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Linda Hui, Strategic Incentives Division
Bay Area Air Quality Management District
375 Beale Street, Suite 600
San Francisco, CA 94105

**RE: Comments on the Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) 40% Fund Policies
commencing FYE 2026**

Dear Ms. Hui:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the upcoming FYE 2026 Transportation Fund for Clean Air (TFCA) 40% Fund Policies. On behalf of City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (C/CAG), I am writing to recommend increasing the Maximum Cost-Effectiveness (C-E) for TFCA 40% Fund Projects.

C/CAG is the County Transportation Agency (CTA), the designated Congestion Management Agency (CMA) for San Mateo County, and also the designated Administrating Agency for the TFCA 40% Fund for San Mateo County. C/CAG represents all of San Mateo County's 764,442 residents through its 21-member Board of Directors that includes a seat for every jurisdiction in San Mateo County. C/CAG works to improve climate resiliency, mobility, the environment, and equity.

C/CAG's recent call for projects demonstrated that our local jurisdictions were challenged to get their proposed projects to meet the current C-E thresholds. The member agencies either had to withdraw their application or increase their local match to over 40%. C/CAG recommends the Bay Area Air Quality Management District to increase the Maximum Cost-Effectiveness (C-E) for TFCA 40% Fund Projects specifically for Policy 22, 24, and 26 to account for the high costs of alternative vehicles and the supporting infrastructure and the difficulty that jurisdictions, in particular small and resource challenged equity communities, have in providing a match that in some cases exceeded 40%.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of our recommendation. Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to reach out to me at scharpentier@smcgov.org.

Sincerely,



Sean Charpentier
Executive Director
City/County Association of Governments of San Mateo County (C/CAG)