



STAFF REPORT
Board Meeting of April 21, 2021

AGENDA ITEM: 4-A

PREPARED BY: Jeff Findley, Principal Regional Planner

SUBJECT:

Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC) Regional Early Action Planning (REAP) Housing Planning Grants Program

Enclosure: Yes

Action: Approve MCTC REAP Housing Planning Grants Program – Resolution 21-04

SUMMARY:

The 2019-20 California State Budget Act allocated \$250 million for all regions, cities, and counties in the State for prioritizing planning activities that accelerate housing production to meet identified needs of every community. With this allocation, the State Housing and Community Development (HCD) department established the Regional Early Action Planning Grant Program (REAP) with \$125 million allocated to regions. REAP provides one-time grant funding to regional governments and regional entities for planning activities that will accelerate housing production and facilitate compliance in implementing the sixth cycle of the Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA).

The Madera County Transportation Commission (MCTC) has prepared a Draft REAP Housing Planning Grants Program to allocate the REAP housing funds in the Madera region. MCTC is anticipated to receive a total of \$492,009 for REAP activities. To date, MCTC has received \$172,885.65 for Phase I, of which \$55,176.27 has been set aside for administration and RHNA development support. The remaining \$117,709.38 will be used for the MCTC Housing Planning Program Consulting Services for our member agencies. The Madera Region is anticipated to receive a total of \$319,123.35 in REAP funding for Phase II. MCTC will retain 5% in the amount of \$15,957.35 for program administration. The remaining \$303,166 in the second phase of available MCTC Housing Planning Grants Program Funding will be suballocated for eligible projects on a pro-rata basis.

MCTC staff has discussed the Draft MCTC REAP Housing Planning Grants Program with each member agency staff and at the MCTC Technical Advisory Committee and all agree with the proposed plan.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact to the approved 2020-21 Overall Work Program and Budget.