal controllers and signal system equipment on San Pablo Avenue in the cities of Pinole and Hercules and the unincorporated regions in Contra Costa County to a smart signal system.
Project Name: U.S. Highway 101 Bicycle and Pedestrian Overcrossing

Project Sponsor: City of Santa Rosa

$6,000,000 – Over Highway 101 in the vicinity of the Santa Rosa Junior College and the Coddington Mall: Construct a Class I shared-use ADA accessible 17-foot-wide bicycle and pedestrian bridge. The Project would include a 5-foot-wide walking lane and 8-foot-wide bicycle path with possible mode separation provided by a curb/barrier and fencing. The overcrossing would have an 18.6-foot minimum vertical clearance over U.S. 101.