



Measure R Oversight Committee Annual Report on FY15 Audits

Measure R Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee of Metro

On November 4, 2008, Los Angeles County voters approved Measure R, a 1/2 of one percent transactions and use tax to fund transportation improvements in the County. An Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee and an oversight process was also established to ensure that Metro is in compliance with Measure R requirements. The oversight process requires an annual audit be conducted and requires the Committee to produce an annual report on the audit(s).



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**MEASURE R INDEPENDENT TAXPAYERS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
OF METRO
ANNUAL REPORT ON FY15 MEASURE R AUDITS**

INTRODUCTION

On November 4, 2008, Los Angeles County voters approved Measure R that imposed an additional half-cent transactions and use tax to fund transportation improvements in the County. Measure R, also known as the Traffic Relief and Rail Expansion Ordinance establishes an Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee and an oversight process to ensure that the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) complies with the terms of the Ordinance. The oversight process requires that an annual audit be conducted within six months after the end of the fiscal year to determine compliance with the provisions of the Ordinance related to the receipt and expenditure of sales tax revenues during the fiscal year. The audits must be provided to the Oversight Committee so that it can determine whether Metro and local subrecipients have complied with the Measure R requirements (see Exhibit 1). In compliance with the Ordinance, Metro contracted with BCA Watson Rice, LLP (BCA) to perform the independent audit of the Measure R Special Revenue Fund. Metro also contracted with two firms to conduct the audits of Measure R sales tax revenues used by 87 cities (Cities) as well as the County of Los Angeles (County). The report performed by Vasquez & Company covers the audits of 49 of the Cities and the report performed by Simpson & Simpson covers the audits of 38 of the Cities as well as the County. (These Audits are attached as Exhibits 2, 3, and 4.)

THE AUDITS

The Independent Auditor's report on the Measure R Special Revenue Fund found that Metro complied, in all material respects, with the requirements that are applicable to the Measure R revenues and expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2015.

The audits of compliance with the Local Return Guidelines found that the 87 Cities and the County complied with the requirements in the Measure R Ordinance that are applicable to the Measure R Local Return program for the year ended June 30, 2015. However, they found 17 deficiencies in internal control over compliance, none of which were deemed material. Of those findings, three were deemed to have material weaknesses and two were found to have significant deficiencies. All of the findings deemed to have material weaknesses were resolved during the audit. One of the two findings with significant deficiencies was resolved during the audit; the other is still pending resolution and approval from the city council.

MEASURE R OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE REVIEW

The Measure R Oversight Committee received the three audit reports in January 2016. Each member of the Committee reviewed the reports, and the Committee met on March 10, 2016. At that meeting, the Committee received a formal presentation from each of the three auditors on their audit reports. The Committee asked questions and received satisfactory answers to questions regarding specifics associated with the Measure R Special Revenue Fund, audit design and procedure, and clarification of audit language. The Committee asked for a report on performance audits of Measure R projects. The Committee also received a an analysis report on audit findings from Metro's Chief Auditor, a status update on Measure R Local Return Compliance Status from Metro's Local Programming Department, a report on Measure R Debt Program, and a

presentation from the Committee's Advisory Panel Public Finance Expert, Lori Raineri of Government Financial Strategies.

MEASURE R OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE FINDINGS

The Committee finds that: 1) the audits were performed in accordance with the Ordinance that the voters approved in 2008; 2) Metro complied, in all material respects, with the requirements applicable to the Measure R revenues and expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2015; and 3) the Cities and the County complied with the requirements in the Measure R Ordinance that are applicable to the Measure R Local Return program for the year ended June 30, 2015; however, the audits found 17 deficiencies in internal control over compliance, none of which were deemed material.

**RESOLUTION OF THE INDEPENDENT TAXPAYERS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
MAKING FINDINGS REGARDING THE ANNUAL AUDIT PURSUANT TO THE
MEASURE R ORDINANCE**

WHEREAS, On November 4, 2008, Los Angeles County voters approved Measure R that imposed an additional half-cent transactions and use tax to fund transportation improvements in the County; and

WHEREAS, Measure R, also known as the Traffic Relief and Rail Expansion Ordinance establishes an Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee and an oversight process to ensure that the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) complies with the terms of the Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the oversight process requires that an annual audit be conducted within six months after the end of the fiscal year to determine compliance with the provisions of the Ordinance related to the receipt and expenditure of sales tax revenues during the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, the audits must be provided to the Oversight Committee so that the Oversight Committee can determine whether Metro and local subrecipients have complied with the Measure R requirements; and

WHEREAS, under contract with Metro, BCA Watson Rice, LLP (BCA) performed the independent audit of the Measure R Special Revenue Fund, and Vasquez & Company, LLP and Simpson & Simpson audited the compliance of the 87 cities (Cities) and the County of Los Angeles (County); and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Measure R Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee of Metro finds that:

The audits were performed in accordance with the Ordinance that the voters approved in 2008;

Metro complied, in all material respects, with the requirements applicable to the Measure R revenues and expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2015;

The cities and the County complied with the Ordinance requirements that are applicable to the Measure R Local Return program for the year ended June 30, 2015, however, the audits found 17 deficiencies in internal control over compliance. Of those findings, three were deemed to have material weaknesses and two were found to have significant deficiencies; all of the three findings deemed to have material weaknesses were resolved during the audit.

One of the two findings of significant deficiencies was resolved during the audit, the other involved a lack of supporting documentation and/or prior written authorization. The city will obtain specific authorization from the City Manager.

Prepared by: Ron Stamm, Principal Deputy County Counsel

Signed:


Michele Jackson, Metro Board Secretary

Adopted this 18th day of April, 2016.

Los Angeles County
Metropolitan Transportation Authority

**Independent Auditor's Report
On Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures
For
Measure R
Special Revenue Fund**

**For the Year Ended June 30, 2015
(With Comparative Totals For 2014)**



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Independent Auditor's Report

Measure R Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Report on the Schedule of Measure R Revenues and Expenditures

We have audited the accompanying Schedule of Measure R Revenues and Expenditures (the Schedule) of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the Schedule, which collectively comprise LACMTA's basic Schedule as listed in the table of contents.

Management's Responsibility for the Schedule of Measure R Revenues and Expenditures

LACMTA's management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the Schedule based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the Schedule is free of material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the Schedule. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the Schedule, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the Schedule in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the Schedule.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the Schedule referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the Measure R Revenues and Expenditures of LACMTA for the year ended June 30, 2015, in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Other Matter

Required Supplementary Information

Accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America require that the budgetary comparison information on page 5 be presented to supplement the Schedule. Such information, although not a part of the basic Schedule, is required by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board who considers it to be an essential part of the financial reporting for placing the basic Schedule in an appropriate operational, economic, or historical context. We have applied certain limited procedures to the required supplementary information in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, which consisted of inquiries of management about the methods of preparing the information and comparing the information for consistency with management's responses to our inquiries, the basic Schedule, and other knowledge we obtained during our audit of the basic Schedule. We do not express an opinion or provide any assurance on the information because the limited procedures do not provide us with sufficient evidence to express an opinion or provide any assurance.

Other Information

As discussed in Note 3 to the Schedule, the accompanying Schedule of the Measure R Fund is intended to present the revenues and expenditures attributable to the Fund. They do not purport to, and do not, present fairly the financial position of the LACMTA, as of June 30, 2015, and the changes in its financial position for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Prior-Year Comparative Information

We have previously audited the Schedule of Measure R Revenues and Expenditures of LACMTA, and we expressed an unmodified audit opinion in our report dated November 24, 2014. In our opinion, the summarized comparative information presented herein for the year ended June 30, 2015, is consistent, in all material respects, with the audited financial statements from which it has been derived.

Other Reporting Required by *Government Auditing Standards*

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated November 20, 2015, on our consideration of LACMTA's internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing, and not to provide an opinion on the internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering LACMTA's internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

BCA Watson Rice, LLP

Torrance, CA
November 20, 2015

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Measure R Special Revenue Fund
 Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures
 For the Year Ended June 30, 2015
 (With Comparative Totals for 2014)
 (Amounts expressed in thousands)

	2015	2014
Revenues:		
Sales tax	\$ 745,919	\$ 714,218
Intergovernmental	6,953	7,326
Investment income	4,484	3,989
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	893	4,103
Total revenues	758,249	729,636
Expenditures:		
Administration and other transportation projects	60,297	67,973
Transportation subsidies	239,756	253,754
Total expenditures	300,053	321,727
Excess of revenues over expenditures	458,196	407,909
Other financing sources (uses)		
Transfers in	3,904	46,839
Transfers out	(871,538)	(979,073)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(867,634)	(932,234)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	\$ (409,438)	\$ (524,325)

The Notes to the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures are an integral part of this Schedule.

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Measure R Special Revenue Fund
Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures – Budget and Actual
For the Year Ended June 30, 2015
(Amounts expressed in thousands)

	<u>Budgeted Amounts</u>		<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance with Final Budget</u>
	<u>Original</u>	<u>Final</u>		
Revenues:				
Sales tax	\$ 734,199	\$ 734,199	\$ 745,919	\$ 11,720
Intergovernmental	-	-	6,953	6,953
Investment income	-	-	4,484	4,484
Net appreciation in fair value of investments	-	-	893	893
Total revenues	<u>734,199</u>	<u>734,199</u>	<u>758,249</u>	<u>24,050</u>
Expenditures:				
Administration and other	132,178	132,939	60,297	72,642
Transportation subsidies	251,408	260,898	239,756	21,142
Total expenditures	<u>383,586</u>	<u>393,837</u>	<u>300,053</u>	<u>93,784</u>
Excess of revenues over expenditures	<u>350,613</u>	<u>340,362</u>	<u>458,196</u>	<u>117,834</u>
Other financing sources (uses)				
Transfers in	31,778	17,684	3,904	(13,780)
Transfers out	(885,585)	(1,010,751)	(871,538)	139,213
Total other financing sources (uses)	<u>(853,807)</u>	<u>(993,067)</u>	<u>(867,634)</u>	<u>125,433</u>
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses	<u>\$ (503,194)</u>	<u>\$ (652,705)</u>	<u>\$ (409,438)</u>	<u>\$ 243,267</u>

The Notes to the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures are an integral part of this Schedule.

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Measure R Special Revenue Fund
Notes to the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures
June 30, 2015

The Notes to the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures are summaries of significant accounting policies and other disclosures considered necessary for a clear understanding of the accompanying schedule of revenues and expenditures. Unless otherwise stated, all dollar amounts are expressed in thousands.

1. Organization

General

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) is governed by a Board of Directors composed of the five members of the County Board of Supervisors, the Mayor of the City of Los Angeles, three members appointed by the Mayor, and four members who are either mayors or members of a city council and have been appointed by the Los Angeles County City Selection Committee to represent the other cities in the County, and a non-voting member appointed by the Governor of the State of California.

LACMTA is unique among the nation's transportation agencies. It serves as transportation planner and coordinator, designer, builder and operator for one of the country's largest and most populous counties. More than 10 million people – about one fourth of California's residents - live, work, and play within its 1,433-square-mile service area.

Measure R

Measure R, also known as the Traffic Relief and Rail Expansion Ordinance is a special revenue fund used to account for the proceeds of the voter-approved one-half percent sales tax that became effective on July 1, 2009 and continuing on for the next 30 years. Revenues collected are required to be allocated in the following manner: 1) 2% for rail capital improvements; 2) 3% for Metrolink capital improvement projects within Los Angeles County; 3) 5% for rail operations for new transit project operations and maintenance; 4) 15% for local return; 5) 20% for county-wide bus service operations, maintenance, and expansion; 6) 20% for highway capital projects; and 7) 35% for transit capital specific projects.

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

The Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures for Measure R Special Revenue Fund have been prepared in conformity with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP) in the United States of America as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the recognized standard-setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles for governments.

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Measure R Special Revenue Fund

Notes to the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures

June 30, 2015

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

The most significant of LACMTA's accounting policies with regard to the special revenue fund type are described below:

Fund Accounting

LACMTA utilizes fund accounting to report its financial position and the results of its operations. Fund accounting is designed to demonstrate legal compliance and to aid financial management by segregating transactions related to certain governmental functions or activities. A fund is a separate accounting entity with a self-balancing set of accounts. Funds are classified into three categories: governmental, proprietary, and fiduciary. Governmental Funds are used to account for most of LACMTA's governmental activities. The measurement focus is a determination of changes in financial position, rather than a net income determination. LACMTA uses governmental fund type Special Revenue Fund to account for Measure R sales tax revenues and expenditures. Special Revenue Funds are used to account for proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes.

Basis of Accounting

The modified accrual basis of accounting is used for the special revenue fund type. Under the modified accrual basis of accounting, revenues are recorded when susceptible to accrual, which means measurable (amount can be determined) and available (collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to be used to pay liabilities of the current period).

Budgetary Accounting

The established legislation and adopted policies and procedures provide that the LACMTA's Board approves an annual budget. Annual budgets are adopted on a basis consistent with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America for all governmental funds.

Prior to the adoption of the budget, the Board conducts public hearings for discussion of the proposed annual budget and at the conclusion of the hearings, but no later than June 30, adopts the final budget. All appropriations lapse at fiscal year-end. The budget is prepared by fund, project, expense type, and department. The legal level of control is at the fund level and the Board must approve additional appropriations.

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Measure R Special Revenue Fund
Notes to the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures
June 30, 2015

2. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies (Continued)

Budgetary Accounting (Continued)

By policy, the Board has provided procedures for management to make revisions within operational or project budgets only when there is no net dollar impact to the total appropriations at the fund level. Budget amendments are made when needed.

Annual budgets are adopted by LACMTA on the modified accrual basis of accounting for the special revenue fund types, on a basis consistent with GAAP as reflected in the Schedule.

Interest Income and Appreciation in Fair Value of Investments

The net appreciation in fair value of investments is shown on the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures. LACMTA maintains a pooled cash and investments account that is available for use by all funds, except those restricted by state statutes.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of the Schedule in conformity with GAAP requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of revenues and expenditures during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimates.

3. Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures for Measure R Special Revenue Fund

The Schedule is intended to reflect the revenues and expenditures of Measure R fund only. Accordingly, the Schedule does not purport to, and does not, present fairly the financial position of the LACMTA and changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles in the United States of America.

4. Intergovernmental Transactions

Any transaction conducted with a governmental agency outside the complete jurisdiction of LACMTA will be recorded in an account designated as Intergovernmental.

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Measure R Special Revenue Fund
Notes to the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures
June 30, 2015

5. Operating Transfers

Amounts reflected as operating transfers represent permanent, legally authorized transfers from a fund receiving revenue to the fund through which the resources are to be expended. All operating transfers in/out of the Measure R Special Revenue Fund have been made in accordance with all expenditure requirements of the Measure R Ordinance. For the year ended June 30, 2015, transfers in was \$3,904 and transfers out was \$871,538 (See also Note 6 below for additional explanation as to the substantial increase in transfers out).

6. Excess (Deficiency) of Revenues and Other Financing Sources Over Expenditures and Other Financing Uses

The Measure R fund at June 30, 2015 had a deficiency of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures and other financing uses of \$409,438, substantially due to funding of major capital projects such as Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor, Westside Purple Line Extension, Regional Connector and Gold Line Foothill extension and some major highway projects. The \$409,438 negative change in fund balance during the current year resulted in a decrease in Measure R fund balance from \$664,954 to \$255,516 at June 30, 2015.

7. Audited Financial Statements

The audited financial statements for Measure R Special Revenue Fund for the year ended June 30, 2015 are included in LACMTA's Audited Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR).

8. Contingent Liabilities

LACMTA is aware of potential claims that may be filed against them. The outcome of these matters is not presently determinable, but the resolution of these matters is not expected to have a significant impact on the financial condition of LACMTA.

9. Subsequent Events

Long-Term Debt

In September 2015, the Board authorized the issuance of General Revenue Bonds to refund LACMTA's variable rate General Revenue Bonds 2004-A in order to lock in low fixed interest rates. The 2004 General Revenue Bonds are auction rate bonds bearing interest at current ARS (Auction Rate Security) rate but no more than 12% per annum. The 2004 General Revenue Bonds has outstanding principal balance of \$86,175 as of June 30, 2015 maturing on July 1, 2027.

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Measure R Special Revenue Fund
Notes to the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures
June 30, 2015

9. Subsequent Events (Continued)

Lease/Leaseback Obligations

In August 2015, the capital lease agreement with CIBC, Inc., one of LACMTA's defeased leases covering six heavy rail cars, was terminated at the option of CIBC, Inc.

Independent Auditor's Report on Internal Control over Financial Reporting and on Compliance and Other Matters Based on an Audit of Financial Statements Performed in Accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*

Measure R Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

We have audited, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to the financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States, the Schedule of Revenues and Expenditures (the Schedule) for Measure R Special Revenue Fund of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) for the year ended June 30, 2015, and the related notes to the Schedule, which collectively comprised LACMTA's basic Schedule, and have issued our report thereon dated November 20, 2015.

Internal Control over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered the LACMTA's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinions on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the LACMTA's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the LACMTA's internal control.

A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. *A material weakness* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control, such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the LACMTA's Schedule will not be prevented, or detected and corrected on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in

internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether the LACMTA's Schedule is free of material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of the amounts on the Schedule. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit, and accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

Restriction on Use

This report is intended for the information and use of the LACMTA Board of Directors and management, and the Measure R Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

BCA Watson Rice, LLP

Torrance, California
November 20, 2015

**Independent Auditor's Report on Compliance with Requirements Applicable to
Measure R Revenues and Expenditures in Accordance with the
*Traffic Relief and Rail Expansion Ordinance***

Measure R Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee
Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Report on Compliance

We have audited the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) compliance of the Measure R Revenues and Expenditures with the types of compliance requirements described in the *Traffic Relief and Rail Expansion Ordinance* (the Ordinance) for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Management's Responsibility

LACMTA's management is responsible for compliance with the requirements of laws and regulations applicable to the Measure R Revenues and Expenditures.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on LACMTA's compliance with the Measure R Revenues and Expenditures based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements referred to above. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on Measure R Revenues and Expenditures occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about the LACMTA's compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures, as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on the Measure R Revenues and Expenditures. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of LACMTA's compliance.

Opinion on Measure R Revenues and Expenditures

In our opinion, LACMTA complied, in all material respects, with the requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Measure R Revenues and Expenditures for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

Management of the LACMTA is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered the LACMTA's internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the Measure R Revenues and Expenditures as a basis for designing auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the *Traffic Relief and Rail Expansion Ordinance*, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the LACMTA's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with a type of compliance requirement of the Measure R Revenues and Expenditures that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the LACMTA's Board of Directors and management, and the Measure R Independent Taxpayers Oversight Committee, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

BCA Watson Rice, LLP

Torrance, California
November 20, 2015

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority

Measure R Special Revenue Fund
Schedule of Current Year Findings

For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

None noted.

Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Measure R Special Revenue Fund
Status of Prior Year Findings

For the Year Ended June 30, 2015

None noted.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT
ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS
APPLICABLE TO MEASURE R ORDINANCE AND
MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN GUIDELINES**

**TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY**

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2015



**Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Measure R Consolidated Audit Report
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015**

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO MEASURE R ORDINANCE AND MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN GUIDELINES

To: Board of Directors of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
and Measure R Oversight Committee

Report on Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the thirty-eight (38) Cities and the County of Los Angeles identified in Schedule 1, with the types of compliance requirements described in the Measure R Ordinance enacted through a Los Angeles County (the County) voter approved law in November 2008; Measure R Local Return Guidelines, issued by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA), approved by its Board of Directors on October 22, 2009 (collectively, the Guidelines); and the respective Assurances and Understandings Regarding Receipt and Use of Measure R Local Return Funds, executed by LACMTA and the respective Cities and the County for the year ended June 30, 2015 (collectively, the Requirements). Compliance with the above noted Guidelines and Requirements by the Cities and the County are identified in the accompanying Summary of Compliance Findings, Schedule 1 and Schedule 2.

Management's Responsibility

Compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements is the responsibility of the respective Cities' and County's management.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on the Cities' and County's compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements referred to above based on our audits. We conducted our audits of compliance in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Measure R Local Return program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about each City's and the County's compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions on compliance. However, our audits do not provide a legal determination of each City's and the County's compliance.



Opinion

In our opinion, the Cities and the County complied, in all material respects, with the Guidelines and Requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Measure R Local Return program for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance, which are required to be reported in accordance with the Guidelines and Requirements and which are described in the accompanying Summary of Measure R Audit Results (Schedule 1) and Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Schedule 2) as Findings #2015-001 through #2015-012. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

Responses by the Cities to the noncompliance findings identified in our audits are described in the accompanying Schedule 2 - Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. The Cities' responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance, and accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

Report on Internal Control Over Compliance

The management of each City and the County is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audits of compliance, we considered each City's and the County's internal control over compliance with the Requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the Measure R Local Return program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Guidelines and Requirements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of each City's and the County's internal control over compliance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses or significant deficiencies may exist that were not identified. However, we identified certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses and significant deficiencies.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance under the Guidelines and Requirements on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance under the Guidelines and Requirements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. We consider the deficiency in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as Finding #2015-012 to be a material weakness.



A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance. We consider the deficiencies in internal control over compliance described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs as Findings #2015-004 and #2015-009 to be significant deficiencies.

The responses by the Cities to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our audits are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Schedule 2). The responses by the Cities were not subject to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance and, accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing on internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Guidelines and Requirements. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Simpson & Simpson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Los Angeles, California
December 28, 2015

**Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
Summary of Compliance Findings
Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015**

The audit of the thirty-eight (38) Cities and the County of Los Angeles has resulted in 12 findings. The table below shows a summary of the findings:

Finding	# of Findings	Responsible Cities/ Finding Reference	Questioned Costs	Resolved During the Audit
No adequate evidence that funds were expended for transportation purposes	4	Huntington Park (#1) Lawndale (#2) Rosemead (#3) South El Monte (#4)	\$ 8,282 \$ 1,872 \$ 92 \$ 14,798	None None None None
Funds were expended without LACMTA's approval	5	Compton (#5) Cudahy (#6) Monterey Park (#7) San Fernando (#8) South El Monte (#9)	\$ 798,683 \$ 710 \$ 12,491 \$ 23,254 \$ 3,064	\$ 798,683 \$ 710 \$ 12,491 \$ 14,159 \$ 3,064
Expenditure Plan (Form One) was not submitted timely	1	Calabasas (#10)	None	None
Expenditure Report (Form Two) was not submitted timely	1	Hidden Hills (#11)	None	None
Administrative expenditures claimed exceeded the 20% admin cap under the Guidelines	1	Huntington Park (#12)	\$ 63,034	\$ 63,034
Total Findings and Questioned Cost	12		\$ 926,280	\$ 892,141

Details of the findings can be found in Schedule 2.

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Compliance Area Tested	Agoura Hills	Azusa	Baldwin Park
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Bell	Bell Gardens	Beverly Hills
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Compliant	Compliant	Not Applicable
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Calabasas	Carson	Commerce
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	#2015-010	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Not Applicable	Compliant	Not Applicable
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Compton	Cudahy	Culver City
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	#2015-005	#2015-006	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Compliant	Compliant	Not Applicable
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	El Monte	Gardena	Hawthorne
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Hidden Hills	Huntington Park	City of Industry
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	#2015-001	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	#2015-011	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Not Applicable	#2015-012	Not Applicable
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Inglewood	Irwindale	La Puente
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Lawndale	Los Angeles County	Lynwood
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	#2015-002	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Compliant	Compliant	Not Applicable
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Malibu	Maywood	Montebello
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Monterey Park	Pico Rivera	Pomona
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	#2015-007	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Rosemead	San Fernando	Santa Fe Springs
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	#2015-003	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	#2015-008	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Santa Monica	South El Monte	South Gate
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	#2015-004	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	#2015-009	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Compliant	Compliant	Not Applicable
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Walnut	West Hollywood	Westlake Village
Funds were expended for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Fund were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned Assurances and Understandings agreement	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR purposes	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, and interest income were properly credited to Measure R account	Compliant	Compliant	Not Applicable
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with Assurances and Understandings	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two)	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures	Compliant	Not Applicable	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts)	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Establishment of and approval by LACMTA for a reserve fund	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable
Recreational Transit Form was submitted timely for the recreational transit services	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Finding #2015-001	City of Huntington Park
Compliance Reference	According to Measure R Local Return Guidelines, "It is the Jurisdictions' responsibility to maintain proper accounting records and documentation."
Condition	During our audit of the local funds, we noted that the City did not reverse the prior year's accounts payable for the MRLRF in fiscal year 2014-15. As such, the current year's expenditures were overstated by \$8,282 for MRLRF. Subsequent to our inquiries, the City prepared a journal entry to correct the expenditures and the accounts payable balances of the fund under audit.
Cause	There appears to be a lack of adequate controls over financial reporting and the accounts payable reconciliation.
Effect	Accounts payable that was not reversed in the subsequent year leads to over-reporting the program expenditures in the following fiscal year.
Recommendation	The City should update its internal accounting controls to ensure that appropriate procedures are in place to reconcile year-end accounts payable of all LRF balances in a timely manner. The City should also revise and resubmit the Form C and Form II to reflect the adjustments made for the project costs.
Management's Response	The City Staff will work more diligently to make sure Account Payable is correctly balanced, thus insuring proper reporting.

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Finding #2015-002	City of Lawndale
Compliance Reference	According to Measure R Local Return Guidelines, "It is the Jurisdictions' responsibility to maintain proper accounting records and documentation to facilitate the performance of the audit prescribed in these guidelines."
Condition	<p>During our review of payroll salary expenditures, we noted that four (4) positions were partially funded by the Measure R Local Return Fund (MRLRF). The allocation percentages claimed to the fund were not supported by timesheets certified by the employees or a cost allocation with verifiable data. Through our inquiry with the City's Accounting Manager, the basis of the allocation percentages were based on annual budget (predetermined). The total questioned costs are \$1,872.</p> <p>This is a repeated finding of FY 2014; however, corrective actions were taken and a new timekeeping system was implemented to track the actual hours worked on the local return funds starting October 2014.</p>
Cause	During the first few months of FY 2014-15, the Public Works Director position was vacant causing a lack of oversight of timesheets. It was overlooked until October 2014, when the Payroll Staff noticed that timesheet verification was lacking and corrective action was taken.
Effect	Lack of supporting documentation (activity report, functional timesheets, and/or time study) to substantiate the charges for project expenditures could result in disallowed cost claimed to the MRLRF.
Recommendation	We do not have any recommendation since the City has implemented a timekeeping system to ensure salaries and related fringe benefits are supported by adequate documentation (i.e. activity report, timesheet, or time study) as of October 2014.
Management's Response	Management agrees with the finding that certain Public Works employees timesheets were on the allocation basis and not actual. October 2014 corrective action was taken so all employees' time was based on actual hours worked.

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Finding #2015-003	City of Rosemead
Compliance Reference	According to the Measure R Guidelines, "It is the Jurisdictions' responsibility to maintain proper accounting records and documentation to facilitate the performance of the audit prescribed in these guidelines."
Condition	Upon testing the payroll expenditures charged to MRLRF, we found that the payroll charges were based on estimated percentage of actual salaries, determined by the City to be attributable to the funds for the period 7/1/2014 through 1/4/2015. The payroll charges are supported by timesheets; however, actual timesheet documentation did not accurately equal the estimated percentages used to allocate the employee' salaries to the local return fund for the period 7/1/2014 through 1/4/2015. Some pay periods are over the estimates and some are under the estimates. No true-up of the estimates was done at the end of the fiscal year. There was a total of 23 employees tested where the hours on the timesheet did not equal the estimated percentages. Total questioned costs are \$92.
Cause	The City uses its best estimate of percentage of its employees' salaries to determine its payroll charges to the MRLRF. Actual timesheets filled out by employees may or may not equal the estimates used by the City's payroll system to automatically charge the local return fund.
Effect	Insufficient supporting documentation (activity report, timesheets, and/or time study) to substantiate the charges for "Direct Administrative" could result in disallowed costs claimed to the MRLRF.
Recommendation	We recommend that the City periodically reconcile estimates (charged hours) to the timesheet hours and record the required adjustments to reflect actual hours.
Management's Response	The City will meet with staff under the Bus Shelter Maintenance department to reinforce the procedures for tracking time on these programs.

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Finding #2015-004	City of South El Monte
Compliance Reference	According to Measure R Guidelines, Section B (VII. Audit Section), “Jurisdictions are required to expend their Measure R Local Return funds for transportation purposes, as defined by the Guidelines” and “It is the Jurisdictions’ responsibility to maintain proper accounting records and documentation.”
Condition	<p>In order to ensure the propriety of expenditures being charged to the Measure R Local Return Funds, non-payroll expenditures should be supported by properly executed contracts, invoices, vouchers, or other official documentation, evidencing in proper detail, the nature of the charges.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The City reimbursed Arroyo Strategy Group (Consultant) for various expenses including Outreach Education program expenses, website creation and upgrades, two extra nights at a hotel for a conference in the amount of \$14,798. The City charged these reimbursements to LACMTA’s approved SR Coalition Work project for the Measure R Local Return Fund. The Contract between the City of South EL Monte and Arroyo Strategy Group (Consultant), states that the “Consultant shall not be reimbursed for any expenses unless it receives prior written authorization from the City Council.” We requested but the City did not provide us with the evidence of Prior Written Authorization for these cost reimbursements. 2. In addition, we noted that some reimbursements did not have proper documentation such as receipts, timesheets or a basis for the charges. Of the \$14,798 reimbursements, \$12,563 did not have proper documentation.
Cause	The City ascertains that the various expenditures by the Consultant were covered under the Professional Services Agreement (PSA) Exhibit A under “Assist in the Advocacy of the SR-60 Alternative of the Eastside Goldline Corridor Phase II” and “Other tasks there onto assigned.” Because these expenditures were named in the Scope of Work, the City did not treat these expenditures as “Reimbursements” which require prior written approval by the City.
Effect	The reimbursements without proper supporting documentation and/or prior written authorization resulted in questioned costs of \$14,798.

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Finding #2015-004	City of South El Monte (Continued)
Recommendation	<p>In accordance with the Guidelines, we recommend that the City reimburse its Measure R Local Return account \$14,798. We also recommend that the City establish controls to ensure that the expenditures charged to the Local Return funds are adequately supported by contracts, invoices, canceled checks or similar documentation and properly authorized so that the City's expenditures of Local Return funds will be in compliance with the Guidelines.</p>
Management's Response	<p>The City will amend all Professional Services Agreement (PSA) to reflect a more detailed explanation of the services encompassed by any use of Measure R funds. In addition, the PSA will also amend the language to clarify what "Reimbursable Expenses" includes and the process to differentiate between reimbursable and non-reimbursable expenses. Also, the City Council will approve a resolution authorizing specific authorization of approval for the City Manager as it pertains to the expenditures of Measure R Funds. Each assignment listed in Exhibit A of the Professional Service Agreement will only need to be approved by the City Manager upon the Execution of said Resolution.</p>

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Finding #2015-005	City of Compton
Compliance Reference	<p>According to Measure R Local Return Guidelines, Section B (VII.A, Financial and Compliance Provisions), “The Measure R LR Audits shall include, but not limited to, verification of adherence to the following financial and compliance provisions of this guidelines:</p> <p>Verification that funds were expended with Metro’s approval.”</p>
Condition	<p>The expenditures for MRLRF’s Administration project in the amount of \$798,683 were incurred prior to the approval from LACMTA for fiscal year 2014-15. However, the City subsequently received LACMTA’s approval on the MRLRF project on November 24, 2015.</p>
Cause	<p>The Public Works department unintentionally did not include Fund Administration as a line item in the budget request from MTA.</p>
Effect	<p>The City did not comply with the Guidelines when expenditures for MRLRF project is incurred without LACMTA’s approval.</p>
Recommendation	<p>We recommend that the City establish procedures to ensure that it obtains approval from LACMTA prior to implementing any Measure R Local Return projects.</p>
Management’s Response	<p>The City received approval subsequently on November 24, 2015. However, in the future the Public Works department will ensure they receive approval for MRLRF Fund Administration prior to expending the funds.</p>
Finding Corrected During the Audit	<p>LACMTA Program Manager granted retroactive approval of the MRLRF project on November 24, 2015. No additional follow up is required.</p>

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Finding #2015-006	City of Cudahy
Compliance Reference	<p>According to Measure R Local Return Guidelines, Section B (VII.A, Financial and Compliance Provisions), “The Measure R LR Audits shall include, but not limited to, verification of adherence to the following financial and compliance provisions of this guidelines:</p> <p>Verification that funds were expended with Metro’s approval.”</p>
Condition	<p>The expenditures for MRLRF’s Administration project in the amount of \$710 were incurred prior to the approval from LACMTA for fiscal year 2014-15. However, the City subsequently received LACMTA’s approval on the MRLRF project on October 7, 2015.</p>
Cause	<p>The City did not anticipate administrative expenditures during fiscal year 2014-15 for MRLRF. Therefore, the City did not include a request for approval for the project in the Annual Project Update Form (Form I) submitted to LACMTA on July 31, 2014. However, the City failed to submit a Form I for the project when the audit fee in the amount of \$710 was allocated to the fund in April 2015.</p>
Effect	<p>The City did not comply with the Guidelines when expenditure for MRLRF project is incurred without LACMTA’s approval.</p>
Recommendation	<p>We recommend that the City establish procedures to ensure that it obtains approval from LACMTA prior to implementing any Measure R Local Return projects.</p>
Management’s Response	<p>The City will ensure that the Administration Cost is included in Form I for Measure R when budget is submitted to Metro.</p>
Finding Corrected During the Audit	<p>LACMTA Program Manager granted retroactive approval of the MRLRF project on October 7, 2015. No additional follow up is required.</p>

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Finding #2015-007	City of Monterey Park
Compliance Reference	<p>According to Measure R Local Return Guidelines, Section B (VII.A, Financial and Compliance Provisions), “The Measure R LR Audits shall include, but not limited to, verification of adherence to the following financial and compliance provisions of this guidelines:</p> <p>Verification that funds were expended with Metro’s Approval.”</p>
Condition	<p>The expenditures for the Measure R Transportation Services project in the amount of \$12,491 were incurred prior to the approval from LACMTA. However, the project was subsequently approved by LACMTA on October 6, 2015.</p>
Cause	<p>Form R forms have Macros built into the spreadsheets that sometimes do not function properly with City software. While the project code 1.05, Localized Pavement Repairs, was identified in the Form One budget, costs associated for that project were inadvertently left out.</p>
Effect	<p>The expenditures for Measure R Local Return programs were incurred prior to LACMTA’s approval. Incurred expenditures prior to LACMTA’s approval resulted in questioned costs of \$12,491.</p>
Recommendation	<p>We recommend the City establish procedures to ensure that Form One is properly prepared and submitted before the due date of August 1st so that the City’s expenditures of the Measure R Local Return Funds will be in accordance with LACMTA’s approval and the Guidelines.</p>
Management’s Response	<p>Staff will revise the mapping spreadsheet to incorporate the budget expenditures in order to identify discrepancies with the actual expenditures prior to submittal to MTA. In addition, a review will be properly done by both Program and Finance personnel to ensure proper data submittal.</p>
Finding Corrected During the Audit	<p>LACMTA Program Manager granted retroactive approval of the MRLRF project on October 6, 2015. No additional follow up is required.</p>

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Finding #2015-008	City of San Fernando
Compliance Reference	<p>According to Measure R Local Return Guidelines, Section B (VII.A, Financial and Compliance Provisions), “The Measure R LR Audits shall include, but not limited to, verification of adherence to the following financial and compliance provisions of this guidelines:</p> <p>Verification that funds were expended with Metro’s Approval.</p>
Condition	The project expenditures for project codes 1.90 and 7.90 funded by Measure R totaling \$14,159 and \$9,095 respectively, were incurred without an approval from LACMTA. Total questioned costs are \$23,254.
Cause	<p>The City represented to us that the expenditures for project codes 1.9 and 7.90 were budgeted under project code 1.05 in the amount of \$592,000 and was approved in the Form 1. However, when preparing the Form II, the City separated the project codes in accordance with the Guidelines.</p> <p>The City was granted a subsequent approval for project code 1.90 by LACMTA on December 15, 2015. Expenditure for project code 7.90 was not subsequently approved by LACMTA.</p>
Effect	The expenditures for Measure R Local Return programs were incurred prior to LACMTA’s approval and incorrectly reporting the project and administrative expenditures could result in over-or-under reported approved project costs.
Recommendation	<p>We recommend the City establish procedures to ensure that Form One is properly prepared and submitted before the due date of August 1st so that the City’s expenditures of the Measure R Local Return Funds will be in accordance with LACMTA’s approval and the Guidelines. The City should prepare a journal entry to transfer funds from the general fund to reimburse the Measure R for the disapproved project cost.</p> <p>We also recommend the City return the unapproved project expenditure of \$9,095 to LACMTA.</p>

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Finding #2015-008	City of San Fernando (Continued)
Management's Response	<p>The City maintains that Form One was properly prepared and submitted prior to August 1st and fiscal year 2014-2015 expenditures were in accordance with Metro's approval. The original Metro approved budget included \$592,000 in Street and Roads expenditures, classified broadly using Sub-category 1.05 – Street Repair and Maintenance.</p> <p>The revised budget, submit during the fiscal year in which the funds were expended, included a total of \$34,278 in expenditures using more defined expenditure categories, including \$25,000 in Streets and Roads expenditures, Sub-category 1.20 – Consulting Services/Professional Services; and \$9,278 in Transportation Administration, Sub-category 8.10 – Fund Administration. As the City understands the guideline referenced above, the funds were expended with Metro's approval. Metro approved \$592,000 for Streets and Roads under the broad Sub-category of Street Repair and Maintenance.</p> <p>Of the \$23,254 in questioned costs, \$14,159 was reported using a more defined Sub- category under the originally approved Streets and Roads category. The remaining \$9,095 in questioned costs were reported under the Transportation Administration Category to better reflect actual activity during the year. We concur that all activities funded by Measure R Local Return must be accurately reported; however, it is also required to be preapproved by MTA. In an effort to make reporting as accurate as possible, staff reported expenses using more detailed codes rather than the broad codes approved in the budget. Going forward, staff will ensure that the same codes used for budgeting purposes will be used for reporting purposes.</p> <p>Additionally, City staff responsible for management and reporting of the Measure R Local Return Program attended training on July 22, 2015, to ensure that expenditures of the Measure R Local Return Funds will continue to be in accordance with Metro's approval and program Guidelines.</p>
Finding Corrected During the Audit	<p>Out of the \$23,254 questioned costs, LACMTA Program Manager partially granted retroactive approval of project codes 1.9 in the amount of \$14,159 on December 15, 2015.</p>

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Finding #2015-009	City of South El Monte
Compliance Reference	<p>According to Measure R Local Return Guidelines, Section B (VII.A, Financial and Compliance Provisions), “The Measure R LR audits shall include, but not limited to, verification of adherence to the following financial and compliance provisions of this guidelines:</p> <p>Verification that funds were expended with Metro’s approval.”</p>
Condition	<p>The expenditures for the Measure R Administration project in the amount of \$3,064 were incurred prior to the approval from LACMTA for fiscal year 2014-15. However, the City subsequently received LACMTA’s approval on the MRLRF project on October 15, 2015.</p> <p>This is a repeated finding of FY 2014.</p>
Cause	<p>The Grants Coordinator of the Finance Department has been catching up on her duties since she was on an extended leave of absence due to illness. There were instances, such as that identified in finding, that lead to documents being submitted late to entities. The Grants Coordinator of the Finance Department has trained the Accountant of the Department to avoid issues such as mentioned in this finding.</p>
Effect	<p>The City did not comply with the Guidelines when the expenditures for MRLRF project were incurred without LACMTA’s approval.</p>
Recommendation	<p>We recommend that the City establish procedures to ensure that it obtains and confirms approval from LACMTA prior to implementing any Measure R Local Return projects.</p>
Management’s Response	<p>The City will continue to monitor its program to ensure that the expenditures for projects/programs have been prepared correctly and submitted to LACMTA on a timely manner to ensure the expenditures are approved by LACMTA prior to incurring the cost.</p>
Finding Corrected During the Audit	<p>LACMTA Program Manager granted retroactive approval of the MRLRF project on October 15, 2015. No additional follow up is required.</p>

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Finding #2015-010	City of Calabasas
Compliance Reference	According to Measure R Guidelines, Section B (II.1), "Jurisdictions shall submit to LACMTA an Expenditure Plan, annually, on or before August 1st of each fiscal year."
Condition	The City did not meet the August 1, 2014 deadline for submission of Form One. However, the City submitted the Form One on September 23, 2014.
Cause	During the transition period of hiring a new staff, the previous employee did not inform the supervising staff the reporting deadline for the submission of Form One to Metro.
Effect	The City's Form One was not submitted timely.
Recommendation	We recommend that the City establish procedures to ensure that the Form One (Expenditure Plan) is properly prepared and submitted before the due date of August 1st so that the City's expenditures of the Measure R Local Return Funds will be in accordance with LACMTA's approval and the guidelines. Furthermore, we recommend the City to retain a confirmation of receipt by LACMTA to indicate the form was submitted on a timely manner.
Management's Response	Besides the City employee who is responsible for submitting the Form One, the supervising staff is also aware of the required forms and their due dates to ensure that the City does not miss the LACMTA reporting deadlines in the future.

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Finding #2015-011	City of Hidden Hills
Compliance Reference	According to Measure R Guidelines, Section B (II.2), "Jurisdictions shall submit a Form Two, to LACMTA annually, by October 15th (following the conclusion of the fiscal year)."
Condition	The City did not submit Form Two to LACMTA until November 17, 2014.
Cause	The condition was due to oversight of the City's management.
Effect	The City's Form Two were not submitted timely.
Recommendation	The City should establish procedures to ensure that Form Two be submitted timely.
Management's Response	The City will make a better effort to file in a timely manner.

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Finding #2015-012	City of Huntington Park
Compliance Reference	According to Measure R Local Return Guidelines, Section A.II. 8, "The administrative expenditures for any year shall not exceed twenty percent (20%) of the total local return annual expenditures."
Condition	The City's administrative expenditures exceeded more than twenty percent of its total Measure R local return annual expenditures in the amount of \$63,034. Subsequently, the City transferred \$63,034 to its Measure R Local Return account on December 23, 2015.
Cause	The condition was due to oversight of the City's management.
Effect	The City's MRLRF administrative expenditures exceeded 20 percent of its local return annual expenditures and the City did not comply with the Guidelines. Amount exceeded 20 percent cap resulted in questioned costs of \$63,034.
Recommendation	We recommend that the City establish procedures and controls to ensure that administrative expenditures are within the 20% cap of the MRLRF's total annual expenditures.
Management's Response	City staff will work more diligently to adhere to the Metro approved budget which includes but not limited to tracking expenditures and monitoring compliance to City Budget as well.
Finding Corrected During the Audit	The City subsequently transferred \$63,034 to its Measure R Local Return account on December 23, 2015. No additional follow up is required.



**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS
APPLICABLE TO MEASURE R ORDINANCE
AND MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN GUIDELINES**

**TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
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INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE WITH REQUIREMENTS
APPLICABLE TO MEASURE R ORDINANCE AND
MEASURE R LOCAL RETURN GUIDELINES

To: Board of Directors of the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority
and Measure R Oversight Committee

Report on Compliance

We have audited the compliance of the Forty-nine (49) Cities identified in Schedule 1, with the types of compliance requirements described in the Measure R Ordinance enacted through a Los Angeles County (the County) voter-approved law in November 2008; Measure R Local Return Guidelines, issued by the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA), approved by its Board of Directors on October 22, 2009 (collectively, the Guidelines); and the respective Assurances and Understandings Regarding Receipt and Use of Measure R Local Return Funds, executed by LACMTA and the respective Cities for the year ended June 30, 2015 (collectively, the Requirements). Compliance with the above noted Guidelines and Requirements by the Cities are identified in the accompanying Summary of Compliance Findings, Schedule 1 and Schedule 2.

Management's Responsibility

Compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements is the responsibility of the respective Cities' management.

Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express opinions on the Cities' compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements referred to above based on our audits. We conducted our audits of compliance in accordance with the auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Measure R Local Return program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about each City's compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinions on compliance. However, our audits do not provide a legal determination of each City's compliance.

Opinion

In our opinion, the Cities complied, in all material respects, with the Guidelines and Requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on the Measure R Local Return program for the year ended June 30, 2015.

Other Matters

The results of our auditing procedures disclosed instances of noncompliance, which are required to be reported in accordance with the Guidelines and Requirements and which are described in the accompanying Summary of Measure R Audit Results (Schedule 1) and Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Schedule 2) as Findings #2015-001 through #2015-005. Our opinion is not modified with respect to these matters.

Responses by the Cities to the noncompliance findings identified in our audits are described in the accompanying Schedule 2 - Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs. The Cities' responses were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance, and accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

Report on Internal Control over Compliance

The management of each City is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements referred to above. In planning and performing our audits of compliance, we considered each City's internal control over compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements that could have a direct and material effect on the Measure R Local Return program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with the Guidelines and Requirements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of each City's internal control over compliance.

A deficiency in internal control over compliance exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, noncompliance under the Guidelines and Requirements on a timely basis. *A material weakness in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance, such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance under the Guidelines and Requirements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected, on a timely basis. *A significant deficiency in internal control over compliance* is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance with the Guidelines and Requirements that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

Our consideration of internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over compliance that might be material weaknesses or significant deficiencies and therefore, material weaknesses may exist that were not identified. We identified certain deficiencies in internal control over compliance, as described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Schedule 2) as Findings #2015-002 and #2015-003, that we consider to be material weaknesses.

The responses by the Cities to the internal control over compliance findings identified in our audits are described in the accompanying Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs (Schedule 2). The responses by the Cities were not subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of compliance, and accordingly, we express no opinion on the responses.

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing on internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of the Guidelines and Requirements. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vasquez & Company LLP". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Los Angeles, California
December 16, 2015

**Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority
 Summary of Compliance Findings
 Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2015**

The audits of the 49 cities identified in Schedule 1 have resulted in 5 findings. The table below shows a summary of the findings:

Finding	# of Findings	Responsible Cities/ Finding No. Reference	Questioned Costs	Resolved During the Audit
Funds were expended without LACMTA's approval	3	La Verne (#2015-002) Lancaster (#2015-003) Whittier (#2015-005)	\$ 301,778 263,387 114	\$ 301,778 263,387 114
Expenditure Plan (Form One) was not submitted timely	1	Hawaiian Gardens (#2015-001)	-	-
Expenditure Report (Form Two) was not submitted on time.	1	Palos Verdes Estates (#2015-004)	-	-
Total Findings and Questioned Costs	5		\$ 565,279	\$ 565,279

Details of the findings are in Schedule 2.

**Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority
Summary of Measure R Audit Results
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Compliance Area Tested	Alhambra	Arcadia	Artesia
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Avalon	Bellflower	Bradbury
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Not applicable
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Not applicable
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Not applicable
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Not applicable
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Not applicable
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Burbank	Cerritos	Claremont
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Covina	Diamond Bar	Downey
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Compliant

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Compliance Area Tested	Duarte	El Segundo	Glendale
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Glendora	Hawaiian Gardens	Hermosa Beach
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Finding #2015-001	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	La Canada- Flintridge	La Habra Heights	La Mirada
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	La Verne	Lakewood	Lancaster
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Finding #2015-002	Compliant	Finding #2015-003
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Not applicable
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Lomita	Long Beach	Los Angeles
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Manhattan Beach	Monrovia	Norwalk
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Palos Verdes		
	Palmdale	Estates	Paramount
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Finding #2015-004	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Pasadena	Rancho Palos Verdes	Redondo Beach
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Rolling Hills	Rolling Hills Estates	San Dimas
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	San Gabriel	San Marino	Santa Clarita
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Sierra Madre	Signal Hill	South Pasadena
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant	Not applicable	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Temple City	Torrance	West Covina
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Not applicable	Compliant	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Not applicable	Compliant	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Not applicable	Compliant	Compliant
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Not applicable	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant	Compliant	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Not applicable	Compliant	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

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Compliance Area Tested	Whittier
Funds were expended for transportation purposes.	Compliant
Funds were used to augment, not supplant, existing local revenues being used for transportation purposes unless there is a funding shortfall.	Compliant
Evidence of signed and returned assurances and understanding agreement.	Compliant
Accounts and records have established a separate operating Measure R Local Transportation Assistance Account for LR Purposes.	Compliant
Verification of revenues received, including allocations, project generated revenues, interest income properly recorded.	Compliant
Verification that funds were expended with LACMTA's approval.	Finding #2015-005
Verification that funds were not substituted for property tax and is compliant with assurances and understanding.	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Plan (Form One).	Compliant
Timely submission of Expenditure Report (Form Two).	Compliant
Timely use of funds.	Compliant
Administrative expenditures did not exceed 20% of the total annual LR expenditures.	Compliant
Approval obtained from LACMTA for fund exchange (trades, loans, or gifts).	Not applicable
Verification that funds expended and reimbursed by another fund, were properly credited to the LR account upon reimbursement.	Not applicable
Verification that funds exchanged with another jurisdiction were properly recorded by that jurisdiction.	Not applicable
Establishment of, and approval by LACMTA for, a reserve fund.	Not applicable
For capital reserve fund, verification that a separate account has been established, and the current status is reported in the expenditure plan.	Not applicable
Where recreational Transit Services, Recreational Transit Form submitted timely.	Not applicable

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Finding #2015-001	Hawaiian Gardens
Compliance Reference	Section B(II)(1) of the Measure R Local Return Program Guidelines states that "...Jurisdictions shall submit to LACMTA an Expenditure Plan (Form One), annually, by August 1 of each year...."
Condition	The City submitted its Form One on August 15, 2014, which is beyond the due date set under the Guidelines.
Cause	The City lacks adequate procedures to ensure that Form One is submitted on time.
Effect	Form One was not submitted on time as required by the Guidelines.
Recommendation	We recommend for the City to establish procedures and controls to ensure that Form One is submitted by August 1 as required by the Guidelines.
Management Response	The City had a transition of the Finance Director position with multiple consultants filling the role during the 2013-2014 and 2014-2015 fiscal years. The position has now been filled with a full time employee. As part of the effort to ensure these deadlines are not missed a calendar for the Finance department has been developed that can be used by staff to monitor dates for submission of the forms even if another staff transition occurs.

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Finding #2015-002	City of La Verne
Compliance Reference	<p>Section B(II)(1) of the Measure R Local Return Program Guidelines states that "...LACMTA will provide LR funds to a capital project or program sponsor who submits the required expenditure plan containing the following: 1. The estimated total cost for each project and/or program activity"</p> <p>To maintain legal eligibility and meet Measure R LR program compliance requirements, Jurisdictions shall submit to LACMTA an Expenditure Plan (Form One), annually, by August 1 of each year.</p>
Condition	<p>The City claimed expenditures for Project code 01-002 Street Repairs and Maintenance – Old Ranch Road Area ARAM project totaling \$301,778 with no prior approval from LACMTA.</p> <p>Although, this project was previously approved in FY 2014, the City was still required to submit Form One for FY 2015, carry over the budget, and have it approved prior to spending the money.</p> <p>LACMTA Program Manager granted retroactive approval of the said project on December 15, 2015.</p>
Cause	<p>The City lacks adequate procedures to ensure that a Form One is submitted to obtain approval prior to implementation of a Measure R-funded project.</p>
Effect	<p>The City claimed expenditures totaling \$301,778 without prior approval from LACMTA. Lack of prior approval results in non-compliance which could impact future funding or result in questioned costs that require funding to be returned to LACMTA.</p>
Recommendation	<p>We recommend for the City to establish procedures and controls to ensure that approval is obtained from LACMTA prior to implementing any Measure R-funded projects.</p>
Management Response	<p>The Project code 01-002 was originally submitted and approved in FY 2013/14. Our Public Works Director was under the belief that once the funds were approved and encumbered in FY 2013/14 that he did not need to include the project in the FY2014/15 Form One. We have submitted another Form One to LACMTA and Project 01-002 is included in this Form One for FY2014/15. We received approval for the Form One from MTA on December 15, 2015.</p>
Finding Corrected During the Audit	<p>LACMTA Program Manager granted retroactive approval of the said project on December 15, 2015. No additional follow up is required.</p>

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Finding #2015-003	City of Lancaster
Compliance Reference	<p>Section B(II)(1) of the Measure R Local Return Program Guidelines states that "...LACMTA will provide LR funds to a capital project or program sponsor who submits the required expenditure plan containing the following: 1. The estimated total cost for each project and/or program activity"</p> <p>To maintain legal eligibility and meet Measure R LR program compliance requirements, Jurisdictions shall submit to LACMTA an Expenditure Plan (Form One), annually, by August 1 of each year.</p>
Condition	<p>The City claimed expenditures for the purchase of the Avalanche Sweeper totaling \$263,387 with no prior approval from LACMTA.</p> <p>Although, this project was previously approved in FY 2014, the City was still required to submit Form One for FY 2015, carry over the budget, and have it approved prior to spending the money.</p> <p>LACMTA Program Manager granted retroactive approval of the said project on December 14, 2015.</p>
Cause	The City lacks adequate procedures to ensure that a Form One is submitted to obtain approval prior to implementation of a Measure R-funded project.
Effect	The City claimed expenditures totaling \$263,387 without prior approval from LACMTA. Lack of prior approval results in non-compliance which could impact future funding or result in questioned costs that require funding to be returned to LACMTA.
Recommendation	We recommend for the City to establish procedures and controls to ensure that approval is obtained from LACMTA prior to implementing any Measure R-funded projects.
Management Response	We recognize that it should have also been on our FY 2014/15 budget approval (not just FY 2013/14) and accept the audit finding. We are in the process of revising our procedures and making some personnel changes in order to avoid this happening in the future.
Finding Corrected During the Audit	LACMTA Program Manager granted retroactive approval of the said project on December 14, 2015. No additional follow up is required.

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Finding #2015-004	City of Palos Verdes Estates
Compliance Reference	Section B(II)(2) of the Measure R Local Return Program Guidelines states that "...Jurisdictions shall submit to LACMTA an Expenditure Report (Form Two), annually, by October 15 th (following the conclusion of the fiscal year)...."
Condition	The City submitted its Form Two on November 13, 2015, which is beyond the due date set under the Guidelines.
Cause	The City lacks adequate procedures and controls to ensure that Form Two is filed on time.
Effect	Form Two (Expenditure Report) was not submitted timely as required by the Guidelines.
Recommendation	We recommend for the City to establish procedures and controls to ensure that Form Two (Expenditure Report) is submitted by October 15 as required by the Guidelines.
Management Response	At the end of FY 2015 the City lost two and a half long term staff members. As the department has a total of 4.5 FTE positions, that was over half the department. The duties of the departed staff were highly segregated and not well known to the remaining and newly hired staff. The City will work toward developing its remaining and new staff to be able to complete all required forms in a timely manner.

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Finding #2015-005	City of Whittier
Compliance Reference	<p>Section B(II)(1) of the Measure R Local Return Program Guidelines states that "...LACMTA will provide LR funds to a capital project or program sponsor who submits the required expenditure plan containing the following: 1. The estimated total cost for each project and/or program activity"</p> <p>To maintain legal eligibility and meet Measure R LR program compliance requirements, Jurisdictions shall submit to LACMTA an Expenditure Plan (Form One), annually, by August 1 of each year.</p>
Condition	<p>The City claimed expenditures for Project code 1.05 Palm Ave. Street Repairs project totaling \$114 with no prior approval from LACMTA.</p> <p>Although we found the expenditures to be eligible for MRLRF funding, this project had no prior approval from LACMTA.</p>
Cause	<p>The City lacks adequate procedures to ensure that a Form One is submitted to obtain approval prior to implementation of a Measure R-funded project.</p>
Effect	<p>The City claimed expenditures totaling \$114 without prior approval from LACMTA. Lack of prior approval results in non-compliance which could impact future funding or result in questioned costs that require funding to be returned to LACMTA.</p>
Recommendation	<p>We recommend for the City to establish procedures and controls to ensure that approval is obtained from LACMTA prior to implementing any Measure R-funded projects.</p>
Management Response	<p>The Palm Avenue project was listed as pending in the submittal to Metro due to the continued delay of waiting for the utility work to move forward. Measure R funds were already programed in the City budget for the project and have submitted the Form One to Metro on July 20, 2015 for FY 2015/16 program year.</p>
Finding Corrected During the Audit	<p>LACMTA Program Manager granted retroactive approval of the said project on December 14, 2015. No additional follow up is required.</p>



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