

April 17, 2026

FY 2026 Transportation Development Act Claim Amendments

Overview

Each year the Board of Directors approves the annual claims for the Transportation Development Act (TDA) program. Per [SANDAG Board Policy No. 001: Allocation of Responsibilities](#), the Transportation Committee is delegated the authority to approve TDA claim amendments.

On [February 20, 2026](#), the Transportation Committee recommended and on [February 27, 2026](#), the Board approved the revised FY 2026 TDA estimated apportionment of \$205.7 million for FY 2026. In February 2025, the Board approved a forecast that projected \$194.5 million for FY 2026. Collections totaled \$205.7 million in FY 2025 (1.96% above previous year's total), therefore the new updated TDA forecast is updated to reflect an estimate of \$205.7 million, reflecting flat growth for FY 2026 over FY 2025 actual receipts.

Key Considerations

The TDA program is the major funding source that supports the region's public transit operators and nonmotorized transportation projects, like bicycle and pedestrian projects. TDA comes from a quarter of a percent of state sales tax assessed in the region.

For FY 2026, anticipated revenues are expected to be more than those the amount originally approved by the Board at its February 2025 meeting. Based on actual revenues received in FY 2025 being higher than expected and the first six months of FY 2026 continuing an upward trend, an adjustment to TDA estimates is recommended.

An allocation revision is required when estimates are revised or when an operator wishes to use the funds for a purpose other than the one for which they were originally allocated. Claim amendments require approval by the transit agency board.

Attachment 1 provides a summary of the TDA claims revision; Attachments 2 – 6 are the required resolutions for the FY 2026 requested claims.

Action: Adopt

The Transportation Committee is asked to adopt Resolution Nos. 2026-11 through 2026-15, in substantially the same form as attached, approving the FY 2026 Transportation Development Act claim amendments for the Metropolitan Transit System, North County Transit District, SANDAG, and the Coordinated Transportation Service Agency.

Fiscal Impact:

On February 27, 2026, the Board of Directors approved the revised Transportation Development Act (TDA) estimated apportionment of \$205.7 million for FY 2026. This change represents an increase of approximately \$11.2 million over the February 2025 Board approved TDA estimate of \$194.5 million.

Schedule/Scope Impact:

TDA funding may be used for various planning, programming, and administrative-related expenses; funding of bike and pedestrian facilities; and support of community transit services. In addition, the County Auditor receives an allocation based on estimates of its costs to administer the TDA program. The remaining apportionment is available to be claimed by North County Transit District and Metropolitan Transit System.

Next Steps

Upon Transportation Committee approval and the Board's ratification, staff will submit the revised claim to the County Auditor to disburse monies in accordance with the approved allocation instructions.

Dawn Vettese, Chief Financial Officer

- Attachments:
1. Transportation Development Act: Summary of FY 2026 Claims Revision
 2. Resolution No. 2026-11: Approving the Revised Allocation of FY 2026 Transportation Development Act Funds Planning and Administration
 3. Resolution No. 2026-12: Approving the Revised Allocation of FY 2026 Transportation Development Act Funds Article 3 Bicycle and Pedestrian Facilities and Programs
 4. Resolution No. 2026-13; Approving the Revised Allocation of FY 2026 Transportation Development Act Funds Article 4 Fixed Route General Public Transit Service
 5. Resolution No. 2026-14: Approving the Revised Allocation of FY 2026 Transportation Development Act Funds Article 4.5 Community Transit Service
 6. Resolution No. 2026-15 Approving the Revised Allocation of FY 2026 Transportation Development Act Funds Article 8 Special Provisions