

# 2025 Interim Timely Use of Funds Policy

## 2024 and 2025 Southern California Fires OVERVIEW



**LINE FIRE**

43,978 Acres

San Bernardino County



**BRIDGE FIRE**

56,030 Acres

Los Angeles County & San Bernardino County



**AIRPORT FIRE**

23,526 Acres

Orange County & Riverside County



**PALISADES FIRE**

23,448 Acres

Los Angeles County



**EATON FIRE**

14,021 Acres

Los Angeles County



**HURST FIRE**

799 Acres

Los Angeles County



**LIDIA FIRE**

395 Acres

Los Angeles County



**SUNSET FIRE**

43 Acres

Los Angeles County



**WOODLEY FIRE**

30 Acres

Los Angeles County



**HUGHES FIRE**

10,425 Acres

Los Angeles County

In September 2024, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in San Bernardino, Orange, and Riverside Counties due to the Line, Bridge, and Airport Fires. In January 2025, Governor Newsom proclaimed a State of Emergency in Los Angeles and Ventura Counties due to the Palisades Fire and windstorm conditions that ignited multiple subsequent fires, including the Eaton, Hurst, Lidia, Sunset, Woodley, and Hughes Fires. These fires devastated communities across Southern California, collectively burning over 165,000 acres, destroying or damaging thousands of structures, and killing at least 27 people.

On June 27, 2025, the California Transportation Commission (Commission) adopted the 2025 Interim Timely Use of Funds Policy (Interim Policy) in response to the 2024 and 2025 Southern California Fires under resolution G-25-51. The Commission recognized that the impact of these disasters extended to the timely delivery of transportation projects and made the Interim Policy applicable to Active Transportation Program (ATP), Local Partnership Program (LPP), Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP) and Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP) projects in San Bernardino, Orange, Riverside, Los Angeles, and Ventura Counties. Additionally, the Commission staff will review individual project concerns that require customization and timely use of funds exceptions on a case-by-case basis.

Caltrans, Division of Local Assistance, Office of State Programs is offering Virtual Open Hours to Districts and Local Public Agencies to provide guidance on the provisions detailed in the Interim Policy. See details below for more information .

### VIRTUAL

### OPEN OFFICE HOURS

	09/10/2025	09/25/2025
	1:00 - 2:00 PM	1:00 - 2:00 PM
	<a href="#">TEAMS LINK</a>	<a href="#">TEAMS LINK</a>



# 2025 INTERIM TIMELY USE OF FUNDS POLICY

*Adopted by the Commission on June 27, 2025*

Applicability	<p>Projects in the programs listed below with delivery delays caused by the September 2024 and January 2025 Line, Bridge, Airport, Palisades, Eaton, Hurst, Lidia, Sunset, Woodley, and Hughes Fires, for the counties of Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, and Ventura Counties, for which State of Emergencies were issued.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Active Transportation Program (ATP)</li> <li>• Local Partnership Program (LPP)</li> <li>• Solutions for Congested Corridors Program (SCCP)</li> <li>• Trade Corridor Enhancement Program (TCEP)</li> </ul>
Provisions	To qualify, agencies must demonstrate that project delays are directly attributable to the fires listed above. Impacts may include site inaccessibility, wildfire damage, labor or material disruptions, right of way or design delays attributable to utility replacement or permit approvals, and the implementing agency should be as specific as possible with the reasons for delay. The policy's provisions will remain in effect through project completion (CCA) for all projects that have received approved extensions under this Interim Policy.
Result	Addresses impacts to project delivery because of the September 2024 and January 2025 Southern California Fires.
Link to ITUF Policy	<a href="#">Resolution G-25-51</a>

		ATP	SB1 Programs LPP   SCCP   TCEP
<b>ALLOCATION</b> Applicable to all phases <i>(PA&amp;ED, PS&amp;E, RW, and CON/CON-NI)</i>	Deadline	Projects with funds programmed in Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 <u>only</u> : June 2025 <b>December 2025</b>	Projects with funds programmed in Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25 <u>only</u> : June 2025 <b>December 2025</b>
	Allowable Time Extension	+20 Months <b>+24 Months</b>	+12 Months <b>+20 Months</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b> Applicable to project development-phase expenditures <i>(PA&amp;ED, PS&amp;E, and RW)</i>	Deadline	<b>End of FY Allocated + 2 Years</b>	<b>End of FY Allocated + 2 Years</b>
	Allowable Time Extension	+12 Months <b>+24 Months</b>	+12 Months <b>+20 Months</b>
<b>AWARD</b> Applicable to construction phase <i>(CON/CON-NI)</i>	Deadline	CON allocations starting January 2025 CON Allocation + 6 Months <b>CON Allocation + 12 Months</b>	CON allocations starting January 2025 CON Allocation + 6 Months <b>CON Allocation + 12 Months</b>
	Allowable Time Extension	+12 Months <b>+24 Months</b>	+12 Months <b>+20 Months</b>
<b>COMPLETION</b> Applicable to construction phase <i>(CON/CON-NI)</i>	Deadline	<b>CON Contract Award + 36-months</b>	<b>CON Contract Award + 36-months</b>
	Allowable Time Extension	+12 Months <b>+24 Months</b>	<b>+20 Months</b> <i>(No change in policy)</i>

Note for existing projects: A one-time time extension amendment will be considered for projects with previously approved time extensions for projects programmed in SB1 and ATP, allowing the total extension period to be increased up to 20 months and 24 months, respectively as listed above.

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**FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)**

***Does this interim policy apply to State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) projects?***

No. This Interim Policy does not apply to projects in the STIP because the deadlines for that program are outlined in state law. STIP project must receive an allocation or an allocation time extension by June 30th of the fiscal year in which the project is programmed, as specified in Government Code section 14529.8. Time extension requests for STIP projects may not exceed 20 months.

***Does this interim policy apply to all projects in the ATP, LPP, SCCP, and TCEP?***

The policy addresses project delivery delays caused by the September 2024 and January 2025 Line, Bridge, Airport, Palisades, Eaton, Hurst, Lidia, Sunset, Woodley, and Hughes Fires, for the counties of San Bernardino, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, and Ventura Counties, for which State of Emergencies were issued. Where necessary, this policy allows agencies to request exceptions on a case-by-case basis provided that the delay is directly or indirectly related to the fires and/or its recovery efforts.

***For projects that are programmed in Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-25, the Interim Policy extends the deadline for allocation to the December 2025 CTC meeting. Does the agency need to request a time extension if they will be requesting an allocation by December 2025?***

No. The allocation deadline for projects impacted by the emergency will be automatic, and no action is required by the agency. This only applies to projects funded with the ATP, LPP, SCCP, and TCEP programs.

***For projects that requested an allocation for the construction component in the January 2025 through the June 2025 CTC meeting, will the agency need to request 12 months to award the contract or will this occur automatically?***

No. This will be automatic for all projects in the Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Los Angeles, and Ventura Counties that were impacted by the emergency and no action is required by the agency.

***Does the interim policy have any affect on the Timely Use of Funds invoicing deadlines?***

No. The implementing agency must invoice Caltrans for eligible project development-phase (PA&ED, PS&E, & RW) costs no later than 180 days after the expenditure deadline and must invoice for eligible construction costs no later than 180 days after the completion deadline. The interim policy has no affect on the Timely Use of Funds invoicing deadlines. For more information regarding invoicing deadlines, please contact you District Local Assistance Engineer (DLAE).

***When does the agency need to submit time extensions and time extension amendments?***

The agency must submit a time extension request or time extension amendment request to Caltrans for processing prior to the expiration of the deadline or extended deadline. Please be reminded that per the Local Assistance Program Guidelines, Chapter 25, the agency must submit the time extension request for any of the deadlines (allocation, expenditure, award, and completion) before the expiration date and at least 60 days prior to the specific deadline for which the particular extension is requested, i.e. submitted in alignment with [Office of CTC Liaison's Preparation Schedule for CTC Meeting Agenda Item\(s\)](#).

***If a pre-construction phase is impacted and uses this policy, are later phases eligible to use the provisions in this policy?***

Yes. The policy's provisions will remain in effect through subsequent phases and project completion (CCA) for all projects that have received approved extension under this Interim Policy. Beginning October 27, 2025, staff will evaluate the continued need for this policy on a quarterly basis.