# LOCAL ASSISTANCE HOT TOPICS

May 25, 2022 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM

#### **CRITICAL UPDATES**

- Buy America Requirements
- Greenbook Acceptance

# NEW BUY AMERICA REQUIREMENTS

- By May 14, 2022, agencies must incorporate Buy America preferences in the terms and conditions of each award with an infrastructure project.
- The Buy America preference includes:
  - <u>All iron and steel used in the project are produced in the United States.</u> This means all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.
  - <u>All manufactured products</u> used in the project are produced in the United States.
    - Product was manufactured in the United States
    - The cost of the components of the manufactured product is <u>greater than 55 percent</u> of the total cost of all components of the manufactured product
  - <u>All construction materials</u> are manufactured in the United States.
    - All manufacturing processes for the construction material occurred in the United States

#### TEMPORARY BUY AMERICA WAIVER

- Temporary public interest waiver for <u>construction materials</u>
- 180 days beginning on May 14, 2022, and expiring on November 10, 2022
- Does not include manufactured products, and iron & steel
- Awaiting further guidance from FHWA on the waiver process
- HQ DLA will determine next steps and engage with FHWA to drive action

## **GREENBOOK ACCEPTANCE**

- LAPM Local agency can use Caltrans or Greenbook for projects on NHS
- FHWA directed DLA to remedy this violation
- LPA asked for the approval of Greenbook as the standard
- DLA in the process of preparing a letter accepting Greenbook as the standard
- Internal review by functional experts, Caltrans Legal and FHWA
- LPAs to bear responsibility for approving the technical content of the Greenbook
- Include conditions to address the various risks of providing such an acceptance.
- Draft acceptance letter will be shared with the LPAs for their inputs
- Final draft to be circulated for signature after addressing LPA comments

# FEDERAL FUNDING SPLITS

- Updated funding splits
- Carbon Reduction Program
- Bridge Program

		NHPP	STBPGP	HSIP	RHCP	CMAQ	MPP	NHFP	CRP	PROTECT	Tot.	State	Local	Total
	IIJA FFY 2022	2,460	1,197	262	17	506	66	127	107	121	Core 4,862			
SP&R	SP&R	49	24	5				3			81	81	0	81
	SP&R (CMAQ Only)			-		10		-			10	0	10	10
NHPP	Section 164	91									91	91	0	91
	Sequestration/Exempt	(3)									(3)	(3	0	(3)
	NHPP - State	2,088									2,088	2,088		2,088
	NHPP - Local/Bridge	231									231	0	231	231
STBGP	Any Area		357								357	357	U	357
	Any Area - TAP <sup>1</sup>		(21)								(21)	(21	0	(21)
	TAP+RT		124								124	0	124	124
31005	Additional TAP <sup>1</sup>		21								21	0	-24	21
	Off-Syst Bridge		100								100	0	100	200
	By Population		592								592	0	592	592
SAFETY	50% (HSIP+RHCP)-RHCP			120							120	0	120	120
(HSIP/RHCP)	50% (HSIP+RHCP)			137							137	137	0	137
(IISIF/KIICF)	100% RHCP				17						17	0	17	17
CMAQ	100% CMAQ					496					496	0	496	496
MPP	100% MPP						66				66	0	66	66
NHFP	100% TCEP										125	0	0	125
CRP	35% CRP								37		37	37	U	37
	65% CRP								69		69	0	69	69
PROTECT	60% PROTECT									73	73	73	-	73
	40% PROTECT									49	49	0	49	49
	Total		1,197		17	506	66	3	107	121	4,860	2,841	1,894	,860
*1 Additional \$21 million from STBGP is provided for TAP/ATP									60.0%	40.0%				
	HOLD OUTSIDE TRADIONAL FORMULA 60/ Electric Vehicle Formula Program								LA 60/4					
										State	Local	otal		
									1000		-	57		
	Bridge Replace & Rehab Program							-		258	575			
lota							Total		253	632				
								60.0%	40.0%					

### **CARBON REDUCTION PROGRAM**

- We have OA from CRP for the current FFY
- The CRP needs a strategic plan
- Time-line for strategic plan past the obligation deadline for FFY

#### Options

- Use the OA on other programs (overdeliver)
- Identify a common strategy for delivering CRP OA
- Need inputs on your priority for CRP projects
- We don't have the complete apportionment distribution yet

#### **BRIDGE PROGRAM**

- NHPP -\$231M (these will be for on system bridges)
- STBGP \$100M (this funding will be for off system bridges)
- BFP total amount \$575M, ~44% or \$253M
- Total HBP: ~ \$580M (on/off system), up from current

funding of \$289M

## STATE PROGRAM UPDATES

- Active Transportation Projects (ATP)
  - \$650M approved for Cycle 6. Additional \$1,000M augmentation has not yet been approved.
  - ATP Cycle 6 in process, applications close June 15th.
- Legislative Priority Budget Projects (LPBP, Aka State Earmarks)
  - \$90M (of which \$13M is on Capital side).
  - Guidelines posted on May 24th and agencies can submit for allocation.
- LPP, SCCP, TCEP
  - No funding change.

## **IIJA RESOURCES**

- ♦ FL Position Distribution
- Staffing Plan
- ♦ BCP
- Organization Restructure

## **POSITION DISTRIBUTION FROM FINANCE LETTER**

District	Classification	Total	Total Positions	
01	Transportation Engineer	1	2	
	Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist)	1	Ζ	
02	Senior Transportation Engineer	1	2	
	Environmental Planner	1	2	
03	Transportation Engineer	1	2	
	Senior Transportation Engineer	1	2	
04	Transportation Engineer	2	3	
	Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist)	1	J	
05	Senior Transportation Engineer	2	3	
	Transportation Engineer	1	5	
06	Senior Transportation Engineer	1	2	
	Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist)	1	۷	
	Transportation Engineer	2		
07	Right of Way Agent		4	
	Associate Transportation Planner	1		
08	Transportation Engineer	1	2	
00	Senior Transportation Engineer	1	۷	

District	Classification	Total	Total Positions		
09	Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist)	1	1		
10	Transportation Engineer	1	3		
	Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist)	2			
11	Transportation Engineer	2	3		
	Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist)	1	5		
12	Senior Transportation Engineer	1	2		
	Senior Right of Way Agent	1	Z		
	Distric	t Positions	29		
	Transportation Engineer	11			
	Senior Transportation Engineer	5			
50	Supervising Right of Way Agent	1	21		
50	Research Data Analyst II	1	21		
	Senior Environmental Scientist (Specialist)	1			
	Associate Governmental Program Analyst	2			
HQ Positions					
	50				

#### STAFFING PLAN

#### **Filling Vacant Positions**

- 21 Vacant Positions (HQ 15, Dist. 6), 27 Blankets (HQ 17, Dist. 10)
- Move blankets to permanent positions (except Sr. TE)
- Some positions in HR Queue now
- Need to keep permanent positions filled

#### **IIJA** Positions

- 50 New Positions (21 HQ, 29 Dist.)
- Use blanket authority to hire new positions (@ 9%, at least 20 positions now)
  Has a risk associated with it, but minimal
  - $\,\circ\,$  Typical vacancy due to attrition is 20 positions

#### STAFFING PLAN – NEXT STEPS

# $\checkmark$

#### **HIRING PACKAGES**

- Hiring completed by August 2022
- HQ to provide a timeline for PARF packages and hiring



#### **RECLASS OF POSITIONS**

- Cannot reclass IIJA positions
- Can reclass existing positions
- Need to work with districts to resolve any classification challenges
- Ties into District Org Chart

#### **REVISED ORG CHARTS**

#### **UNFUNDED IIJA & ATP POSITIONS**

#### Unfunded IIJA positions moved into BCP

#### **ATP Resources**

80 positions

• 1% - Support budget

#### ORGANIZATIONAL RESTRUCTURE

#### Leadership

#### Portfolio Management

#### Project Management

# ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

