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City Council  
Sacramento, California

Honorable Members in Session:

**SUBJECT: PUBLIC INPUT PROCESS FOR FEDERAL TEA-21 TRANSPORTATION FUNDING**

**LOCATION AND DISTRICT:**

Citywide. All Districts

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This report recommends that the City Council adopt the staff recommendation to:

- Commence a public process for solicitation of project nominations for the Federal TEA-21 Transportation Funding Program; and
- Direct staff to request that the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) extend the deadline for submission of project applications.

**CONTACT PERSON:** Fran Lee Halbakken, Funding & Priorities Manager, 264-7194

**FOR COUNCIL MEETING OF:** February 9, 1999

**SUMMARY:**

Staff is proposing that Council direct staff to implement a formal public outreach process to solicit project ideas for potential Federal TEA-21 funding. The purpose of the outreach is to offer expanded opportunities for the public to participate in the project selection process.

**COMMITTEE/COMMISSION ACTION:**

None.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:**

The SACOG Board has approved a timeline for the first phase of TEA-21 project selection with a project submittal deadline of March 26, 1999. Phase 1 of TEA-21 will provide over \$68 million to the Sacramento County-wide area. Staff is proposing that Council approve an outreach process that includes the following:

- Mailing an invitation for project solicitation to the neighborhood associations that are listed with the Neighborhoods, Planning & Development Services Department, the Transportation Equity Network, and others that have contacted staff; and
- Utilizing an internet site to provide information such as the 1998 Transportation Programming Guide (TPG) prioritized project lists for major streets, on-street and off-street bicycle projects.

Interested parties will be asked to provide project suggestions for the three program areas of TEA-21, which are:

- Surface Transportation Program (STP);
- Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program (CMAQ); and
- Transportation Enhancement Activities (TEA).

Public input would be most helpful in developing the CMAQ and TEA project listings. The only CMAQ-eligible projects that are prioritized within the TPG are bikeway projects. Transportation enhancement projects are not included in the TPG. Staff anticipates that the public process would yield expanded project and program ideas.

In order to complete the proposed public input process, staff will need adequate time to work with interested parties and integrate their ideas into a Council staff report for prioritization of TEA-21 project submittals. To provide the time needed for outreach, the City of Sacramento will need to send a letter to SACOG to request an extension of the project submittal deadline.

**FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

There are no financial consequences related to making a decision on the public involvement process for the TEA-21 funding program.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

This action is not considered a project as defined by Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines. The activity does not involve physical construction and has no potential to cause a significant impact on the environment.

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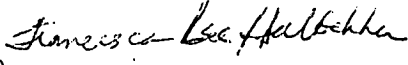
**POLICY CONSIDERATIONS:**

The staff recommendation provides for increased public involvement in shaping how transportation funds are being spent within the City of Sacramento.

**MBE/WBE:**


There are no contracting or professional services associated with this action.

Respectfully submitted,

  
for Duane J. Wray  
Manager, Technical Services

**RECOMMENDATION APPROVED:**

  
for WILLIAM H. EDGAR  
City Manager

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# Public Participation

## Recommendations by SAC-TE Network:

1. Allow local group to submit project for funding in competition to DHA, DPW and Parks projects
3. Lack of matching department matching funds should not be to use to exclude- board, not departments should make decisions.
4. Projects readiness: public project should be given consideration for study or full funding
5. Involve public in Project Review and Ranking to advise board.

# Who is the SAC-TE Network?

The SAC-TE Network (Sacramento Transportation Equity Network) is a broad based citizens coalition that includes leaders from 21 different organization from across the Sacramento region. It believes transportation is about more than moving further faster, but defines the form of our neighborhoods community space. Transportation is about the fabric that links or divides our society by providing or denying access to jobs, friends, family, health care, shopping and entertainment.

SAC-TE Network believes that transportation decisions should be made holistically by the community through a bottoms up process, and that public participation must be part of the process.

## The SAC-TE Network includes leaders from the following groups:

American Farm Land Trust  
We Ride  
Paratransit  
NAACP  
Peace Action  
Environmental Coalition of Sacramento (ECOS)  
Arden Park Homeowners Association  
Boulevard Park Association  
Mansion Flat NA  
Land Park NA  
Parker Home Neighborhood Association  
Carmichael Creek Homeowners Association  
Winn Park Capitol Avenue Neighborhood Association  
SCAN: Sacramento County Alliance of Neighborhoods  
Central City Alliance of Neighborhoods  
Sacramento Old City Association  
Alliance for Excellence  
Meadowland Community Action  
California Cultural Assembly  
Gray Panthers  
Older Woman's League  
Resources for Independent Living  
Rowdy Old Women  
Agewell  
Sacramento Conservation Corps  
Legal Services of Northern California  
Sacramento Aids Foundation  
CalWorks  
Senior Connection  
LaFamilia  
Community Action Coalition  
Human Services Coordinating Council  
Neighborhood Area 1 Advisory Group  
Sacramento Valley Progressive Agenda

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