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REPORT ON CLOSE OUT OF FY 1997-98
TRANSIT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Public Utilities Code (PUC), Section 99318.4(b) established a three-year limit for the California Transportation Commission (Commission) to allocate Transit Capital Improvement (TCI) Program funds. Under these provisions, unallocated TCI Program funds appropriated in the Fiscal Year (FY) 1997-98 Budget Act expired on the statutory deadline of June 30, 2000. In addition to the statutory deadline contained in PUC Section 99318.4(b), Senate Bill 45 (SB 45) eliminated various transportation related programs including the TCI Program, resulting in any unallocated FY 1997-98 TCI Program funds reverting to the Public Transportation Account (PTA).

For the FY 1997-98 TCI Program, \$96,000,000 (including \$2,000,000 for BART-SFO) was made available in the FY 1997-98 Budget Act, while \$100,000,000 was programmed for 47 projects, creating a programming shortfall of \$4,000,000.

At the April 30 - May 1, 1997 Commission meeting, the Commission supported the Department's recommendation that the Commission approve allocations on a first-come, first-serve basis until FY 1997-98 TCI Program funds were exhausted. If the last project submitted for funding would not be fully funded by the remainder of TCI Program funds, the local agency would be required to make up the shortfall with other funds. The Commission's policy also required that any completed project cost savings and/or TCI funds remaining from undelivered projects be applied to the shortfall until the shortfall was eliminated.

As of March 2000, a programming shortfall of \$1,296,644 remained in the FY 1997-98 TCI Program. Based on actions taken by the Commission in March 2000 and June 2000, the FY 1997-98 TCI programming shortfall has been eliminated, with a surplus of \$795,356 that will revert to the PTA.

In addition to the \$795,356 made available from FY 1997-98 TCI project cost savings, three projects programmed in the FY 1997-98 TCI Program totaling \$3,475,000 did not receive an allocation.

They are:

<u>Recipient</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Project Description</u>
Foothill Transit Agency	\$3,150,000	Eastland Timed Transfer Center
City of El Cajon	\$250,000	Parkway Plaza Transit Center
City of Petaluma	\$75,000	Multimodal Transfer Mall
Total Unallocated	<u>\$3,475,000</u>	

In summary, a total of \$4,270,356 in combined project cost savings and unallocated project funding programmed in the FY 1997-98 TCI Program will revert to the PTA.