

# Metropolitan Transportation Commission Programming and Allocations Committee

May 13, 2009

Item Number 5

## California Transportation Commission Update

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**Subject:** Update on the April 2009 California Transportation Commission Meeting

**Background:** The California Transportation Commission is responsible for the programming and allocation of funds for the construction of highway, passenger rail and transit improvements throughout California. The CTC consists of eleven voting members and two non-voting ex-officio members. Of the eleven voting members, nine are appointed by the Governor, one is appointed by the Senate Rules Committee, and one is appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly. The San Francisco Bay Area has four (4) CTC members in its geographic area: Bob Alvarado, Jim Ghielmetti, Carl Guardino, and Phil Tagami. The CTC meets regularly throughout the year.

### April CTC Meeting (April 15-16, Sacramento, California)

The CTC met in April and discussed several key issues affecting the region:

#### ***Implementation of Federal Economic Stimulus***

The CTC received an update on the progress of economic stimulus projects statewide given the recent passage of AB 3X 20, which shifted a portion of the state's share of ARRA funds to the regions. The State also approved programming of the remaining \$310 million in its share to various projects – among them, \$92.7 million for the Caldecott Tunnel Fourth Bore. This project will be allocated at the May CTC meeting. The CTC also added a \$2.9 million transportation management project in San Mateo County to the State's ARRA SHOPP list, which came from cost savings in other ARRA SHOPP projects.

#### ***State-Local Partnership Program Adoption***

The CTC adopted the Proposition 1B State-Local Partnership Program (SLPP), which included various regional projects, including the BART Extension to Warm Springs. However, the final allocation of funds to SLPP projects will depend on availability of bond funding.

#### ***Supplemental Funds for US-101 Marin HOV Gap Closure***

The CTC approved \$4.1 million in supplemental STIP and State ARRA Transportation Enhancement funds for the US-101 Marin HOV Gap Closure project, which has experienced cost increases. With the State's action, the project can now be completed.

### May CTC Meeting (May 14, Sacramento, California)

The May meeting will take place on May 14. The CTC is scheduled to discuss the implementation of ARRA again, as well as consider various amendments to the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) and allocating \$92.7 million in State ARRA funds to the Caldecott Tunnel Fourth Bore project.

**Issues:** No issues.

**Recommendation:** Information. No action required.

**Attachments:** No attachments.