



# Folsom City Council Staff Report

<b>MEETING DATE:</b>	4/28/2026
<b>AGENDA SECTION:</b>	Consent Calendar
<b>ITEM TITLE:</b>	Resolution No. 11600 - A Resolution Authorizing Applications for Grant Funding from the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) 2026 Federal Funding Programs, Authorizing the City Manager to Submit City of Folsom SACOG 2026 Federal Funding Program Application Priorities, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute All Grant Documents and Timely Project Delivery Requirements
<b>FROM:</b>	Public Works Department

**RECOMMENDATION / CITY COUNCIL ACTION**

The Public Works Department recommends that the City Council pass and adopt Resolution No. 11600 - A Resolution Authorizing Applications for Grant Funding from the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) 2026 Federal Funding Programs, Authorizing the City Manager to Submit City of Folsom SACOG 2026 Federal Funding Program Application Priorities, and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute All Grant Documents and Timely Project Delivery Requirements.

**BACKGROUND / ISSUE**

The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) is the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the greater Sacramento region, which is a six-county region including Sacramento, Yolo, Sutter, Yuba, Placer, and El Dorado counties. SACOG is also the transportation planning agency for the four-county sub-region of Sacramento, Yolo, Sutter, and Yuba counties (El Dorado County and Placer County both have their own transportation planning agencies).

The SACOG plays a central role in funding transportation improvements throughout the region by administering Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) and Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) funds across three programs. For the first time, the 2026 funding cycle includes

all six counties - El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba - marking a more comprehensive, region-wide approach.

This competitive process now establishes performance-based funding targets for each county to ensure resources are distributed in line with regional priorities and measurable outcomes. Through its three core programs - Next Generation Solutions & Clean Air, System Performance, and System Preservation - SACOG directs federal funds to projects that improve mobility, enhance safety, support sustainability, and advance equity.

Project eligibility for the funding programs requires the projects to be either listed in the 2025 Blueprint or fit within 2025 Blueprint lump-sum project categories, including but not limited to road maintenance and reconstruction, transit vehicle replacements, operational improvements, Intelligent Transportation Systems, and bicycle and pedestrian investments.

## **Program Structure**

The Federal Funding Cycle is organized into three distinct programs that help direct federal transportation dollars to the region's highest priorities in the six-county region.

Each program supports different types of projects that collectively aim to improve air quality, enhance mobility, and keep our transportation system in good working condition.

- **Next Generation Solutions & Clean Air (CMAQ)**
  - Goal of Program: Reduce emissions & advance clean mobility
  - Funds projects like:
    - High-capacity transit improvements
    - Zero-emission vehicles & charging/fueling stations
    - Bikeways, trails & Complete Streets
    - Traffic flow & smart signal upgrades
    - Carpool/vanpool, micromobility & clean travel programs
- **System Performance (STBG)**
  - Goal of Program: Improve how the transportation system functions
  - Funds projects like:
    - Roadway and safety improvements
    - Transit vehicle and facility upgrades
    - EV charging infrastructure
    - New bike/ped connections & grade separations
    - Mobility hubs
    - Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS)
- **System Preservation (STBG)**
  - Goal of Program: Maintain and extend the life of key roadways
  - Funds pavement maintenance & resurfacing on major arterials and collectors that support:
    - Transit routes

- Freight and goods movement
- Equity-priority communities
- Emergency/evacuation routes
- Key destinations and commercial corridors

**Available Funding for 2026 Program**

SACOG intends to program three years of funding in the 2026 Program covering Federal Fiscal Years (FFYs) 2028 through 2030. The current estimated total available funding for the six-county region for this cycle is approximately \$203 million.

- CMAQ Funds: Approximately \$92 million
- STBG Funds: Approximately \$111 million

The revenue target ranges available for each of the six-county regions are shown below and reflect the range of available federal transportation funding for the funding round; however, the amounts are not guaranteed, are not for individual jurisdictions, and are not program specific. These targets are intended to assist sponsors in making informed decisions regarding grant application amounts and to address what constitutes a reasonable funding request.

<b>2026 Federal Funding Countywide Performance-Based Revenue Target Ranges (in Millions)</b>						
	<b>El Dorado</b>	<b>Placer</b>	<b>Sacramento</b>	<b>Sutter</b>	<b>Yolo</b>	<b>Yuba</b>
<b>120%</b>	\$15.3	\$40.4	\$139.8	\$10.4	\$26.4	\$11.0
<b>100%</b>	\$12.8	\$33.6	\$116.5	\$8.6	\$22.0	\$9.2
<b>80%</b>	\$10.2	\$26.9	\$93.2	\$6.9	\$17.6	\$7.3

Agencies may submit up to three (3) applications per program, for a total of up to nine (9) across the three funding programs.

The following tentative timeline has been established by SACOG for the three programs.

<b>Program Category</b>	<b>Call for Projects</b>	<b>Application Closing Date</b>	<b>Anticipated SACOG Board Action</b>
<b>System Preservation</b>	Ongoing	May 8, 2026	August 19, 2026
<b>System Performance</b>	June 1, 2026	September 19, 2026	December 17, 2026
<b>Next Generation and Clean Air</b>	June 1, 2026	September 19, 2026	December 17, 2026

**POLICY / RULE**

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 10405, Amending the Financial Policies of the City of Folsom regarding grant administration on April 14, 2020. Section D – Intergovernmental Revenues, Paragraph A – Grant Applications states, “Grant application shall be the responsibility of the department seeking the grant. Grant applications which require an expenditure of funds by the City of less than or equal to the City Manager contract authority amount may be approved by the City Manager prior to submittal to the grantor. All other grant applications, including any requiring an ongoing commitment of resources or staff, shall be reviewed and approved by the City Council prior to submittal. In circumstances where it is not possible for the City Council to approve the grant application prior to submittal, the City Manager may approve the application subject to the City Council’s ratification as soon as practicable to do so.

Requests to the City Council or the City Manager for approval of a grant application shall identify anticipated long-term maintenance and/or renovation costs, required City matching funds, and additional personnel that may be needed if the grant is awarded for a capital project. With respect to grants for staffing, the source of funds for long-term staffing after the expiration of the grant shall also be identified in the request for approval of the grant application.

All grant applications on behalf of the City shall be reviewed by the Finance Director before submittal to the City Council or the grantor.”

## ANALYSIS

In the previous two funding rounds (2020-21 and 2022-23), staff submitted a total of 17 grant applications to SACOG and were awarded over \$11.5 million in funding for five projects; the results are summarized below:

### 2020-21 Funding Round

- US50/East Bidwell Improvement Project, 2020-21: \$4.6 million
- ITS Master Plan Implementation, 2020-21, \$4.3 million
- US50/Empire Ranch Interchange Design, 2020-21: \$2.5 million
- Central Business District Streetscape, 2020-21: \$100,000
- Natoma Street Drainage, Phase 2, 2020-21: Not awarded
- Folsom-Placerville Rail Trail, 2020-21: Not awarded
- Oak Avenue Complete Streets, 2020-21: Not awarded
- Blue Ravine Road Pavement Rehab, 2020-21: Not awarded
- Folsom Boulevard Bicycle Overcrossing, 2020-21: Not awarded
- American River Canyon Road Diet, 2020-21: Not awarded

### 2022-23 Funding Round

- Roundabout Feasibility Assessment 2022-23: \$400,000
- Class I Trail Maintenance and Repair 2022-23: *Not awarded*
- Folsom-Placerville Rail Trail Gap Closure 2022-23: *Not awarded* (Note: Funded through Regional Active Transportation Program)
- Natoma Street Drainage Phase 3 Project 2022-23: *Not awarded*
- Santa Juanita Realignment Project 2022-23: *Not awarded*
- East Bidwell Pavement Resurfacing Project 2022-23: *Not awarded*
- US 50 at Empire Ranch Road Interchange 2022-23: *Not awarded*

In March 2026, staff from Public Works, Community Development, and Parks & Recreation collaborated to identify candidate projects for the current 2026 SACOG Federal Funding cycle. Project selection was guided by priorities established in the City's foundational planning documents, including, but not limited to, the 2035 General Plan, the 2022 Active Transportation and Local Roads Safety Plans, the Central Business District Vision Plan, the Capital Improvement Plan, and City Council's Strategic Plan and Priorities. By evaluating these priorities against SACOG's specific competitiveness criteria, staff finalized the project list presented today. As required by SACOG guidelines, staff will rank these projects by relative priority to assist the selection committee in evaluating the City's multiple applications.

## **RECOMMENDED PROJECTS FOR THE 2026 SACOG FEDERAL FUNDING PROGRAM**

After conferring with SACOG Staff, City Staff recommends the following projects, along with their corresponding programs.

**East Bidwell Operational and Pavement Improvements (System Preservation Program):** Pavement Rehabilitation from Clarksville Road/Scholar Way to approximately 500' south of Eastbound US50 Offramp. The project will provide necessary pavement treatments on East Bidwell Street to increase pavement life.

**Prairie City Road Pavement Improvements (System Preservation Program):** Pavement Rehabilitation from US50 to Levy Road. This project will improve the Pavement Condition Index and extend the pavement life of the corridor through a variety of treatments including grind and overlay, dig outs and deep lift base repairs, crack seal, and slurry.

**Iron Point Road Pavement Improvements (System Preservation Program):** Through a variety of pavement treatments, this project will address the Iron Point Road corridor between Folsom Boulevard and Prairie City Road which serves a key commercial and economic generation area of the City.

**East Bidwell Pedestrian Overcrossing (Next Generation Solutions and Clean Air Program):** Requesting construction funding for the East Bidwell Pedestrian Overcrossing located between Via Sole and Iron Point Road on East Bidwell Street to provide a pedestrian and bicycle overcrossing over East Bidwell Street.

**Folsom Boulevard Pedestrian Overcrossing (Next Generation Solutions and Clean Air Program):** Requesting PA/ED funding for a pedestrian and bicycle overcrossing over Folsom Boulevard near the Glenn Drive Light Rail Station to provide connectivity from the American River Bike Trail to Regional Transit.

**East Natoma/Folsom Lake Crossing Roundabout (Next Generation Solutions and Clean Air Program):** Requesting project funding to convert the existing traffic signal at East Natoma Street and Folsom Lake Crossing to roundabout control to improve safety, reduce delays, and provide improved bicycle and pedestrian connections to the Johnny Cash Trail.

**Empire Ranch Road Interchange Phase 1 Overcrossing (System Performance Program):** Requesting partial construction funding for Phase 1 of the overcrossing of Empire Ranch Road over US50.

**Central Business District Complete Streets (System Performance Program):** Pavement Rehabilitation from Montrose Drive to Riley Street along East Bidwell Street in the Central Business District. Complete streets project to close gaps in sidewalk, lane reductions, on street bike lanes to increase multimodal connections.

**Riley Street Active Transportation Project (System Performance Program):** Requesting construction funding for Riley Street between East Bidwell Street and Sutter Street to construct active transportation elements identified in the current Riley Street Complete Streets project.

Cost estimates and grant request amounts are still in process for each of these applications with attention and efforts focused on the System Preservation applications with a near term due date of May 8, 2026.

### **FINANCIAL IMPACT**

There is no direct financial impact associated with this action at this point. Should the City be awarded grant funding for any of these projects, the City would be required to provide local matching funds of approximately 11.47 percent of the amount granted. Once any of the projects are awarded grant funding, staff will return to Council to identify the source of the required match and accept the grant if approved.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW**

The proposed action (submitting grant applications) is not a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15378(b)(5), as it constitutes an administrative activity that will not result in a direct or indirect physical change in the environment.

### **ATTACHMENTS**

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2. Table 1: SACOG 2026 Funding Round, City of Folsom Applications
3. Table 2: SACOG 2026 Funding Round, Preliminary Project Grant Requests and Required City Match

Submitted,

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Rebecca Neves, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER

## ATTACHMENT 1

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**RESOLUTION NO. 11600**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATIONS FOR GRANT FUNDING FROM THE SACRAMENTO AREA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (SACOG) 2026 FEDERAL FUNDING PROGRAMS, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT CITY OF FOLSOM SACOG 2026 FEDERAL FUNDING PROGRAM APPLICATION PRIORITIES, AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE ALL GRANT DOCUMENTS AND TIMELY PROJECT DELIVERY REQUIREMENTS**

**WHEREAS**, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) has announced three 2026 Federal Funding Cycle Programs (Funding Programs), which are open to sponsoring agencies within the six-county SACOG region: System Preservation Program, System Performance Program, and Next Generation Solutions & Clean Air Program; and

**WHEREAS**, the System Preservation Program invests in maintaining and resurfacing major roadways that keep people and goods moving; and

**WHEREAS**, the System Performance Program funds projects that improve how the transportation system functions day-to-day, including roadway and safety improvements, transit upgrades, EV charging, new bike and pedestrian connections, mobility hubs, and smart-transportation technologies that help manage traffic and improve reliability; and

**WHEREAS**, the Next Generation Solutions & Clean Air Program supports projects that reduce emissions and improve air quality—such as high-capacity transit, zero-emission vehicles and charging infrastructure, bikeways and trails, Complete Streets, traffic flow improvements, and programs that encourage carpooling, transit use, and other clean transportation options; and

**WHEREAS**, eligible projects for Funding Programs must be listed in the 2025 Blueprint or fit within 2025 Blueprint lump-sum project categories, including but not limited to road maintenance and reconstruction, transit vehicle replacements, operational improvements, Intelligent Transportation Systems, and bicycle and pedestrian investments; and

**WHEREAS**, SACOG limits Funding Programs grant applications to no more than three applications per sponsoring agency for any one of the three different Funding Programs to SACOG, up to a maximum of nine total applications per sponsoring agency; and

**WHEREAS**, applicants shall affirm their commitment to delivering projects in accordance with the requirements of the Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Program and Congestion Mitigation & Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program, as applicable; and

**WHEREAS**, grant proposals for construction work shall obligate Funding Program dollars for construction activities no later than the end of federal fiscal year 2028-29; and

**WHEREAS**, SACOG will not provide additional federal or state funding if cost overruns

are identified; and

**WHEREAS**, project sponsors shall commit to providing local matching dollars, typically 11.47% of the total project cost; and

**WHEREAS**, SACOG requires that if awarded federal funds by the SACOG Board, City of Folsom staff responsible for project delivery must attend quarterly project delivery meetings with SACOG staff to receive assistance until project closeout; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of Folsom authorizes the following for grant funding from the Sacramento Area Council of Governments 2026 Federal Funding Programs:

1. The City Manager or designee is authorized to execute all documents necessary to commit the City of Folsom to federal, state, and regional funding and project delivery requirements, including but not limited to abiding by Funding Program guidelines.

2. Acknowledges that in the event of receiving an award by the SACOG Board of Funding Program dollars, that the City of Folsom will be required to abide by multiple timely use of funding requirements described in Funding Program guidelines and SACOG's Regional Delivery Policies, including but not limited to, obligating federal funding no later than the end of federal fiscal year 2028-2029 for construction activities, committing to securing required local match dollars, acknowledging that SACOG does not cover cost overruns, and committing staff to attend delivery meetings until project closeout.

3. The City Manager or designee is directed to submit the following applications for the 2026 Six-County Federal Funding Cycle Programs.

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**PASSED AND ADOPTED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of April 2026, by the following roll-call vote:

**AYES:** Councilmember(s):  
**NOES:** Councilmember(s):  
**ABSENT:** Councilmember(s):  
**ABSTAIN:** Councilmember(s):

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Justin Rathiel, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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Christa Freemantle, CITY CLERK

## ATTACHMENT 2

### Table 1: SACOG 2026 Funding Round, City of Folsom Applications

**Table 1: SACOG 2026 Federal Funding Round – City of Folsom Grant Applications**

Draft Priority	Project Title	Program	Project Description
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7	Empire Ranch Road Interchange Phase 1 Overcrossing	System Performance	Requesting Partial Construction Funding for Phase 1 overcrossing of Empire Ranch Road over US50.
8	Central Business District Revitalization Project	System Preservation	Pavement Rehabilitation from Montrose Drive to Riley Street along East Bidwell in the Central Business District. Complete streets project to close gaps in sidewalk, lane reductions, on street bike lanes to increase multimodal connections.

9	Riley Street Safety Improvements Project	System Performance	Requesting construction funding for Riley Street between East Bidwell and Sutter Street to construct active transportation elements identified in the current design project.
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ATTACHMENT 3

Table 2: SACOG 2026 Funding Round, Preliminary Project Grant Requests and Required City Match

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Draft Priority	Project Title	Program	Requested Program Amount (Preliminary)	Approximate City Required Match (11.47%)
1	East Bidwell Operational and Pavement Improvements	System Preservation	\$7,000,000	\$802,900
2	Prairie City Road Pavement Improvements	System Preservation	\$3,000,000	\$345,000
3	Iron Point Road Pavement Improvements	System Preservation	\$2,500,000	\$287,000
4	East Bidwell Pedestrian Overcrossing	Next Generation and Clean Air	\$10,000,000	\$1,147,000
5	Folsom Boulevard Pedestrian Overcrossing	Next Generation and Clean Air	\$2,000,000	\$229,400
6	East Natoma/Folsom Lake Crossing Roundabout	Next Generation and Clean Air	\$12,000,000	\$1,376,400
7	Empire Ranch Road Interchange Phase 1 Overcrossing	System Performance	\$30,000,000	\$3,441,000
8	Central Business District Revitalization Project	System Preservation	\$8,000,000	\$917,600
9	Riley Street Safety Improvements Project	System Performance	\$5,000,000	\$573,500