



# SB 1 TRADE CORRIDOR ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

S O U T H E R N C A L I F O R N I A A S S O C I A T I O N O F G O V E R N M E N T S

## 2020 SCAG REGION CALL FOR PROJECTS

The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 (Senate Bill [SB] 1) established the Trade Corridor Enhancement Account to fund corridor-based freight projects nominated by local agencies and the state. Implementing legislation was enacted with the approval of SB 103, which directs the California Transportation Commission (CTC) to allocate the Trade Corridor Enhancement Account funds and the federal National Highway Freight Program funds to infrastructure improvements along corridors that have a high volume of freight movement. The CTC is responsible for programming and allocating these state and federal funds administered through the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program.

In March 2020, the CTC adopted [Final Guidelines](#) that describe the policy, standards, criteria, and procedures for the development, adoption, and management of the Trade Corridor Enhancement Program. It was subsequently amended in April 2020 to reflect an updated schedule. As noted in the updated guidelines, project applications for the 2020 Trade Corridor Enhancement Program are due to the **CTC by August 3, 2020**. Project applicants are responsible for ensuring that two hard copies of the application package (bound) and one electronic copy are delivered to the CTC by the deadline.

In addition, the guidelines specify that SCAG (in its role as a Metropolitan Planning Organization) is responsible for compiling project nominations from eligible agencies in Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura counties and confirming consistency with the [2020 RTP/SCS \(Connect SoCal\)](#) and regional freight plan. To expedite SCAG's compilation and consistency verification, please fill out as completely as possible and return the attached **TCEP Project Summary** by **June 19, 2020** to [strelecki@scag.ca.gov](mailto:strelecki@scag.ca.gov). This information will help to validate basic project eligibility. SCAG will also use the information provided to create a cloud-based folder for uploading the electronic application (and any supporting materials).

To meet the application submittal deadline, SCAG is requesting that a near final electronic copy of all applications be uploaded to the SCAG-created project-specific cloud-based folder **by 5:00 PM July 20, 2020**. **Please note that all final applications should be submitted directly to the CTC (two hard bound copies and one electronic file) by 5:00 PM August 3, 2020**. Please also upload final electronic file applications to the SCAG-created project-specific cloud-based folder for our records. Failure to meet these deadlines may jeopardize an application's eligibility.

## SUMMARY OF DEADLINES



**JUNE 19, 2020**

Project applicants submit TCEP Project Summary to SCAG (template attached)



**JUNE 24, 2020**

SCAG creates project-specific cloud-based folders and shares links with project sponsors



**JULY 20, 2020**

Project applicants upload near final application to project-specific cloud-based folder



**AUGUST 3, 2020**

Project applicant submit project applications **directly to the CTC** (two hard bound copies and one electronic file); project applicant to also furnish SCAG with copy by uploading final application to SCAG-created cloud-based folders (for our records); SCAG submits list of projects with consistency verification to the CTC.

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## CONTACT US

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**CONTACT PERSON'S INFORMATION**

Name:

Email:

Phone:

**PROJECT INFORMATION**

Project Title:

Brief Project Description:

Lead Agency Name:

If project is a joint nomination, list all partner agencies:

Project Priority (if agency is submitting multiple applications):

Is project included in SCAG's adopted Connect SoCal (RTP/SCS)? Cite reference(s) including ID and page number(s).

Is project included in SCAG's 2019 FTIP? Cite reference(s) including ID and page number(s).

**PROJECT COST**

Previously Incurred Cost

+  Future Eligible Cost

Total Project Cost

Trade Corridor Enhancement Program Request:

**MATCHING FUNDS**

Total Matching Funds:

What is the source of matching funds?

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*Note: the following set of questions should be addressed comprehensively as a part of the final application to the California Transportation Commission (CTC) per the adopted TCEP guidelines. For this nomination form, SCAG is requesting an initial assessment of how the proposed project meets the CTC's screening criteria.*

Does the project meet Section 11 guidelines on type of project? Please explain.

Does project significantly contribute to the freight system's economic activity or vitality; relieves congestion on the freight system; improves the safety, security, or resilience of the freight system; improves or preserves the freight system infrastructure; implements technology or innovation to improve the freight system or reduce or avoid its negative impacts; or reduces or avoids adverse community and/or environmental impacts of the freight system?

Is the project located on the Primary Highway Freight System or a designated Critical Rural Freight Corridor or Critical Urban Freight Corridor?

Project must not have the purpose or intent to increase the state's overall capacity to facilitate the transportation of coal in bulk, pursuant to Government Code Section 14525.3. Does the project meet this criteria?

Does the project provide infrastructure improvements on federally designated Trade Corridors of National and Regional Significance, on the Primary Highway Freight System, as identified in the California Freight Mobility Plan, and/or along other corridors that have a high volume of freight movement as determined by the California Transportation Commission?

Does the project support the goals of the National Highway Freight Program, the California Freight Mobility Plan, and the guiding principles in the California Sustainable Freight Action Plan?

Does project contribute to corridor or air basin emission reduction of greenhouse gases, diesel particulates (PM 10 and PM 2.5), carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides, and other pollutants?

Does project demonstrate that negative environmental/community impacts will be avoided or mitigated?

Will project stimulate economic activity, enhance trade value, and preserve/create jobs?