

**Metropolitan Transportation Commission
Administration Committee**

April 8, 2026

Agenda Item 3a-26-0220

State Route 37 Sears Point to Mare Island Improvement Project Construction Package 1

Contract Actions:

- i. Cooperative Agreement: Caltrans (\$190,000,000)**
 - ii. Funding Agreement: Sonoma County Transportation Authority (\$3,500,000)**
 - iii. Contract Amendment – On-Call Design Services: AECOM Technical Services (\$400,000)**
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Subject:

Authorization to negotiate and enter into the following contracts to support the State Route 37 Sears Point to Mare Island Improvement Construction Package 1 (“Project”):

- i. Cooperative Agreement: Caltrans (\$190,000,000)
- ii. Funding Agreement: Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA) (\$3,500,000)
- iii. Contract Amendment – On-Call Design Services: AECOM Technical Services (\$400,000)

Background:

The Resilient SR 37 Program is planning a State Route (SR) 37 that is resilient to sea level rise and flooding, addresses chronic traffic congestion through innovative measures such as transit and high-occupancy vehicle prioritization, expands public access, and enhances ecological connections and facilitates restoration. The initial focus of the program is to deliver the SR 37 Sears Point to Mare Island Improvement Project. The Project will provide new high occupancy vehicle lanes to support transit service along the corridor, improve traffic flow and peak travel times, increase vehicle occupancy, improve safety and public access, preserve and protect surrounding ecosystems, and improve corridor resilience against flooding in the near term. The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) and Caltrans are working as an integrated team for the delivery of the Project.

Delivery of the project is separated into three construction packages depending on availability of funding. Construction Package 1 (the “Project”) will include the replacement of the Tolay Creek Bridge and operational improvements near Sears Point. Construction Package 2 will include eastbound improvements and the Strip Marsh East Enhancement. Construction Package 3 will

include westbound improvements. Construction Package 1 is anticipated to start in late 2026 and will be led by Caltrans.

Cooperative Agreement:

A cooperative agreement between MTC and Caltrans is necessary to establish roles and responsibilities to proceed with the construction work for the Project, and to provide necessary funding and budget to each agency. Caltrans will be leading the construction contract advertisement, award and administer process. Design support during construction will be provided by Caltrans staff, augmented by MTC's consultant, AECOM, previously selected to support design services for this project. Staff requests authority to enter into a cooperative agreement contingent on the sufficiency of State fund sources to fully fund the Project.

Funding for the Project is comprised of a number of sources, summarized as in the table below and discussed in more detail in item 5a on the Programming and Allocations Committee agenda.

Fund Source	Amount
USDOT Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-saving Transportation Program (PROTECT) Grant	\$20,000,000
Caltrans State Highway Operation and Protection Program (SHOPP)	\$21,100,000
State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) Funds	\$12,793,000
Local Transportation Climate Adaptation Program (LTCAP) Grant	\$50,000,000
Senate Bill 170 (from SCTA)	\$3,500,000
Regional Measure 3 (RM3)	\$34,500,000
OBAG 3	\$9,000,000
OBAG 4	\$11,607,000
Other State Fund Sources (to be determined)	\$27,500,000
Total	\$190,000,000

Costs include construction capital, construction support, right of way capital activities and contingency.

Funding Agreement:

Of the fund sources, SCTA secured \$3,500,000 through Senate bill 170, therefore, a funding agreement is required for MTC to receive this funding from SCTA for the Project.

Procurement Process and Contract Amendment:

In April 2021, after a competitive procurement, the BATA Oversight Committee authorized the Executive Director to establish a Bench of pre-qualified firms, to provide on-call construction management, design, or asset management services. Eleven firms were approved to be part of the design Bench, including AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (AECOM). After a comparative review of the Statement of Qualifications (SOQs) submitted by the firms on the bench, staff directly selected AECOM under the 2021 BATA On-Call Design Services Bench to proceed to provide design support services for this Project. AECOM has direct experience, relevant knowledge and qualifications to perform this Project, as they served as the prime consultant to assist MTC with completing the environmental review and project approval of the Project under a previous contract. This proposed amendment will provide funding to perform the additional design services for the Project as described.

Attachment A includes a list of AECOM's Small Business Enterprise (SBE) status.

Issues:

None identified.

Recommendations:

Staff recommends that the Committee authorize the Executive Director or designee to negotiate and enter into the following:

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- ii. Funding Agreement: Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA) (\$3,500,000)
- iii. Contract Amendment – On-Call Design Services: AECOM Technical Services (\$400,000)

Attachments:

- Attachment A - Small Business Enterprise Status for AECOM
- Request for Committee Approval – Summary of Proposed Cooperative Agreement
- Request for Committee Approval – Summary of Proposed Funding Agreement
- Request for Committee Approval – Summary of Proposed Consultant Contract Amendment



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Attachment A

Small Business Enterprise Status

	Firm Name	Role on Project	SBE** Yes/No	If SBE Yes, List #
Prime Contractor	AECOM	Prime Contractor	No	
Subcontractor	Associated Right-of-Way Services, Inc. (AR/WS)	Right-of-Way Support	Yes	DGS 30184
Subcontractor	HDR, Inc.	Water Quality, Stormwater, Drainage Hydraulic Studies Support	No	
Subcontractor	Illingworth & Rodkin, Inc.	Air Quality and Noise Impacts Studies	No	
Subcontractor	KCI Technologies, Inc.	ITS Support	No	
Subcontractor	Verano Technical Services	Project Management Support	Yes	DGS 2016766
Subcontractor	National Audubon Society	Strip Marsh East Design Support	No	

*Denotes certification by the California Unified Certification Program (CUCP).

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Request for Committee Approval

Summary of Proposed Cooperative Agreement

Work Item No.:	2664
Agency:	California Department of Transportation Sacramento, California
Work Project Title:	State Route 37 Sears Point to Mare Island Improvement Project Construction Package 1
Purpose of Project:	To improve traffic flow and peak travel times, increase vehicle occupancy, and to improve ecology.
Brief Scope of Work:	Provide right of way capital and construction delivery of the Project.
Project Cost Not to Exceed:	\$190,000,000
Funding Source:	Various Federal, State and Local Funds
Fiscal Impact:	RM3 funds are included in the FY 2025/26 agency budget, SB 170 anticipated to be included in FY 2026/27 agency budget, subject to approval. Other fund sources will be programmed and allocated directly to Caltrans and are not required to be included in the agency budget.
Motion by Committee:	That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a cooperative agreement with the California Department of Transportation for the purposes described above and in the Administration Committee Summary Sheet dated April 8, 2026 and that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside an amount not to exceed \$190,000,000 for such cooperative agreement, subject to budgetary approvals referenced above.
Administration Committee:	Gina Papan, Chair
Approved:	April 8, 2026

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Summary of Proposed Funding Agreement

Work Item No.:	2664
Agency:	Sonoma County Transportation Authority Santa Rosa, California
Work Project Title:	State Route 37 Sears Point to Mare Island Improvement Project Construction Package 1
Purpose of Project:	To improve traffic flow and peak travel times, increase vehicle occupancy, and to improve ecology.
Brief Scope of Work:	Provide right of way capital and construction delivery of the Project.
Project Cost Not to Exceed:	\$3,500,000
Funding Source:	State Funds from Senate Bill 170
Fiscal Impact:	No immediate fiscal impact until agreement is executed. Funds are subject to agency budgetary approval process.
Motion by Committee:	That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a funding agreement with the Sonoma County Transportation Authority for the purposes described above and in the Administration Committee Summary Sheet dated April 8, 2026, subject to budgetary approval.
Administration Committee:	Gina Papan, Chair
Approved:	April 8, 2026

Request for Committee Approval

Summary of Proposed Consultant Contract Amendment

Work Item No.:	2664
Consultant:	AECOM Technical Services, Inc. (AECOM) Oakland, California
Work Project Title:	State Route 37 Sears Point to Mare Island Improvement Project Construction Package 1
Purpose of Project:	To improve traffic flow and peak travel times, increase vehicle occupancy, and to improve ecology.
Brief Scope of Work:	Provide design support services during construction of the project.
Project Cost Not to Exceed:	This amendment: \$400,000 Contract amount before this contract amendment: \$9,260,000 Maximum contract amount after this amendment: \$9,660,000
Funding Source:	Regional Measure 3
Fiscal Impact:	Funding is included in the FY 2025/26 agency budget.
Motion by Committee:	That the Executive Director or designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a contract amendment with AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for the purposes described above and in the Administration Committee Summary Sheet dated April 8, 2026 and that the Chief Financial Officer is authorized to set aside an amount not to exceed \$400,000 for such contract amendment.
Administration Committee:	Gina Papan, Chair
Approved:	April 8, 2026