Draft 2017 Active Transportation Program Guidelines

Summary of Proposed Changes

Section I. Introduction (pgs. 1-2)			
Sub-section (s)	Page(s)	Change	Intent
1-3	1	Remove language relevant to previous cycle	Administrative
3	2	Schedule Update	Update for 2017 Cycle
3	2	Commission Adopt Application along with Guidelines	Keep the two documents aligned

Section II. Funding (pgs. 2-4)			
Sub-section (s)	Page(s)	Change	Intent
7	4	Percent of ATP funds for Plans reduced from up to 3% to up to 2%	Address specific direction from Commission

Section III. Eligibility (pgs. 5-11)			
Sub-section (s)	Page(s)	Change	Intent
9	5	Add language about applicants misrepresenting information on application	Maintain the integrity of a fair competitive project selection process
13. A.	8	Add language defining benefit to disadvantaged communities	Better define benefit to disadvantaged communities to help improve project selection
13. D.	9	Remove two bullet points under Technical Assistance Resource Center roles	Provide broader flexibility for role of TARC

Section IV. Project Selection Process (pgs. 11-16)			
Sub-section (s)	Page(s)	Change	Intent
16	13	Add language describing what MPOs submit for the MPO Competitive Project Selection	Clarify what the CTC needs from the MPOs
17	13	Add bullets under Screening Criteria in particular 3rd bullet	Ineligible projects need to be screened out before being sent out for evaluation
18	13	Add parenthetical *including the potential* to the scoring criteria for Potential for reducing the number and/or rate of pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities and injuries	Correct that projects that reduce the risk of collisions to nonmotorized users but do not have historical data are at a disadvantage
18	14	Reduce maximum number of points available for Benefit to disadvantaged communities from 10 to 5	Promote better geographic equity in the program
18	14	Add Prior ATP Funding Award as scoring criteria	Provide incentive for projects funded with ATP for pre-construction so project has more opportunity for completion
18	14	Remove language requiring applicants to test the benefit/cost model	Benefit/cost model will not be available for this cycle
18	14	Add language regarding the future Cal-B/C model	Placeholder in guidelines for when Cal-B/C will be available
18	15	Remove language applicants performance on past grants and use of the CCC	Still needs to be addressed
19	15	Add section regarding Project Selection in the event of tie scores	Provide transparency in the project selection process

Section V. Programming (pgs. 16-17)			
Sub-section (s)	**Page(s)**	**Change**	**Intent**
	16	Remove language regarding cost estimate and cost effectiveness updates	Administrative

Section VI. Allocations (pgs. 17-18)			
Sub-section (s)	**Page(s)**	**Change**	**Intent**
	17	Remove language regarding MPO determining which projects to advance	Administrative
	18	Add language stating that project scope changes must be approved prior to allocation	Ensure the integrity of the competitive project selection process after programming

Section VII. Project Delivery (pgs. 18-20)			
Sub-section (s)	**Page(s)**	**Change**	**Intent**
	18	Remove language regarding unallocated funds will carry over to the next fiscal year	Administrative

Section VII. Roles and Responsibilities (pgs. 21-23)			
Sub-section (s)	Page(s)	Change	Intent
25	21	Add adopt application as Commission responsibility	Keep the guidelines and application aligned
25	21	Add bullet that the Commission will maintain a contingency list for the small urban and rural component of the program	Clarify where to put funds in the event of project savings or project failures Note: may need to add separate section on contingency lists to the guidelines
26	21&22	Remove two bullets under Caltrans responsibilities and subsume under added bullet	Provide more flexibility in responsibilities
26	21	Add language under Caltrans responsibilities that Caltrans will review all Non-infrastructure projects for ongoing program operations	Identify ineligible project components earlier in the process
26	22	Revise language in the bullet regarding project audits	Administrative clarification

Section IX. Program Evaluation (pgs. 23-24)			
Sub-section (s)	Page(s)	Change	Intent
		No proposed changes	