

SACRAMENTO REGION AIR QUALITY AND INFILL STREAMLINING PROGRAM

For the Agenda of March 31, 2011

To: Policy Committee
Sacramento Region Air Quality and Infill Streamlining Program

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Subject: Project Selection and Approval for the First Funding Cycle of the
Sacramento Region Air Quality and Infill Streamlining Program (ISP)

Recommendations

1. Approve the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) project ranking and selection recommendations for the first ISP funding cycle.
2. Approve the TAC recommendations for project funding for the first ISP funding cycle.
3. Consider whether to accept or reject the technically late application submission from the City of Folsom. (No Technical Advisory Committee consensus agreement was reached for a recommendation on this matter.)
4. Authorize ISP staff to work with the City of Galt on its Smaller Projects for Smaller Communities application. Approve the project if the City of Galt agrees to a Technical Assistance Menu that is consistent with its originally-submitted application by April 15, 2011. (Submission was timely but a detailed agreement has not been completed.)

On November 9, 2010 your Policy Committee (PC) approved the ISP guidelines and authorized the ISP to issue the first call for project submittals. A total of 29 proposals from local agencies with land use authority were submitted. A TAC consisting of one planner from each of the five air districts in the Sacramento Federal Non-attainment Area for ozone (SFNA) and one planner from the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) met on December 20, 2010.

Using the evaluation criteria identified in the call for projects, the TAC winnowed these 29 proposals down to thirteen. Two of these proposals fit the definition of Smaller Projects in Smaller Communities (SPSC). Under the approved guidelines, SPSC projects are not required to submit additional project details. The other eleven proposals were invited to submit more detailed information that would allow for a much more complete analysis of their projects. The Local Government Commission (LGC) acting as the ISP implementation contractor met personally with each of the thirteen project proponents to ensure that a complete understanding of the project parameters was reached. The LGC then developed a CMTA to formalize this understanding.

The TAC met again on March 15, 2011 to rank the eleven projects and confirm support for the two SPSC projects. In advance of the meeting, LGC staff supplied TAC members with a comprehensive package of information including the more detailed project information and land use modeling results. The TAC ranked the eleven projects. Because the truck sale revenue that is used to fund the ISP is not expected to be sufficient to fund all the ranked projects, the TAC recommends notifying seven larger projects of their rankings and advising them that they will be funded in order as revenue is available until the end of the first funding cycle which the TAC recommends to be 18 months. The TAC also recommends that the two SPSC be funded.

The City of Folsom submitted their detailed application information two days after the deadline but had requested an extension prior to the deadline due to extenuating circumstances. ISP staff indicated that they would receive and rank the application but that PC guidance would be requested to determine whether or not their application would be approved. The City of Galt is one of the two SPSC projects being recommended. ISP also requests PC approval to provide Galt an additional two weeks to negotiate a CMTA that is consistent with their original proposal. A more detailed description of these two issues along with a much more detailed description of the ISP process and a description of all proposals received along with the TAC recommendations are included in the "Staff Report Supplement" and the "Infill Streamlining Projects List with Details".