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Memorandum

TO: Minority Citizens Advisory Committee

DATE: May 6, 2008

FR: Pam Grove, Public Information Officer

RE: Staff Report – May 2008

MTC's Draft Program Management Plan Available for Review

MTC's combined draft Program Management Plan (PMP) for two Federal Transit Administration (FTA) grant programs – Section 5316, the Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) Program, and Section 5317, the New Freedom Program – is now available for public review at http://www.mtc.ca.gov/funding/FTA/downloads/PMP_5316-JARC_and_5317-New_Freedom_050708.pdf. The PMP is required by FTA to document MTC's procedures and policies for administering the JARC and New Freedom funds for which MTC is the designated recipient. Its primary purpose is to serve as the basis for FTA to review administration of the programs by designated recipients. Please provide comments on the PMP, if any, by Friday, May 23, 2008 to Christina Atienza at catienza@mtc.ca.gov.

Note that, apart from the PMP, it is still MTC's intent to issue Program Guidelines prior to any call for projects, and to provide an opportunity for stakeholders to review and comment on draft Program Guidelines. In contrast with the PMP, which is focused on program administration, the primary purposes of MTC's Program Guidelines are to provide sufficient information for prospective applicants to determine whether they should apply for funds, provide detailed instructions for how to apply for those funds, and to make transparent the competitive selection process for those funds. If you have any questions regarding the draft PMP, please contact Christina Atienza.

Transportation 2035 Outreach Reminders

As a reminder, there will not be a joint advisor workshop during the month of May. Instead, MCAC members are encouraged to attend a regional workshop. A series of workshops will be held during the month of May – one in each county – to continue the discussion of trade-offs necessary to create a final list of RTP projects within a financially constrained environment.

A list of the workshops and other information on the Transportation 2035 outreach process can be found online at http://www.mtc.ca.gov/planning/2035_plan/workshops.htm. I am also including a list of dates and times in each county below:

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Sonoma County

- Tuesday, May 6, 2008, 6:30-8:30 pm
Finley Community Center, Auditorium
2060 West College Avenue, Santa Rosa

Solano County

- Wednesday, May 7, 2008, 6-8 pm
County Government Center, Rooms 1600-1620
675 Texas Street, Fairfield

Santa Clara County

- Thursday, May 8, 2008, 6-8 pm
Martin Luther King Library, Rooms 225-229
150 East San Fernando Street, San Jose

Contra Costa County

- Monday, May 12, 2008, 6-8 pm
Civic Park Community Center, Social Hall
1375 Civic Drive, Walnut Creek

San Mateo County

- Tuesday, May 13, 2008, 6-8 pm
San Mateo County Government Center, Board of Supervisors Chambers, 400 County
Center, Redwood City

Alameda County

- Wednesday, May 14, 2008, 6-8 pm
MetroCenter, Lawrence D. Dahms Auditorium, 101 8th Street, Oakland

Marin County

- Monday, May 19, 2008, 6-8 pm
San Rafael Community Center, Auditorium, 618 B Street, San Rafael

Napa County

- Tuesday, May 20, 2008, 6-8 pm
Napa City-County Library, Community Meeting Room, 580 Coombs Street, Napa

San Francisco County

- Thursday, May 22, 2008, 6-8 pm
San Francisco State Downtown Campus, Rooms E673-674, 835 Market Street, San
Francisco

There is one more Joint Advisor Workshop planned for Thursday, June 5, just following the Elderly and Disabled Advisory Committee meeting. Lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m., and MCAC members are asked to RSVP to Georgia if they will be attending. The meeting is scheduled to end at 2:30 p.m.

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In addition to the above outreach workshops and the joint advisor workshop, watch MTC's Web site for an upcoming online survey. While the survey will mirror the content presented at the

workshops, this is another opportunity to get involved, and citizens who are unable to attend a meeting are especially encouraged to weigh in online. If you know someone who can't attend a meeting, forward our Web site information on for participation in the survey when it goes live at www.mtc.ca.gov.

Reminder - MTC Awards Nominations

There are less than two weeks left to get your nominations in for MTC's biennial awards program. If you know or someone who you believe has contributed significantly to improve transportation in the Bay Area, consider nominating that person or organization for an MTC transportation award.

Award categories and more details on the program can be found on MTC's Web site at http://www.mtc.ca.gov/about_mtc/awards/index.htm, and nominations can be submitted online.

The deadline for nominations is Friday, May 23, 2008, and a jury of MTC Commissioners, staff and the general public will select the winners this summer. The awards are scheduled to be presented to the recipients just prior to the Commission meeting in October 2008.

Other Attachments

MCAC member Bill Allen has included two recent items from San Mateo newspapers. One is an article on MTC's upcoming workshops on the Transportation 2035 Plan (see list above). The second article gives an early look at plans for a regional rail system.

Meeting Reminders

- **High School Internship Subcommittee**
Tuesday, May 13, 2008, 2:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
MetroCenter – Third Floor “Fishbowl” Conference Room
- **Transportation 2035 Equity Analysis Subcommittee**
Thursday, May 29, 2008, 3 p.m. – 5 p.m.
MetroCenter – Claremont Conference Room (Second Floor)
- **Transportation 2035 Joint Advisors Workshop**
Thursday, June 5, 2008, 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.
(immediately following the EDAC meeting – lunch will be provided)
MetroCenter Auditorium

Attachments