

# Memorandum

**To:** CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS  
CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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Action Item

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**Subject:** FINANCIAL ALLOCATION AMENDMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014–15  
AERONAUTICS SET-ASIDE TO MATCH FEDERAL AIRPORT IMPROVEMENT  
PROGRAM GRANTS  
RESOLUTION FDOA-2014-04 AMENDING RESOLUTION FDOA-2014-03

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

The California Department of Transportation (Department) recommends the California Transportation Commission (Commission) amend Resolution FDOA-2014-03 by an additional \$180,000, to fund the Fiscal Year 2014–15 Airport Improvement Program (AIP). This will increase the total set-aside in match federal AIP grant funds for FY 2014–15 from \$550,000 to \$730,000.

## **ISSUE:**

The Aeronautics Program includes an annual set-aside used to match federal AIP grants. The attached resolution proposes to increase the allocation of State funds to match the federal AIP grants.

At the August 2014 Commission meeting, Resolution FDOA-2014-03 approved a set-aside request of \$550,000; however, it also included a stipulation that required any requests over \$100,000 be submitted as a separate request to the Commission.

On September 30, 2014, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) published a list of all federal AIP grants awarded to California Airports. After reviewing the list of eligible projects, it was determined that a possible total of \$730,000 in State match set-aside would be needed to fully fund the State Match AIP for FY 2014–15. This is an increase of \$180,000 over the original allocation approved by the Commission in August 2014.

As of November 14, 2014, 33 projects for a total of \$540,626 have been sub-allocated. The remaining authority from the initial \$550,000 is \$9,374.

## **BACKGROUND:**

Each year the Commission approves a set-aside to match federal AIP grants. This allocation provides the authority for the Department to subvent matching funds to individual projects as requested by airport sponsors.

Attachment

# CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

## Allocation of Funds to Match Federal Airport Improvement Program Grants Resolution FDOA-2014-04

- 1.1 WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 21683.1 of the Public Utilities Code (PUC), the California Transportation Commission (Commission) is authorized to allocate funds for a portion of the local match for federal Airport Improvement Program (AIP) grants to certain airports; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS, the Commission sponsored the legislation that enacted PUC section 21683.1 in order to maximize the amount of federal airport funds that can be allocated to California; and
- 1.3 WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration requires airport sponsors to certify that matching funds are available as a condition of accepting a federal grant; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS, on August 6, 2013, the Commission approved the Capital Improvement Program, which is an element of the California Aviation System Plan and lists needed federal airport improvement projects from all funding sources; and
- 1.5 WHEREAS, on August 20, 2014, the Commission approved the allocation of funds to match the federal AIP funds until the total of all such allocation equals \$550,000; and allocation to individual applicants for more than \$100,000 will require individual approval from the Commission; and
- 1.6 WHEREAS, on September 30, 2014, the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) published a list of all federal AIP grants awarded to California Airports. After reviewing the list of eligible projects it was determined that a possible total of \$730,000 in State match would be needed to fully fund the State Match AIP for the 2014–15 FY; and
- 2.1 NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that, regarding federal Airport Improvement Program grants made by the Federal Aviation Administration to public entities in this State under \$100,000 received by the Department of Transportation (Department) from July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015, with the approval of the Department, at such time as the federal grant offer is accepted by the public entity applicant, there is allocated to each applicant from the Aeronautics Account, 5 percent (5%) of that portion of the grant whose primary benefit is for general aviation in order to provide a part of the local match for the grant in accordance with the provisions of Public Utilities Code section 21683.1 (b) until the total of all such allocations equals \$730,000; and
- 2.2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department shall provide to the Commission quarterly status reports on sponsors' matching fund applications that have been approved by the Department; and
- 2.3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department shall provide to the Commission a list of sponsors' matching fund applications that have been approved by the Department over \$100,000.